

# Lectures for Genealogical Societies

## ☛ **Poor, Black and Landless in New England: The Story of Ishmael Coffee**

Ishmael Coffee was the son of a former slave. He was poor and never owned property. Discover how this African American left behind a wealth of records for his ancestors to find. Through this case study learn to trace your New England African American ancestors.

## ☛ **Finding the Gems in New England Cemeteries**

Get the most out of your trip to a New England cemetery. Learn how to locate transcriptions and find the physical address of the cemetery. Discover how to use online satellite photos as an aid, locate maps and digital photo basics for tombstones.

## ☛ **Don't Call Your Relatives, Let Them Call You!**

*How genealogical smarts and a little web savvy can send your distant cousins right to your inbox*

Learn how to create a well thought out website that will provide enough genealogical data to attract your distant cousins without giving away your future manuscript. You don't have to have a fancy website to have an effective website. Discover the recipe for success that balances design and content. Note: This lecture requires use of a digital projector.

## ☛ **Organizing & Dating your Old Photographs**

Learn what to do with all those boxes of old photographs. Understand what you have and how old it is by learning to identify the type of photo it is. Learn other clues that help identify photos such as hairstyles, clothing and props in the photos. Then learn how to organize the photos by date and type and how to best archive them

## ☛ **Researching the History of Your House**

You can research the history of your house whether it is 20 years old or 150 years old. Marian Pierre-Louis will introduce where to find the deeds to your house, how to chain a deed, and locating other sources of information such as the US Federal Census records. Come learn some tricks to get the most out of your house history research. This talk is appropriate for both beginners and those who have some research experience. Note: this talk can be altered as either a beginner or an advanced research talk.

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