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• A few tips:

OJOIN Facebook genealogy groups where your ancestors lived

- e.g. Phila, PA Genealogy [Michael O'Brien], Dutchess Co. NY Genealogy Group, Anne Arundel Genealogical Society, Lees of VA, Genealogy-Joseph Jenks Descendants, Mayflower Families and Descendants, Morris County, New Jersey Genealogy, Mennonite and Amish Genealogy, Pennsylvania Cemeteries, Virginia (Civil War), German Genealogy, Plymouth Colony, Rhode Island Genealogy Network, etc.



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- Contact DNA matches with a matching surname on their tree
- Get help from familysearch.org free 20 minute consultation once weekly on any topic

www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Family_History_Library_Online_Consultati ons

Ask the Community on <u>familysearch.org</u>

familysearch.org

Search Wiki

"German Genealogy"

[a lavender "Ask the Community" button to click will come up when you find the community you want]

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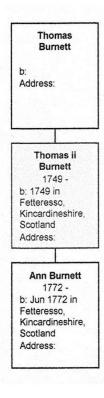
- Message/contact <u>ancestry.com</u> tree managers and those on <u>myheritage.com</u> when their hint(s) pop-up. Offer to exchange information via email.
- Join genealogical/historical societies in the areas where your family lived. Add a donation to your membership and bond with an officer of the society.

eg. Jonathan Nungesser d.c.

• Karen Dwyer's tips:

Catherine Dente's puzzle

• Where to find the wives of the Thomas Burnet's ??????



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Thomas Burnett Wives???

• Source used: Old Parish Records from "Scotland's People."

https://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/search-our-records

• I checked ancestry.com/FHL [Source: Scotland, Select Births and Baptisms, 1564-1950]:

Thomas Burnet	
Gender:	Male
Baptism Date:	10 Nov 1749
Baptism Place:	Fetteresso, Kincardine, Scotland
Father:	Thomas Burnet
FHL Film Number:	993314

Burnett wives

 Found on <u>ancestry.com</u> [shared info from familysearch.org] <u>Source</u>:<u>Scotland, Select Births and Baptisms,</u> <u>1564-1950</u> & on familysearch.org

Thomas Burnet	
Gender:	Male
Baptism Date:	28 Jul 1751
Baptism Place:	, North Berwick, East Lothian (Haddingtonshire), <mark>Scotland</mark>
Father:	<u>Thomas Burnet</u>
Mother:	Marion Kennedy !!!!!
FHL Film Number:	1067851
Reference ID:	2:15RW0MD

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- Analysis of possible correct identification of Thomas ii's mother as *Marion Kennedy*:
- 1. If they were Catholic, 1751 is most likely too late for Thomas ii's baptism but a possibility if they were Protestant/Presbyterian. *Note: Kennedy can be an Irish or Scottish surname.*
- 2. The place of baptism is not Kincardineshire. Kincardineshire is in NE Scotland. North Berwick appears to be more North Central. Marion may have been from North Berwick so they went there for the baptism or was there a shortage of their church denomination in Scotland in 1751??
- 3. Or is this <u>not</u> the same Thomas Burnet b. 1749?!!!
- 4. Is "Burnet" a common Scottish name so there could be multiple "Thomas Burnet's" at this time? Yes, but the Scottish baptisms in <u>ancestry.com</u> did not fit the birth date or the father's name was not "Thomas."
- 5. I found no marriage in Scotland for a Thos. Burnett & Marion Kennedy on Ancestry or FHL.
- 6. Get copies of the FHL microfilms to see if they contain any more information.
- 7. Kim Copper has a tree on ancestry.com with Thos Burnet b. 1749. No mother or father cited. Same baptismal source and info. for 1749. No mention of 1751 baptism.

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- Checked <u>findmypast.com</u> nothing. Sent me to FHL
- Checked <u>myheritage.com</u> nothing. Sent me to FHL -nothing in family trees
- Did you look for research help in <u>familysearch.org</u> **Research Wikis** on Scotland?
- What next? Zoom <u>Audience</u> input:

Anita Lambert Inquiry

• Help in locating her grandfather's 1st entry into the USA at age 11

Which ship? What departure port? What port of entry in America? Who accompanied him?

- He came from Calabria, Italy
- His 2nd and 3rd entries were through NYC port
- His naturalization papers were begun during his 1st entry at age 11 (citizen by age 16) –the papers show "Naples departure 17 April 1899 on Ship_____"

No guardian named in these papers

- His 3 older brothers had multiple entries but never sought citizenship.
- Ship entries for NYC, Boston, Phila, Baltimore and New Orleans checked nothing
- Used many spelling possibilities in her search
- Could he have entered through Canada?

Passenger Ship Search for Grandfather

- Check <u>familysearch.org</u> wikis for help in searching records of emigrants from Calabria/Italy. There are several wikis just on Calabria and >1,000 for Italy.
- From Bryan Mulcahy:
 - -Family Search Wiki: Tracing immigrants Arrival Emigration & Immigration

www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Tracing immigrants arrival emigration and Immigration

-There are several more in the Wikis and from Bryan.

- Look for Letters of Manumission (list of passengers by ship Captain required) for c. 1899. Requires passenger's full name.
- Places to find ship manifests: a) National Archives by state, b) Family History Library, c) *Filby Ship Passenger Lists* (30 volumes.Ft Myers Library has them)

Passenger Ship Search Bryan Mulcahy's tips

- Cyndi's List: <u>www.cyndislist.com/ships/</u>
- Findmypast: <u>https://search.findmypast.com/search-world-records-in-immigration-and-travel</u>
- Enhanced familysearch.org version (Ft. Myers Regional Library) https://www.leegov.com/library/services/genealogy
- Steve Morse passenger lists https://stevemorse.org//
- Christa Cowan (ancestry.com) youtube tutorials:
 - a) Did they really come through NYC? www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZelCb5mHHNw
 - b) Lesser Known Ports of Immigration www.youtube.com/watch?v=5yG6qvhnCPw
 - c) Tips for finding Family in Passenger Lists
 - www.youtube.com/watch?v=L8Vdg5yJHLQ
- National Archives files <u>www.archives.gov/research/immigration/aliens</u>
 Naturalization records: <u>www.archives.gov/research/immigration/naturalization</u>
 Passenger arrival records: <u>www.archives.gov/research/immigration</u>

HOWARD FINKEL INQUIRY

• What makes a successful message when contacting matches in order to elicit a response?

-How can one interest the contactee to answer your inquiry?

-Major challenge: many/most taking a DNA test are not genealogists

Interested only in knowing their ethnicities

Searching for biological parent(s), children

etc.

Audience input--

Various Inquiries from Dean Kudich

• Where to find orphanage records?

-Search for orphanage records in the Census & Voter Lists index by name of person or by location where they lived.

-Use the child's original name, try searching census records with the name and using keywords "orphan" or "orphanage." This can turn up the name of the orphanage at which the child lived. In older censuses, children who lived at orphanages may have been referred to as "inmates."

- 1. -From any page on Ancestry, click the **Search** tab and select **Census & Voter Lists**.
- 2. Enter the child's name with as much other information as you know.
- 3. Enter "orphan" or "orphanage" in the Keywords field and click Search.
- 4. From your list of search results, click on a census or index to view details. Clicking on a record will bring you to a list of facts from the record. [Used Google Search to find the above information]

How to find & hire a researcher to do Lithuanian research that requires Russian fluency?

-Use the familysearch.org Wikis for Lithuania to help do your own research on your grandmother before hiring a professional. Use GOOGLE TRANSLATE for Russian translating

Nancy Wozniak Inquiry

• If you cannot find a birth/marriage/death on ancestry.com, where else can you search?

-Go to the state vital statistics website and order a copy of the death certificate of an individual (provides birth, death, name of spouse, etc.)

-Church records of baptisms/marriages/burials digitized on genealogy websites and in many books in genealogy collections. Many have been digitized on <u>ancestry.com</u> and/or *familysearch.org*.

-e.g. Dutch Reformed Church Manhattan (6 June 1657); Delaware Church Records 1707-1939 (familysearch.org), Pennsylvania, Death Certificates, 1906-1963 (ancestry.com), Philadelphia Death Index (Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania); Barbour Collection of early CT cemetery records, etc., Bible Records from 17 families & records on 3 CT families (DAR record), Coventry Parish Records (Somerset County, MD) by Helen B. Clary, etc.

-Use Google books for books out of copyright

https://books.google.com/

Free Workshops

- Navigating Family Tree Maker
- Beginning Genealogy

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