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## The 25 Most Popular Stories in January 2012

Based on clicks received from the Daily, Weekly and Online editions as of Feb. 11, 2012.

### [What are the best records before birth and death registration was required?](#)

Many records exist and many are online.

(Source: *Answers at Genealogy Today*, 26/Jan/2012)

### [5 Great Websites for Genealogists to Use in 2012 \(\\$\)](#)

In celebration of the new year, Gena Philibert-Ortega shares some of the secrets to her success in her most recent article, "5 Great Websites for Genealogists to Use in 2012." The author makes the point that some of the most useful resources are not "genealogy" websites, per se, but sites that can help you learn, share, and work more efficiently.

(Source: *GenWeekly*, 01/Jan/2012)

### [PBS Jumps Back Into Genealogy with a 10 Part Series](#)

(Source: *The Genealogy Blog via RSS Feed*, 05/Jan/2012)

### [More New USA Vital Records Data Posted at FamilySearch.org](#)

(Source: *The Genealogy Blog via RSS Feed*, 08/Jan/2012)

### [Military Records: In Depth](#)

A comprehensive examination of U.S. military records, covering the period from the American Revolution through World War II.

(Source: *Family History Wiki*, 04/Jan/2012)

### [Ancestry.com 2012 Plans](#)

(Source: *The Ancestry Insider via RSS Feed*, 02/Jan/2012)

### [Spotlight: More Obituary Indexes -- Ohio, New Jersey, and Iowa](#)

(Source: *Daily Genealogist via RSS Feed*, 16/Jan/2012)

### [1940 Census Consortium](#)

(Source: *The Ancestry Insider via RSS Feed*, 18/Jan/2012)

## [St. Louis facility restores burned or otherwise damaged records](#)

(Source: *St. Louis Beacon*, 20/Jan/2012)

## [The Darned Lazy Census Enumerators](#)

(Source: *The Ancestry Insider via RSS Feed*, 06/Jan/2012)

## [Veterans' personal information accidentally posted on Ancestry.com](#)

VA officials supplied the information to Ancestry.com in March 2011 as part of a Freedom of Information Act request by the genealogy site.

(Source: *Stars and Stripes*, 20/Jan/2012)

## [How can the 1929 Registry help me find my ancestor's missing arrival records??](#)

Contrary to alien registrations of the past, the Registration Act of 1929 actually benefited non-citizen immigrants, allowing them to recreate missing arrival records -- the resulting documentation is now of benefit to researchers.

(Source: *Answers at Genealogy Today*, 30/Jan/2012)

## [US Census Reveals Important New Information on Irish Americans](#)

(Source: *Geneanet Genealogy Blog via RSS Feed*, 31/Jan/2012)

## [What to Look for on Ancestry.com in 2012](#)

(Source: *Genealogy Insider via RSS Feed*, 09/Jan/2012)

## [Pinterest - Oh No, Another Addictive Distraction!](#)

(Source: *Olive Tree Genealogy Blog via RSS Feed*, 24/Jan/2012)

## [The Ultimate Get-Your-Genealogy-Organized Collection](#)

(Source: *Genealogy Insider via RSS Feed*, 19/Jan/2012)

## [SSDI Call to Action for Genealogists](#)

(Source: *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter via RSS Feed*, 29/Jan/2012)

## [Miracles in Genealogy](#)

(Source: *The Genealogy Blog via RSS Feed*, 02/Jan/2012)

## [Martin Sheen, Helen Hunt Among Season 3 Celebrities for "Who Do You Think You Are?"](#)

(Source: *Genealogy Insider via RSS Feed*, 06/Jan/2012)

### [What is a necrology and how does it differ from an obituary?](#)

Not as macabre as it may seem, necrologies may be full of life in their coverage of individuals.

(Source: *Answers at Genealogy Today*, 14/Jan/2012)

### [Was Ancestry's New Interactive Census Viewer Quietly Released?](#)

(Source: *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter via RSS Feed*, 30/Jan/2012)

### [Basics of Research: A Beginner's Guide](#)

One of the first questions of a beginning researcher is, "Where do I start?" A step-by-step approach can make it a little less intimidating. Whether you are a beginning researcher or a seasoned pro, a review of the basics is a good exercise.

(Source: *Family History Wiki*, 13/Jan/2012)

### [Will Pinterest replace blogs?](#)

(Source: *DearMYRTLE's Genealogy Blog via RSS Feed*, 16/Jan/2012)

### [How to Preserve Your Family Photo Collection](#)

(Source: *The Genealogy Blog via RSS Feed*, 05/Jan/2012)

### [Was naturalization required for immigrants to live and work in the U.S.?](#)

Not everyone pursued naturalization, and not everyone could.

(Source: *Answers at Genealogy Today*, 27/Jan/2012)

### [Records Search](#) at Genealogy Today

The Genealogy Today Subscription Data collection has had **36 new transcriptions** (from original documents) posted to it during the month of January.

### [Family History Wiki](#) at Genealogy Today

The Family History Wiki has had **96 new items** posted to it during the month of January.

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