Library Skills for Genealogical Research

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I. Website Basics-slcl.org
   A. My Account/login
   B. Contact Us, Hours & Locations
   C. Social media
   D. Main tabs, click icon to return to homepage

II. Using the Library
   A. Library Cards
      1. Online application or any branch
      2. Reciprocal cards
      3. Default PIN-1234
   B. Borrowing
      1. 2 books from H & G at a time
      2. 14-day loan period
   C. Personalized Learning
      1. Book a Trainer
      2. eCourses-Gale, Mango
   D. Mobile App
   E. Mobile Hotspot

III. Books, eMedia & More
   A. Catalog
      1. Searching
      2. Mobius
      3. Narrowing a search, placing a hold
      4. Call number/“R”=reference
6. Worldcat.org
7. Slcl.org search box

B. Interlibrary Loan
C. Suggest a Purchase

IV. Events & Classes
A. Genealogy classes
   1. Sign up online, Event Type-Genealogy
   2. Beginning to advanced levels

B. Computer classes

V. Research
A. Holdings & Collections
   1. Founded 1998, over 100,000 print items, microfilm, databases
   2. Collections
      a. The St. Louis Genealogical Society Collection
      b. The Julius K. Hunter and Friends African American Research Collection
      c. The William C. E. and Bessie K. Becker Collection
      d. The Mary F. Berthold Collection
      e. The Jewish Genealogical Society of St. Louis Collection
      f. The Lewis Bunker Rohrbach Collection
      g. The National Genealogical Society Collection

B. Planning Your Visit
   1. Located at Headquarters, Tiers 4 & 5
   2. H & G is currently closed
   3. Available services

C. Subject Guides
D. Publications
   1. PastPorts
   2. Sign up online, back issues on website

E. Genealogical Forms
F. Indexes & Finding Aids
   1. Made in-house
   2. Great for St. Louis ancestors

G. Online Genealogy Resources
1. Databases & websites
2. Need to login to use from home
3. Ancestry.com, newspapers.com, fold3.com, many other great sites
4. Familysearch.com affiliate library
5. PERSI-Periodical Source Index on findmypast.com

H. Lookups
I. Book a Genealogist

VI. Other Libraries/Resources
A. Missouri Historical Society, State Historical Society of Missouri
B. Missouri Digital Heritage
C. St. Louis Genealogical Society
D. Out-of-town libraries and societies
E. Digitized books-archive.org, hathitrust.org
F. Google searches

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