

National Genealogical Society

MOST PEOPLE ASSOCIATE the National Genealogical Society (NGS) with its journal, its annual "Conference in the States and Family History Fair", its courses, its publications and other programs; all of which are excellent.

However, did you know that the NGS website, <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org>, also has data and resources available? In fact, in March 2007, it was reported that the NGS website has more than one million ancestral names available online, in one collection.

MEMBER ANCESTRY CHARTS

Just a year since the first Member Ancestry Chart (MAC) became available to members on its website, the NGS uploaded the mil-

The index is searchable. Images of the Bible pages are being scanned in PDF format.

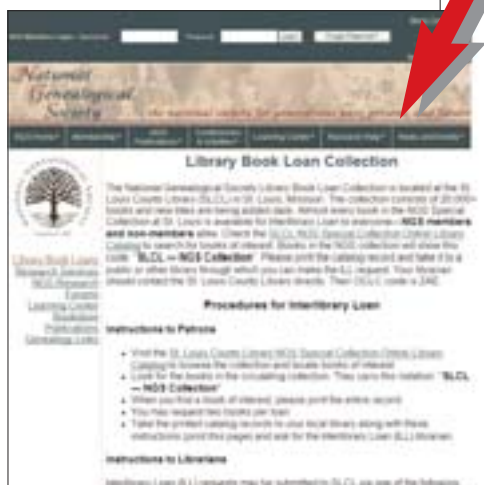
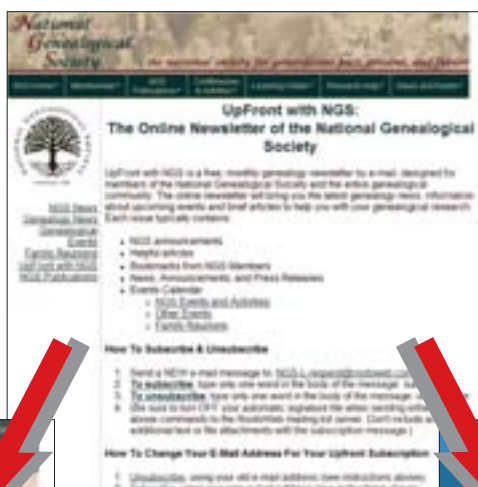
NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER

This database, Abstracts from The National Intelligencer (Washing-

you with your genealogical research.

- Book Loan Collection, https://www.ngsgenealogy.org/book_loan.cfm

The NGS book collection is located at the St. Louis County Library (SLCL) in St. Louis, Missouri. The collection consists of more than 20,000 books and new titles are being added daily. Almost every book in the NGS Special Collection at St. Louis is available for interlibrary loan to everyone. Check the St. Louis County Library (SLCL) NGS Special Collection Online Library Catalog, <http://webpac.slcl.org/>, to search for books of interest. The St. Louis County library has an introduction to the collec-



From the National Genealogical Society's website you can access data and resources online.

ton, DC), 1800-1850, is a very special, fully indexed abstract database of marriage and death notices from this early newspaper. When you search for a surname, it will search for certain obvious variants and then the forenames are presented in alphabetical fashion and associated with a PDF file (or

multiple files depending on how many entries are found).

FREE RESOURCES

Though the above are only accessible to NGS members, there are some free, invaluable resources available to all.

- Upfront Newsletter, <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/upfront.cfm>

This monthly genealogy newsletter by e-mail is designed for members of the NGS and the entire genealogical community. The online newsletter will bring you the latest genealogy news, information about upcoming events and brief articles to help

lionth ancestral name from its MAC collection. All the names are searchable, including separate entries for women's maiden and married surnames. This happened because a group of more than 100 dedicated NGS volunteers input this data.

Did you know that NGS members also have access to a Family Bible Records Collection and abstracts of the *National Intelligencer*?

FAMILY BIBLE RECORDS

The NGS Bible Record collection is being indexed and digitized. A large percentage of the Bibles, but not all, have an every name index.

tion as well as an overview of the relevant interlibrary loan procedures on its website, <http://www.slcl.org/branches/hq/sc/ngs/ngscol-main.htm>.

And, in the future, it's anticipated that the Family Papers Collection (other scanned family documents, photos and more) will come online.

So, remember that the NGS is not just about conferences and its journal; its website has source data and a free newsletter and the society maintains an interlibrary loan service available to anyone.