

Chat log 8 Oct 2021

What am I missing? Recognizing Research Holes in Available Sources by Patti Lee Hobbs

Audience Question:

Q: This series has been the best since Webtember

A: It is truly a great series of webinars!

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Q: The books of Indexes of church records in my area were produced over many years. When a discrepancy was found, a correction was made in a later volume that covered a completely different time frame. I didn't realize this until I took the time to read the introductory material.

A: That situation is so hard!

Audience Question:

Q: What does IRAD mean?

A: IRAD = Illinois Regional Archives Depository (IRAD) system

<https://www.ilsos.gov/departments/archives/IRAD/home.html>

Audience Question:

Q: Love Williamson County, Illinois Historical Society- I have been in person twice even though they have lots of online indexes.

A: Good to know.

Audience Question:

Q: The pictures from Williamson County, Illinois, the second slide had the pictures of my 3rd great-grandparents, the Aikmans.

A: Cool!

Audience Question:

Q: The Williamson County Historical Society is very helpful and have tons of records.

A: thanks

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Q: One of my grand-aunts canvassed Prince George County, Virginia, listing all the properties with sketches of the homes for the WPA. Her direct descendants have her original reports and one of them scanned the hundreds of pages to share. Unfortunately all of the photos that accompanied the reports have disappeared.

A: A treasure trove. A shame about the photos.

Audience Question:

Q: A wonderful wealth of information - Thank you, Patti.

A: :)

Audience Question:

Q: I love to search through image records, especially when I feel like a trip down rabbit holes. I sometimes find some really great information just by browsing. I found my great grand uncles' school registration records this way.

A: Great find!

