

**Chat log 12 Sep 2023**

**Power of place – using MyHeritage to tell the stories of buildings & places by Rhonda Lauritzen**

**Geoff Rasmussen (to All - Entire Audience):** 2:04 PM: <https://evalogue.life/buildings/>

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** Yes, I have experienced that. It is so special.

**A:** :)

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** I just got a new phone book in the mail yesterday!

**A:** Wow, really?

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** on sanborn map showed a different orientation of my g Grandmas house and I might have some photos to compare that too

**A:** Very cool

**Geoff Rasmussen (to All - Entire Audience):** 2:22 PM: One of our webinars last Friday was about the newspaper collections at MyHeritage. Watch the replay here:

<https://familytreewebinars.com/webinar/explore-your-ancestors-names-in-the-newspaper-name-index/>

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** There are sites that have aerial photos - <https://vintageaerial.com/photos>

**A:** thanks!

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** I was able to locate aerial photos of my parents house and grandparents house in the 1970's. Expensive prints, but cool!

**A:** Very nice

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** Years ago I was looking for where my ancestor Arthur and Sarah Jones lived in Vancouver, BC and went to library and found them in city directory and able to find address and followed year by year to see where Arthur died as wife Sarah widow showed up and about 10 years later a new owner so thought that meant she was now deceased. Able to use the dates to get death registrations. More importantly I drove by the address and there was an open house in progress. I went in and stood at doorway in a daze looking around realizing my ancestors lived there. I told the realtor and he told me to take as much time as I wanted to see and take photos of.

**A:** How wonderful, thanks for sharing

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** Serendipity.

**A:** Indeed

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** It must be the research angels.

**A:** :)

**Geoff Rasmussen (to All - Entire Audience):** 2:38 PM: We have a Microsoft Word webinar series here:  
<https://familytreewebinars.com/word>

**Geoff Rasmussen (to All - Entire Audience):** 2:39 PM: Several full-length webinars on using timelines:  
<https://familytreewebinars.com/timelines>

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** Scrivener is also amazing software to help organize lots of different information, especially for when you're ready to pull it all together for a final product.

**A:** Thanks! Also see our library about Scrivener at <https://familytreewebinars.com/scrivener>

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** As a historian and family history researcher I find that local small historical societies and museums have a wealth of local information, documents, photos, and other items that help tell the story of what I am researching and writing on. Rhoda's tips are great.

**A:** :)

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** The NYC Tax Photos (1940 & 1980) are great for photos if you know the address of an ancestor's home, maybe even their place of business. The city took a photo of all the addresses in the five boroughs of NYC in those years for tax purposes (some a year or so before). I've compiled addresses for my ancestors from censuses and other BMD records, and looked them up. You can save the image, or order a larger physical copy.

**A:** Very interesting thanks

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** I have never heard Rhonda speak before, SHE IS WONDERFUL! Her stories and tips and all her information is very helpful. Her passion is contagious. I hope she has many more topics to teach us.

**A:** Agree. First time for me too. I'm enjoying her enthusiasm.

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** Rhonda is a fabulous teacher! I have been taking her classes at Evalogue Life and they are worth it!!

**A:** :)

**Audience Question:**

**Q:** Rhonda is an awesome teacher and speaker, love her stories. She is so inspiring and encouraging.

**A:** agree

**Geoff Rasmussen (to All - Entire Audience):** 3:09 PM: animoto