Hunterdon County Historical Society Online Resources & Websites

Blogs & Web Articles

The Legal Genealogist – Judy Russell, a genealogist with a law degree https://www.legalgenealogist.com/blog/

New Jersey State Library Genealogy Blog

https://www.njstatelib.org/category/njsl-presents-blog/genealogy-blog/

Cemeteries

Lebanon Township Cemetery Records

www.bowlbyfamily.org/cemetery/index.htm

Listings for Fountain Grove Cemetery, Hampton Cemetery, and Musconetcong Valley Cemetery. Original records held by Lebanon Township Musuem.

Mount Amwell Project, Inc.

https://www.mtamwell.org

The Mount Amwell Project, formed in 2006, works to maintain and preserve historical cemeteries in Hunterdon County for future generations. The site includes a searchable database of cemetery records with a free account.

Church Archives

Archives of the Reformed Church in America

Gardner A. Sage Library/New Brunswick Theological Seminary (NJ) https://www.rca.org/rca-basics/archives

Evangelical Lutheran Church of America Archives (Elk Grove Village, IL)

https://www.elca.org/archives

Friends Historical Society – Swarthmore College (PA)

https://www.swarthmore.edu/friends-historical-library/quaker-history-genealogy

Quaker History and Genealogy

Presbyterian Historical Society (Philadelphia, PA)

https://www.history.pcusa.org/services

United Methodist Archives & History Center (Drew University - Madison, NJ)

http://www.gcah.org/research/genealogy-and-family-research

Genealogy Resources

Association of Professional Genealogists

https://www.apgen.org/index.php

Bucks County (PA) Genealogical Society (Doylestown, PA)

https://bucksgen.org/

Family Search (The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints)

https://www.familysearch.org/en/

Free family history research website with access "to a collection of billions of records"

Genealogical Society of New Jersey

https://www.gsnj.org/

Dedicated to the preservation of New Jersey Family History. Publishes the quarterly journal, "The Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey. Its collections are housed at the Alexander Library, New Brunswick campus of <u>Rutgers University</u>.

Genealogical Society of New Jersey - New Jersey Professional Genealogists

https://www.gsnj.org/professional-genealogists/

Morris Area Genealogy Society (MAGS)

https://mags-public.weebly.com/

Forum for resource sharing, mutual assistance, and instruction for those interested in family history and research.

New Jersey Birth, Marriage, and Death Indices, 1901-1903 and 1901-1914

(Reclaim the Records Project)

https://www.reclaimtherecords.org/records-request/5/

New Jersey Chapter of the Afro American Historical & Genealogical Society

https://aahgsnj2018.weebly.com/

The New Jersey Death Index (Reclaim the Records Project)

https://www.newjerseydeathindex.com/

Free searchable database of 1,275,833 deaths in the state of New Jersey between 2001-2017, and over 500,000 free digitized images of the death index for the years 1901-1903, 1920-1929, and 1949-2000.

Hunterdon County Government

Hunterdon County Clerk's Office

https://www.co.nj.hunterdon.us/countyclerk.htm

Available records include deeds and other land conveyance records, mortgages, road records, marriage records, court records, naturalization, and other miscellaneous records. Please see website for inclusive dates of records.

Hunterdon County Cultural & Heritage Commission

http://co.hunterdon.nj.us/depts/c&h/c&h.htm

Hunterdon County Surrogate's Office—Records of Genealogical Interest

https://www.co.nj.hunterdon.us/depts/surrog/genlog.htm

Available records include probate, division of lands, dockets (microfilm), guardianships of minors and incompetents, Orphan Court minutes, and partitions of lands. Please see website for inclusive dates of records.

*The Surrogate Court does limited searching. Search requests must be in writing and cost \$10.

Imaged Collections

New Jersey State Archives Imaged Collection – Hunterdon County Children of Slaves

https://www.nj.gov/state/archives/chncl004.html

Imaged collection of original birth certificates from the period 1804-1835. Additional birth certificates of children of Hunterdon County slaves are recorded in the Clerk's birth and manumission book now in the custody of the Hunterdon County Historical Society in Flemington.

New Jersey State Archives Imaged Collection – Hunterdon County Slave Manumissions

https://www.nj.gov/state/archives/chncl003.html

Imaged collection of 56 original Hunterdon County Slave Manumissions. Over 500 acts of manumission during the period 1787-1856 are recorded in two Hunterdon County manumission books held by the Hunterdon County Historical Society in Flemington.

New Jersey General Assembly Tax Ratables, 1768-1846, Scanned Images (New Jersey State Archives) https://www.nj.gov/state/archives/guides/sas00001Digital.pdf

Ratables are lists of heads of household compiled in order to levy a tax. Heads of household were typically males and in some cases widows. These taxes were levied periodically from 1773-1822. Using Ratables for New Jersey Genealogy | New Jersey State Library

West Jersey History Project

http://www.westjerseyhistory.org/

Digitized images include Historic Images of Hunterdon County; New Jersey Archives, Volume 21 Calendar of Records, 1664-1703; New Jersey Colonial Conveyances, 1660-1780; maps & surveys.

Indexes to Hunterdon County NJ Record Collections at Family Search

Indexes created by Amy Gonzalez, Nancy L. Heath and Marshall Lake.

Create a free familysearch.org account to view images

Alexandria Township Meeting Minutes, 1765-1837

http://www.mlake.net/book-indexes/AlexandriaTwpMeetingMinutes.html

Images for the Alexandria Twp Meeting Minutes at FamilySearch.org

https://www.familysearch.org/search/film/008217332?cat=264509

Hunterdon County, New Jersey Early Deeds, 1716-1730

https://mlake.net/book-indexes/HunterdonCoDeeds.html

Images for Hunterdon County, New Jersey Early Deeds, 1716-1730 at FamilySearch.org https://www.familysearch.org/search/film/007902167?cat=223298

Hunterdon County, New Jersey Miscellaneous Court Records (Partial Index)

http://www.mlake.net/book-indexes/HunterdonCoMiscRecs.html

Images for the Hunterdon County Miscellaneous Court Records at FamilySearch.org
Miscellaneous court records, loans, etc., 1713-1860; ark:/61903/3:1:3Q9M-CSGD-FL6W

Hunterdon County, New Jersey Probate Records, Orphans' Court Minutes, 1785-1806 http://www.mlake.net/book-indexes/HunterdonCoProbateOrphanCourt.html

Images for the Hunterdon County Orphans' Court Minutes at FamilySearch.org https://www.familysearch.org/search/film/005661195?cc=2018330

Libraries & Archives

Easton (PA) Public Library – Henry F. Marx Local History Room
http://eastonpl.org/EAPLMarxRoomHome.html

"Largest collection of local history and genealogy in northeastern Pennsylvania"

Historical Society of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia, PA)

https://hsp.org/plan-your-visit/researching-at-hsp-0

Hunterdon County Library – Genealogical Resources (Raritan, NJ)

https://hclibrary.us/genealogy

New Jersey State Archives (Trenton, NJ)

https://www.nj.gov/state/archives/search.html

New Jersey's official research center for public records including vital records, land documents, probate records and military service papers of the Colony and State of New Jersey. Records date from the founding of New Jersey in 1664 up to the present. The State Archives is also the official repository for microfilm of county clerks' and surrogates' records and film of local newspapers.

New Jersey State Library – New Jersey Resources (Trenton, NJ)

https://www.njstatelib.org/research library/new jersey resources/

Extensive collection of official New Jersey publications and material about New Jersey from non-official sources.

North Jersey History & Genealogy Center - The Morristown & Morris Township Library

https://mmtlibrary.org/nj-history-genealogy/our-collections/

Research collection of books, newspapers and magazines, photographs, ephemera, posters, maps, and archives & manuscript collections, that document New Jersey and Morris County life and history.

Rutgers Special Collections & University Archives (Alexander Library - New Brunswick, NJ)

https://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/scua

Primary sources of a rare, unique, or specialized nature to support advanced study and research in the humanities and social sciences. It also houses the collections of the Genealogical Society of New Jersey including a 6,000+ Bible & Family Record Collection.

Local History Societies & Museums

Bucks County Historical Society - Mercer Museum Research Library

https://www.mercermuseum.org/collections/research-library/

Delaware & Raritan Canal State Park--History

https://www.dandrcanal.com/index.php/history

Delaware Township Historical Society

http://dthsnj.org/

East Amwell Historical Society & Clawson House Museum

https://www.eastamwellhistory.org/

Flemington Speedway Historical Society

https://www.flemingtonspeedwayhistoricalsociety.com/

Preserves, protects, and documents the history of the Flemington Fairgrounds and Speedway.

Holcombe Jimison Farmstead Museum (Lambertville, NJ)

http://www.holcombe-jimison.org/

Dedicated to the preservation of Hunterdon County's agricultural heritage

The Hopewell Museum

https://thehopewellmuseum.org/

Preserve and display the artifacts that serve as an expression of village life in New Jersey and tell the story of Hopewell-area history from its pre-colonial beginnings to the present.

Hopewell Valley Historical Society

https://www.hopewellvalleyhistory.org/

Kingwood Township Historical Society

https://kingwoodtownship.com/boards/historic

Lambertville Historical Society

https://lambertvillehistoricalsociety.org/

League of Historical Societies of New Jersey

https://www.lhsnj.org/

Composed of over 300 organizations devoted to advancing the preservation and knowledge of the history of New Jersey.

Lebanon Township Museum

http://www.lebanontownship.net/services/museum.aspx

New Jersey Historical Society (Newark, NJ)

https://jerseyhistory.org/

Readington Township Museums

https://www.readingtontwpnj.gov/museums-home

Bouman-Stickney Farmstead and The Wade Wyckoff Barn; Eversole-Hall House; Cold Brook School and Taylor's Mill.

Red Mill Museum Village (Clinton, NJ)

https://theredmill.org/

Somerset County (NJ) Historical Society

https://somersethistorynj.org/home

Stoutsburg Sourland African American Museum (Skillman, NJ)

https://www.ssaamuseum.org/

Sussex County (NJ) Historical Society

http://www.sussexhistory.org/

Tewksbury (NJ) Historical Society

http://tewksburyhistory.net/

West Portal Historic Society (Bethlehem Twp., NJ)

https://bethlehemnj.org/west-portal-historical-society/

Maps

History Mapping Project – Delaware Township Historical Society http://historymapping.org/

Princeton University Library – Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps

https://library.princeton.edu/special-collections/topics/sanborn-maps-new-jersey

Detailed building maps of cities and towns in the United States, primarily for use by insurance companies. Out-of-copyright Sanborn Maps for New Jersey digitized by Princeton University Library. Digitized Hunterdon County municipalities run from 1885 to 1928.

Rutgers Special Collections & University Archives (Guide to Map Collection)

https://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/scua/maps

About 8,000 maps in the repository's collection depict all areas of the world through about 1920 and New Jersey throughout its history.

Newspapers

Chronicling America – Library of Congress

https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/search/titles/

Directory of newspapers published in the United States since 1690 identifying what titles exist for a specific place and time.

Hunterdon County Democrat

http://www.njsuttonfamily.org/Hunterdon%20Democrat%201838-1888.pdf

Extracts of genealogical data from the Hunterdon County Democrat from Sep. 5, 1838, to Dec. 18, 1888.

Hunterdon Republican Abstracts

https://sites.rootsweb.com/~njhrna/index.html

Selected Items containing the names of people who had a relationship with Hunterdon County, NJ, USA. The newspaper was published: 1856 to 1953. Overall index file from 1856 to 1930 and Text file from 1856 to 1900 and 1928 to 1930 are accessible. Digital Images from 1901 to 1953 are not accessible.

Index to Hunterdon Gazette Weekly Newspaper, 1825-1866

www.usgenwebsites.org/NJHunterdon/HunterdonGazette/GazHead.htm

Index to digital images of the Gazette newspaper pages. DVD of digital images as well as typed and formatted text of newspaper items containing people's names and events of Hunterdon County, with an overall name and key word index is available for purchase from the Hunterdon County Historical Society.

Preservation

Clinton (NJ) Historic Preservation Commission

https://www.clintonnj.gov/historic-commission

Flemington Historic Preservation Commission

https://www.flemingtonhpc.com/

Hunterdon County Historic Preservation

https://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/843/Historic-Preservation

Hunterdon Land Trust - Historic Case-Dvoor Farmstead (Flemington, NJ)

"Protecting the Places You Love"

https://www.hunterdonlandtrust.org/

Lambertville Historic Preservation Commission

https://lambertvillenj.org/boards/historic

National Register of Historic Places Database (National Park Service)

NP Gallery Digital Asset Search

https://npgallery.nps.gov/nrhp/

Searchable database of National Register Historic Place applications and photographs

NJ DEP - Historic Preservation Office (Trenton, NJ)

Cultural Resources Geographic Information System (CRGIS)

https://www.state.nj.us/dep/hpo/1identify/gis.htm

Records the location and extent of cultural resources in NJ statewide inventory

NJ DEP - Historic Preservation Office

New Jersey and National Registers of Historic Places by County

https://www.state.nj.us/dep/hpo/1identify/nrsr lists.htm

Walking Tours

Historic Flemington Self-Guided Walking Tour

Flemington Community Partnership and the Hunterdon County Historical Society have produced a self-guided walking tour of historic Flemington. Download the eight-page brochure.

Flemington-TRAIL-online8-1.pdf (hunterdonhistory.org)

Frenchtown Walking Tours with Rick Epstein

www.frenchtowninn.com/fti-updates/2019/5/5/frenchtown-walking-tours UPDATE LINK to show URL

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