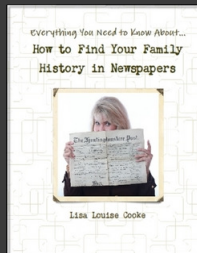


## Newspapers and Genealogy



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## Overview

Genealogy information found in newspapers  
Much of this information can be found in Lisa Louise Cooke's book *Everything **You Need to Know About How to Find Your Family History in Newspapers***, owned by the library.

Advertising, Vital Records, Legal notices, public announcements, Lists, News articles, School events, Social News, Criminal Activity

## Things to Remember



Only a fraction of newspaper information can be found online.

Newspapers are secondary sources. Don't believe everything you read.

Most libraries are more than willing to send you articles, and many at no charge.

Remember ethnic and religious newspapers.

Be sure to make a copy of the front page with mast head and date (for citations.)

## Newspaper Search Process

Use the Newspaper Research Worksheet  
Be sure to have all of the information on the person you're searching (vital records, military information, family stories.)

Identify newspapers that fit your criteria

Free and Pay sites

Repositories (libraries, archives, etc.)

Write source information on the back of everything you print out.

## Online Tools

[http://www.stanford.edu/group/ruralwest/cgi-bin/drupal/visualizations/us\\_newspapers](http://www.stanford.edu/group/ruralwest/cgi-bin/drupal/visualizations/us_newspapers)  
Stanford Newspaper Visualization Project- click on a town and see what newspapers were available, when and how they can be accessed now!

<http://newspapermap.com/> Newspaper Map- search over 10,000 newspapers from all over the world. Borrow and read them all online. Click on "Hist" button upper right for historical newspapers only.

## Online Tools

<http://www.worldcat.org/> World Cat, search library catalogs from all over the world.

Register for a free account

Search by Town name and the word newspaper

Will list in order of what town is closest to you

Create a list of Newspapers

## Free Online Newspapers

<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/> Chronicling America- Search and view American newspapers from 1880-1922. Also is a catalog of American newspapers published 1690-present.

[www.google.com/archivesearch](http://www.google.com/archivesearch) 1840-current. Use Advanced Search for specific years

<http://obituarieshelp.org/> Lists state newspapers and links to their obituaries; Old newspaper archive by state.

## Newspapers in Library

***Meredith News*** (about 100 years worth)-print

***Union Leader*** (since 1989)-home/library access

***Concord Monitor*** (since 2002)-home/library access

***Ancestry.com***-in library access only-US, UK and Canada, over 1000 newspapers and 16 million pages

## Subscription Services

<http://www.genealogybank.com> Genealogy Bank-United States, 1690-Present  
<http://newspaperarchive.com/> Newspaper Archive Largest archive of worldwide newspapers. Includes historic newspapers.  
<http://www.americanancestors.org> NEHGS database- **19<sup>th</sup> Century US Newspapers** and **Early American Newspapers** with individual subscription (not available with library subscription)

## Portal Websites

<http://cyndislist.com/newspapers>  
<http://www.familysearch.org> Click on Catalog-search under "Place names" and enter a location  
<http://www.loc.gov/rr/news/> Library of Congress  
[http://www.ancestorhunt.com/obituary\\_search.htm](http://www.ancestorhunt.com/obituary_search.htm) Ancestor Hunt-index of obituaries online created by libraries and universities.

## New Hampshire Newspaper Sites

<http://www.nh.gov/nhsl/services/public/newspapers.html>  
The NH State Library has most local NH newspapers on microfilm.  
<http://www.library.unh.edu/researchtools/databases/databases.php?type=Newspaper> Access is granted to on site visitors.  
Most libraries archive their local newspaper.

## About Lisa Louise Cooke

Be sure to check out her book from the library ***Everything You Need to Know About How to Find Your Family History in Newspapers***  
Lisa has two Podcasts including ***Genealogy Gems*** and ***Family History***. Both are excellent and past episodes can be downloaded. Her ***Family History*** Podcast dedicates episodes 27 and 28 to "Your Ancestors in the News".