

Family History Interest Group Annual Report 2023-24

Craig Swan and Lynn C. Anderson co-chair the Family History Interest Group (FHIG) for UMRA. In 2023-24 we offered five programs from 10-11 a.m. on Wednesdays via Zoom. Attendance ranged from 15 to 35 for each program. We had announcements about our programs in the UMRA Newsletters and sent emails to all UMRA members a month and a week before each program. After each presentation we had 10-15 minutes for discussion and Q and A. Each of our programs was recorded and is available for viewing on the UMRA website and many of them are also on the UMAA Gold Mind website.

October 4, 2023

Marilyn DeLong's presentation was titled: "'Growing Up Revell—a Family Reunion Project' and was about sharing family stories and learning about surprising family connections.

December 6, 2023

Michelle Casey's presentation was titled: "Preparing a Family Medical History and Saving the Mystery of a Grandfather's Death."

February 7, 2024

Craig Swan talked about "Are we Cousins?" Using familysearch.org Craig was able to document a cousin relationship for 14 UMRA members.

April 3, 2024

Vicki Gaylord and Craig Swan's presentation was "Women and Social Change."

May 15, 2024

The May meeting is an open discussion among FHIG participants. Everyone shares questions, insights, new resources, challenges, and we request ideas for topics for the coming year.

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