

Suncoast Genealogy Society

27 Sep 2025 Membership Meeting

1:30-4:00 pm, Palm Harbor Library 1:30 SGS Meeting, 2:00 Program In-Person Speaker

Understanding Al in Genealogy: Foundations and Tools

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Learn how artificial intelligence can help with your family history research. This presentation covers what AI is, how it works, and which tools are most useful for genealogy. We'll look at popular AI assistants like ChatGPT, Claude, and Gemini and discuss what each one does best. You'll learn how to work effectively with AI, including how to ask questions that get the best results and how to verify the information it provides. Whether you're new to AI or already experimenting with it, this session will help you understand how to use these tools responsibly in your genealogy work.

Diana Elder is an Accredited Genealogist professional, lecturer, and author. I have twenty-two years of research experience and hold credentials for genealogy research and lecturing through the International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists (ICAPGen). My area of expertise is the United States Gulf South Region, including Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas.

I graduated from Brigham Young University Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor's degree in Education. A lifelong learner and educator, I combine my passion for teaching and genealogy in numerous ways. I wrote the bestselling book *Research Like a Pro: A Genealogist's Guide* and co-authored the companion volume, *Research Like a Pro with DNA: A Genealogist's Guide to Finding and Confirming Ancestors with DNA Evidence.*Knowing that we learn best by doing, I created the Research Like a Pro study group and e-Course to help researchers put the RLP process into practice. I write regular research tips for FamilyLocket and host the <u>Research Like a Pro Genealogy Podcast</u> with Nicole.

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