

## Genealogy Rocks!

### Finding Elusive Passenger Lists

It seems everyone is interested in finding the records of their family's immigration to America. For our ancestors, the arrival in America marked a turning point in their

lives. Unfortunately, those records are difficult to find and genealogists feel their ancestors must have "teleported" to America.

Passenger lists can be elusive due to poor spelling, scarcity of information, and incorrect indexing. Before genealogists and family historians begin searching the passenger lists for their family, they should do some preliminary research to narrow down the year the immigrant arrived and information to determine if it is the correct person.

Although there is a temptation to give up looking for passenger records, it's reassuring to know that 95% of all passenger lists still survive. It's just putting together the right tools to find those elusive records.

Our next society program is "Maybe They Teleported: Finding Those Elusive Passengers" at the Harmony Library on October 15 at 6:30 pm. Estes Park Genealogical Society presents "Member's Stories and Websites" at the Estes Park Public Library on October 8 at 4 pm. Please bring a friend and



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