

Our speaker this month was Kate Townsend, a professional genealogist and lecturer with Family History Investigations ([https://family history investigations.com/](https://familyhistoryinvestigations.com/)). Her presentation was titled "Pittsburgh Genealogy 101 – A Guide to Researching in the Steel City". And what a guide it was. She led us through a comprehensive list of genealogy records at the city, county and state level. Kate was good enough to allow us to distribute a handout from her talk - eleven pages of record descriptions, locations and clickable links for online access. That handout is an attachment to this email

If you don't have a subscription to Ancestry, many of their Pennsylvania records are available to view for free if you live in Pennsylvania. Here's the list of those records:

<https://www.ancestry.com/ai/collections/PA/StateArchives>

You can't access them that page but have to start here:

<https://www.phmc.pa.gov/Archives/Research-Online/Pages/Ancestry-PA.aspx#.Vpo-LCorKUI>

Scroll down and enter your zip code in the box, then click the icon just below.

A URL will appear. Click on the URL and you'll get that first screen I listed in a new tab.

You will have to have or create a free Ancestry user id to access records..

A question was asked where to get records for an ancestor who spent time at Mayview State hospital. What records that exist are in Harrisburg and can only be viewed there.

This page has the list of available records. Scroll down to Mayview State Hospital.

<http://www.phmc.state.pa.us/bah/aaGuide/AA-RG-23.html>

Here's the page with general information about the State Archives in Harrisburg:

<https://www.phmc.pa.gov/Archives/Pages/default.aspx>

Giuseppe Collavo

1901 arrival

Required by the regulations of the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, under Act of Congress approved March 3, 1893, to be delivered to the Commissioner of Immigration of any vessel having such passengers on board upon arrival at a port in the United States.

S.S. LA CHAMPAGNE sailing from Havre, L. March 1891 Arriving at Port of New York, March 11<sup>th</sup> 1891

Form 1794

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
No. on List	NAME IN FULL	Age		Married or Single	Calling or Occupation	Able to		Nationality	Last Residence	Port of landing in the United States	Final destination in the United States (State, City, or Town)	Whether having a valid ticket in possession	By whom was passage paid	Whether he possesses a certificate of entry, if so, whether same is for \$10 and how much (\$10 or less)	Whether ever before in the United States, and if so, when and where	Whether going to join a relative, and if so, what relative, State name and address	Ever in Prison or otherwise accompanied by sheriff, police, etc.	Whether a Polygamist
		Yrs.	Mos.			Read	Write											
1	Brannin, Captalid	37	11/2	M	Blacksmith	Yes		Russian	Odessa	New York	Chicago	Yes	Himself	\$10	No	To join his brother	No	No
2	" Bertha	24	11/2	F	None			Russian	"	"	"		"	\$10	"	Brother, Clinton	"	"
3	" Joseph	2	11/2	M	"			Russian	"	"	"		"	\$10	"	Street 439	"	"
4	" Tomia	11/2	11/2	F	"			"	"	"	"		"	\$10	"	"	"	"
5	Erich Leon	20	11/2	M	Boys	Yes		Russian	Paris	"	Albany	Yes	Himself	\$10	No	His brother, 34 <sup>th</sup> Street	"	"
6	Salvadorus Bar	19	11/2	M	Farm	Yes		Italian	S. Giacomo	"	Syracuse	Yes	Himself	\$10	No	Brother, Uranus	"	"
7	Rava Luigi	19	11/2	M	"	Yes		"	"	"	"	Yes	"	\$10	No	His brother, Albany	"	"
8	Bollard Giuseppe	36	11/2	M	Mason	Yes		French	France	"	St. Louis	Yes	Himself	\$10	No	His cousin, S. Memphis	"	"
9	Della Piazza Giovanni	45	11/2	M	"	Yes		French	France	"	"	Yes	Himself	\$10	No	France	"	"