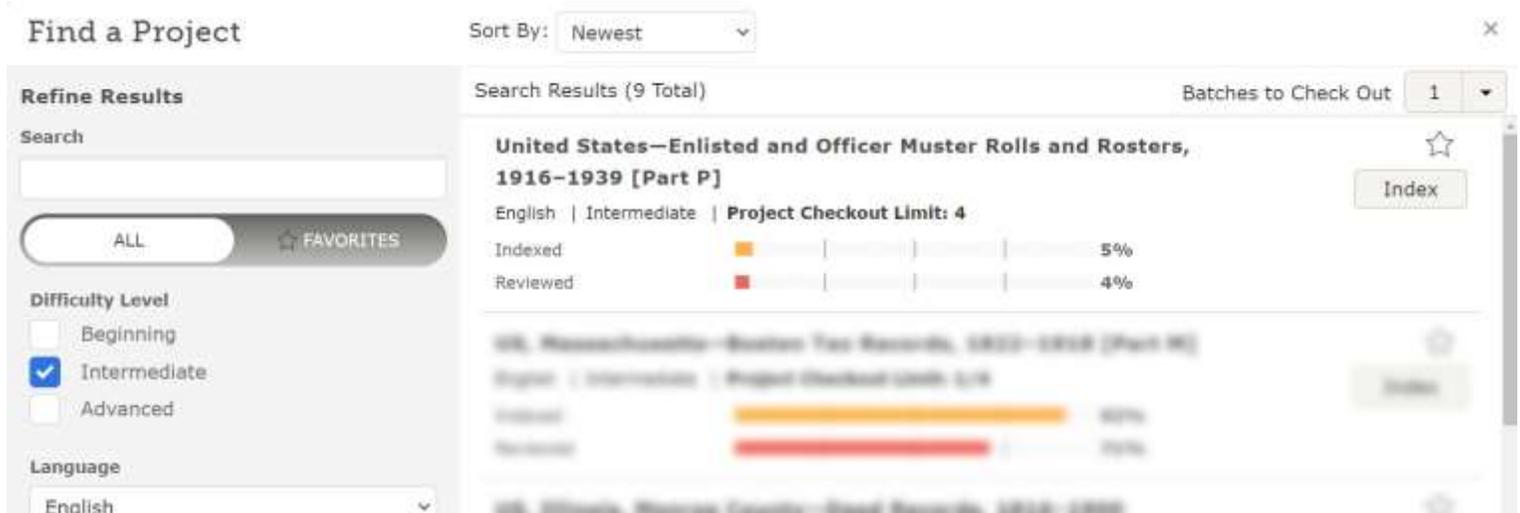


Meet The Foothills Ward Indexing Plan of Action For Both Youth & Adults at

http://www.kuzmich4.com/Facebook/Indexing_Plan2.pdf (reads much better at the designated link cited above)

Indexing is the fastest way to instill interest in Temple & Family (T&FH) endeavors. Imagine doing original family history research without having collections not indexed at all for 1) census, 2) civil and 3) church vital records, 4) immigration, 5) ship lists, 6) newspapers, 7) citizenship, 8) cemeteries, 9) land and 10) Will records, 11) adoption records, 12) divorce records, etc. With the 1950 Census being released on April 1, 2022 or shortly thereafter and as being the ward leader in temple & family history, I initiated a ward indexing project recently for the adults to index the **1950 Federal Census** and the Youth to index **US Army Military Records**.



The screenshot displays the FamilySearch indexing interface. On the left, the 'Find a Project' section includes a search bar, 'ALL' and 'FAVORITES' buttons, and filters for 'Difficulty Level' (Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced) and 'Language' (English). The main area shows search results for 'United States—Enlisted and Officer Muster Rolls and Rosters, 1916–1939 [Part P]'. It indicates 'Search Results (9 Total)', 'Batches to Check Out 1', and 'Project Checkout Limit: 4'. Progress bars show 'Indexed 5%' and 'Reviewed 4%'. An 'Index' button is visible next to the batch information.

Last Thursday evening, we had our second monthly (T&FH) Committee meeting. The Foothills Ward T&FH Committee consists of the following ward leaders:

1. First Counselor from Bishopric for Temple & Family History
2. Designated counselors in the EQ and RS Presidencies
3. Ward T&FH Leader
4. Ward T&FH Consultants
5. Full-time Missionaries
6. Presidency member from the oldest Young Women's class and a Priest Quorum Assistant.
7. From time-to-time specific "others", including Ministering Brothers & Sisters, etc., may be invited to attend



Our training in-service agenda focused in on the following topics essential to indexing.

- **How Indexing Works** at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5p_kechQOao
- **Indexing is Vital and Can be Accomplished** at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fVCwsKudZsU>

- **Everybody did an on-line tutorial** at <https://www.familysearch.org/indexing/> with the purpose of seeing what batch files are available and actually doing an on-line tutorial with self-paced step-by-step guided examples.
- **Viewed On-line 13:08 Video Tutorial as the Ultimate Way to Pay It Forward in Genealogy** with in-depth indexing tips at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D9O08cb9UmYI>

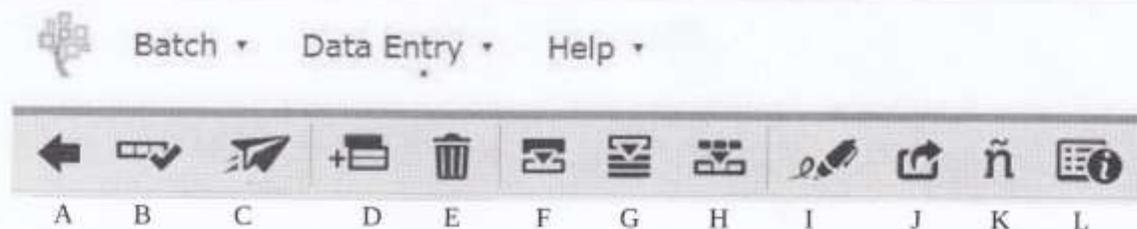
Our ward indexing plan is entitled: **The Journey to the Temple: Read, Pray and Gather Names on the Internet** at <http://www.kuzmich4.com/Indexing/Indexing Plan13.pdf> along with an invitation to attend a family history center at one of our 5,200+ Family History Centers world-wide.



Note: you do need an account in FamilySearch.org in order to log into it but if you don't have an account, you will be asked to create your own account even if you have no affiliation with our church without any fees or obligations to do any indexing. We even devised an indexing batch cheat sheet to make indexing a more user-friendly activity thanks to Brother Leon Pack of the nearby Columbine Stake. Note: T&FH consultants can also view member's batch accounts whenever indexing difficulties occur in real-time with an appointment scheduled.

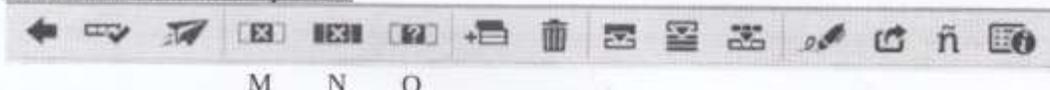
Web Indexing Tool Bar

Toolbar before selecting a batch



- A. Return to Web Indexing
- B. Open Quality Control
- C. Submit Batch
- D. Add Entries (Ctrl + Shift + Plus Key)
- E. Delete Entries (Ctrl + Shift + Minus Key)
- F. Copy text from the same field on the previous entry into selected entry (Ctrl + D)
- G. Copy text from the selected field into all following matching fields (Alt + Shift + D)
- H. Copy from previous entry into selected entry (Ctrl + Shift + D)
- I. Handwriting Examples
- J. Share Batch
- K. International Characters
- L. Project Instructions (Ctrl + Shift + P)

Toolbar when in the entry mode



- M. Mark the field blank (Ctrl + B)
- N. Mark the entry blank (Ctrl + Shift + B)
- O. Mark the field unreadable (Ctrl + U)

Our T&FH ward committee will have another hands-on in-service training meeting on March 10th in which everyone will pick the batch file of their choice in preparation for the 1950 Federal Census in April. Here are the attributes of the 1950 census with 38 basic questions expanded to 42 different questions incorporated in the 1950 census which is perfect for doing family history that is further explained at https://www.census.gov/history/www/through_the_decades/index_of_questions/1950_population.html. Then individual Elders Quorum, Relief Society and Youth auxiliaries in our ward will all begin to promote indexing activities as outlined above.

Closing Comments

There is much excitement in our ward to instill in family history through indexing which does not require any original research which helps to make it an ideal activity for both youth and adults. Our next ward T&FH Committee will have their next in-service training meeting on March 10th.

