



Re: WikiTree Mentoring

From Jason Sprouse <jason_sprouse@hotmail.com>

Date Sun 6/22/2025 12:44 PM

To Feargal Ó hÉidhneacháin <feargal.hennigan@gmail.com>

Hey Feargal,

It's clear. Clearly I was replying to Ran's cryptic hypocritical selective choice of words that were a fraction of our discussion. As a mature person with a much cleaner scrutiny applied to my own research history, I see his comment as a manipulation to try to claim ancestry to relatives he poorly researched in the 1st place.

The research he is talking about with Vincent is 1960s research, I'd already told him privately before he told me about Sarah Sprouse....that I wasn't confident that George was a son of Vincent, but I was actively researching it. He's saying things publicly on this thread that is contradictory to our private communication.

Furthermore, his research on his own family history is riddled with issues --- I applied a lot of scrutiny to my own research, not all genealogy researchers seek to do the same thing --- obviously.

Just because he's older, and he's been researching longer - doesn't mean his integrity is any good.

Best Regards,

Jason

On Apr 29, 2025 12:04 PM, Feargal Ó hÉidhneacháin <feargal.hennigan@gmail.com> wrote:

Jason, a chara,

Your Mentoring process has been resumed. Since we're in contact now, I've requested that you account be unblocked... please let me know if this goes through correctly.

In the meantime, please read over WikiTree's discussion rules:

https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Help:Discussion_Rules. I hope that you can understand how your comments on https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Prouse-101#comment_8860407 could be interpreted as a breach of discussion rule 2. Please let me know if these guidelines are clear or if you have any questions.

Le gach dea-ghuí,
Feargal.

On Sat 26 Apr 2025, 23:01 Jason Sprouse, <jason_sprouse@hotmail.com> wrote:

Hi - I would like to proceed with getting my account unblocked.

Thanks,

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From: Jason Sprouse <jason_sprouse@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2025 4:22 PM
To: info@wikitree.com <info@wikitree.com>
Cc: Feargal Hennigan <feargal.hennigan@gmail.com>
Subject: Fw: WikiTree Mentoring

Hey Feargal,

I sent an email - it was with my jason@goodfaith.church email address, but I'll send another one.

Best Regards,

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From: Feargal Ó hÉidhneacháin
Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2025 4:10 PM
To: Jason Sprouse
Subject: Re: WikiTree Mentoring

Jason, a chara,

Your account was blocked when I was unable to reach you. If you are now ready to work with a Mentor, please contact info@wikitree.com and let them know.

And no, that Facebook post is not about me.

Le gach dea-ghuí,
Feargal.

On Tue, 22 Apr 2025 at 21:42, Jason Sprouse <jason_sprouse@hotmail.com> wrote:
Hey Feargal,

I'm actually doing fine, thanks for your perspective though. I called Wiki-tree's mainline yesterday after I saw my account was blocked. I just saw this email.

In what way do you think you can resolve conflict and courtesy? I don't too much take offense of others' disrespect, but I also don't take it laying down. Not sure why I WAS BLOCKED. I conduct myself with professional decorum. I'm not done with my research, but I've discovered information and shared it with other researchers in the community. Information that no other researcher researching this family lineage had discovered before - I'm guessing in the last 300 years of researching or so.

As it relates to what is deemed Professional A, and Amateur B - is who publishes critical and valuable long-lost information pertaining to a lineage 1st. They're really not that amateur. They just never investigated the lineage that thoroughly. I'm a thorough person.

I read a post from a professional genealogist once that said, "There are amateur genealogist that are quick to cloak the flesh of their relatives onto skeleton's that did not belong to them." I keep this in mind pertaining to the integrity of my hypothesis.

- **Separate the person from the issue.** Keep the focus on the issue/content. For example, "Here's where I got my information—DAR application #123456. I attach a copy of the image. This supports the 1748 marriage between John Smith and Sarah Jones. What do you think?" See Wikipedia's "[No personal attacks](#)" rule.

Obviously what I've said publicly is a continuation, in a roundabout way - of his "personal attacks," privately - but, my comments are all citing primary sources - that support, confirm or eliminate - those hypothesis with logical dissemination of the data.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/128608756150/posts/10164479974426151/> <---- Looks like this might be you, congrats

It's important to remember that WikiTree is a collaborative community, and things work a little differently here than on other genealogy sites. Communication is a big part of that, and we all need to work well together to achieve our mission of an accurate, single-family tree. Our goal in the Mentor Project is to make sure everyone has an opportunity to succeed with that goal.

When people conduct themselves - unprovoked, meaning - they initiate derogatory communication, and they persist that over several exchanges - they are eroding the decorum of respect. I have several talents --- I do well at several things. I'll publish on what I've shared with them, I'm sure like everyone else - that got this new information.

Thanks for your assistance restoring my account.

Best Regards,

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From: WikiTree Private Message <noreply@wikitree.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 2, 2025 6:41 PM
To: Jason Sprouse <jason_sprouse@hotmail.com>
Subject: WikiTree Mentoring

The following was sent via the private messaging system on WikiTree.com.

Jason, a chara,

Thank you for contributing to WikiTree!

My name is Feargal. I am a volunteer Mentor here at WikiTree. Mentors help our members who might be struggling with a certain aspect of the site.

Another member noticed that you may need some help surrounding conflict and courtesy. I'm here to help!

Courtesy is considered so important at WikiTree that it is enshrined in point IV of our honour code!

<https://www.wikitree.com/wiki/Help:Courtesy>

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tree. Our goal in the Mentor Project is to make sure everyone has an opportunity to succeed with that goal.

Please reply to this email so that I know you received it. I'm looking forward to working with you.

Le gach dea-ghuí,
Feargal, WikiTree Mentor.

This message is from Feargal Hennigan (profile: [Hennigan-514](#); email: feargal.hennigan@gmail.com). They were on [Sprouse-414](#) when they sent the message.

DO NOT REPLY to Feargal Hennigan if this message is suspicious in any way. Instead, please forward it to info@wikitree.com. The team can tell you if it appears legitimate. [Click here](#) for information on recent scams involving the name Raymond Oliver.