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MESSAGE from the RUG

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At the August meeting we tried something new: a hands-on workshop where members could email ahead their TMG and research issues. Clyde Roby was essential to the success of the trial as he worked with members in advance of the meeting to understand (and solve) their issues. Clyde also prepared short Powerpoint demos to explain the questions and share them with meeting attendees. Everyone seemed to benefit from these questions and answers. Thank you, Clyde! The feedback was enthusiastic – we plan to repeat this type of program at a future meeting.

The September newsletter features David Walker's June presentation "Map My Family Tree." The issue also includes a recap of some of the Q & As from August's workshop meeting, and some of the HRE conversations that appeared recently on the TMG Mailing List. To hear topics discussed at the August meeting, go to the recording in the members' section of the RUG website <http://www.rootsusers.org/>.

Thanks to the many members who stepped forward and agreed to volunteer, we have a variety of programs scheduled until March. Programming is in good shape – and we are looking for presenters for March through July/August. Please email programs@rootsusers.org to volunteer or suggest a program topic.

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One important need remains unresolved – we simply need more hands to serve on the Executive Committee and help operate RUG. You can live at a distance and still serve on the EC. Do you have a few hours each month to help? The EC meets via Skype on the Monday evening after the RUG meeting for one hour to discuss programming, any technical issues, and other items that come to our attention. For example, we need someone to help prepare our monthly EC agendas and keep us on track during the Skype meeting. You do not need to be an officer to perform this role. We also need another person who can attend monthly meetings in Virginia to help manage equipment for