Making the Past a Family Tradition

2-4 p.m., Friday, February 20

Penick Academic Complex, Rooms D-52, D-53, & D-54

Learn what others are doing as they explore the past that is recorded in their family’s material world. Discover how you can involve the entire family in meaningful traditions tied to the common things of life. Connect with fellow alums with similar interests.

In celebration of Union University Homecoming 2004 Summar Library is pleased to sponsor this special afternoon program demonstrating some ways you can involve the entire family in projects that explore the past. Interest in family history, historic home preservation, and heirloom collection continues to increase. When such endeavors are undertaken collectively they can become opportunities to develop and encourage special family connections.

**Family History**—The adventure of tracing the history of your own family can be so much more than simply completing charts full of little know ancestors. For the diligent researcher it can offer insight into the very character of our forebears and warn us about potential health risks they may have passed on to us.

**Historic Home Preservation**—TV shows like This Old House and If Walls Could Talk illustrate how interesting and enjoyable it can be to restore an older home to its original beauty. Restoring a historic home can provide a great way for the whole family to be actively involved in a significant investment. Sometimes secrets documented within the history of the property’s ownership or details hidden in the very construction itself can lead to new and interesting discoveries.

**Heirloom Collection**—Most families have in their possession certain items of personal sentiment and special quality that they pass on from generation to generation. These may be jewelry, furniture, quilts, letters, or almost anything imaginable. Typically, these are kept purely for their sentimental value. Some have discovered from programs like the Antique Road Show that these items occasionally hold real monetary value as well.

Those interested in putting up a display illustrating their own experience with family history, historic home preservation, or heirloom collection can return the bottom portion of this announcement or simply call Lori Haney 731-661-5409 to reserve a display table.

Name ______________________ Phone _______________ E-mail __________________

Type of Display:   Family History   Historic Home Preservation   Heirloom Collection

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