Mike's Monthly TMG Tips

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Data Entry: Names

- You may create as many name records as needed to record all variations, nicknames, or aliases for an individual. Married name records can be created automatically when you enter a marriage.
- Name Types: Name-Baptm, Name-Chg, Name-Marr, Name-Nick, Name-Var (Standard Name)

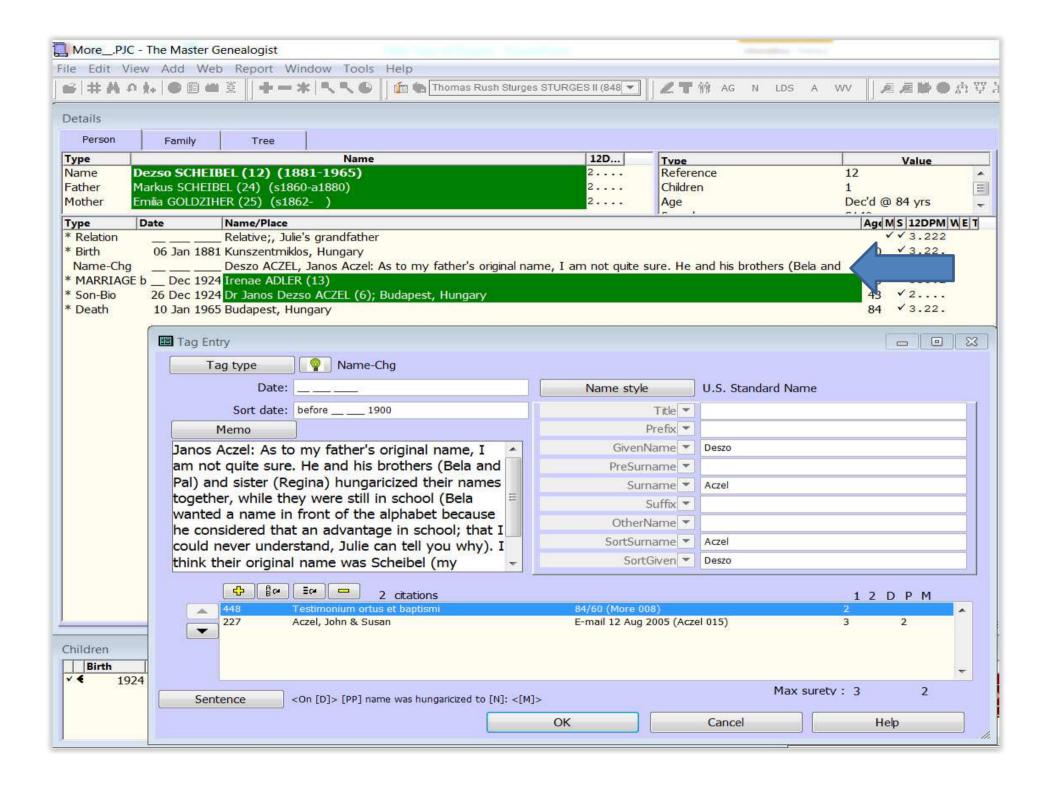
Custom Name Types

- Name-Com:
 - [P] was commonly known as [N] <[M]>Deszo Aczel was commonly known as Des.
- Name-Maybe:
 - <As of [D],> [PF] may have been known as [N]
 <[M]>

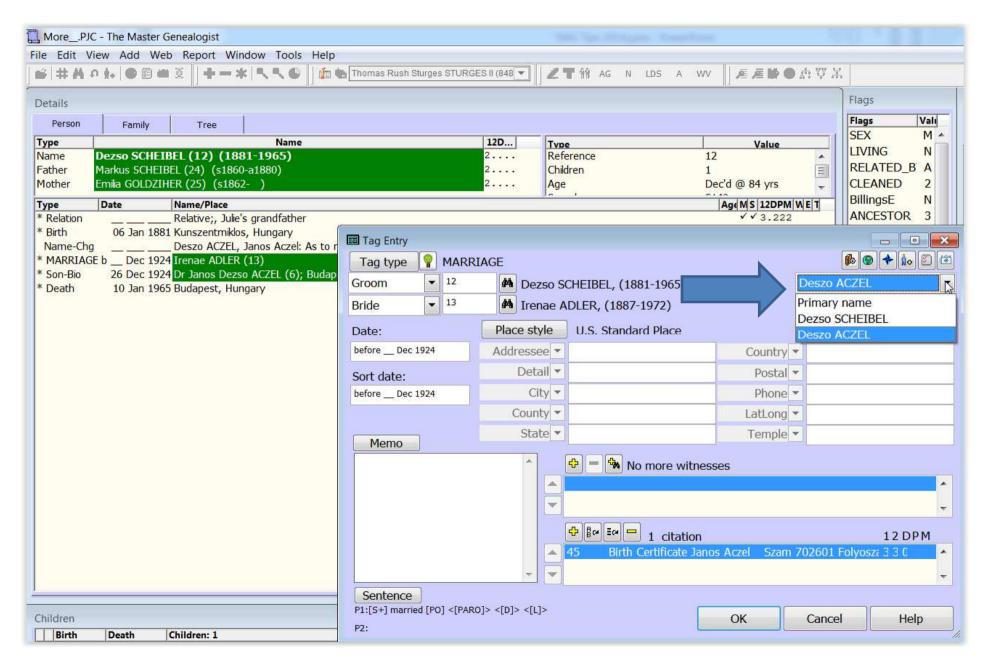
As of 1 Jan 1900, Dezso may have been known as John Aczel

Sorting Names

 Use the date fields if you would like the name tag to appear in chronological order on the Person View screen and in narrative reports. The **Sort Date** allows you to order events on the screen, but it does not print. You can enter an estimated date to make the events appear in chronological order on your screen without fear that the estimated date will be passed on to other researchers and mistaken for a real date



Name Variations

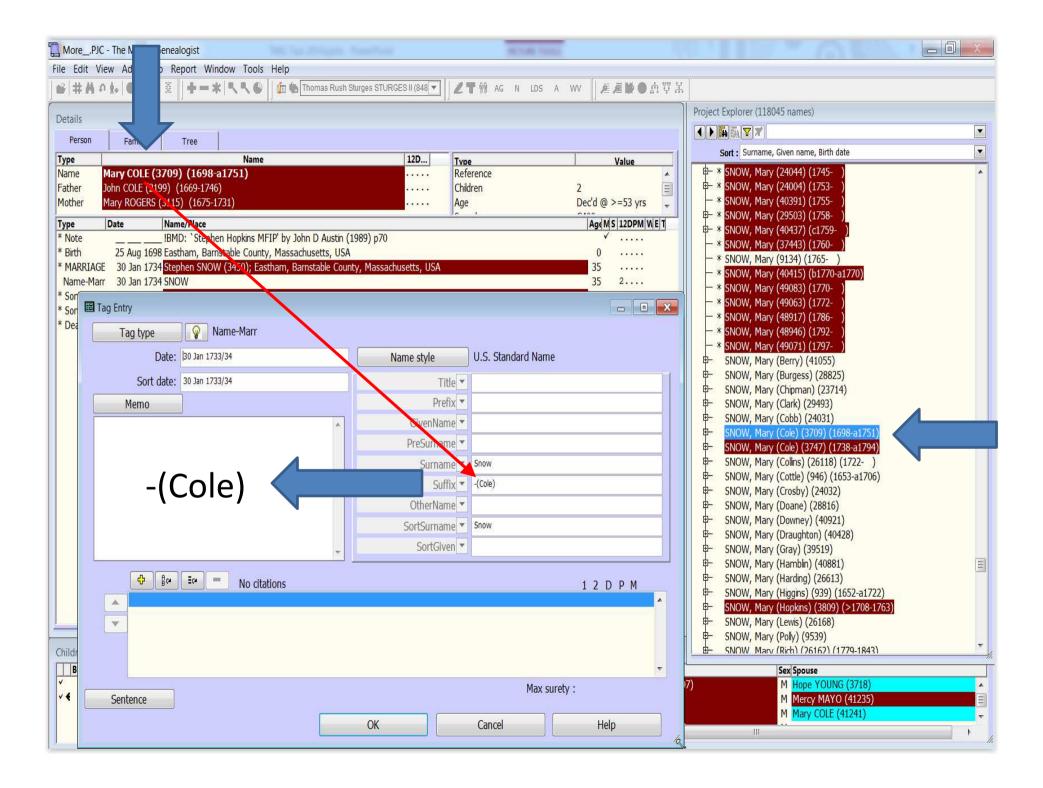


Individual Narrative of Dezso Scheibel

 Dezso Scheibel was born on 6 Jan 1881 at Kunszentmiklos, Hungary. His name was changed to Deszo Aczel. Deszo Aczel married Irenae Adler, daughter of Csarles Adler and Cecilia (--?--), before Dec 1924. Deszo Aczel died on 10 Jan 1965 at Budapest, Hungary, at age 84.

Married Names

- The Name-Marr tag is used to document a married name for a wife. In general, the original entry for a woman uses her birth or maiden name. A married name record allows women to be searched for or filtered on the Picklist and Project Explorer by either their maiden names or their married names. There is no limit to the number of name records each person can have.
- NOTE: Given names need not be part of the Name-Marr tag. The program will include the given name element in the Picklist and Project Explorer, even though it is not included in a Name-Marr tag.



Data Entry: Dates

- Sort Date (Turned off in Beginner Mode)
- Sort dates are used to maintain chronological order on the Person View, and in narrative reports, Individual Detail reports and Family Group Sheets. They do not print or export and have no genealogical significance

Date: Incomplete or Irregular

- A date with one or two digits in the year is considered an incomplete or irregular date, as it cannot be recorded in the correct century. If TMG can interpret the number as intended to be a year it will prompt you for the intended century. To avoid ambiguity, when entering dates be sure to use all four digits for the year. An incomplete date containing an alphabetic month can usually be appropriately interpreted by TMG. If an all-number date is incomplete (entered with less than three parts) TMG must guess what is missing. TMG's interpretations of ambiguous or incomplete dates are stated in Date Format and may be partially based on the date display setting in File > Preferences > Program Options: General. In all these screen display formats for dates, a missing value in an incomplete date is displayed using underlines.
- Any date that does not meet the criteria stated in Date Format is considered an irregular date. There may be times when you want to place text in the date field, e.g., "the 6th day of the 4th month". The date field will accept such text and you may keep the events on your display in chronological order by placing a regular date in the Sort Date field.

TMG 9.05

TMG 9.05 is available. You can perform the update one of two ways:

- 1. From within TMG, select "Check for an update" from the Help menu.
- 2. Download directly
- http://www.whollygenes.com/files/tmg9setup.exe_ for the US version, or
- http://www.whollygenes.com/files/tmg9uksetup.exe for the UK version.

Change Log: www.whollygenes.com/files/changelog.rtf

TMG Alternates Update

- Family Historian v6 just released (9 Dec)
- Terry Reigel reported the V5 had "huge data loss with the direct import, including some very basic issues...I don't know which if any were ever fixed. Some, like the missing source elements and the exclusion/privacy tools, would require non-trivial improvements in the program's method of data storage, so I'd be surprised if they have been addressed, but I really don't know."