TNG Event Search

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Event Place Search form

If you want to add a simple/integrated way for your users to search your Events for common place names, try adding this form to the bottom of your search page. If you are comfortable with a text editor, you can add this to your existing TNG search page in just a few minutes.

Rev 1.2 - Jul 1, 2008 - Updated installation instructions for TNG V7.0.0
Rev 1.1 - Jul 11, 2007 - Updated installation instructions for TNG V6.1.1, validated up to V6.2.0
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What are Event Places

When you enter a place location associated with a Birth, Death, Burial, Marriage, Divorce, or other Event, it is associated with your specific person record. These locations may be searched to find other people that have the locations associated with them. TNG version 6 has a built in feature to find exact matches for this type of search. The grey magnifying glass next to locations will provide the results of an exact match to the location it is next to. This mod will allow you to do a similar search, but in a more general matching scheme.

Example

To see how this works and how the form will look on your search page, you can preview it on my site at My Search Page at the bottom of the page.
For this example, try typing "Tiverton" without the quotes in the first search field. It will return all locations that have this in the place field.
You could also type just "Tiver" and achieve the same results.
Try entering "Tiverton" in the first field, and "Cemetery" in the second field. You get the idea.

Requirements

1. A working TNG installation - see *The Next Generation of Genealogy Sitebuilding*
2. A backup of your TNG searchform.php file.

TNG Modifications for TNG V6

The following zip file contains the single placesearchform.php file.

- The zip file TNG_placesearchform_1.2.zip contains 1 file:
  - placesearchform.php - the Events - Place search form to be included in the TNG searchform.php file

1. backup your existing TNG searchform.php and placesearch.php files
2. download this zip (TNG_placesearchform_1.2.zip)
3. unzip it, examine the contents
4. find and open your original searchform.php file
   - edit the last few lines of the file
     - change the last lines from this

```
<br /><br />
<?php
tng_footer( "" );
?>
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- to this

```
<?php @include($cms[tngpath] . "placesearchform.php"); ?>
<br /><br />
<?php
tng_footer( "" );
?>
```

- you can copy the single line above from this page and paste it into your file

6. close your searchform.php file and copy it to your base TNG directory
7. find and open your original placesearch.php file
   - The first change is 'NOT' required for V6.2.0 or higher. For V6.0 and V6.1.0 find the following line (V6 about line 173, V6.1.0 about line 204) and change this

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$allwhere .= " AND ($place1 = '$psearch' OR $place2 = '$psearch')";
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- to this

```
$allwhere .= " AND ($place1 LIKE '$psearch' OR $place2 LIKE '$psearch')";
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- then For all versions find the following line
  - V6.0 - line 180
  - V6.1.0 - line 211
  - V6.1.1 - line 355
  - V6.2.0 - line 224
  - V7.0.0 - line 212

  and change this

```
            $allwhere .= " AND $place = '$psearch'";
```

- to this

```
            $allwhere .= " AND $place LIKE '$psearch'";
```

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8. close your placesearch.php file and copy it to your base TNG directory
9. for each of your supported languages, add the following two lines of code into cust_text.php
    - cust_text.php will be located in the directory "English" in your main TNG directory
    - add the following two lines in the middle of the file.

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$text[eventscont] = "Place containing";
$text[andcont] = "And containing";
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10. copy the supplied placesearchform.php to your base TNG directory
    - ensure the placesearchform.php is readable by all
11. check it out

- **In the event of a problem with your TNG site**
1. copy your backup searchform.php and placesearch.php files to your base TNG directory
    - all should be well now
2. you may also delete the supplied placesearchform.php file

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Support

1. You're sort of on your own... If you have a specific question, or feel some additional info in the above would help others, feel free to contact me directly. Mail me here
    - Please post suggestions, or your own flavour of this mod to the forum or list