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**PLEASE NOTE**

The statements in this newsletter cited as quotes from other newsletters, quarterlies, etc., are quotations and not necessarily fact. I try not to reproduce statements that have been denied as being true and also those statements that are "old news" and have been quoted over a few years.

I would like to remind you that a few extra "paper" copies of all newsletters are filed at the Information Desk on the 2nd floor along with the "handouts" summary sheet. Please remember that you can take any of the extra paper copies in the folder. The Newsletter as well as all "handout" summaries for a particular meeting will be contained in a folder specifically for that meeting date e.g. Newsletter as well as "handout" summary for meeting on 1/12/10 are contained in a separate folder. Each meeting date will have its own folder. If you do not find a copy in the manila "extra" folder, you will have to copy from the permanent file binder. If the staff has trouble finding the folders, please let me know.

More importantly, electronic PDF copies of the Newsletter and the "handouts" summary for our monthly program can be obtained electronically as PDF files from our Library's Genealogy Blog called "Tony's Genealogy Blog at the Schaumburg Township District Library". This is a WordPress blog that you can reach directly at:

<http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com>

Look on the right side of the blog for links within the "Newsletter" category and the "Program Handouts" category. You can read the material online, download as a PDF file to your computer or print it from the blog.

If anyone needs to contact me via e-mail, you may reach me at the Schaumburg Township District Library at:

**akierna@stdl.org**

Or if you need to reach me the old fashioned way by phone, please contact me through the **Schaumburg Township District Library at 847-923-3390. I now can also be reached by direct FAX at the Schaumburg Township District Library. The FAX number in Extension Services is 847-923-3389.**

I am at the library each Monday, Tuesday (except on program dates) and Wednesday morning from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM should you need to meet me to obtain assistance in your research plan. Please let me know in advance if you plan on dropping in on these days so we can schedule a convenient time slot within those hours.

Tony Kierna - Genealogy Coordinator/Schaumburg Township District Library

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**SEPTEMBER 14, 2010 GENEALOGY PROGRAM TOPIC**

We will have another "break-out" session for our gathering in September 2010. Our previous attempts proved to be quite a good success. I would like us to build on those successes and afford those participants the opportunity to meet with those again or sample other groups.

After an initial introduction of new participants at the start of our normally scheduled meeting, we will establish our "breakout" groups at approximately 7:45 PM. We would have these breakout discussions from about 8:00 PM until about 9:30 PM. These groups would consist of about 7 to 8 participants. They would discuss some common topic of genealogy that interests them or from which they could learn even more to assist their research from sharing with others in the group and learning from others within the group.

The groups we previously tried seemed to work out quite well. I want to go with those same groups and am open to suggestions to attempt to add others or delete those that may not have a following.

I want to reconvene the following groups:

- Polish Researchers
- German Researchers
- Czech Researchers
- Irish Researchers
- Italian Researchers
- British Researchers
- Scandinavian Researchers
- Colonial Americans Researchers

I also will have a Beginner's Group that I will lead.

We will also have the computer in the room for anyone to access the internet.

Please remember that the group's composition is based on the numbers that will participate. If only one person is present to participate in the Polish group, then we cannot have a Polish group that evening. I cannot guarantee there will be enough participants to form a group. In that case I would always recommend participating in the Beginner's Group or the Troubleshooting Group.

The key to this effort is to be flexible in selecting a group to work with.

I look forward to our next "break-out" session in September 2010.

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## WELCOME TO ALL NEWCOMERS

Glad you could join us as you embark on a rather adventurous journey into the unknown and far-reaching past! Please see me so I can get to know you and the details of the "journey" you plan to take. Make sure you receive from me a special "newcomer" package of materials that will help you take your first big steps.

I would greatly appreciate your taking the time to fill out and return to me a simple questionnaire that I use to better understand areas of research into which you may delve as well as your having access or not to a home personal computer.

Please feel free to become acquainted with the Genealogy Collection at Schaumburg Township District Library. Our book material is generally located in the 929.1XXXX to 929.3XXXX sections of both the Circulating Collection as well as the Reference Collection. The library also has a Video, Audio and Microform Collection of Genealogy material located in the AV-Department. The materials in AV are also identified in the same Dewey number range as the printed material. These are two great browsing areas for you to review introductory material.

For book material I would like to recommend as a starter a book titled Unpuzzling Your Past: A Basic Guide to Genealogy by Emily Anne Croom (929.1 CRO). A companion book that would follow Unpuzzling Your Past is The Genealogist's Companion & Sourcebook also by Emily Anne Croom (929.1 CRO). These two books present a good place to begin familiarizing yourself with the field of Genealogy. Feel free to check these out.

If you have access to the Internet, you may want to check out a Getting Started web page that appears at the National Genealogical Society web site. The address is:

[http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/getting\\_started](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/getting_started)

Our group is a great group of friendly people who are willing to help each other in their quest to discover their ancestors. Don't be shy to mingle!! You may be sitting next to a long, lost relative!?

Welcome to the group!

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## WHO WE ARE AND WHERE WE ARE LOOKING - FOLLOW-UP

Here is an update on our participant information that I am tracking. My database to date includes information on 135 participants in the group. I have received updates from many of you since our last meeting. You truly are a very sharing group in your willingness to share your personal information with others in the group concerning your research efforts.

The entire group is searching for a total of 1,024 surnames among all of the individuals.

Remember, that I will bring to the meeting a current group report that I would appreciate you reviewing and marking any additions, deletions or changes for your particular information that you would like me to make onto the report itself. I will leave one updated report by the genealogical material by the Information Desk on the 2nd floor for you to reference in-between meetings. I will make additions/deletions to the participants that will be reflected in the listing of participants contained in the red binder that will be on the shelves at the combined Information/Magazine desk.

If you are in the library and need to review please ask someone at the Information/Magazine Desk on the 2nd floor for the material. Also check for this binder at my desk in the Extension Services Office if you do not find it at the Information Desk.

Any feedback from you is welcome concerning the report and the material included in it. I do occasionally make typos or I possibly misread what you provided.

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## **SHORT TAKES / POTPOURRI**

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<b>National Archives Launches 'Inside The Vaults' New Video Series (July 2, 2010)</b>
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The following announcement was written by the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration:

WASHINGTON, July 2 -- The National Archives is unveiling a new initiative today that is part of its ongoing effort to make its collections, its stories, and its accomplishments more accessible to the public. This new video series entitled "Inside the Vaults" will give voice to Archives staff and users, highlight new and exciting finds at the Archives, and report on complicated and technical subjects in easily understandable presentations.

"Our buildings are filled with riveting stories waiting to be told. One way to tell them is through video, drawing on the knowledge of the Archives' specialists and the collections they oversee. We are very excited about this new way for us to get news and information about the Archives out to the public," said Archivist of the United States David S. Ferriero.

In time for the National Archives July 4th celebration, the first two-minute video features Catherine Nicholson, National Archives supervisory conservator, discussing the conservation of the original Declaration of Independence. View the video at this URL: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W9ovu0a6pL8>. The videos will be hosted online on the National Archives YouTube Channel [www.youtube.com/USNationalArchives](http://www.youtube.com/USNationalArchives) and the National Archives website, [www.archives.gov](http://www.archives.gov).

"Inside the Vaults" will cover a host of topics including highlights from the National Archives in the Washington, DC, area and from the Presidential libraries and regional archives nationwide. Created by a former broadcast network news producer, these shorts will present "behind the scenes" exclusives and offer surprising glimpses of the National Archives treasures.

These videos are in the public domain and not subject to any copyright restrictions. The National Archives encourages the free distribution of them.

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### Release of the 1940 Census (July 5, 2010)

Circle this date on your calendar: Monday, April 2, 2012.

Less than two years from now, all genealogists will be able to gain access to the 1940 U.S. Census Records for the first time.

Title 13 of the United States Code governs how the Census is conducted and mandates the confidentiality of information concerning individuals. Aggregate information, including statistical models, may be released, but any information about individuals must be kept confidential for 72 years. The 1940 census was conducted on April 1, 1940 so the information may not be released until April 1, 2012.

The official date for the 1940 Census should be April 1st, but that day will fall on a Sunday in 2012. As a result, it is unclear whether researchers will have weekend access to film at the National Archives or will instead need to wait until Monday, April 2nd, to satisfy their genealogical curiosity. By sticking to normal business days, the National Archives and Records Administration also avoids the appearance of an April Fools' joke.

There is no announcement yet of whether or not an index will be available on April 1 (although commercial websites will undoubtedly begin producing such an index after the census opens). You may want to check in advance for the Enumeration District in the city or town where your ancestors lived. If you would like to help in this effort, visit <http://www.stevemorse.org/census/1940instructions.htm> for details about the 1940 Street Transcription Project.

1940 was a quieter time for most Americans. While much of Europe and Asia was at war, the United States had not yet been drawn into the conflict. The first military draft number was not drawn until late in the year in October of 1940, initiating selective service. Living rooms did not yet contain television sets. On the date of the census, President Roosevelt was nearing the end of his second term in office.

The following questions were included on the Population Schedule for the 1940 Census:

1. LOCATION: Street, avenue, road, etc.
2. LOCATION: House number (in cities and towns)
3. HOUSEHOLD DATA: Number of household in order of visitation
4. HOUSEHOLD DATA: Home owned (O) or rented (R)
5. HOUSEHOLD DATA: Value of home, if owned, or monthly rental, if rented
6. HOUSEHOLD DATA: Does this household live on a farm? (Yes or No)
7. NAME: Name of each person whose usual place of residence on April 1, 1940, was in this household.

8. RELATION: Relationship of this person to the head of the household, as wife, daughter, father, mother-in-law, grandson, lodger, lodger's wife, servant, hired hand, etc.
9. PERSONAL DESCRIPTION: Sex — Male (M), Female (F)
10. PERSONAL DESCRIPTION: Color or race
11. PERSONAL DESCRIPTION: Age at last birthday
12. PERSONAL DESCRIPTION: Marital status — Single (S), Married (M), Widowed (Wd), Divorced (D)
13. EDUCATION: Attended school or college any time since March 1, 1940 (Yes or No)
14. EDUCATION: Highest grade of school completed
15. PLACE OF BIRTH: If born in the United States, give State, Territory, or possession. If foreign born, give country in which birthplace was situated on January 1, 1937. Distinguish Canada-French from Canada-English and Irish Free State (Eire) from Northern Ireland.
16. CITIZENSHIP: Citizenship of the foreign born
17. RESIDENCE APRIL 1, 1935: City, town, or village having 2,500 or more inhabitants. Enter "R" for all other places
18. RESIDENCE APRIL 1, 1935: County
19. RESIDENCE APRIL 1, 1935: State (or Territory or foreign country
20. RESIDENCE APRIL 1, 1935: On a farm? (Yes or No)
21. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Was this person AT WORK for pay or profit in private or nonemergency Govt. work during week of March 24-30? (Yes or No)
22. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: If not, was he at work on, or assigned to, public EMERGENCY WORK (WPA, NYA, CCC, etc.) during week of March 24-30? (Yes or No)
23. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Was this person SEEKING WORK? (Yes or No)
24. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: If not seeking work, did he HAVE A JOB, business, etc.? (Yes or No)
25. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Indicate whether engaged in home housework (H) in school (S), unable to work (U), or other (O)
26. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Number of hours worked during week of March 24-30, 1940
27. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Duration of unemployemen up to March 30, 1940 - in weeks

- 28. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Occupation: Trade, profession, or particular kind of work
- 29. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Industry: Industry of business
- 30. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Class of worker
- 31. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Number of weeks worked in 1939 (Equivalent full-time weeks)
- 32. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: INCOME IN 1939: Amount of money wages or salary received (including commissions)
- 33. PERSONS 14 YEARS OLD AND OVER — EMPLOYMENT STATUS: INCOME IN 1939: Did this person receive income of \$50 or more from sources other than money wages or salary? (Yes or No)
- 34. Number of Farm Schedule

There also was a list of **SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS**, which would be asked of those individuals recorded usually on Lines 14 and 29 (although other lines were also designated for such use and was presumably to ensure a random sampling).

The Supplementary Questions were as follows:

- 35. NAME
- 36. PLACE OF BIRTH OF FATHER AND MOTHER: FATHER
- 37. PLACE OF BIRTH OF FATHER AND MOTHER: MOTHER
- 38. MOTHER TONGUE (OR NATIVE LANGUAGE): Language spoken in home in earliest childhood
- 39. VETERANS: Is this person a veteran of the United States military forces; or the wife, widow, or under-18-year-old child of a veteran? If so, enter "Yes"
- 40. VETERANS: If child, is veteran-father dead (Yes or No)
- 41. VETERANS: War or military service
- 42. SOCIAL SECURITY: Does this person have a Federal Social Security Number? (Yes or No)
- 43. SOCIAL SECURITY: Were deductions for Federal Old-Age Insurance or Railroad Retirement made from this person's wages or salary in 1939? (Yes or No)
- 44. SOCIAL SECURITY: If so, were deductions made from (1) all, (2) one-half or more, (3) part, but less than half, of wages or salary?
- 45. USUAL OCCUPATION
- 46. USUAL INDUSTRY
- 47. Usual class of worker
- 48. FOR ALL WOMEN WHO ARE OR HAVE BEEN MARRIED: Has this woman been married more than once? (Yes or No)
- 49. FOR ALL WOMEN WHO ARE OR HAVE BEEN MARRIED: Age at first marriage?
- 50. FOR ALL WOMEN WHO ARE OR HAVE BEEN MARRIED: Number of children ever born (Do not include stillbirths)

Another item will be of interest to anyone born on or after April 1, 1930 but before April 1, 1940. For the first time, those people will be able to view their own records in the census enumeration of 1940!

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 05, 2010 in [History](#) | [Permalink](#)

### **Another Scam: I Was Robbed! (July 8, 2010)**

If you receive an email message like the one shown below, ignore it. It is a scam. Tens of thousands, perhaps hundreds of thousands, of these messages are being sent from scam artists. Nobody was robbed and nobody is sitting without funds (and, if they were, the U.S. Embassy and Travelers' Aid and their credit card companies would help).

Here is one the many such messages I have received in recent days, complete with all typo errors intact:

I'm writing this with tears in my eyes,my family and i came down here to London,UNITED KINGDOM, for a short vacation to visit a resort and got mugged at gun point last night at the park of the hotel where we lodged.All cash,credit cards and cell were stolen off me.we've been to the embassy and the Police here but they're not helping issues at all,our flight leaves today and I'm having problems settling the hotel bills.

The hotel manager won't let us leave until i settle the hotel bills(1500GBP)now am freaked out.Please reply and let me if can you have the money wire to me through western union i promise to pay back as soon as i get back home.

I'm Freaked out at the moment.

**Posted by Dick Eastman on July 08, 2010 in [Scams](#) | [Permalink](#)**

### **Newberry Library Announces the Digital Atlas of Historical County Boundaries (July 14, 2010)**

The following announcement was written by the Newberry Library:  
The Newberry Library is pleased to announce the completion and release of its Digital Atlas of Historical County Boundaries, a dataset that covers every day-to-day change in the size, shape, location, name, organization, and attachment of each U.S. county and state from the creation of the first county in 1634 through 2000.

Nearly every aspect of American life can be described, analyzed, and illuminated through data gathered and organized by county or available in county records, and knowing how and when boundaries changed is often the key to finding and understanding great quantities of historical data. For example, a farm may have been in one family for many generations, but over the decades changes in county lines may have effectively moved that farm from one county to another. When looking for old family records, how does the modern genealogist know which county seat will hold great-grandmother's marriage certificate? How does an attorney know which county seat recorded the deed to great-great-grandfather's farm?

In addition, population figures are commonly aggregated at the county level, but comparing statistics from one enumeration to the next may not accurately reveal actual change. Was a change in the figures from census to census due to population movement or to a change in the boundaries of the reporting counties, or to a combination of both?

With the Newberry's Atlas of Historical County Boundaries, genealogists, geographers, historians, political scientists, attorneys, demographers, and many more now can find accurate county data that will greatly assist them in their research.

The data are organized by state and are available online in four versions:

- Viewable, interactive maps (electronic analogues to printed maps) on which the historical lines have been plotted against a background of the modern county network
- Downloadable shapefiles for use in geographic information systems (GIS)
- Downloadable KMZ files for use with Google Earth
- Downloadable and printable PDF files (each full-page frame shows a map of a different version of each county, with the historical boundaries displayed against a background of the modern county network)

Supplementing the polygons and maps for each state are chronologies, commentary on historical problems, long and short metadata documents, and a bibliography.

The project began in 1988, with principal funding provided by the National Endowment for the Humanities, an independent federal agency. Additional support came from the Newberry Library, which also served as headquarters, and from other foundations and individuals. The Newberry Library is the copyright holder; all files of the Digital Atlas of Historical County Boundaries are free for use under an Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 2.5 Creative Commons License. Queries should be addressed to [scholl@newberry.org](mailto:scholl@newberry.org). The Website for the Atlas is [publications.newberry.org/ahcbp](http://publications.newberry.org/ahcbp)

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### Do You Drink Too Much at Parties? Blame Your Ancestors! (July 17, 2010)

Here's some not-so-sobering news for party people, barhoppers and clubgoers. Individuals who inherit a particular gene variant that tweaks the brain's reward system are especially likely to drink a lot of alcohol in the company of heavy-boozing peers.

That's the preliminary indication of a new study directed by psychology graduate student Helle Larsen of Radboud University Nijmegen in the Netherlands. Adults carrying at least one copy of a long version of the dopamine D4 receptor gene, dubbed DRD4, imbibed substantially more alcohol around a heavy-drinking peer than did others who lacked that gene variant, Larsen's group reports in a paper published online July 7 in *Psychological Science*.

You can read more in an article by Bruce Bower in Wired.com at

<http://www.wired.com/wiredscience/2010/07/alcohol-social-gene/#ixzz0tuf7oi7k>

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 17, 2010 in [DNA](#) | [Permalink](#)

### Tennesseans Asked to Share Heirlooms from Civil War (July 18, 2010)

The Civil War left its mark on Tennessee, and a large part of that legacy has been tucked away and forgotten in countless attics across the state.

Now, with the 150th anniversary of the conflict less than a year away, state historians are asking Tennesseans to dig into their family heirlooms and share the Civil War mementos in a unique online archive.

"This state was one of the central battlegrounds of the war," said Wayne Moore, assistant state archivist at the Tennessee State Library and Archives. Many of the families

who made it through the war passed down mementos to their descendants. "People have stuff in their homes a lot of times that have never been seen by the public."

You can read more in an article by Jennifer Brooks in the Tennessean web site at

<http://www.tennessean.com/article/20100715/NEWS01/7150337/Tennesseans+asked+to+share+heirlooms+from+Civil+War>

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## LOCAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS/PROGRAMS

### Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SOCIETY WILL NOT OCCUR UNTIL SEPTEMBER 21, 2010. PROGRAM INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED WHEN IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.**

**PLEASE MAKE NOTE THAT THE MEETING DATE FOR THE SOCIETY IS THE 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH A MEETING OCCURS. MEETINGS WILL STILL BE HELD AT THE FOREST VIEW EDUCATIONAL CENTER IN ARLINGTON HEIGHTS ON GOEBBERT ROAD. NO MEETINGS OCCUR DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST AND DECEMBER.**

The next meeting of the Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists will take place on Tuesday evening, September 21, 2010. The program for the evening is titled "**To Be Determined**". The speaker for the evening will be To Be Determined.

Meetings take place at Forest View Education Center, 2121 South Goebbert (turn south at Golf and Goebbert), Arlington Heights, IL 60005 at 7:30 p.m. There is a round table discussion that takes place at 7 PM prior to the main meeting that starts at 7:30 PM. Participants are invited to attend this round table and bring their research questions for discussion.

You may visit the society web page at:

[www.NWSCG.com](http://www.NWSCG.com)

Please note that it has happened once in a while that the society may change a program schedule without actively sharing that fact. Checking their web site may also not give you notice of such a change if they do not change the web site. That is still the first place to check. You may also want to contact someone at the society if a phone number is available to verify that a program is still scheduled as they had advertised. That is always not available either.

We do our best here to try to be sure that information we convey about programs is accurate. However, sometimes we are unable to convey changes unless we are made aware of those changes.

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DuPage County Genealogical Society

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE SOCIETY WILL NOT OCCUR UNTIL SEPTEMBER 15, 2010. THIS PROGRAM WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE DUPAGE COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM AT 102 E. WESLEY STREET IN WHEATON IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM.**

**Please note that meetings that are scheduled for October 2010 through May 2011 are once again taking place at the Wheaton Public Library in the Lower Level. The address of the library is 225 N. Cross St. in Wheaton, IL. Please note the new times for refreshments and the program. Refreshments are offered at 6:30 PM. The meeting will start at 7 PM and last till no longer than 9 PM when the library closes.**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the DuPage County Genealogical Society will take place on Wednesday evening, September 15, 2010. The program scheduled for that evening is "**Ellis Island Experience**". The speaker for the program will be Marian Schuetz.

You may visit the society's web page at:

[www.dcgs.org](http://www.dcgs.org)

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Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI)

The next meeting of CAGGNI will take place on Saturday morning, August 21, 2010 at the Schaumburg Township District Library at 10:30 AM. The program scheduled for this day is "**Liven Up Your Family History with Images**". The speaker for the program will be Mike Karsen.

You may visit the organization web page at:

[www.CAGGNI.org](http://www.CAGGNI.org)

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### **Civil War Soldiers' Graves Online Database (July 4, 2010)**

The Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) was the largest fraternal organization for Union veterans. It was a very active organization in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Only Union veterans were permitted to join the GAR. As the members aged and then died, the organization eventually disappeared. However, it was replaced by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, with membership restricted to descendants of Union Civil War veterans. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War inherited most of the records of the national GAR organization, as well as many of the records of local chapters (called "encampments").

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) now has created its Grave Registration Project to document the final resting places of **BOTH** Union and Confederate Civil War veterans. The fully-searchable database is available online and is free for everyone. I had an opportunity to use the database this week.

The SUVCW web site can be found at <http://www.suvcw.org>. You can save yourself some time if you go directly to <http://www.suvcwdb.org/home/search.php?action=search>. The web site says that a free registration is required before you can access the database. However, I simply started searching, and everything worked perfectly for me. I never did register. Perhaps SUVCW will change that after reading this article.

The main search form has a lot of fields to fill in: first name, last name, birth date, death date, Union or Confederate, unit, state, branch, company or ship, rank, cemetery name and location, and more. You simply fill in whatever information you have and leave the remaining fields blank. Click on SEARCH, and the database will return a list of all entries that match your search criteria.

I entered my own surname into the Last Name field and left all the other fields blank. I clicked on SEARCH, and about three seconds later the web site returned a list of 137

matches. I was especially intrigued by one entry: a man who also shares my first name as well as last name. I'll use him as an example of the information available in this database:

Last Name: Eastman  
First Name: Richard  
Middle Name: K  
Birth: 07-Jan-1832  
Death: 05-Feb-1899  
Age: 67  
Civil War: Union  
Unit Designation: 31  
Branch: Infantry  
State: Ohio  
Company/Ship: F  
If federal, State From:  
Rank: Corporal  
Enlisted 19-Sep-1861  
Discharged: 20-Jul-1865  
Cemetery Name: Ohio Soldier's & Sailors' Home Cemetery  
Lot: 5  
Section: G  
Grave Number: 8  
Cemetery Street: Columbus Avenue  
City: Sandusky  
County: Erie  
State/Country: Ohio  
GAR Post:  
Dept. of:

In addition, the database indicates that this soldier had a military-issued headstone and that the cemetery burial records had been checked.

As you can see, the above entry had quite a bit of information. However, there is a place for text notes, and in this man's record the text notes were blank. I looked around a bit more for others and found some entries had extensive text notes.

For instance, here are the notes for George E. Eastman of Company E, 9th Maine Infantry:

Residence: Cornish, Me. Born: Cornish, Me. Age at enlistment; 18, Mustered US Service Sept 22, 1861. Re-enlisted Jan 1, 1864. POW Sept 29, 1864 at Chaffin's Farm, Va. Died of starvation April 9, 1865. Stone at Riverside Cemetery, SR 25, Cornish, Me.

The records in this database were obtained from many sources, and it is believed that some number of veterans' records have not yet been found. If you have new information not yet in the database, you can submit it online. However, if you have updated or additional information concerning previously submitted registrations, you should submit that information to the National Graves Registration Officer. Details may be found at

<http://www.suvcwdb.org/home/about.php>

While this database was created by and is maintained by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the database lists Confederate as well as Union soldiers. There are fewer Confederates listed. The reasons are two-fold: (1.) because the organization collected only

Union veterans' information in its earlier years and (2.) because record keeping was not as well organized among the Confederates. The SUVCW is keenly interested in adding more information about Confederate graves.

This is a great database for anyone researching Civil War ancestry. If you are not sure of the origins of your ancestor, there is a good chance that you can find his place of birth as well as place of enlistment in the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Grave Registration Project. To search the database at no charge, go to

<http://www.suvcwdb.org/home/search.php?action=search>

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### Free Genealogy Books on The Internet Archive (July 17, 2010)

When I started researching my family tree more than thirty years ago, I purchased a reprint of a genealogy book first published in 1920: *The Harmon Genealogy, comprising all branches in New England* written by Artemas C. Harmon. The book mentions my great-grandmother, Lucy Harmon, and documents her Harmon ancestry back to 1667. It is a wonderful resource, and I have referred to this book often over the years.

I paid more than \$100 for this reprinted book many years ago. Today I found the same book online. The cost is **ZERO**. I can download the entire book to my hard drive or to a jump drive or save it to an online storage service. I can print one page, multiple pages, or even the entire book. Even better, I can electronically search the entire book within seconds for any word or phrase. Not only can I search for names, but I can also search for towns, dates, occupations, or any other words of interest. Try doing that with a printed book!

The Internet Archive, also known as "The Wayback Machine," is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that was founded to build an Internet library. Its purposes include offering permanent access for researchers, historians, scholars, people with disabilities, and the general public to historical collections that exist in digital format.

The Internet Archive is best known for storing terabytes of old web pages. However, the organization has also expanded its role to digitize and store all sorts of public domain material, including old books, movies, audio recordings, radio shows, and more. I have also found a few modern books on The Internet Archive that were legally contributed by the copyright holders themselves.

The site's Text Archive contains a wide range of fiction, popular books, children's books, historical texts and academic books. The list includes genealogy books as well. The Internet Archive is working with several sponsoring libraries to digitize the contents of their holdings. The Allen County Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana is one library that has contributed many digitized genealogy books to The Internet Archive as is the Harold B. Lee Library at Brigham Young University. In addition, private individuals are invited to scan the public domain books in their personal libraries and upload them as well. (See <http://www.archive.org/about/faqs.php#195> for information about contributing your books.)

The result is a huge resource of books in TXT, PDF, and other formats, books that you can download to your computer, save, and then search for every word. The same books are also visible to Google and other search engines, including online every-word searches. The TXT files have lost the formatting of the original books: there is no bold or italics or underlining, as such formatting is not supported by TXT formatting. In addition, paragraph

indentations and other "spacing" often is lost.

Many of the books available were converted to TXT format by OCR software. OCR never converts all words perfectly so you can expect to find numerous OCR errors in these documents. For instance, *The Harmon Genealogy, comprising all branches in New England* has some words mis-scanned and many dates have errors in them. The common one was substituting the letter "l" in place of the number one, such as "l920" instead of "1920." That will cause difficulty if you are electronically searching for specific words or numbers.

Of course, the Internet Archive is not the only source of digitized books. In fact, Google Books is a much better-known source of digitized books. Operated by a well-funded commercial company, Google Books gets most of the publicity and has probably digitized more books. However, with commercial ownership comes proprietary business methods. Google Books generally are available for download only in PDF format. Once stored on your computer's hard drive or jump drive, those books are not easily searched, although there are some technically-advanced methods available to add search capabilities.

In contrast, books stored on The Internet Archive are already searchable for any word or phrase, both when online and after being downloaded. Many of the books are available in TXT format (easily searched) while others are in PDF format. Even the PDF files that I downloaded were all immediately searchable with no conversion required. I am not sure if all the PDF files are searchable, but the ones that I tried were immediately searchable.

The Internet Archive also provides most books in http, EPUB, Kindle, Daisy, and DjVu formats in addition to TXT and PDF. As a result, the books and other documents can be read on almost any ebook reader as well as on computers, iPads, and most cell phones that have web browsers.

The Internet Archive does not yet have all the genealogy books ever published. In fact, nobody seems to know how many genealogy books are available this way. Even the folks at The Internet Archive don't know. They simply scan everything they can find and don't worry much about classifying the topics.

I searched the "Texts" section of The Internet Archive for the word "genealogy" and found 34,539 "hits." By searching in "Texts," I was able to ignore the "hits" found on the Internet and in other sources. That's not a definitive answer as the word "genealogy" obviously will exist more than once in most books. However, it does provide a rough idea of the popularity of the word in The Internet Archives' books, magazines, and other texts. Whatever the true number, there must be thousands of genealogy books available today on The Internet Archive, and the number is growing rapidly.

The Internet Archive also has scanned and digitized the U.S. Census records from 1790 through 1930. Unlike the commercial providers of census data, the versions provided by The Internet Archive have not been indexed. They are useful only if you already know where to look for your ancestors. Small towns can easily be searched one page at a time while cities probably are best searched if you already know the Enumeration Districts involved.

Also unlike the commercial providers of census data, the census information on The Internet Archive is available free of charge to everyone.

In fact, everything on The Internet Archive is free. The site doesn't have a method of accepting credit cards. As a non-profit, however, the organization does accept donations

which are tax-free to Americans.

In a casual search, I found all sorts of material of interest to genealogists on The Internet Archive, including these:

*Compiled service records of soldiers who served in the American Army during the Revolutionary war*

*Polk Lafayette, Indiana, city directory* (Volume yr. 1891)

Preakness and the Preakness Reformed church, Passaic County, New Jersey : a history, 1695-1902, with genealogical notes, the records of the church and tombstone inscriptions

*The history of ancient Wethersfield, Connecticut : comprising the present towns of Wethersfield, Rocky Hill, and Newington, and of Glastonbury prior to its incorporation in 1693: from date of earliest settlement until the present time* (Volume 1,pt.2)

*Ziegler Genealogy* by John A. M. Ziegler

*Genealogy of the Beaudry Family of Northern Ontario and Relatives.*

*Morse Genealogy* by Morse & Leavett

*Genealogy of the Spotswood family in Scotland and Virginia*

*The Lenher Family* : a genealogy by Sarah Marion Lenher

The above is only a tiny fraction of the many books available free of charge on The Internet Archive.

The Internet Archive isn't perfect, but it does provide a great resource for genealogists, historians, and others. If you are looking for information about your family tree, I'd suggest that you check out The Internet Archive at <http://www.archive.org>

If you are interested in *The Harmon Genealogy, comprising all branches in New England*, go to [http://www.archive.org/stream/harmongenealogyc00harm/harmongenealogyc00harm\\_djvu.txt](http://www.archive.org/stream/harmongenealogyc00harm/harmongenealogyc00harm_djvu.txt). Caution: This book is great; but, like most genealogy books, does contain a few errors. Author Artemas C. Harmon did a very good job of research, but his work was not perfect.

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## **PERIODICAL NEWS**

### **NGS Magazine**

We have received the April-June 2010, Volume 36, Number 2 issue of [NGS Magazine](#).

Key articles in this issue are:

**"Making Voter Registration Records Count"**

by Sharon B. Hodges

**"A Guide to Voter Registration Records"**

by Richard Camaur, JD, CG

**"Occupation: It's Not Just a Job, It's A Finding Aid"**

by J. H. Fonkert, CG

**"Researching Your Japanese-American Ancestors"**

by Pamela Loos-Noji, Ph.D

**"Living Historian, Family Historian"**

Mike Gillett

**"Notes from a Librarian's Corner"**

by Kim V. Garvey, MILS

**"How To Narrow Your Search Criteria"**

by Elizabeth Doherty Herzfeld

**"Case Study: Where in the World Was John Nelson King?"**

by Harold E. Hinds Jr., Ph.D

**"Irish Immigrants on the *Vermont*, June-July 1812"**

by Claire Prechtel-Kluszens

**"Discovering Land Records"**

by Gary M. Smith and Diana Crisman Smith

**"Review of Family Tree Maker 2010"**

by Barbara Schenck

**"How Trends in Technology Will Affect Genealogy"**

by Jordan Jones

**"When Stuck, Try Reading History"**

by Harold E. Hinds Jr., Ph.D

In this issue of the [NGS Magazine](#), you will also find the most recent financial statement of the NGS.

I thought that a good article in this issue is one titled "Making Voter Registration Records Count". I personally have been able to discover Voter Registration information on some of my ancestors from the material that is available within the Ancestry.com databases on Chicago Voter Registration data for the years 1888, 1890 and 1892.

These records may contain that elusive birth date or naturalization information on your ancestor simply because the birth date was needed in order to calculate the age which had to adhere to the voting requirements at the time and the naturalization trail of information led to proof of citizenship in order to vote.

Some of the information you may find on your ancestor from these voter cards may include the following:

- Voter's name
- Party affiliation
- Address at time of registration
- Age
- Date of birth
- Color
- Sex
- Whether convicted of a crime
- Place of birth
- Length of time at residence
- Whether the registrant can read or write
- Application date
- Occupation
- Date and court of naturalization
- Signature of the registrant

As you can see, there is a great deal of information that you can find that really shed some light on your ancestor at the time registration happened. These lists can be especially helpful as are the Chicago Voter Lists that were done for 1890 and 1892 simply because the 1890 Census was destroyed. You can use this helpful information to fill in the blanks for missing 1890 census data.

The article also provides some very good background material on voting privileges from our earliest founding through the present day, highlighting how voting rights have been expanded over time to include more eligible citizens. Much of the expansion of voting rights has been done through the amendment process of the Constitution of the United States.

You can often find these voter records at the city or county level at the Board of Elections. Some have been kept over time while some have been destroyed according to the retention laws applicable to the local jurisdiction.

Ancestry.com definitely has the Chicago Voter Lists for 1888, 1890 and 1892. Search through Ancestry.com to determine if Voter Records exist for other jurisdictions. The Voter Records for Chicago show up in Ancestry.com under the category of "Census Data". So if you have a lot of hits under this category, be sure to expand the list of hits on the first page to determine if any Voter Records exist for your search.

This article is definitely worth a complete read or the making of a personal copy for your use.

I thought that another article in this issue is one titled "Discovering Land Records". Land/Home ownership is such an important part of our society, that the importance of that process of recording this kind of ownership information is taken as seriously in recording this information for public access. Deeds and wills are historically the first records filed in a new administrative area. Why? Ownership and inheritance were the keys to financial stability, particularly in frontier areas. Land records, therefore, are often found recorded decades before births and deaths, or even marriages.

Most land records are kept at the county level. Rhode Island kept them at the town level.

After the Revolutionary War, the new United States owned all untitled land. The federal government surveyed this land and offered the land for sale to an original first time owner after peace had been established in the area. Land was always an attraction to those living in the United States as well as to foreigners who came to the United States for land.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) was the agency in our federal government through which these land sales took place. Records of land management in their possession include:

- Survey field notes that might include the surveys performed, names of settlers, descriptions of waterways, land formations, climate, soil etc.
- Survey plats
- Records of the original title transfer, often referred to as patents or deeds. There are 2,000 tract books at BLM's Eastern States Branch in Virginia.
- Conveyance documents such as homesteads, cash sales, private land claims, railroad lists and other land distributions.

These records are being digitized over time. Check them out and other things you can find at the BLM at [www.glorerecords.blm.gov](http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov).

The article points out the usefulness of these land records with the following examples:

- The records can help identify neighbors that may be connected to your ancestors. Courting of women was often done within a 3 mile distance to allow the time needed to get chores done and then visit the one being courted and then return. Your ancestral family may have interconnected with the neighbors that surrounded them.
- Deeds often mention neighbors. Witnesses on the documents were often neighbors, friends or relatives.
- When inherited land was sold, the source of the land was usually included in the description. For example, "the land John Smith's wife obtained from her father Michael Brown, on his death".
- When land was given to a child, the deed may give a clue by a statement that the consideration (payment) was for "love and affection" or some nominal price.
- Follow the ownership trail. A sold to B, but C later sold the land. How did it get from B to C? Most of the time this may have happened with an inheritance, not by sale, so look for B's will listing C.

Again, I thought this was an interesting article well worth reading in its entirety.

Check out the entirety of this recent issue of [NGS Magazine](#) for all of the other very good articles that are included. I find these articles in this journal to be very well written and very helpful to assist you further with your own research.

You can find this most recent issue of [NGS Magazine](#) on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library on the magazine shelves.

## **Avotaynu**

We have received the Spring 2010, Volume XXVI, Number 1 issue of Avotaynu.

Key articles in this issue are:

**“Locating Living Americans: Selected Resources”**

by Gary Mokotoff

**“Genealogical Gems in U.S. State Archives and Historical Societies”**

By Nancy C. Levin

**“Database and Free-Text Searches: Some Advantages and Disadvantages”**

By Zvi Bernhardt

**“Family Tree DNA Develops Cross-Gender Test to Find Cousins”**

By Sallyann Amdur Sack-Pikus

**“How I Found Ancestors and Living Relatives After More Than a Century of Separation”**

By Silvia Elena Zarate Vidal

**“Finding Mrs. Buchholz”**

by Margot Perry

**“Jewish Vital Records in the Polish State Archives Not Listed Elsewhere”**

By Edward David Luft

**“Knowles Collection: Connecting Jewish Families”**

by W. Todd Knowles

**“Using Facebook As a Genealogy Tool”**

by Arnon HersHKovitz

**“Geospatial Genealogy: Visualizing and Exploring Ancestral Places”**

By Stephen L. Egbert and Karen G. R. Roekard

**“The Myth of Impossible Proof: Modern Genealogy Methods and a Holocaust Fraud”**

by Sharon E. Sergeant

Also included in this issue are extensive book reviews of two recently published pieces. The books reviewed in this issue are:

***The Rise of the Toronto Jewish Community***

By Shmuel Mayer Shapiro

***The Life of Gluckel of Hameln, Written By Herself***

By Edited by Beth-Zion Abrahams

Also included in this issue is a section titled "Ask the Experts". In this section you will find some very nice Q & A on Jewish/Eastern European genealogical research. The responses to the questions are fairly long and detailed, all of which might shed light on some genealogical problems we may have researching Jewish ancestry. I always recommend taking a look at such Q & A because it is uncanny how problems we encounter may be similar to what others have encountered. The answers are often enough for us to think through our problems in a little different light.

I thought that a good article in this issue is one titled "Locating Living Americans: Selected Resources". The author identifies a series of resources and provides a good summary about what you may be able to find on potential living relatives that may be of help to further advance your research. Key sites and resources mentioned by the author to help find living relatives are:

- White Pages Telephone Book @ [www.whitepages.com](http://www.whitepages.com)
- PeopleFinders.com @ [www.Peoplefinders.com](http://www.Peoplefinders.com)
- PeopleData.com @ [www.peopledata.com](http://www.peopledata.com)
- Social Security Death Index from within various online resources such as [www.rootsweb.com](http://www.rootsweb.com)
- 1930 U.S.Census from which data can be accessed from [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com)
- Facebook @ [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com)
- Google @ [www.google.com](http://www.google.com)

Many if not most of these are well-known by genealogical researchers. I personally had not been familiar with PeopleData.com.

Take a look at WhitePages.com if you had not been there ever or lately. I had not used it lately and was fascinated to see that when you enter in a surname the program will give you a listing of the results. I was fascinated to see that in the listing of hits that match to the surname you entered, the program will also give a listing of "related" individuals to the person found in your search. White Pages will also categorize the person as being in a certain age group such as 65+, 50-54, 55-59 etc. I was fascinated of what could appear to be some helpful information for your research, especially if your research provided some hints and connections of relations. The White Pages system also provides a map overview highlighting where the found people are on a map. When you click on a person's name, a very detailed map of the address associated with the person appears. My name even appeared as "Tony Kierna – Genealogy – Schaumburg Township District Library". You may discover home, work and business locations associated with the found person.

The author also makes note of PeopleFinders.com. I tried it for my name and found amazing "hints" at details that can be accessed for a fee. My age was listed and it was correct. I was associated with a variety of locations such as Hanover Park, Bartlett, Streamwood and a few others, some of which I had no idea how such a connection could be made. You can purchase the details on the found records for \$1.95 but a special being run indicated you could purchase for \$.95 for the found names. This is obviously a one time purchase. They also offered a monthly fee of \$19.95 that would give you unlimited number of searches. The monthly fee is self-renewing each month. And of course for \$49.95 ( It did not seem clear if this was a one fee or an ongoing monthly fee) you can find out just

about anything on the found names such as felonies, phone numbers, divorces, property ownership, bankruptcies, and neighbors and possible relatives.

The author provided information on what could be found from each of the resources that were listed above. Good tips can be extrapolated from each of the resources to help you find living relatives. It is worth looking at this article in its entirety to pick up all of the insights provided by the author.

I know that I am going to spend more time looking at WhitePages.com and PeopleFinders.com for names of interest to me in my genealogical research. You can get some good hints from the data supplied without having to spend any money in subscribing to the full blown amounts of personal information that can be purchased from the providers.

I also thought that there two other good articles in this recent issue of Avotaynu that I would recommend to researchers. For those that are not currently using Facebook as a genealogical research tool, you may want to read the article titled "Using Facebook as a Genealogy Tool". The author does a very good job of explaining all of the "pluses" and some of the "minuses" of getting involved with Facebook. The pluses do seem to outweigh the minuses. This is a five page article that is worth reviewing and even making a personal copy so you can really understand the value of Facebook from a genealogical research perspective.

The other good article worth looking at in this issue is one titled "'Geospatial Genealogy: Visualizing and Exploring Ancestral Places". The author provides great background information. The author defines what is meant by the "geospatial genealogy" with the following description – "The concept geospatial genealogy refers to the linking of traditional genealogical records and databases with the mapping, analysis, and visualization capabilities of online mapping programs such as Google Earth and the more powerful capabilities of geographic information systems (GIS). The term geospatial refers to objects on the Earth and their locational relationships to each other". This is a 6 page article worth taking a look at to help you understand a new concept that you may apply to your own research.

There are many good articles in this recent issue of Avotaynu. It is well worth reviewing it to see what articles in here may be of help to you for your own research.

You can find this most recent issue of Avotaynu on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library on the magazine shelves.



## **BOOKS IN PRINT**

We have added a genealogy book titled ***History for Genealogists: Using Chronological Time Lines to Find and Understand Your Ancestors***. The author of the book is Judy Jacobson. The book was published in 2009. It was added to our circulating collection in June 2010. The call number of the book is 929.1 JACOBSON, J. The book can be found on the circulating shelves on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library.

Chapters in the book are:

Chapter 1	-	Seeing Ancestors in Historical Context
Chapter 2	-	Creating a Timeline Why? How? Case Studies
Chapter 3	-	Why Did They Leave? Military Reasons, Racism, Political Motives, Religious Reasons, Health Reasons, Economic Reasons, Natural Disasters
Chapter 4	-	How Did They Go? By Road, Rail, Water, Air
Chapter 5	-	Coming to America Who Went Where? To Canada and Back To the Eastern US To the Southern US To the Midwestern US To the Western US
Chapter 6	-	Myths, Confusions, Secrets and Lies
Chapter 7	-	Even Harder to Find Missing Persons
Chapter 8	-	Social History and Community Genealogy
Chapter 9	-	State by State
Chapter 10	-	Region by Region
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The main theme of this work is to better help the researcher understand the actions taken by their ancestors over time. Creating a timeline of an individual ancestor is a critical aspect needed to help one understand why an ancestor may have taken a certain action at a certain period of time. The researcher should lay out all of the known actions and events of an ancestor. Actions and events to make note of:

- Birth
- Marriage
- Death
- Military Service
- Ownership of Land
- Migration Dates
- Census Locations Over Time
- Voter Registration
- Tax Rolls
- Naturalization
- Newspaper Articles
- Religious Events

Whatever material you have on an ancestor that can be assessed by an exact date or even a year is your beginning point. Often the lineage program you are using to store all of this data and events has the capability to arrange these events in a "time line" of chronological events. Once you have done this for an ancestor, then utilizing this book that is a series of timelines itself on major local, state, country and world events allows you to overlay the two. Is it possible that your ancestor who left England in Year "xyz" did so because at that time religious persecutions were occurring? Or did an ancestor that left

Germany in year "xyz" leave because harsh military conscription laws were being placed into effect at that time?

This book plus your own timeline organizing can help you possibly a reason for an action of an ancestor that to you may have had no reason or may have been a random reason.

You will never know an exact reason an ancestor may have done something unless you have that ancestor stating it in their own words perhaps through a diary or a newspaper interview, or a letter or some physical document that you have. All of a sudden with looking at a timeline of your ancestor and then comparing that to a series of timelines contained in this book you may develop a much clearer picture of why things may have happened to an ancestor.

The author does a very good job creating many series of timelines contained throughout the book within the various categories I mentioned in the Table of Contents listed above. As an example, the author has created a timeline of events under the category "Diseases" that occurred in various areas of the United States from 1657 to 1931. Parts of the timeline would look something like this from the book:

- 1693 Boston Yellow Fever
- 1746 Philadelphia Diphtheria
- 1793 Virginia Influenza
- 1830 Pacific Northwest Malaria
- 1851 Illinois Cholera
- 1866 Chicago Cholera
- 1907 New York City Polio

So you get the picture? The book allows you to see what major events were occurring in many different geographic areas among a variety of different categories. You can then compare your own ancestral timeline to that of these timelines contained in the book to see if perhaps a "reason" might be more possible for the actions of an ancestor.

Chapter 9 is just one big series of timelines for each individual US State. Chapter 10 is much the same but for the information being the timelines on world events often a very large region such as South America, or maybe even at a more manageable region like the British Isles.

This book can also simply identify the major events that were occurring at the time of the lives of your ancestors, whether or not these events caused your ancestors to take any action or not in their lives. This book is very convenient to discover these main world events without delving into many other historical books. This is a very good reference book for quickly identifying life's major events around the world at the time of the lives of our ancestors.

I found this book fascinating to just browse through for all the various insights the author provided that might just make us do a little deeper thinking of these events as they pertain to our own ancestors.

I think you will like this book for a quick historical reference on events that have occurred in a nice series of timelines based on the categories established by the author.

You can find this recently added book to our collection on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library on the circulating shelves. You can check it out. The call number of this book is 929.1 JACOBSON, J.

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One book that she be in every genealogy researcher's personal library is a book titled ***Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace***. The author of the book is Elizabeth Shown Mills. The author has published the new 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of this book. The book was published in 2009. It was added to our circulating collection in June 2010. The call number of the book is 907.2 MILLS, E. The book is available to check out from our 2<sup>nd</sup> floor circulating collection.

Chapters in the book are:

- Chapter 1 - Fundamentals of Evidence Analysis
  - Chapter 2 - Fundamentals of Citation
  - Chapter 3 - Archives and Artifacts
  - Chapter 4 - Business and Institutional Records
  - Chapter 5 - Cemetery Records
  - Chapter 6 - Census Records
  - Chapter 7 - Church Records
  - Chapter 8 - Local & State Records: Courts and Governance
  - Chapter 9 - Local & State Records: Licenses, Registrations, Rolls and Vital Records
  - Chapter 10 - Local & State Records: Property & Probates
  - Chapter 11 - National Government Records
  - Chapter 12 - Publications: Books, CDs, Maps, Leaflets & Videos
  - Chapter 13 - Publications: Legal Works & Government Documents
  - Chapter 14 - Publications: Periodicals, Broadcasts & Web Miscellanea
- Glossary  
Bibliography  
Index  
Index – QuickCheck Models

This is no "pleasure" reading book. It is a large, 885 page tome on the topic of source citations. Because of the magnitude of the work, I was hoping to see some "evidence" provided by the author as to what might be the new "additions" or "deletions" in this edition versus the first edition. Unfortunately, the only words provided by the author in the Acknowledgements section are:

"Scarcely two years have passed since the first edition of ***Evidence Explained***. Yet an evolving electronic world has generated a new wave of inquiries from users of new media. While countless websites now suggest ways to identify their offerings, few of those address the analytical needs of history researchers concerned with the nature and provenance of Web material whose numerous incarnations and transformations often affect the reliability of their content".

So I do not have any direct identifiers as to what may be “new” in this edition in comparison to the first edition.

It is probably just as important to make our genealogy researchers aware that this kind of book exists, whether it be first edition or second edition. This book is the bible of genealogical source citations. Citations are the cornerstone of your own research. You must make notes of your ancestral research via the methodology of source citations. Where did you find what you found on the birth of your great-great-grandmother? Or any fact discovered in your genealogical research.

The beauty of this book is that it covers very well the traditional sources that many of us would have been using as recently as 5 years ago. However, the Internet made those traditional methods not obsolete, but rather “different”. This book provides the researcher with a methodology to cite your sources when they do not come from the usual run of the mill book or periodical.

Each chapter begins with a series of “grey” colored pages. For quick visual searching, these sections of the book are called “QuickCheck Models”. You can easily browse through these sections to see if what you are trying to cite may be conveniently mentioned. If one of the items looks appropriate to what you want to cite, the author provides a full example of how to cite the source according to the model for the item. Each piece of the citation is identified by the title of what is contained in that portion of the citation. The QuickCheck Models should be the researcher’s first place to look for help on citing a source. If it does not appear to fit the material you have, then work your way deeper within the full contents of that particular chapter to see if the author has identified a method to identify a “quirky” piece of material you may have need to cite.

The author shows the following key characteristics as they apply to citing sources. These three should be thought of for each and every citation regardless as to the characteristics of the citation. These three are:

- Source List Entry
- First (Full) Reference Note
- Subsequent (Short) Note

Basically item 1 gives information on the high level identifier of what the citation applies to in your research. Item 2 provides all of the identifiable material for the resource you are using completed provided for the first time when citing the material. Item 3 basically cites a “summary” of item 2. So you will see the 3 items listed over and over again within the QuickCheck Models on the grey pages preceding a chapter.

If you are doing cemetery research and have been discovering the graves of ancestors in any cemetery, Chapter 5 in the book will give you the detailed insights in how to fully cite all of the information that you know that pertains to your discovery of some cemetery information. In this chapter alone you will see the following kinds of “categories” that the author has identified for information categories for your citation:

- Basic Issues (General notes about the cemetery)
- Administrative Records
- Markers and Plaques
- Derivatives (Copies and Compilations)

All of this detail sounds and looks very daunting. It is until you start becoming familiar with the process. Creating that first citation will be the hardest, but once you

create the first, all subsequent citations to that source will be in the "summary" view. You just have to browse through the book and get a better gauge for all of the kinds of information the author provides on how to make your citation the best and most complete one for all the various resources from which you found your information.

Many lineage software creators have partnered with the author to incorporate her material on citing sources directly into their programs. In other words, when you have entered in a new person in your lineage data base, you should then cite the source for where you found the information. The software itself has the basic structure of the citation process embedded in the program. The formats are all there as in the book. What a great alliance of author and software creators to make it that much easier for us as researchers!!

It is my understanding that you will find the author's citation methodology working in the following lineage software products:

- Family Tree Maker
- Roots Magic
- Legacy

But once you browse through the actual 885 tome, you may still want to consider getting a hard copy of this great book to have for yourself. You may especially want to get a hard copy of the book if you are using lineage software that does not incorporate the author's book into it as the above three products indicate they do.

I would encourage each of you to revisit your citation process within your own recordkeeping. The fact that this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition book may pull you in the direction of at least checking out the process from the master author, Elizabeth Shown Mills, on the subject. How many times have you gotten some information from someone for your research that is only "word of mouth" without any citation of sources? With sources provided you can at least check out what was given to you. Don't you think you should do the same for whoever will inherit all of your research? This book is the key to allowing you to pass on research that is fully documented. It will certainly make it easier for someone else to readily check out your research.

We now have this 2<sup>nd</sup> edition "bible" for citing your services available for you to check out. You can find it on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library on the circulating shelves. The call number of the book is 907.2 MILLS, E.



## SOFTWARE/HARDWARE

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## MacFamilyTree Releases Version 6.0 Public Beta (July 10, 2010)



Synium Software has now released a public beta of version 6.0. According to the Synium Software web site, this new release of one of the leading Macintosh genealogy programs includes:

### **Visually create your Family Tree**

With MacFamilyTree 6, we rethought the way you enter your family data. And right now, there is no more intuitive and more practical way of entering your information that we know of. The new Family Tree Editor, a much enhanced version of the former Family Assistant, gives you both the structure, as well as the details. You'll see who is related to whom without searching lengthy lists, while editing a person's information is just a click away. That way, whether you are an experienced user or a genealogy novice, you will find the right person to edit in no time, so you can dedicate more of your precious time to research.

### **New User Interface**

MacFamilyTree's user interface received a major overhaul for version 6. Choose from four distinct categories when working with MacFamilyTree - Edit, Views, Reports, Export. That way, you'll always know what you can do in any window at any given time and you'll find the feature you'd like to use more quickly. Either add new persons to your family tree, dive deeply into diagrams and reports or exchange data with other genealogists. The greatly enhanced navigation bar above the main window allows you to move forward and backward through the last windows you opened or conveniently jump back from a Person Editor to the Person Overview List with a single click. The modern interface safely guides you through all required steps so you can keep a record of your family's history and explore your own past. Print-ready Charts

So does the family data you'd like to visualize span over 10, 50 or even 100 generations? MacFamilyTree 6's charts scale up to a virtually unlimited number of persons and can be exported or printed, of course. New in MacFamilyTree 6: as soon as you click a chart type, that chart will open immediately and show the data of the first person in your family tree. Simply select a different person in the right-hand person list and the chart will refresh automatically with that person's data. Click a person within the chart and a context menu will open, providing shortcuts to other chart types with that person automatically selected. Be up to date with a person's context and ultimately with your entire family in no time. We listened very carefully to our users and starting with version 6, all charts in MacFamilyTree can be aligned left to right, right to left, top to bottom or bottom up. Use

charts the way you like. Completely new: the Hourglass Chart which combines the Ancestor Chart and the Descendant Chart, as well as the Relationship Chart, which shows all the related persons who link person A to person B. If you work with one of Apple's more recent MacBook or MacBook Pro portable Macs, conveniently use multi-touch gestures on the track pad to zoom in and out of charts, just like on the iPhone.

### **New and improved Reports**

Compared to the reports introduced with version 5, MacFamilyTree 6 has a lot more to offer. Use the Narrative Report, for example, as a starting point for your own written family chronicle. MacFamilyTree will provide you with whole sentences summarizing a person's facts, taking away the problems of not knowing where to start and then having to go back and forth to turn lists of facts into a compelling story. Another addition to the reports will compile marriage lists and the existing reports about birthdays, distinctive persons, places as well as the Family Group Report have been greatly enhanced. "New FamilySearch" integration

Research your family members online by accessing one of the largest databases in the world - with several million entries, FamilySearch.org is one of the leading resources for genealogists. By using this service, you may be able to gather information about relatives you didn't know anything about but their birth name, birth date and their parents' names. If you want to collaborate with other genealogists or family members, simply choose data to upload to FamilySearch.org so anybody who researches the same person can make the connections which turned up during your research. Please be aware that FamilySearch is currently in the beta phase. During this phase, go to [new.familysearch.org](http://new.familysearch.org) to sign up to the waiting list for immediate access. FamilySearch is expected to be widely available to the general public by the end of 2010.

### **New Places Management**

In MacFamilyTree 6, places are handled in a completely new and more approachable way, you don't have to give up the workflow you're accustomed to, though. Every place name you enter for an event is memorized and offered by the auto-completion feature the next time you start to type that name again. But places aren't just names anymore - the Places Editor allows you to merge duplicate entries, see all events that took place there, take a shortcut to edit any event and the geo-coordinates you determine are overlaid on a 2D-world map.

#### **New Media Features**

MacFamilyTree has been very well equipped to handle photos and video files for quite some time, but what MacFamilyTree 6 does with that data is in a class of its own. Quickly browse your collection of files in the CoverFlow view or have your Mac display a fullscreen slide show. And the new Narrative Report can even be included in that slideshow. See the photograph of Great-Great-Great-Great-Aunt Penny in her 19th century dress entering the ferry while MacFamilyTree overlays her biographical data. Sometimes, the best features are the ones you didn't even know you were missing.

### **ToDo Management**

Research Laura's date of christening, try to get your hand on Sarah and George's certificate of marriage and scan grandma's birth certificate. Oh and what about the group

shots from Pauline's confirmation? Once you get started, you'll always face a large number of tasks waiting to be performed and who doesn't forget something every now and then? Let MacFamilyTree help you keep track of your tasks with the To-Do-List feature. Prioritize and categorize anything that comes to mind and make sure you get to the most urgent matters first but don't forget about the small details along the way.

Web Research

MacFamilyTree doesn't restrict online research to FamilySearch.org and the integrated FamilySearch feature. Other services like Ancestry.com, EllisIsland, FindAGrave, FootNote, WorldVitalRecords or Google Search can be accessed from within MacFamilyTree with the new Web Research tool. Instead of opening these websites in Safari and manually entering search data, simply open the Web Research pane, select a person from your list, select the service you'd like to search and click the search button. If one of them comes up with new information in their search results, right-click a name and add it as a person's family name or right-click a date and add it as a person's birth date.

### **Greatly improved performance**

Name any feature in MacFamilyTree - we improved its performance tremendously. Especially when dealing with very large family trees, you'll notice charts and diagrams are created instantaneously. Some areas that we paid extra attention to are the media file handling, the Virtual Tree and the data import/export process. On any recent Mac with Mac OS X 10.6 installed, MacFamilyTree 6 is executed as a 64-bit application, squeezing out even that last bit of performance so you have to wait less and will spend more time being productive.

GEDCOM importer and exporter greatly improved

The GEDCOM format is the one standard format which allows exchanging genealogy data between different genealogy applications. MacFamilyTree 6 greatly improves the GEDCOM import and export. To name just a few: version 6 now supports ANSEL encoding, as well as UTF-8, UTF-16, Plain ASCII, Mac OS Roman and Windows Latin export. Media exported along with the GEDCOM file can optionally be compressed. Partial export from single persons up to entire branches can easily be accomplished. What this means for you is maximum interchangeability with other genealogists across different applications and platforms.

### **Several more improvements...**

MacFamilyTree 6 introduces countless other improvements of small to big magnitude which we can't possibly list here. The more prominent of them are:

- A new startup window gives easy access to demo movies and support material
- Multi-selection in Person-, Families-, Sources-, and Places Overview Lists
- Faster response times in almost all charts
- Set the name formatting independently for the Editor and the sorting order for names in person lists
- Enter married names directly in the new Family Tree Editor

You can learn more or even download the new beta version at

<http://www.syniumsoftware.com/macfamilytree6/>

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 10, 2010 in [Software](#) | [Permalink](#)

**Ancestry.com's Tree to Go for iPhone Version 1.1 (July 18, 2010)**



Ancestry.com Tree to Go has uploaded a new version of its popular iPhone genealogy program to the iTunes App Store. Tree to Go for the iPhone (and iPod touch) reportedly now has improved performance and can also "handle trees of all sizes, including trees with over 2,000 people," according to information posted in iTunes.

You can read more at <http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/ancestry-com-tree-to-go/id349554263?mt=8&ign-mpt=uo%3D6> and at <http://landing.ancestry.com/iphone/>

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**FUNNY BONE**

The following funny obituaries were found at The Epitaph Browser that can be found at:

[www.pennyparker2.com/epitaph.html](http://www.pennyparker2.com/epitaph.html)

Grave Marker in Covington, Virginia

"I Made A Lot of Deals in My Lifetime ... But I Sure Went into the Hole on this One."

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"Here lies Kelly,  
We buried him today  
He lived the life of Riley,  
...When Riley Was Away."

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"He looked for gold and died of lead poisoning."

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*(Additions Since Last Newsletter Indicated With An "\*" )*

- Aug 10            Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
TUE                130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7  
2010                PM.  
**"Looking for Love in All the Wrong Places – the Search for  
Marriage Records"**  
Presented by Ginger Frere.  
Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.  
Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at <http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com>
- Aug 21            CAGG-NI. Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois. Meetings  
SAT                held the 3rd Saturday of each month at Schaumburg Township District  
2010                Library.  
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL. 10:30 AM.  
Topic for the meeting **"Liven Up Your Family History with Images"**  
Presented by Mike Karsen  
Further information at: [www.caggni.org](http://www.caggni.org) or  
P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
- Sep 14            Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
TUE                130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7  
2010                PM.  
**Break Out Sessions/Small Group Discussions.**  
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- \*Sep 15            DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, September 15, 2010.  
WED                DuPage County Historical Museum 102 E. Wesley St., Wheaton, IL 60187.  
2010                6:30 PM Refreshments. Program begins at 7:00 PM.  
Program title is **"Ellis Island Experience"**.  
Guest speaker is Marian Schuetz.  
Society website at [www.dcgsg.org](http://www.dcgsg.org).  
DuPage County History Museum website at [www.dupageco.org/museum](http://www.dupageco.org/museum)
- Sep 18            CAGG-NI. Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois. Meetings  
SAT                held the 3rd Saturday of each month at Schaumburg Township District  
2010                Library.  
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL. 10:30 AM.  
Topic for the meeting **"Compiling Your Medical Family Tree"**  
Presented by Marsha Peterson-Maass  
Further information at: [www.caggni.org](http://www.caggni.org) or  
P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567

- Sep 21  
TUE  
2010 Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Tuesday, September 21, 2010.  
"To Be Determined".  
Presented by To Be Determined  
Forest View Educational Center.  
2121 S. Goebbert Road. Arlington Heights, IL.  
847-398-1884 or 847-593-8160.  
Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 7:00 PM  
Speaker program starts at 7:30 PM  
Visit the society website at [www.NWSCG.com](http://www.NWSCG.com)
- Sep 25  
SAT  
2010 Fox Valley Genealogical Society.  
Grace United Methodist Church. 300 E. Gartner Road. Naperville, IL  
Annual Conference – 8 AM to 4 PM  
Presented by D. Joshua Taylor (4 Programs).  
Visit Fox Valley Genealogical Society for Conference Information at  
[www.ilfvgs.org](http://www.ilfvgs.org) and click on the "Fall Conference" link for all of the  
details about the day's events.
- Oct 12  
TUE  
2010 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7  
PM.  
"Social Security Death Index (SSDI) – What's New"  
Presented by Larry Olson.  
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- Oct 16  
SAT  
2010 CAGG-NI. Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois. Meetings  
held the 3rd Saturday of each month at Schaumburg Township District  
Library.  
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL. 10:30 AM.  
Topic for the meeting "Railroads"  
Presented by Larry Olson  
Further information at: [www.caggni.org](http://www.caggni.org) or  
P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
- Oct 19  
TUE  
2010 Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Tuesday, October 19, 2010.  
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Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 7:00 PM  
Speaker program starts at 7:30 PM  
Visit the society website at [www.NWSCG.com](http://www.NWSCG.com)
- \*Oct 20  
WED  
2010 DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, October 20, 2010.  
Wheaton Public Library (Lower Level) 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.  
6:30 PM Refreshments. Program begins at 7:00 PM.  
Program title is "American Geographical Society Maps".  
Guest speaker is Jovanka Ristic.  
Society website at [www.dcfgs.org](http://www.dcfgs.org).  
DuPage County History Museum website at [www.dupageco.org/museum](http://www.dupageco.org/museum)

- Oct 23 Illinois State Genealogical Society Annual Conference.  
TUE Peoria, IL 8 AM to 4 PM  
2010 Hosted by the Peoria County Genealogical Society  
For all further details about events, cost, location, directions,  
programs and speakers please visit the following web sites.  
Illinois State Genealogical Society @ [www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ilsgs/](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ilsgs/)  
Peoria County Genealogical Society @  
[www.usgennet.org/usa/il/county/peoria1](http://www.usgennet.org/usa/il/county/peoria1)
- Nov 9 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
TUE 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7  
2010 PM.  
**"Using the Hamburg and Bremen Passenger Lists"**  
Presented by Patricia Reaves.  
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- Nov 16 Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Tuesday, November 16, 2010.  
TUE **"To Be Determined"**.  
2010 Presented by To Be Determined  
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- Nov 17 DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, November 17, 2010.  
WED Wheaton Public Library (Lower Level) 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.  
2010 6:30 PM Refreshments. Program begins at 7:00 PM.  
Program title is **"To Be Determined"**.  
Guest speaker is To Be Determined.  
Society website at [www.dcg.org](http://www.dcg.org).  
DuPage County History Museum website at [www.dupageco.org/museum](http://www.dupageco.org/museum)
- Nov 20 CAGG-NI. Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois. Meetings  
SAT held the 3rd Saturday of each month at Schaumburg Township District  
2010 Library.  
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL. 10:30 AM.  
Topic for the meeting **"Breaking Down Brick Walls"**  
Presented by Nancy Thomas  
Further information at: [www.caggni.org](http://www.caggni.org) or  
P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
- Dec 14 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
TUE 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7  
2010 PM.  
**Break Out Sessions/Small Group Discussions.**  
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- Jan 11 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.

- TUE 2011 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.  
**"Genealogy and DNA – A Revisit"**  
 Presented by Jeffrey Bassett.  
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- \*Jan 19 WED 2011 DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, January 19, 2011.  
 Wheaton Public Library (Lower Level) 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.  
 6:30 PM Refreshments. Program begins at 7:00 PM.  
 Program title is **"What's New at the Wheaton Public Library"**.  
 Guest speaker is Donna Freymark.  
 Society website at [www.dcg.org](http://www.dcg.org).  
 DuPage County History Museum website at [www.dupageco.org/museum](http://www.dupageco.org/museum)
- Feb 8 TUE 2011 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.  
**"Mining Census Records"**  
 Presented by Steve Szabados.  
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- Mar 8 TUE 2011 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
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- \*Mar 16 WED 2011 DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, March 16, 2011.  
 Wheaton Public Library (Lower Level) 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.  
 6:30 PM Refreshments. Program begins at 7:00 PM.  
 Program title is **"To Be Determined"**.  
 Guest speaker is To Be Determined.  
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- \*Apr 12 TUE 2011 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.  
**"Mining for Gold: Online Historical Newspapers"**  
 Presented by Robin Seidenberg.  
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- May 11-14  
WED-SAT  
2011
- National Genealogical Society 2011 Family History Conference.  
Charleston, South Carolina.  
Toll Free Phone (800) 473-0060  
Email Address [conference@ngsgenealogy.org](mailto:conference@ngsgenealogy.org)  
Web Site [www.ngsgenealogy.org](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org)
- \*May 18  
WED  
2011
- DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, May 18, 2011.  
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- Dec 13  
TUE  
2011 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.  
**Break Out Sessions/Small Group Discussions.**  
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