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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:

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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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OCTOBER 12, 2010 GENEALOGY PROGRAM TOPIC

At our next meeting on October 12, 2010, our guest speaker for the evening will be Larry Olson. Larry will present a program titled "Social Security Death Index (SSDI) – New Things to Know".

Larry was originally scheduled in February 2010 to present this program but unfortunately "Mother Nature" was not cooperative. On that day we had a very bad snowstorm that started early and went through the night. We wisely cancelled that evening program due to the large amount of snow. So this program is the "make-up" for the cancelled February 2010 program.

There are at least seven Social Security Death Indexes available online. Although they all originate from the same database, the Social Security Administration's Death Master File, they inexplicably do not all provide the same information. This presentation is a tour of the online databases, highlighting the different features of each.

The SSDI is one of the first and frequently visited sites in our genealogy research. It will show you those who have recently passed away and provide you with some tidbits of information to pursue on possibly starting to connect "backwards" in your line from the deceased you see in the SSDI going back in time. Hopefully, the surname you seek in the SSDI is not too common. You can use the multiplicity of searching on the SSDI to narrow down your results if you know some information concerning a relative you seek that has passed away.

Visit the SSDI frequently to see if any new additions have been made since you last visited. Ancestry.com and RootsWeb.com have SSDI data bases on their sites. At RootsWeb it is free to search.

Larry is a Minnesota native, who settled in the Chicago suburbs 20 years ago. He is 15 year member of CAGG-NI (the Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois), and has served as its President, as well as the Chair of the Program, Publicity and Membership Committees.

He started researching his family in 1973, after he first heard the legend that John Philip Sousa was a cousin of his German great-grandmother (a story he has not yet been able to substantiate).

He and his wife have four children and two grandchildren. He fondly hopes that someday someone in his immediate family will appreciate all the work that he has done on the family tree.

We look forward to this topic and to see how we can best use the new parts of the SSDI system.

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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

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.

SHORT TAKES / POTPOURRI

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The Coming Genealogical Dark Ages (July 29, 2010)

With all the genealogical information being made accessible on the Internet, some might think this is the golden age of family history. To Curt B. Witcher, however, we may be entering a new dark age where vital records and the memories of people alive today are lost forever.

"At the same time we have more (technological) ability we are losing interest and focus on keeping the thoughts and the words for future generations," Witcher said.

Witcher, the manager of The Genealogy Center at the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Ind., was the plenary speaker at BYU's Conference on Family History and Genealogy on Wednesday.

You can read the full story in an article by Michael De Groote published in the Mormon Times at http://www.mormontimes.com/article/16144/The-coming-genealogical-dark-ages?s_cid=queue_title&utm_source=queue_title

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 29, 2010 in [Conferences](#) | [Permalink](#)

Many Societies are at Risk of Losing Tax Exemption (July 30, 2010)

Newsletter reader Jim Anderson wrote to point out a story that should be of interest to officers and members of all genealogy societies in the US. As of October 15, thousands of small non-profit organizations, including many genealogical and historical societies, may lose their tax exempt status if they don't take advantage of a "one time relief" for missing their filing date.

For instance, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts alone, more than 7,900 non-profit organizations are at risk of losing their tax status. The list includes all sorts of non-profit organizations, not just genealogical and historical societies. Performing a quick scan

down the list, I noticed that the Central Massachusetts Genealogical Society Inc., the Adams Historical Society Inc., the Ashburnham Historical Society Inc., the Billerica Historical Preservation Corporation, the Bolton Historical Society, and many others on the list.

You might want to check to see if YOUR organization is on the list at <http://www.irs.gov/charities/article/0,,id=225889,00.html>

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 30, 2010 in [Legal affairs](#), [Societies](#) | [Permalink](#)

America's Oldest Family Farm for Sale (August 2, 2010)

The Tuttle family has farmed the same piece of land in Dover, New Hampshire since 1635. After years of thought, Will Tuttle has put what's known as the country's longest family-run farm up for sale.

As the 11th generation Tuttle man to farm this now 134-acre plot of land in New Hampshire, Will Tuttle says he has no regrets. "I'm not a museum curator, I'm a farmer," Tuttle says. Tuttle says his two grown sons were not interested in running the family business and he couldn't make the decision for his two younger sons to carry on the tradition.

You can read more in an article by Meghan Rafferty on CNN's web site at <http://www.cnn.com/2010/LIVING/07/30/oldest.family.farm.tuttle/?hpt=Mid>

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 02, 2010 in [Current Affairs](#) | [Permalink](#)

Announcing RootsTech: a Major New Genealogy Technology Conference (August 13, 2010)

A major announcement was made today of a brand-new genealogy technology conference to be held next February 10 through 12. It is expected to attract genealogy software developers, technology providers, technology writers, technology users, and many others, probably from all over the world. The **RootsTech Conference** will be hosted by FamilySearch in Salt Lake City and also will be sponsored by Ancestry.com, New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS), Brigham Young University, and other leaders in the genealogy community.

The following announcement was written by FamilySearch:
New RootsTech Conference to Bring Technologists Face-to-face with Genealogists

SALT LAKE CITY —Technologists and genealogists from around the world will gather at the first annual RootsTech Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah, February 10-12, 2011. The new conference, hosted by FamilySearch and sponsored by leading genealogical organizations, aims to bring technologists and genealogists together to help deepen understanding of current technologies and discover new ideas in applying technology to genealogy. Learn more at rootstech.familysearch.org.

"When the users and creators of technology come together, innovation occurs," said Jay Verkler, president and CEO of FamilySearch. "The RootsTech Conference will accelerate that innovation through panels, discussion groups, and interactive demonstrations."

Josh Taylor, Director of Education and Programs for the New England Historic Genealogical Society, says the time is right for such a conference.

"The collection of technologies present at the last National Genealogical Society Conference in Salt Lake City was so impressive that we see a need and opportunity for a strong annual technology genealogy conference to pursue solutions for the unique challenges facing genealogists," Taylor said.

The RootsTech Conference is designed to foster innovation by bringing technology users and creators together in a meaningful way. Thousands of genealogists who use technology in pursuit of one of the most popular hobbies in the world will discover how new and emerging technologies can improve and simplify their activities. Genealogists will be treated to technology prototype demonstrations, interactive workshops, and opportunities to test innovative new product and service concepts. Technology providers will get the opportunity to demonstrate product concepts face-to-face to their customer—the family history enthusiast—and better understand their needs.

"Technology is driving a revolution in family history," said Tim Sullivan, CEO of Ancestry.com. "We're excited to participate in the RootsTech Conference, and we see it as a great chance to explore with genealogists how technology can help them even more in the future."

The RootsTech 2011 conference will be hosted by FamilySearch and sponsored by Ancestry.com, New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS), Brigham Young University, and other leaders in the genealogy community.

"Brigham Young University is pleased to participate in this conference, which brings together the Conference on Computerized Family History and Genealogy and the Family History Technology Workshop under the same umbrella. We think this creates a new and unique national forum for genealogists, software developers, and researchers to move genealogy forward," said Christophe Giraude-Carrier, Associate Chair and Associate Professor of the Department of Computer Science at Brigham Young University.

Technology creators will discover new and existing technologies and techniques to help their development practices and also see how they can be applied to the unique discipline of genealogy. Anticipated themes for the conference include: using social networking to collaborate as families and societies, data backup and digital preservation, using multimedia, records and media digitization, how to use cloud computing to deploy reliable, scalable systems, handwriting recognition and automated transcription, mobile computing devices and applications, GPS mapping, and much more. You can learn more on the new [RootsTech Conference Web site](#). Lecture proposals are now being accepted.

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 13, 2010 in [Conferences](#) | [Permalink](#)

Genealogy's Often-Misspelled Words (August 17, 2010)

Print this article out and save it someplace. I have no idea why, but many of the words used in researching your family tree are difficult to spell. I constantly see spelling errors in messages posted on various genealogy web sites. When someone misspells a word, it feels like they are shouting, "I don't know what I'm doing!"

Here are a few words to memorize:

Genealogy - No, it is not spelled "geneology" nor is it spelled in the manner I often see: "geneaology." That last word looks to me as if someone thought, "Just throw all the letters in there and hope that something sticks." For some reason, many newspaper

reporters and their editors do not know how to spell this word.

Cemetery - The letter "a" does not appear anywhere in the word "cemetery." You can remember the spelling by an old saying, "We go to the cemetery with E's." (ease)

Ancestor - This simple word is often spelled "ancester," "ansester," or "ansestor."

Ancestry - This word is often misspelled "ancestory." I often see errors when someone is referring to the ancestry.com online web site.

History - More than once I have seen someone refer to their "family histroy" or "family histry."

Descent - Perhaps not as common, but I have seen this spelled as "decent," which sounds almost the same.

Progenitor - I can never remember how to spell this word. I simply try to avoid it when I am writing!

The late Dick Pence was quite a storyteller, and once told of an online genealogy article he wrote in which he poked fun at common spelling errors by genealogists. He deliberately misspelled ten different words in the article, including all of the words I listed above. In the text of the article, he never mentioned that the article was a tongue-in-cheek attempt at humor.

Dick soon received an email message from an irate lady who apparently didn't realize it was a deliberate attempt at humor. She scolded him for his spelling errors, writing, "Mr. Pence, you should be ashamed of yourself. I am an English teacher and I want to tell you that I found **seven** spelling errors in your article!"

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 17, 2010 in [Genealogy Basics](#) | [Permalink](#)

FGS Re-launches the Society Hall (August 18, 2010)

News from the FGS conference:

The Federation of Genealogical Societies, a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation headquartered in Austin, Texas, announces the re-launch today of the popular Society Hall at its website at www.fgs.org.

Society Hall is an informational database accessible on the Internet that can be used to locate FGS member organizations in the U.S. and abroad. This includes genealogical societies, historical societies, family associations, libraries, archives, and genealogical vendors serving the genealogical community. Thousands of people searching for information about these organizations visit Society Hall each month.

Every FGS Member society has a Society Hall listing at www.fgs.org/societyhall that it can edit and maintain. With the re-launching of the service, FGS has updated Society Hall listings with details from its member database. There are many fields that can be used to promote information about your organization. In addition to name, address, telephone and email, a link can be added to the organization's website. Membership benefits and dues can be listed, as can periodicals and publications, a calendar of events, services, and pioneer/certification programs.

Member societies can access the site to edit their listing's content using an ID and password. FGS will be sending these to all Member Societies in good standing via email immediately following the conclusion of its 2010 Conference being held this week in Knoxville, Tennessee. In addition, the ID and password will become the access key to the Members Only area of the FGS website and other content there. FGS has developed the single ID and password scheme in response to members' requests.

Ancestry.com previously hosted Society Hall at its FamilyHistory.com site. FGS has now taken over hosting responsibilities for Society Hall at its own website.

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 18, 2010 in [Conferences](#), [Online Sites](#) | [Permalink](#)

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LOCAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS/PROGRAMS

Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists

PLEASE MAKE NOTE THAT THE MEETING DATE FOR THE SOCIETY IS THE 3RD 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

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)

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.

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Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI)

The next meeting of CAGGNI will take place on Saturday morning, September 18, 2010 at the Schaumburg Township District Library at 10:30 AM. The program scheduled for this day is "**Compiling Your Medical Family Tree**". The speaker for the program will be Marsha Peterson Maass.

You may visit the organization web page at:

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

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### **Google Editions (July 22, 2010)**

Google is about to merge two success stories:

1. eBook readers are selling like hotcakes. The Amazon Kindle, Sony Digital Book Reader, Barnes & Noble Nook, Borders Books' Kobo, Apple iPhone, and the Apple iPad collectively have sold millions of units. Consumers are reading more and more books on screens as they find the ebooks are easy to use and easy to read. Even better, obtaining books in electronic format is usually cheaper than purchasing them on paper as the publishers save printing and distribution costs. Google has been watching these trends closely.
2. Google Books has become a very popular service, offering millions of books online that can be read on a PC, Macintosh, or Apple iPad. Some other ebook readers are also capable of displaying books found on Google Books.

Now Google is combining the two and will soon offer millions of new and old books in a format that can be read on any Windows computer, Macintosh computer, Sony Book Reader, Nook, Kobo, iPhone, iPad or probably any other ebook reader to be introduced in the future. Google plans to become a digital marketplace, acting as a limitless warehouse and storage system for digital books. The new service will be called **Google Editions**.

While ebooks presently account for only about 10% of the overall book market, the figure is growing rapidly. Many industry experts now predict that e-books will be 20 to 25 percent of the total in the next ten years and will continue to grow even after that.

Google Editions should contribute to that growth by adding millions of digital titles for sale on any device with Internet access: smart phones, tablets, netbooks, desktops, and every digital reading device except for the Amazon Kindle, which, for now, continues to operate on a closed proprietary system. Google and Amazon are continuing discussions, so that may change in the future.

Google says that through its "Partnership Program," it has made deals with 35,000 publishers and has already scanned millions of titles. I have written several times about Google's scanning of out-of-copyright books. However, the present Google Books service scans books that are still under copyright protection and then allows you to preview up to 20 percent of the title you select. While you cannot read the entire book, you can read enough of it to decide if you want to purchase the book. Google then makes it easy for you to purchase the printed book. Of course, Google gets a commission if you purchase the book online. The new Google Editions will change all that, offering complete books for purchase, even if under copyright protection.

Google Editions will expand the present offerings. You will be able to download out-of-copyright books at no charge and read them on your ebook reader (except for the Kindle). In addition, you will be able to purchase newer books that are still under copyright protection. Those books will be in electronic format, and you will be able to read them immediately.

Tens of thousands of recently-published electronic books have been available in ebook formats for some time. What is new with Google Editions is that Google has gone back and scanned millions of in-copyright books from the 1930s through 1990s, negotiated agreements with the publishers, and is now making the books available electronically for quick and easy purchase in electronic format.

When a consumer purchases a book, that book will be stored on Google's cloud (which means its enormous servers). The purchasers can access their personal library at will. Storing the books in the cloud offers two advantages:

1. A consumer can purchase and store thousands of books, regardless of the amount of storage in the ebook reader. For instance, let's assume your ebook reader has enough storage space to store one hundred books. By using Google Editions, you will be able to store a library of many thousands of books as they are stored online in the cloud and are easily transferred to the ebook reader whenever you wish. In addition, if you purchase a newer ebook reader several years from now, all the ebooks you have purchased in the past from Google Editions will be available on your new device at no extra charge.
2. Suppose you start reading a book on your iPhone and switch to your tablet or desktop computer. You can pick up where you left off. All books you purchase will be available on any supported ebook reader, including a Windows or Macintosh desktop or laptop computer. You can start reading the book on an ebook reader, then switch to a Macintosh or Windows computer, and then later switch back again whenever you wish.

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Of course, storing the books on the cloud has a big advantage for Google as well. If 10,000 people purchase the same book, Google only has to store one copy of it plus a record of those people who have purchased it. If a purchaser wishes to download the book again in the future, Google's software simply looks up the purchaser's records to verify the purchase at some time in the past, then grants access to the stored file.

Google Editions may become the world's largest seller of e-books. That should be major competition for Amazon! Unlike Amazon, Google Editions will be selling new books and even long-out-of-print books that were published 50, 75, or even 100 years ago.

Of course, this is going to become major competition for bookstores. The so-called "brick and mortar" bookstores are already reeling from competition from online stores. The specialty bookstores have been especially hard hit. For instance, many genealogy bookstores have already disappeared in the past ten years, and others reportedly are struggling. Having millions of books available instantly online will add even more competition for traditional book stores.

On the upside, Google Editions will also serve as a wholesaler for any other retailer that wants to sell e-books from its own websites. The American Booksellers Association, the trade association for the independents, has contracted with Google to be an e-book supplier and infrastructure back office. So far, 225 of the ABA's 1,400 members have signed on to the program, and more are expected to sign up once Google Editions launches later this summer. Each of these stores will have their own website that will feature the full catalog of Google's titles as well as features specific to the community being served.

For instance, RootsBooks.com (an online genealogy book store that I own) will now be able to offer all the genealogy books available from Google Editions, as well as millions of other books.

As a result, Google Editions will have two major functions: it will be a storefront selling millions of books, and it also will serve as a wholesaler to smaller booksellers and publishers who have been unable to fashion their own efficient means of e-book delivery.

Prices for Google Editions' offerings will vary from one book to another, depending upon what Google has been able to negotiate with each publisher. Each publisher will demand whatever prices they can command, and Google Editions is expected to simply add a fee on top of the publishers' payments. However, all prices are expected to be significantly cheaper than purchasing the same books on paper.

This looks like a winning service. It provides instant access to millions of books without having to drive to a book store. Access will be available nights, weekends, and holidays when traditional stores are not open. Instant access will also be available to those in rural areas, far from the nearest large bookstore. Books will be available on Google Editions that have not been available for purchase for decades. As the rest of the world is rapidly being wired for the Internet, books will also be available in third-world countries where students may be hundreds of miles away from the nearest library.

Best of all, prices are expected to be lower than those of printed books. Out-of-copyright books will continue to be available at no charge, only in more formats and easier to download than ever before. While books may only be read on-screen on most ebook readers, reading the same book on a Windows or Macintosh computer should add the capability to print a few pages or even the entire book on a local printer, all within seconds after purchasing the book.

I like the convenience of being able to carry hundreds, or even thousands, of books on an ebook reader or a laptop computer. It will be easy to read any of the books in your personal library when at home, at the beach, on a commuter train, or on an airliner. Not one book or two books, but possibly thousands of books. You can easily carry novels, census records, a dictionary, or an entire encyclopedia with you wherever you go. Try that with printed books!

Whatever happens, Google Editions is another very big development in the reinvention of the world of books.

**Posted by Dick Eastman on July 22, 2010 in [Books](#) | [Permalink](#)**

**Wills of Marx and Dickens Among Those Now Available Online (August 11, 2010)**

A record of more than 6 million Victorian and early 20th-century wills has been made public for the first time, revealing the last wishes of some of the most important figures of the age, including Charles Dickens, Karl Marx and Charles Darwin.

The documents, dating from 1861 to 1941 and now available online, show that eminent Victorians Dickens and Darwin left estates worth the equivalent of millions of pounds today. Perhaps fittingly, Karl Marx left the more modest equivalent of about £9000.

The index also lists the wills of the Conservative politician Neville Chamberlain, and the writer Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, creator of Sherlock Holmes.

You can read more in an article by Kevin Rawlinson in the New Zealand Herald at [http://www.nzherald.co.nz/world/news/article.cfm?c\\_id=2&objectid=10665232](http://www.nzherald.co.nz/world/news/article.cfm?c_id=2&objectid=10665232)

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 11, 2010 in [Online Sites](#) | [Permalink](#)



**PERIODICAL NEWS**

**Family Chronicle**

We have received the July/August 2010, Volume 14, Number 6 issue of Family Chronicle.

Key articles in this issue are:

**“Family History Faux Pas!”**  
by Lisa A. Alzo

*Lisa A. Alzo discusses the 25 biggest mistakes to avoid when doing your genealogy.*

**“The Objects of Our Affection”**  
by Irene Martin

*According to Irene Martin, the mementos your ancestors left behind are treasures for genealogists.*

**“Researching Little Battles and Skirmishes”**  
by David A. Norris

*David A. Norris looks at the resources available for researching the lesser-known Civil War battles.*

**“Kriva-Oika: A Jewish Genealogical Resource”**  
by Melody Amsel-Arieli

*Melody Amsel-Arieli looks at a collection of vital records for Jewish family history.*

**"Social Security Applications: What You Need to Know!"**

By Michael Hait

*According to Michael Hait, your ancestor's "form SS-5" can be a goldmine of information.*

**"The Drouin Collection: Reading French-Canadian Marriage Records"**

By Richard Crooks

*Richard Crooks explains a crucial French-Canadian resource for genealogical information.*

**"Proving Revolutionary War Service"**

by Diane L. Richard

*Diane L. Richard shows you how to find proof in unusual places.*

**"Grandma Was An Alien!"**

by Gena Philibert Ortega

*Gena Philibert Ortega looks at how American women became aliens in their own country.*

**"Federal Census Records: An Untold Story"**

by T. Joseph Hardesty, MLS

*T. Joseph Hardesty, MLS, digs a little deeper into the United States' federal census.*

**"Livestock Brands May Hold Family Clues"**

by Donna Murray

*Donna Murray looks at a unique genealogical resource.*

**"Can I Get a Witness?"**

by Leland K. Meitzler

*Leland K. Meitzler explains the importance of the people our ancestors associated with.*

**"Overlooked and Underused!"**

by Donna Murray

*Donna Murray looks at five genealogical resources you need to know about.*

Also included in this issue is a section titled "Genealogy Web Sites Worth Surfing". These are some key sites that are notable for content and applicability to help in your genealogical research. Sites mentioned are:

- Caroline's Native American Genealogy Helper @ [www.angelfire.com/tx/carolynegenealogy](http://www.angelfire.com/tx/carolynegenealogy)
- US GenWeb Archives @ <http://usgwarchives.net>
- US Citizenship and Immigration Services @ [www.uscis.gov/genealogy](http://www.uscis.gov/genealogy)
- Census Finder @ [www.censusfinder.com](http://www.censusfinder.com)
- Civil War Soldeirs and Sailors System @ [www.itd.nps.gov/cwss](http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss)
- Directory of National and State Genealogical Libraries @ [www.gwest.org/gen\\_libs.htm](http://www.gwest.org/gen_libs.htm)

I thought that a very good one page article in this issue is one titled "Overlooked and Underused". The author points out resources that can help us with our research that may often be overlooked or underused. The five items mentioned are:

- **College Libraries** – they may abound in local history information, government documents and special collections, all of which may have a treasure trove of genealogical records. While many may all naturally be inclined to use our public libraries or known historical and genealogical libraries in our area, don't forget to consider college libraries, especially college libraries that may be in the geographic region of the ancestral research you are doing. All should have an internet presence on the web to be able to access their catalogs online to determine materials they have.
- **Funeral Home Records** – you may be able to find the person's date of birth and location if not previously known and a list of survivors and who even paid for the funeral.
- **Family History Centers** – each FHC local to the area may have unique records applicable to the area. These may be on microfiche for your use onsite. You may also discover volunteers at the FHC that may be extremely knowledgeable on many different genealogical topics. Granted, they still have to be their doing their work, but you may be able to tap into an excellent knowledge source on an area of genealogical interest of your own research.
- **Collateral Relatives** – be flexible on your direct lineage research, especially when you are having difficulties. Switch over to research the siblings of the direct ancestor of yours. You may find material within their records that might share a good amount of information on your direct line ancestor. Think of wills and probates of collateral lines that might mention your direct line ancestor within those documents.
- **Obscure Taxes** – tax rolls are a given of life, even for our ancestors. Anyone who owned real estate or personal property was subject to taxation. Taxes were creative from the perspective of government. Did they own a dog? Maybe there was a dog tax. Do some digging in the locale of your ancestral research to see what if any historical tax rolls exist for the area and the time of your interest.

This was only a one page article but it really did make think as to the possibility of these kind of records being investigated at a little more deeper level. Once you have investigated the major record groups such as census, land records, naturalization records etc. turn to some of the above to see if you have any other luck.

I also thought that another good article in this issue is one titled "Family History Faux Pas!". The author does a good job of identifying 25 items that we are often guilty of doing that become our own self-inflicted roadblocks that hinders the progress of our research. Each of the items mentioned has a large summary of what to do to improve the situation. I am unable to provide any in-depth analysis of each item, so I thought I would



just mention the main point. The main point may even be explainable enough for you to note whether you are guilty of the action. "Faux Pas" points mentioned are:

- Not Talking To Relatives
- Practicing "Blind Faith"
- Relying Too Much on the Internet
- Not Using the Internet At All
- Failing to Document or Cite Sources
- Not Verifying Data
- Not Backing Up Your Data
- Making Assumptions
- Not Organizing Your Information
- Not Using Software
- Crossing the Pond Too Quickly
- Forgetting to Re-Evaluate
- Researching Just One Port of Arrival
- Neglecting to Network
- Not Joining At Least One Genealogy Society
- Skipping the Social History
- Not Expanding Your Search
- Giving Up Too Easily
- Paying Too Much to Get Information
- Relying on the Same Sources
- Missing Out On Search Engines
- Forgetting To Do Cluster Research
- Having a Closed Mind
- Putting Off Writing
- Not Having Fun

The list does make me think about self-created problems that can limit your research progress. Each of the above items has a fairly lengthy summary of what the author suggests we can do to improve the situation for that point. Are you stuck in the rut of only using Ancestry.com? How about digging into Heritage Quest? Are you using Google as a Search Engine? Don't forget to look at the results from Google in more than just the Web. Don't forget Images, News and Books. Are you just making random notes on paper of your research finds and having difficulties keeping track of all of this as your finds increase? Consider using lineage software to enter all of your discoveries. Everything will now be in one place for you to search and update. Are you still stuck on ancestor A based on your original discoveries from 4 years ago? What about re-evaluating this ancestor A based on all of your added accumulation of facts about the ancestor?

I thought that this was a very good article that would be worth reading in its entirety and making a person copy for your future use.

Once again, this most recent issue of Family Chronicle is loaded with good articles. Take a look at the Table of Contents of the articles in this issue that I noted above. See what fits with your current research effort that can help you through your challenges. I am sure you will find something in this issue that will let you say "I did not know that!"

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

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## **National Genealogical Society Quarterly**

We have received the Volume 98, Number 2, June 2010 issue of National Genealogical Society Quarterly.

Key articles in this issue are:

**"A Blue Ridge Family for Alsaph Briggs Barker"**

by Paul K. Graham, CG

**"The Man Who Wasn't There: Harold Bion Wiltse (1896-1972) and the World War I "Lost Battalion"**

by Harold E. Hinds Jr., Ph.D

**"Johann Henrich Klocke of Lippe-Detmold: An Identity Hidden by a German Farm Name"**

by Carolyn L. Whitton, CG

**"Leaving No Stone Unturned: A Father for Thomas Stone (d. 1791) of Prince William County, Virginia"**

by Pamela Stone Eagleson, CG

**"Developing Historical Context: Pierre Montarras, Soldier of France"**

by David Kendall Martin, FASG

Also in this issue you will find a section titled "Reviews". You can find extensive reviews of newly published genealogical material that can be of assistance to your own research. These reviews are in-depth and not always complimentary, often pointing out faults related to the material. This is one of the best sources of good, extensive reviews of genealogically published material, in book or other format.

Reviews mentioned in this issue are:

***Wanted! U. S. Criminal Records: Sources and Research Methodology***

By Ron Arons

***Genealogical Resources of the Civil War Era, Online and Published Military and Civilian Name Lists, 1861-1869, and Post-War Veteran Lists***

By William Dollarhide

***The Oral History Workshop: Collect and Celebrate the Life Stories of Your Family and Friends***

By Cynthia Hart

***Black Walden: Slavery and Its Aftermath in Concord, Massachusetts***

By Elise Lemire

***Non-Federal Censuses of Florida, 1784-1945: A Guide to Sources***

By Karen Packard Rhodes

***The Pierpoints of Roxbury, Massachusetts***

By Helen Schatvet Ullmann

***Johann Adam and Anna Maria (Mertz) Zehner Family of Berks and Schuylkill Counties, Pennsylvania***

By William J. Zehner

Take a look at any of the above mentioned articles in this issue to see what it takes in terms of documentation and citation sources to have your material published in this journal. Often times the citation process is longer in text than the article itself!! Your own personal research work should also be as documented so your discoveries can easily be traced back to the resources of your discoveries.

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

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**BOOKS IN PRINT**

There was no new genealogy book added to our collection during this newsletter period.

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SOFTWARE/HARDWARE

The following articles are from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter July 26, 2010 and July 30, 2010 and are copyright by Richard W. Eastman 2010. They are re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>

WebTrees - a New Web-based Genealogy Program (July 26, 2010)

I believe that online genealogy programs are the wave of the future. Accessing your genealogy database "in the cloud" makes a lot of sense, especially in research collaborative efforts with your cousins or perhaps as an effort by a family society. Groups of genealogists can work together on projects, even simultaneously, even if some use Windows, others use Macintosh, and perhaps some even use Linux.

A new program is now in late beta test and is expected to launch soon as a version 1.0. Best of all, this is **FREE** software, issued under the GNU General Public License.

Please take note of the program name: WebTrees. I suspect you are going to hear a lot more about it in coming years.

WebTrees is based on the popular phpgedview application. Whereas phpgedview aimed to do everything for everyone, webtrees aims to to be efficient and effective by using the right combination of third-party tools, design techniques and open standards.

Quoting the WebTree web site at <http://www.webtrees.net>:
Web based Family History Software...

webtrees is based on the popular PhpGedView ('PGV') application. Whereas PGV aimed to do everything for everyone, webtrees aims to to be efficient and effective by using the right combination of third-party tools, design techniques and open standards.

Finding your way around

Here is some more detailed information about the menu items above here:

- * Home - Clicking on Home at any time will return you to this page.
- * Forums - Here you will find a list of discussion forums related to various aspects of webtrees. At present they include:
 - o Help - the place to go for assistance with any problems you are having installing or using webtrees.
 - o Translation - somewhere to discuss issues related to translating webtrees into one of the huge range of languages it is available in.
 - o Customising - ask questions or give advice about making custom themes, modules or anything related to those non-standard webtrees modifications.
 - o Open Discussion - a forum to raise the wider issues related to webtrees, NOT to be used for help requests.
 - o Request for New Feature - Record the details of any new features you would like to see included in webtrees in the future.
- * Wiki - This provides a link to the webtrees' WIKI pages. These supplement the pop-up Help screens available throughout webtrees, as well as many other useful information topics. (NOTE: not yet developed)
- * Demo - Here we will, when it is ready, provide a demo of the current release of

webtrees. This will allow you to view its features exactly as they will appear on your own installation. Later we may also include demos that show examples of developmental code, so you can see possible new features of webtrees.

* Add-ons - If you are interested in using or developing non-standard or customised features, themes, or modules, this is a place where they can be uploaded, and made available for others to download.

* LaunchPad - A VERY IMPORTANT LINK to the home of our code base. Select this option to download the latest version (currently a BETA test version only), submit report bugs, or help with translations. It has sub-links for:

o Translations - the place to go if you are able and willing to help translate webtrees into other languages. Its a very simple process using Launchpad.

o Bugs. Use this link to go direct to our Bug Tracking page on Launchpad.
[End of quote from the web site]

WebTrees is a software product that installs on most any web server. Apache and IIS are the most common types of web servers. There are no requirements to use a specific type or version. It requires PHP5.2.3 or later as well as MySQL. Those last two products usually are included on all web servers. WebTrees has been tested with tens of thousands of individuals in its database and speed appears to not be a problem.

You can enter data one person at a time or else upload a GEDCOM file that was created by most any other genealogy program.

You can access a demo version of WebTrees by following the instructions at <http://www.webtrees.net/demo>

Webtrees is still in beta test. The full release version 1.0.0 is expected to be released on the 26th of August.

For more information about WebTrees, look at <http://www.webtrees.net/>

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 26, 2010 in [Software](#) | [Permalink](#)

MyBlood 1.3 Released (July 30, 2010)

The following announcement was written by Vertical Horizon:

MyBlood
everything is related



application MyBlood 1.3

Vertical Horizon announces update of its family tree

Extra navigation options further increase the intuitive user experience in MyBlood

Antwerp, Friday 30th of July 2010. Vertical Horizon, the Antwerp based software company, releases its genealogy software MyBlood 1.3. In this new release new navigation options were added to further improve the already intuitive user experience.

From this release onwards an optional 'person list' is made available on the right side of the window, assuring that all people in the user's survey are literally always only one click

away. This new navigation functionality is available throughout the entire MyBlood application. However, if the user wants more working space, this additional 'person list' can be folded away. The user can also easily access the bookmarked people.

On the 'People workspace' of MyBlood1.3 the user now gets an overview of where that specific person fits into his (or her) generation and you can also navigate to the people workspace of any of those siblings.

Summarizing, one can say that MyBlood 1.3 allows easy navigation between generations (moving up and down the family tree) but also allows exploring related people within a generation.

Also the search facility has been extended with an extensive list of online genealogy sources like Ancestry.org, FamilySearch.org, Find a grave, Footnote.... These extensions and novelties show that MyBlood sets the standards for any contemporary genealogy software.

Geert Jadoul, head of Product Development Management comments: *"At MyBlood we think it is very important that a new release is not only bringing bug fixes but also offers better and new functionality. The MyBlood 1.3 version complies with this philosophy For instance we have completely reworked the 'task' functionality making it a real utility to the MyBlood user."* Jadoul continues: *"The new and extended navigation functionality focuses again on the user experience. Feedback from our customers tells us that what they like about MyBlood, but we want to take it a step further and be perceived as best in class. Release 1.3 is another step to meet that goal."*

MyBlood 1.3 is sold on the MyBlood site: www.myblood-line.com. A full functional trial version is available for evaluation purposes. MyBlood runs on Windows (XP, Vista and Windows 7) and on Mac OS X (Intel and PowerPC).

About MyBlood

MyBlood is a genealogy application that targets every level of genealogists. It delivers simple views but deep insights on complex genealogy data, by combining relational database technology under the hood with superior visualization on the outside.

MyBlood supports multiple languages and comes with a free separate program to easily add your own translations and languages if required. MyBlood runs in the exact same way on the PC as it does on a Mac. With full support for the international GEDCOM format, it produces highly portable data sets avoiding any vendor lock. With out of the box integration with Google Maps for "places" and "locations" it allows to visualize moves, travels, emigrations or any other kind of movements in your family history in an unprecedented way.

MyBlood will also bring a more natural way of working with any kind of media files like tagging people on pictures like many social network sites tend to do nowadays.

About Vertical Horizon

Vertical Horizon is an independent, Belgium based, start-up company that brings together the power of personal computing with in depth knowledge of genealogy. This resulted in the development of MyBlood, a state of the art genealogy application.

Vertical Horizon was started by seasoned and experienced IT professionals with a passion for genealogy. The Antwerp based company is owned and financed by its management team.

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 30, 2010 in [Software](#) | [Permalink](#)

FUNNY BONE

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

www.pennyparker2.com/epitaph.html

A widow wrote this epitaph in a Vermont Cemetery

"Sacred to the memory of my
Husband John Barnes
Who died January 3, 1803
His comely young widow, aged 23,
Has many qualifications as a good wife,
And yearns to be comforted.

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On a headstone at Chapel Cemetery

"I was Carolina Born
And Carolina bred
And here I lay
Carolina dead!"

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On a headstone in Kent, England

"Grim death took me
Without any warning.
I was well at night,
And dead in the morning."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

- Sep 14
TUE
2010
- 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.
Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.
Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at <http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com>
- Sep 15
WED
2010
- DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, September 15, 2010.
DuPage County Historical Museum 102 E. Wesley St., Wheaton, IL 60187.
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.dcgcs.org.
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
- Sep 18
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 "**Compiling Your Medical Family Tree**"
Presented by Marsha Peterson-Maass
Further information at: 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
- 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 and click on the "Fall Conference" link for all of the details about the day's events.
- Oct 1-2
FRI-SAT
2010
- Polish Genealogical Society of America.
Annual Conference.
Hilton Hotel. Oak Lawn, IL.
Visit the PGSA web site at www.pgasa.org for many more details
Regarding the program events. You can also find a full PDF
Program brochure as well as registration information.
- 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.
Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.
Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at <http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com>

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 or
P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567

*Oct 16
SAT
2010
Arlington Heights Memorial Library.
500 N. Dunton Ave.
Arlington Heights, IL
"**The Many Languages of Genealogy**"
Translation of documents service program for the languages of German, Italian, Latin, Polish, Russian, Swedish and Ukrainian.
There is no charge for translation service assistance.
From 10 AM to 4 PM.
Contact phone # for further info at 847-870-3643.

Oct 19
TUE
2010
Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Tuesday, October 19, 2010.
"**To Be Determined**".
Presented by To Be Determined
Forest View Educational Center.
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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

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.dcgs.org.
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum

Oct 23
TUE
2010
Illinois State Genealogical Society Annual Conference.
Peoria, IL 8 AM to 4 PM
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/
Peoria County Genealogical Society @ www.usgennet.org/usa/il/county/peoria1

Nov 9
TUE
2010
Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.

"Using the Hamburg and Bremen Passenger Lists"

Presented by Patricia Reaves.

Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.

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Nov 16
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2010

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Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com

Nov 17
WED
2010

DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, November 17, 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 **"To Be Determined"**.

Guest speaker is To Be Determined.

Society website at www.dcg.org.

DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum

Nov 20
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 **"Breaking Down Brick Walls"**

Presented by Nancy Thomas

Further information at: www.caggni.org or

P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567

Dec 14
TUE
2010

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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Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at <http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com>

Jan 11
TUE
2011

Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.

130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.

"Genealogy and DNA – A Revisit"

Presented by Jeffrey Bassett.

Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.

Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at <http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com>

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.

DuPage County History Museum website at 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

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Mar 16
WED
2011

DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, March 16, 2011.
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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.

DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum

Apr 12
TUE
2011

Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.
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"Mining for Gold: Online Historical Newspapers"

Presented by Robin Seidenberg.

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Apr 20
WED
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*May 10
TUE
2011

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"Why My Austro-Hungarian Ancestors Were Neither Austrian Or Hungarian!"

Presented by Dr. Paul Valasek.

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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

Web Site www.ngsgenealogy.org

- May 18
WED
2011
DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, May 18, 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.
Society website at www.dcg.org.
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
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