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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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**JUNE 14, 2011 GENEALOGY PROGRAM TOPIC**

We will have another "break-out" session for our gathering in June 2011. 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.

I would also encourage participants to bring their personal laptop or netbook to these sessions and tap into the internet via our WiFi network. I saw many researchers doing this at our last breakout session and they found it very productive to access internet information while being in one of the groups if they wanted to show something to someone else at the table.

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 June 2011.

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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 142 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 1,074 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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### **NGS Announces a New Video: Jan Alpert's "Getting Started" (April 1, 2011)**

The National Genealogical Society has a new video available to you at no charge. This one features past NGS president Janet A. Alpert on "Getting Started." Jan reflects on her experience of how genealogists begin their journey and progress through multiple levels of interest and research activity.

Researchers who are just starting the journey and could use a road map or those who are well on the way will appreciate hearing Jan's thoughts.

You can watch the video at <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/>, the National Genealogical Society Channel at YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/user/NGSGenealogy>, and on other online sites.

**Posted by Dick Eastman on April 01, 2011 in [Genealogy Basics](#), [Video & Television](#) | [Permalink](#)**

### **Virginia Tech Launches First of Civil War Newspapers Online (April 2, 2011)**



The American Civil War Newspapers website is now online, coinciding with the observance of the Civil War Sesquicentennial. The new web site has started with an index to one newspaper: the Macon, Georgia, Daily Telegraph for the period July 1860 to June 1865.

The site is available free of charge. Users may search by keyword, or browse the pages either on their own or by predefined topics. Each page provides options for downloading and viewing printable digital images of the newspaper columns in which a search finds a hit, and also to browse the pages throughout an issue.

The ultimate goal of the American Civil War Newspapers database is to select a representative group of journals to index, with digital images of the newspapers themselves, for use by students and scholars. The newspapers selected will be a representative sampling of Union and Confederate, urban and small town, Eastern and Western, pro- and anti-administration.

The online American Civil War Newspapers may be found at

<https://dcr.emd.vt.edu/vital/access/manager/Index>

Posted by Dick Eastman on April 02, 2011 in [Online Sites](#) | [Permalink](#)

<b>FamilySearch Microfilm and Microfiche may now be Ordered Online, at Least in Utah (April 5, 2011)</b>
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A new ordering process was tested in several other countries for a while but is now available to everyone in Utah and will soon expand to the rest of the U.S. You can sit at home and order microfilms and microfiche from FamilySearch in Salt Lake City. All you need is a computer with an Internet connection and a user ID, which is free.

The films and fiche will be delivered to a Family History Center near you and you will be notified when they arrive. You then must go to the Family History Center and use the microfilm and microfiche readers there to view the materials.

Quoting the ordering web site:

FamilySearch's Microfilm Ordering service is your gateway to a vast collection of genealogical and historical records. The service allows you to reserve and loan films to family history centers and affiliate libraries. The loan is free, but there is a small shipping and handling charge for each film.

Ordering is simple:

Sign in using FamilySearch Accounts with the link in the top right corner. If you do not have an account, clicking the Sign In link will prompt you to Register.

Locate the microfilm number(s) you want to order from the Family History Library Catalog located on FamilySearch.org.

Note: Before ordering any film, check to make sure the Family History Library Catalog does not have a digital copy online..

Select your loan type, enter the microfilm number, and click Search. Repeat this step for additional items.

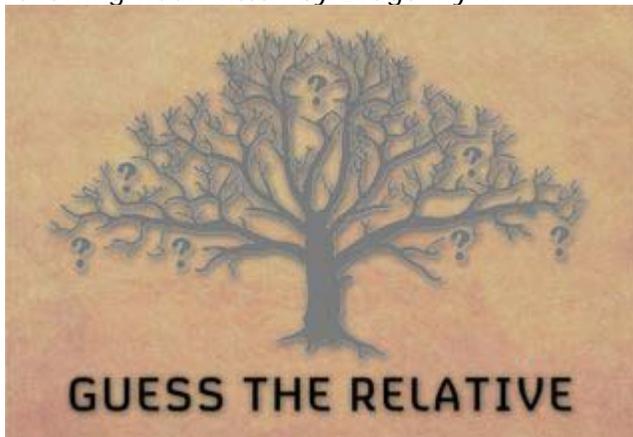
When you are ready to submit your loan order, click the shopping cart in the upper right portion of the screen. You will then have a chance to review and confirm your order. After you submit your order, all films will be delivered to your designated family history center.

To place your orders, go to <http://film.familysearch.org>.

Posted by Dick Eastman on April 05, 2011 in [Online Sites](#) | [Permalink](#)

**British Genealogical TV Programme is Looking For People with Long-Lost British Roots (April 11, 2011)**

Dragonfly TV is looking for people from around the world with British roots. The following was written by Dragonfly TV:



Do you think your family tree might have British roots?

Would you like to travel to Britain to discover your living relatives?

Dragonfly TV is making an exciting new game show featuring families, ancestors and long-lost relatives.

We're searching for people from all over the world, who think they may have British ancestry, who would like to take part.

Whether your Great Great Grandfather was born in England or your Great Aunt lived in Scotland... If you think you, or anyone you know, may have any British ancestry, we want to hear from you!

Visit [www.guesstherelative.tv](http://www.guesstherelative.tv) **NOW** to find out more and apply to take part.

Alternatively phone: +44 207 033 2319

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/GuessTheRelative>

[www.dragonfly.tv](http://www.dragonfly.tv)

Posted by Dick Eastman on April 11, 2011 in [Video & Television](#) | [Permalink](#)

**iArchives to Collaborate with FGS to Digitize War of 1812 Pension Applications (April 13, 2011)**

The following announcement was written by iArchives, a subsidiary of Ancestry.com. It is the division that operates Footnote.com:  
Footnote.com will be the first online home of the digital pension applications

Lindon, UT – iArchives today announced a collaboration with the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) to digitize 180,000 pension applications, or an estimated 7.2 million pages of War of 1812 Pension Applications and Bounty Land Warrants. The collection

will be available on iArchives' military records website, Footnote.com, home of more than 72 million historical records.

The multi-year project will consist of scanning the pension files at the National Archives in Washington D.C. and creating a searchable index to the digital images. FGS has targeted the War of 1812 Pension Applications as a high priority project based on the value of the content for genealogists as well as the importance of preserving the fragile records.

"Our goal with any collaboration is to honor our nation's heritage by preserving the records of our past," said Patricia Oxley, President of FGS. "In the specific case of the War of 1812 pension records, there is an added priority due to their frail state where not acting may mean sacrificing these for future generations."

With the burden of proof on the applicant to qualify for a pension, those applying proved participation in the war by including dozens of vividly descriptive pages. Details recorded include military battle stories, service dates, mentions of fellow soldiers, family relations, marriages, widows' maiden names and many other clues significant to researchers. The breadth of information allows the pension files to tell the richest story of that time period.

"The most popular database on Footnote.com today is the Revolutionary War Pensions which is very similar content," said Brian Hansen, General Manager at Footnote.com. "Our users have been asking for the War of 1812 pension records for some time, and I expect this collection to be very popular based on the rich war time detail it contains. We are pleased to make these records available for free on Footnote.com as a result of FGS fundraising efforts to subsidize the production cost."

FGS is proud to be leading the national fundraising to support this project and is actively seeking donations from genealogical and historical societies, patriotic and military heritage societies, as well as interested corporations and individuals. iArchives is providing a dollar-for-dollar match of each donation through a provision of services. To learn more and contribute to the project, visit [www.fgs.org/1812](http://www.fgs.org/1812).

### About iArchives

iArchives is a leading digitization service provider and subsidiary of Ancestry.com (NASDAQ: ACOM). The company operates Footnote.com, the leading U.S. military record resource on the web with more than 72 million records online. The site provides searchable original documents, providing subscribers with a view of the events, places and people in the conflicts that shaped the American nation and the world. For more information, visit [www.footnote.com](http://www.footnote.com).

### About FGS

The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS), founded in 1976, links the genealogical community by serving the needs of its member societies, providing products and services needed by member societies, and marshaling the resources of its member organizations. FGS represents the members of hundreds of genealogical societies and engages in projects that help genealogical societies strengthen and grow as well as call attention to records preservation and access issues. FGS can be found on the web at [www.FGS.org](http://www.FGS.org).

**Posted by Dick Eastman on April 13, 2011 in [Online Sites](#), [Societies](#) | [Permalink](#)**

**Mocavo.com Adds Thousands of New Sites to the World's Largest Free Genealogy Search Engine (April 19, 2011)**



I have written before (at <http://goo.gl/fhAm8> and at <http://goo.gl/V1H00>) about Mocavo, a genealogy search engine. In fact, at last weekend's annual conference of the Guild of One-Name Studies, I was impressed when several Guild members described the successes they have had with Mocavo. It is especially effective when trying to find genealogy information about families whose surnames are also common English words, such as Towne, Ford, or similar names.

Now Mocavo has had a significant upgrade, as described in this announcement from the company:

Mocavo.com™ (<http://www.mocavo.com>), the world's largest free search engine geared toward genealogists, announced the addition of thousands of new sites today. The new content added to Mocavo.com includes more than 3,000 genealogy blogs and thousands of sites submitted by users over the past month, including some new content for Irish and UK researchers. A very small sampling of the sites now searchable on Mocavo.com:

- DearMyrtle: <http://blog.dearmyrtle.com>
- Genea-Musings: <http://www.geneamusings.com>
- GeneaBloggers (plus thousands of sites in its network): <http://www.geneabloggers.com>
- Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter: <http://blog.eogn.com>
- GenealogyBlog: <http://www.genealogyblog.com>
- Ireland Genealogy Project: <http://www.igp-web.com>
- Irish Church Records: <http://www.irishgenealogy.ie>
- Australian Cemeteries Index: <http://www.austcemindex.com>
- RootsChat.com Community: <http://www.rootschat.com>
- The Ships List: <http://www.theshipslist.com>

Users can submit suggestions for new sites to be added at <http://www.mocavo.com/suggest>. New additions and updates to Mocavo.com will now occur more frequently.

[About Mocavo Inc.](#)

Mocavo Inc. operates the world's largest free genealogy search engine, Mocavo.com, giving genealogists access to the best free genealogy content on the web including billions of names, dates and places. Founded by industry veteran Cliff Shaw, and backed by prominent angel investor, David Cohen, (founder and CEO of TechStars), Mocavo.com seeks to index and make searchable all of the world's free genealogy information. While Mocavo.com discovers new sites every day, some of the existing sites searchable on Mocavo.com include genealogy message boards, family trees, state and local historical societies, the Library of Congress, National Archives, Ellis Island, Find A Grave, the Internet Archive, various U.S. state archives, and many tens of thousands of genealogy sites built by individuals. For further information, visit <http://www.mocavo.com>.

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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 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, May 17, 2011. The program for the evening is titled **"Uff Da! Researching Norwegian Roots"**. The speaker for the evening will be Caron Brennan.

Caron loves history, biography, puzzles and a good mystery, which makes her perfectly suited to genealogy research! She has been researching her family history since a 6<sup>th</sup> grade school project got her interested. She has been using the computer and internet since before it was "cool". She uses The Master Genealogist as her primary software and also uses Family Tree Maker and Ancestry to share with others in her family. Caron's only vice is genealogy research so she has subscriptions to many resources including Ancestry.com, Genealogybank.com, NEGHS, Footnote, and Godfrey Memorial Library. She belongs to several local genealogy groups and is the Webmaster and Newsletter Publisher for CAGGNI ([www.caggni.org](http://www.caggni.org)).

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.

DuPage County Genealogical Society

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, May 18, 2011. The program scheduled for that evening is **"Abraham Lincoln Public Library Holdings and Their Use to the Genealogical Researcher"**. The speaker for the program will be Dennis Suttles, genealogical librarian at the Abraham Lincoln Public Library.

You may visit the society's web page at:

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

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Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI)

The next meeting of CAGGNI will take place on Saturday morning, May 21, 2011 at the Schaumburg Township District Library at 10:30 AM. The program scheduled for this day is **"Investigating the Resources at ChicagoAncestors.org"**. The speaker for the program will be Sandra Trapp.

This web site probably will not tell you the maiden name of your elusive 4<sup>th</sup> great-grandmother, but it may provide you with "meat for the bones" of your Chicago and Cook County ancestors. We will be looking at the links that are unique to the web site and the Newberry Library along with exploring some other resources associated with Chicagoland and Illinois that this site has to offer.

You may visit the organization web page at:

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

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### **1911 Census Records for Scotland Go Online for First Time (April 5, 2011)**

The following announcement was written by brightsolid, the company that manages [www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk):

A fascinating snapshot of pre-war Scotland and a major new family history resource

A snapshot of history from the Scotland of a century ago is revealed today with the release of the personal details from the 1911 Census.

The archives were opened after 100 years in line with the closure period for all personal data collected by each census. The Census returns were made available for members of the public to search at Edinburgh's New Register House. Staff in period costume were on hand to provide advice and two centenarians attended to view their own entries in the Census.

From today, family historians, researchers and members of the public can view high quality colour images of their ancestors' entries in the Census, fully searchable by name or address.

In 1911, the Scottish population was growing quickly, partly as a result of better health and the resulting improvements in child mortality rates, and partly because of immigration. Compared to the previous census of a decade beforehand, the total population had grown by six per cent.

This was the last census before the Great War, during which many tens of thousands of young people recorded in 1911 would have been killed.

Register General for Scotland Duncan Macniven said:

"We are today releasing details we have kept secret for a century, just as we are today promising to do with the information collected by the 2011 Census. People in 100 years will be able to read the information their ancestors are today contributing to this year's census.

"The 1911 Census gives us a snapshot of what Scotland was like just before the great cataclysm of the Great War. Many thousands of the young people recorded here never returned from the battlefields of Europe."

"For family historians, the major change is the inclusion of details of the number of children born from a marriage, which will make it easier to track children between the census years. Also, the full colour images make it easier to decipher the enumerator's handwriting.

"You can also see what happened to Scotland in the decade before 1911. The total population was up by 6 per cent. However in Fife, for example, the population had gone up by 22 per cent, while in Orkney it had gone down by 10 per cent.

"A lot of that was due to the continuing industrialisation of Scotland, and the drift of people from rural areas into our towns and cities."

The Census will be made available on the ScotlandsPeople website (<http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk>), and at the ScotlandsPeople Centre in Edinburgh. The online records will be interesting both to people in Scotland and to the Scottish diaspora, which numbers many millions especially across the UK and in North America, Australia and New Zealand.

### General background

The 1911 Census showed that the population of Scotland on the night of April 2, 1911 was 4.7 million.

This was the 12th modern census, the first having taken place in 1801. It was authorised by the Census (Great Britain) Act 1910. The Registrar General for Scotland in 1911 was James Patten MacDougall supported by James C. Dunlop the Superintendent of Statistics.

It was the first time ever that mechanical tabulation was used to process the statistical results, which made the task quicker and easier to do. Hollerith machines were used that incorporated a punch card system. In this census the householders were asked for more information than ever before and the new system using mechanical tabulation ensured that the statistics were reported in record time, in 5 volumes published between 1911 and 1913.

In Dalziel in Motherwell, April 3, 1911 was a holiday. Over 2000 people were absent on Census night. Whether these people were picked up in the census in other parts of Scotland is currently unknown.

This was the last census taken prior to the first war. Deaths in the war meant that the number of males remained around 2.3m between the 1911 and 1921 censuses, whereas between the 1901 and 1911 Census the male population had increased by 11.9%.

The police were used to help the enumerators take the Census for vagrants as well as the enumeration of people who passed the night in barns, sheds, tents, etc. or in the open air. People on boats or barges were enumerated if the vessel was within the limits of the

jurisdiction of His Majesty's Customs.

### Statistics

The main objective of a census is to provide statistical data. Reports were produced that included tables showing the population of Scotland as a whole, of its counties, civil parishes, registration districts, burghs, Parliamentary constituencies and so on.

The reports and tables were based on summaries from the Enumeration Books. No household schedules (the forms filled in by the head of each household) have survived but the Enumeration Books provide similar information to those published in 2001 from the 1901 Census and include additional information about the number of children born to each married woman, nationality and occupation.

The following statistics were produced from the 1911 Census:

- The population was 4,759,445.
- The number of males was 2,307,603.
- The number of females was 2,451,842.
- This was an increase on the population of 287,342 from 1901.
- The increase in males was 133,848.
- The increase in females was 153,494.
- This increase was less than any since the 1861 Census.

In earlier Censuses:

- The first Census, in 1801, showed a population of 1,608,420.
- The 1821 population exceeded 2m.
- The 1861 population exceeded 3m.
- The 1891 population exceeded 4m.
- The increase over 110 years was 3,151,025 or 195.9%

Between 1901 and 1911 there was an increase in population in 18 counties and a decrease in 15. The greatest increases were in Lanarkshire, Fife, Dumbarton and Renfrew. The greatest decreases were in Inverness, Orkney, Argyll and Forfar.

**Posted by Dick Eastman on April 05, 2011 in [Online Sites](#) | [Permalink](#)**

**Was Your Email Address Compromised by Scammers? Avoid the Scams! (April 12, 2011)**



A Texas-based marketing company called Epsilon had its database stolen by hackers on March 30. Unfortunately, Epsilon does contract work for Best Buy, Walgreens, Marriott Rewards, TiVo, Citigroup, US Bank, JPMorgan Chase, the Home Shopping Network, and dozens of other companies. If you have ever done business with any of any of these firms, your information undoubtedly was in the Epsilon database and probably was stolen.

The stolen information reportedly was limited to email addresses and/or customer names only, according to Epsilon. I guess we have to take the company's word about that although I do admit to having doubts. In any case, you probably are going to receive more spam mail than normal in the coming months as the spammers use these mailing lists in an attempt to hoodwink you into giving away personal information or purchasing questionable goods.

The main danger from this is an increase in "spear phishing" attacks — nerd-speak for targeted email spam. In traditional phishing attacks, criminals send email messages to millions of people with a message that appears to be from a bank or other real business, hoping that some of the recipients will be customers of that business and will follow instructions to, for example, "update your account information."

A spear-phishing email is far more dangerous because it can include a person's name and is sent only to people who are known to be customers of a certain business, greatly increasing the likelihood that the targets will be duped.

Of course, the messages are never sent by the companies that are shown in the return address. The email message may claim that it was sent by JPMorgan Chase or Best Buy or Citibank, but that is always false. The addresses are forged, something that is easy to do.

For example, if you are a Citigroup customer, you might receive a legitimate-looking e-mail message claiming to be from a Citigroup representative, suggesting that you need to update your personal information. If you do so, you could find unwelcome charges on your next credit card bill.

There are several things you can do to protect yourself. They include:

**Remember: knowledge is power.** First of all, you already know the security breach has occurred. You are now aware that you have to take such messages with a large grain of salt.

**Examine the wording carefully.** Financial institutions, government agencies, and legitimate businesses never, ever send e-mail messages demanding that you update your personal information and provide such sensitive information as a bank account number, PIN, or social security number. If you receive such a message, it's a scam.

**Check the link.** In most email programs, you can hover your cursor over any link and wait for the tooltips window to appear. Take a look at the address in this window rather than the one printed in the link. Does it lead you to the web site it purports to, or are you being directed to something that sounds legit, but on closer examination clearly isn't?

**Don't click the link.** Scammers can be a clever lot and can fashion messages and links that look very convincing. Do not click links in these messages. Instead, if you're concerned, launch your Web browser and go directly to the web site of the company you believe has contacted you (typing in the address yourself rather than pasting in a link). Check your account information. Do you see any notices there that confirm the e-mail message you've received? Probably not, but if so, give the company a call and speak to a representative.

**Check the IP address.** Return addresses for these messages are routinely forged, so don't trust the legitimacy of a message based on the sender's address. You may, however, be able to clear up some confusion by checking the sender's IP address. Finding the IP address will be a bit different for every email program. For example, to do this in Google's Gmail, first click on the down arrow beside the message's Reply button, and choose "Show original." To do this in Apple's Mail, select the questionable message and choose View -> Message -> Long Headers. Once you are looking at the questionable message, preceded by some lines of "Delivered-To" and "Received" text, you want to look at the entries that appear after Received—specifically, the entry in the form of [123.45.678.000] farthest down the list.. This entry shows the IP address where the message originated. (Ignore any addresses that start with 192.168 or 10.0 as these are IP addresses used on a local network.) Having found this address, go somewhere like Geobytes' IP Address Locator at <http://www.geobytes.com/iplocator.htm>, enter the address in the IP Address To Locate field, and click Submit. A second or two later you will be told the region location for the address. If you see a location in Eastern Europe or Asia or the Pacific or anyplace else that doesn't make sense, you've been contacted by a scammer.

**NOTE:** Checking an IP address isn't foolproof. Some spammers use a VPN (virtual private network) to "tunnel" to a server in a North American or European country. If so, the IP address will reflect that county's location. Also, some spammers have developed methods of "cloaking" an IP address, meaning the IP address is hidden or forged.

In short, if the IP address is from some third world country, other than from where it claims to be, you **KNOW** it is forged. Even if the IP address looks legitimate, it **MIGHT** be forged.

As always, a wise consumer provides his or her own best protection. Be cautious before clicking that mouse.

**Posted by Dick Eastman on April 12, 2011 in [Scams](#) | [Permalink](#)**

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## PERIODICAL NEWS

### **NGS Magazine**

We have received the January/March 2011, Volume 37, Number 1 issue of NGS Magazine.

Key articles in this issue are:

**"Cemetery Research in Italy"**

By June C. DeLalio, CG

**"Last Rites for the Honored Dead: Records of Military Burials in National Cemeteries"**

By John P. Deeben

**"Leave No Stone Unturned"**

By Eric Stroschein

**"Organizing a Cousin Camp: Linking Families to Each Other and Their Ancestors"**

By Phoebe Allen

**"Case Study: Finishing the Story"**

By Jennifer Holik-Urban

**"Voyage of Discovery: Finding the Story of World War II Sailor"**

By Nancy Niles Wehner

**"The Power of Family Legends: How I Am Related to Roy Rogers"**

By Cari A. Taplin

**"Genealogical Finger Prints: Making Sure of Identity"**

By J. H. Fonkert, CG

**"Researching Volunteer Soldiers of the War of 1812"**

By Claire Prechtel-Kluszens

**"Major Types of Collections and Their Access"**

By Kim V. Garvey, MLS

**"Keeping Your Computer Up To Date"**

By Jordan Jones

**"Ledgers – An Underexploited Resource"**

By Harold E. Hinds Jr., Ph.D

Please note that a good amount of the articles contained in this issue are related to do doing and understanding aspects of military genealogical research. If you are embarking on doing any military research then you may want to really give this issue a direct inspection to see what articles may be of very good use to you in your military research.

I thought that a good article in this issue was one titled "Finishing the Story" by Jennifer Holik-Urban". It is basically Jennifer's recounting of her research attempt to discover the story behind her great-great-great uncle's death as a soldier in World War I and the efforts made by his father to have the body of the fallen soldier returned home for burial in Bohemian National Cemetery in Chicago of May of 1921.

The author relates how she went about her research to try to uncover documents that existed that described the process between the family's requests and the U.S. government actions to make the return of the body a completed action.

The questions posed by the author that she tried to answer were

- Where did he train?
- Where are his military records?
- How did he die?
- Why did it take three years after his death for his remains to be brought home to Chicago?
- What was the end to his story?

The author also indicated she had some basic information about her ancestor to help begin the search. She had evidence from the World War I draft card about birth information, a Chicago Daily Tribune story that listed the ancestor name as having been accepted for service and a World War I bonus file listing the unit the ancestor served with.

Unfortunately, the author did not have the military serial number of the soldier.

Her first attempt to seek information resulted in her creating a letter to send to the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis. They were unable to help with the information she provided of a general nature in her request.

Her next attempt was to discover more about the military service unit her ancestor served in during World War I. She then pursued researching military information published in books about the unit the ancestor served in. She ultimately found great information that would have given her a good idea of her ancestor's training and actions within his unit from a five volume publication titled ***Order of Battle of the United States Land Forces in the World War***. She also found good information about the unit from a book titled ***The 32<sup>nd</sup> Division in the World War 1917-1919***.

She then wrote a request to the National Archives in College Park, Maryland, requesting the burial file for her ancestor. It was at this stage she received a good amount of information about her ancestor's remains and also discovered many touching and moving letters authored by her ancestor's father in communicating with the government seeking return of his son's body. She discovered the location in Europe where the remains were initially interred, how his death occurred, and also his military serial number.

The rest of the article describes more of the material discovered in the burial file for her ancestor. The bureaucratic paperwork and forms were included that ultimately led to the return of the remains of her ancestor for burial in Chicago in Bohemian National Cemetery. But the most touching pieces included in this material were the handwritten letters of the father of the deceased and his plea to have his son's remains finally returned to Chicago so that the family could be reunited in death within the same cemetery.

The author showed great tenacity in her search. She showed you have to consider alternatives. She did find alternatives that provided her with a "goldmine" of information that allowed her to satisfactorily answer all of her initial questions about her military ancestor.

Military records can truly be your goldmine of information even when it appears you are at a dead end with your initial requests. You may ultimately discover key points of information that you need to present from a variety of military information. You may not find everything all from one source, but all of your sources may provide enough from each to make your inquiry successful.

This is a very good article that shows how to move forward with your research with working with military resources. The fact that the story had a connection to Chicago made it also that much more enjoyable. The photos included in the article are also very touching.

I think you will like this article especially if you have World War I ancestral research.

I thought that another good article in this issue is one titled "Organizing a Cousin Camp: Linking Families to Each Other and to Their Ancestors" by Phoebe Allen.

I am sure many of us researchers how wonderful it would be to have our young children or grandchildren involved in our family history, or if not actively involved in research at least in knowing about the family history. The author felt the same and through this article describes and documents how the idea of "cousin camp" became a reality.

The plan was to have children and grandchildren of the family get together under the direction and care of the author, her sister and three adult cousins. The ages of the children were from 6 to 14. A total of 9 children participated. The get together occurred in an 1873 home place built by one of the distant ancestors of the family.

The author was also able to involve an 80 year old and a 91 year old family member in the "cousin camp" family get together to assist. Telling family stories from the distant past were to be the "jobs" of these older family members during this "cousin camp".

No modern day activities were planned. Instead the children were going to experience activities experienced by children from a long time ago. Activities such as horseshoes, wheel and guider, dominoes, hopscotch, jacks, marbles, swimming and fishing were to be included. In addition to the more "fun" aspects of cousin camp, the author and the assistants helped the children learn about the daily chores of their great-great grandparents. They were also told about such things related to the rural homestead as cooking on a wooden stove, cooling pies in the pie safe, shelling peas, carrying water from the well, washing clothes in a wash pot, making lye soap, milking cows and plowing with mules.

Visits to the local cemeteries where the ancestors of these children were buried also occurred. Gravestone rubbings were the thing to do at these visits in addition to hearing the stories about the lives of these ancestors.

As camp came to an end, the children were provided with a two hundred page three ring binder that contained histories of the communities, churches and cemeteries that were visited that had a connection to the ancestors of these children. Also included in the handout package were some oral histories, family timeline, genealogy charts, family group sheets, contact information of the providers and participants, family recipes and photos.

The author thought the "cousin camp" was so successful that she has had three of them since 2007. The author also acknowledges how lucky they were to have the room and space in the rural setting where the camp occurred. She did understand that others may not be lucky. Workarounds might include a real camp setting in a state park as a substitute.

If nothing else the "seed" of genealogy and family history may have been planted a little more firmly through this camp experience. Only time will tell. The author wanted to share this experience with readers who have been struggling with trying to get their children and grand children involved in family history. It really sounded like a great idea to bridge together the generations in a meaningful effort to plant the seed of family history.

This is another great issue of [NGS Magazine](#). There are many good articles and many with a "military" research subject matter that can help your research.

You can find a copy of this most recent issue on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library on the magazine shelves. You can now also check out older issues of this journal to take home and read at leisure at home. Ask our Information Desk on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library for details on being able to check out older issues of this and other magazines and journals we have.

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## **Internet Genealogy**

We have received the April/May 2011, Volume 6, Number 1 edition of [Internet Genealogy](#).

Key articles in this issue are:

**"Skype Your Genealogy!"**

By Lisa A. Alzo

*Lisa A. Alzo discusses five ways you can use Skype for your family history research.*

**"Florida Memory Project: An Online Goldmine"**

By Tony Bandy

*Tony Bandy goes online and examines a fantastic resource for family history research.*

**"Genes Reunited"**

By Marian Press

*Marian Press sings the praises of a unique genealogical website.*

**“Civil War Genealogical Resources, State by State: Part Two”**

By David A. Norris

*David A. Norris takes an in-depth look at the resources available for tracing your Civil War ancestors.*

**“Jewish Transmigration to a Promised Land”**

By Melody Amsel Arieli

*Melody Amsel Arieli looks at online resources for tracing your Jewish ancestors.*

**“Turning Online Genealogy Data Entry Into An Application”**

By Howard Burdick

*According to Howard Burdick, a little ingenuity, and a lot of data, goes a long way!*

**“Almanacs and Annual Reviews”**

By David A. Norris

*David A. Norris looks at a treasure trove of genealogical information.*

**“Scandinavian Roots and FamilySearch”**

By Margaret H. Strand

*Margaret H. Strand examines a great resource for tracing your Scandinavian ancestors.*

**“Are You Ready for the 1940 Census?”**

By Daniel M. Lynch

*Daniel M. Lynch looks at the eagerly awaited release of the 16<sup>th</sup> census for the United States of America.*

**“Vital Records At Your Fingertips”**

By Donna Murray

*Donna Murray shows you where to find vital records online.*

**“Using Upper Canada Land Petitions for Research”**

By Guylaine Petrin

*Guylaine Petrin looks at the latest online release from Library and Archives Canada.*

**“Five Ways to Use Social Media to Find Your Family”**

By Gena Philibert Ortega

*Gena Philibert Ortega shows you how to use people to power*

*your genealogy research.*

**“Cool Tools for Publishing Your Family History”**

By Lisa A. Alzo

*Lisa A. Alzo discusses some online resources to help get your Family's story into print.*

**“Office of Coast Survey”**

By David A. Norris

*David A. Norris examines the latest resources available from this little-known site.*

I thought that a good article in this issue is one titled “Vital Records at Your Fingertips” by Donna Murray. The author points out how this wealth of information is growing by leap and bounds on the internet. More and more state archives and counties are making this data available for researchers to access.

The author does a good job in identifying which state archives have made their presence on the internet felt within the genealogy research community. Birth, death and marriage certificates are growing in numbers among the various archive sites from around the country.

States identified by the author for you to consider visiting for this valuable data are:

- West Virginia Archives @ [www.wvculture.org/vrr/va\\_select.aspx](http://www.wvculture.org/vrr/va_select.aspx) Contains birth, marriage and death certificate data for all 55 counties from 1811 to 1970. The site has been up since 2005 and contains 1.8 million images and 5.7 million records.
- Georgia Virtual Vault @ <http://content.sos.state.ga.us/cdm4/gadeaths.php> At this site you will find death certificates from 1919 to 1927, the bulk of which are from 1917 to 1918. You can access the actual certificate for free. Non-indexed death records are also available from 1928 to 1930.
- Missouri Digital Heritage site @ [www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/birthdeath/#listing](http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/birthdeath/#listing) Contains 185,000 records from 87 counties including pre-1910 birth and death records, death certificates from 1910-1959.
- Maryland Death Certificates @ [http://mdvitalrec.net/cfm/dsp\\_search.cfm](http://mdvitalrec.net/cfm/dsp_search.cfm) Has 4 searchable databases that include two general indexes from 1898 to 1951 and selected indexes from 1975 to 1972 for Baltimore. You must pay for the data.
- Massachusetts Archives @ [www.sec.state.ma.us/arc](http://www.sec.state.ma.us/arc) Birth, death and marriage data covering 1841 to 1915. Searchable indexes are at the site.

- Utah State Archives @ <http://archives.utah.gov/research/indexes/20842.htm>  
Data covers 1904 to 1959 for death certificates.
- Arizona's Department of Health @ <http://genealogy.az.gov> Search birth and death records and print copies for free for years that cover 1855 to 1934 (births) and 1844 to 1959 (deaths).
- Ohio's Death Certificate Database @ <http://ohsweb.ohiohistory.org/death>  
Death certificates that span 1913 to 1944 for free but you will pay \$7 per copy to obtain the actual death certificate.
- Kentucky @ <http://kyvitals.com/index.php> Includes 1911 to 2000 but most have not yet been scanned. More comprehensive Kentucky data can be found at <http://vitals.rootsweb.ancestry.com/ky/death/search.cgi>. Here you can find about 2.9 million names.
- Idaho @ <http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/index.cfm> Abstracts of Idaho death certificates from 1911 to 1956 and some marriage indexes.

The article also includes some links to County and Other sites from which you can search for online birth, marriage and death certificate information. Sites mentioned within this category of County and Others are:

- Madison County, Alabama data @ [www.co.madison.al.us/mcrc](http://www.co.madison.al.us/mcrc) Unofficial birth records from 1881 to 1912; marriage records from 1809 to 1973. Some Confederate pension records can also be found.
- Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania @ [www.co.westmoreland.pa.us](http://www.co.westmoreland.pa.us) Marriage license information. Look under e-Services on the left and enter the e-Services Free General Public Access Site. Info goes back to the late 1800s.
- Joe Beine's Death Index site @ [www.deathindexes.com](http://www.deathindexes.com) Features state by state links to online death records, cemetery records and obituaries.

Perhaps some of the above sites may connect with your own personal research. If not, just keep searching the web for the geographic areas of your research to see what may be promising. Take a look at the full article in this issue for any other tips and helps it may provide to you for your research.

I thought that another good article in this issue is one titled "Skype Your Genealogy!" by Lisa A. Alzo. Skype is a service offered on the internet that allows you to make calls

from your computer to another for free. You can also use your webcam to make video calls between callers. You can look at all things related to Skype at [www.skype.com](http://www.skype.com). You can actually subscribe to Skype and for the most part get free audio/video calls. They also offer plans that you can pay for that gives you even more connectivity and flexibility to reach people.

The author wants us to know that you should consider Skype to further your genealogy research because your cost can **ZERO** to use it. Here are things to consider for genealogy research by using Skype:

- **Connect with Far Flung Family** – this is pretty obvious but if you have never used Skype you may not realize how good this service can be for your genealogy research. If your relatives live 2,000 miles away why spend your money on telephone calls. Skype instead. Connect by talking only or by both talking and video connecting. If your relative is not on Skype, offer to help them through the simple registration process and you will soon be sharing stories and seeing the relative if you have never done so before.
- **Conduct Oral History Interviews** – you may have a limited chance to obtain that important oral history. Skype can help you do it at no cost to you. Skype can also provide you with the ability to share desktop material from computer to computer. How about those pictures to share this way while interviewing. There are even free applications that work with Skype to allow you to record the oral history conversation. See recording capabilities for Skype at [www.voip-sol.com/15-apps-for-recording-skype-conversations](http://www.voip-sol.com/15-apps-for-recording-skype-conversations)
- **Plan a Family Reunion** – think of using the conference call feature of Skype to include multiple reunion planners scattered over the country. Group video calls are possible with Skype but for a fee. See information on this service from Skype at [www.skype.com/intl/en-us/features/allfeatures/group-video-calls](http://www.skype.com/intl/en-us/features/allfeatures/group-video-calls).
- **Collaborate with Fellow Researchers** – expand the use of Skype to collaborate with fellow researchers around the world, not just family members.
- **Share Your Knowledge or Results** – the author has used Skype to provide “virtual lectures” when she is trying to educate fellow researchers. She encourages you to visit her web site at [www.lisaalzo.com](http://www.lisaalzo.com) and click on her link for “Virtual Lectures”.

There are even more capabilities within Skype to consider to use. There is Skype Mobile, Skype for Business, Skype on Your TV. The Skype site does indicate that the service is not a replacement for your normal phone service. It cannot be used for emergency calling. But it sure seems like for all of what else it can be used for it is a great service. I

personally am a user with Skype and have used it for local contacts as well as international contacts. It really does provide very good video imaging on the calls.

Take a look at the entirety of this article for more that is included from the author. Consider Skype for all of the above aspects of the service you can apply to your genealogy research.

This is another great issue of Internet Genealogy. Take a look at this issue for all of the other articles that are included. I am sure there has to be one that strikes your interest and that could help you with your own research efforts.

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

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## BOOKS IN PRINT

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## SOFTWARE/HARDWARE

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<b>Incline Software Releases Free Ancestral Quest Basics (April 5, 2011)</b>
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AncestralQuest is a great genealogy program for Windows and the fact that a free version is now available is excellent news. The following announcement was written by Incline Software:



Salt Lake City, Utah – Incline Software announces the release of its new free family tree program, Ancestral Quest Basics, as well as a new capability to search over a billion free indexed genealogical records and the availability of translations that make Ancestral Questtm accessible in six new languages. For 17 years, Ancestral Quest has provided genealogists with easy-to-use yet powerful tools to organize, research and publish their family history. Millions of users have benefited from Ancestral Quest and from altered, licensed versions of AQ under such names as Ancestry Family Tree (AFT) by Ancestry.com, Personal Ancestral File (PAF) by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Family Tree Heritage by Individual Software.

**Ancestral Quest Basics** is a new version of Ancestral Quest that is absolutely free. Users will be able to enter individuals and families, notes and sources just as in the full version of Ancestral Quest. They will be able to print Pedigree charts, Family Group Records, Ancestry charts and Descendant charts, along with several other reports and charts. They will even be able to add pictures of ancestors. Ancestral Quest Basics has all the essential features of a complete family tree program, but the more advanced features and “bells and whistles” of Ancestral Quest are only available in the full version.

In 2008, AQ was the first desktop family tree program to be certified to work with New FamilySearch, and in 2009 it received an award from FamilySearch for having the “Most Comprehensive Syncing” capabilities. Users with access to New FamilySearch, will find that Ancestral Quest Basics contains all but a couple of the most advanced of AQ's methods of syncing with FamilySearch. In short, it has all the fundamental features needed by a family historian. According to Gaylon Findlay, President of Incline Software, “We wanted to provide genealogists with complete, easy-to-use software for organizing their family history at an unbeatable price. And, having made the Windows versions of PAF possible several years ago by providing the LDS Church with the Ancestral Quest code, we wanted PAF users to have an easy transition to a free program that would feel like a major upgrade to PAF, including the synchronization with New FamilySearch.” Ancestral Quest Basics has all the essential features of its big brother, Ancestral Quest, with some of the frills yet none of the cost.

**Searching Over One Billion Free Records.** For 10 years, Ancestral Quest has been able to search Ancestry.com for a list of records and compiled family trees for any person in AQ's database, and has provided direct links to these resources for subscribers of Ancestry.com. AQ also has had capabilities for searching FamilySearch and other Internet genealogy resources. In December of 2010, FamilySearch released its updated website, [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org), with over a billion indexed records which are freely available, and AQ now allows a user to select any person in their database and search these records, many of which provide original images. “It is really exciting to be able to highlight the name of an ancestor in Ancestral Quest, click on a couple of buttons, and see a list of original documents that give details about the ancestor. It's free, and it makes doing genealogy research fun!” said Paul Johnson, a support technician at Incline Software. (This new search

of the free FamilySearch records is available in the full version of Ancestral Quest, but not in AQ Basics.)

Incline Software has also tried to provide the Jewish community with special features, and for years has allowed users to generate a Page of Testimony for victims of the Holocaust, which are then filed with Yad Vashem in Jerusalem. Yad Vashem has digitized these, and Ancestral Quest can now search 3 million Pages of Testimony with the hope that this will help Jewish users in researching their family members who perished.

**Additional Languages.** Ancestral Quest can now be used in Spanish, German, French, Swedish, Norwegian and Chinese, with other languages under development. Spanish, German and French are complete translations, while the other languages provide AQ's most commonly used screens and reports in the language, with the remainder of the program still in English. Most of these language modules are free, while others can be purchased for a small fee. "We're thrilled to offer Ancestral Quest in additional languages, and grateful for the efforts of the volunteers who have done the translating. Users in the countries of origin of these languages, as well as Spanish and French speaking people in the Americas will finally be able to use either the full version of Ancestral Quest or our new Ancestral Quest Basics, in their native language," according to Gaylon Findlay.

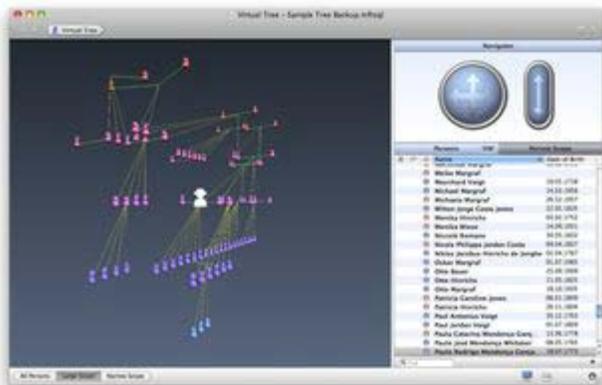
Ancestral Quest Basics, as well as the full version of Ancestral Quest, can be downloaded from [www.ancquest.com](http://www.ancquest.com). The language modules that allow users to work with AQ in other languages can also be downloaded from this site. Users of Ancestral Quest 12.0 and 12.1 can download the new update for free by using the "Check for Latest AQ Release" option in AQ's "Internet" menu.

You can learn more about Incline Software and Ancestral Quest by visiting the website listed above, or by calling Incline Software at 1-800-825-8864.

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**Posted by Dick Eastman on April 05, 2011 in [Software](#) | [Permalink](#)**

### MacFamilyTree Version 6.1 Public Beta 3 (April 19, 2011)



Synium Software has released a beta version of the company's popular Macintosh genealogy program. MacFamilyTree has the most visual user interface I have ever seen in any genealogy program for any operating system. Click on the image to the right to see an example screenshot.

With the earlier versions of MacFamilyTree 6 you can:

- Enter and visualize your family history
- Choose from a large variety of reports and charts
- Use New FamilySearch.org (currently in the beta phase) for research, no subscription fees!
- Share genealogical data using the GEDCOM standard
- Publish your family tree on the Internet

Version 6.1 Public Beta 3 adds the following:

- Localization Updates
- Fixes in the My Tree Edit Pane
- Stability improvements for Mac OS X Lion

You can learn more at <http://www.syniumsoftware.com/macfamilytree/>

**Posted by Dick Eastman on April 19, 2011 in [Software](#) | [Permalink](#)**

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## **FUNNY BONE**

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The following pictures were sent to me within an e-mail from Stan Schmidt who often attends our programs. I thought the pictures of the tombstones are very ironic as they apply to our own guaranteed mortality.

Stan, thanks for sending me the pictures!

I hope all of you will enjoy the irony the pictures reflect relative to the names inscribed.

You almost wish someone would have considered a name change but the irony does not lend itself until you see the name on a tombstone!



Not Anymore!



Not Anymore!



Probably!

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*(Additions Since Last Newsletter Indicated With An “\*”)*

May 10      Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.  
TUE          130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7  
2011          PM.

**“Why My Austro-Hungarian Ancestors Were Neither Austrian  
Or Hungarian!”**

Presented by Dr. Paul Valasek.

Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.

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May 11-14    National Genealogical Society 2011 Family History Conference.  
WED-SAT    Charleston, South Carolina.  
2011          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 14  
SAT  
2011
- 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.  
This is a "special 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday" additional program"  
Topic for the meeting "**On-Line Trees At Ancestry.com**"  
Facilitated by Caron Primas Brennan  
Further information at: [www.caggni.org](http://www.caggni.org) or  
P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
- May 17  
TUE  
2011
- Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Tuesday, May 17, 2011.  
"**Uff Da! Researching Norwegian Roots**".  
Presented by Caron Brennan  
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)
- 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 "**Abraham Lincoln Public Library Holdings and Their Use to the Genealogical Researcher**".  
Guest speaker is Dennis Suttles, Genealogical Librarian at the Abraham Lincoln Public Library.  
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)
- May 21  
SAT  
2011
- 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 "**Investigating the Resources at ChicagoAncestors.org**"  
Presented by Sandra Trapp  
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P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
- Jun 14  
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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- Jun 18  
SAT  
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Topic for the meeting **"DNA for Genealogists"**  
Presented by Michelle Wilson  
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Jul 12  
TUE  
2011  
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**"Who Sank Grandma's Boat: Effective Techniques for Finding Passenger Manifests"**

Presented by Dan Niemiec.  
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Aug 9  
TUE  
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**"Searching Online Databases"**

Presented by Ginger Frere.  
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Sep 13  
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Oct 11  
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**"Family History Research in Illinois and Wisconsin"**

Presented by Maureen Brady.  
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Oct 15  
SAT  
2011  
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130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL. 10:30 AM.

Topic for the meeting **"Cornucopia of Genealogical Mistakes: How They Occur and How To Fix Them"**

Presented by Ted L. Bartlett  
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Nov 8  
TUE  
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**"So You Didn't find It in the Index"**

Presented by Jeffrey Bockman.  
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Dec 13  
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Jan 10  
TUE  
2012

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**"Social Networking for Genealogists: Family Trees, FaceBook, Blogs and More"**

Presented by Caron Brennan.

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\*Feb 14  
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**"Using Railroad Records in Your Family History Research"**

Presented by Craig Pfannkuche.

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Mar 13  
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Apr 10  
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**"Understanding the English Census"**

Presented by Paul Milner.

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**"Military Service Records"**

Presented by Kathryn Barrett.

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Jul 10  
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**"Hiring A Professional Genealogist"**

Presented by Jeanne Larzalere Bloom.  
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**"Liven Up Your Family History with Images"**

Presented by Mike Karsen.  
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**"Organizing and Writing My Family History"**

Presented by Steve Szabados.  
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Nov 13  
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**"Program to Be Determined"**

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