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Genealogy Group Newsletter

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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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OCTOBER 11, 2011 GENEALOGY PROGRAM TOPIC

Our next program is scheduled for Tuesday evening, October 11, 2011. Our guest speaker for the evening is Maureen Brady. Maureen will present a program titled "Family History Research in Illinois and Wisconsin".

Join genealogist Maureen Brady for an informative program on Illinois and Wisconsin family history research. Learn the similarities and differences of the states' resources and gain an understanding of how "old northwest" history affected genealogy records.

Maureen Brady, a former school librarian and computer educator, has over twenty-five years experience with family history research and is now a professional genealogist. She has traced her own Scottish roots back to the end of the 17th century and beyond, and has also pursued Chicago area, the trans-Allegheny U.S., Irish and Swedish research. She is the co-director and trainer for the Crystal Lake (IL) Family History Center. She is a life member of the Aberdeen and North East Scotland Family History Society, the Chicago Genealogical Society and the Ohio Genealogy Society. She is also active in the British Interest Group of Wisconsin & Illinois, the Illinois St. Andrew Society's Scottish Genealogical Group, the National Genealogical Society, the Lake County (Illinois) Genealogical Society and the Clan Donnachaidh Society, for which she serves as one of the U.S. clan genealogists.

You may visit the library's web page at:

www.SchaumburgLibrary.org

to view a Calendar of Events section of the library web page for this program and for many more non-genealogical programs offered by our library.

You can also visit the Genealogy Blog of the library that is authored by Tony Kierna. Visit the blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com for all things related to genealogy and the genealogy programs at the Schaumburg Township District Library.

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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 <u>Unpuzzling Your Past: A Basic Guide to Genealogy</u> by Emily Anne Croom (929.1 CRO). A companion book that would follow <u>Unpuzzling Your Past</u> is <u>The Genealogist's Companion & Sourcebook</u> 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:

<p style="text-align:center"><u>http://www.ngsgenealogy.org//cs/getting_started</u></p>

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 147 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 1,107 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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100,000 Pages of Illinois Newspapers to be Digitized (July 29, 2011)

The National Endowment for the Humanities has announced more than $2 million in grants for Illinois. Illinois received 11 grants for projects statewide, from Chicago to Edwardsville.

The largest grant, for $325,000, will go to the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign for the National Digital Newspaper Program. The money will be used to digitize 100,000 pages of Illinois newspapers dating from 1860 to 1922. The announcement does not mention if the digitized newspapers will be made available online or not.

You can read more at: http://goo.gl/DSHRa.

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 29, 2011 in Current Affairs | Permalink

Carrying on the Family Tradition: Executioner (August 4, 2011)

German writer Oliver Pötzsch grew up in Bavaria, listening stories about his family's legacy. Except his was no ordinary family: Pötzsch descends from the Kuisls, a well-known line of Bavarian executioners who beheaded prisoners by sword.

A cousin of Pötzsch's grandmother was a genealogist who studied and documented the family's historical roots: There were 14 hangmen in the family, spanning the 16th to 19th centuries. Each inheriting the profession from his father, and each had to undergo a rigorous training that culminated in the executioner's having to produce a "masterpiece" beheading in order to receive proper certification.

Oliver Pötzsch did not follow the family tradition, at least not directly. He became an author and wrote a best selling novel, "The Hangman's Daughter," a historical thriller about a 17th century Bavarian hangman and his daughter, who are both on the hunt to find a killer.

You can read more at http://goo.gl/GIMwc.

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 04, 2011 in People | Permalink

14th century Gough Map of Britain is Now Online (August 5, 2011)

The oldest surviving map of the British Isles has been digitally captured and turned into a Google Maps-style online resource. The 14th century Gough map is internationally-renowned as one of the earliest maps to show Britain in a geographically-recognizable form. Yet to date, questions remain of how the map was made, who made it, when and why.

This website presents an interactive, searchable edition of the Gough Map, together with contextual material, a blog, and information about the project and the Language of Maps colloquium

Named after topographer Richard Gough - who bought it in 1774 for half-a-crown (12 1/2p) and bequeathed it to the Bodleian Library - the map is drawn in pen, ink and coloured washes on two skins of vellum and measures almost 4ft long by 2ft wide.
Throughout, towns are shown in some detail, the lettering for London and York coloured gold, while other principal medieval settlements such as Bristol, Chester, Gloucester, Lincoln, Norwich, Salisbury and Winchester are lavishly illustrated.

The website, www.goughmap.org, also includes a series of scholarly essays discussing the map; latest news about the project and a blog, among others.

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 05, 2011 in Online Sites **|** Permalink

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Genetic Genealogy Q&A for Beginners (August 7, 2011)

A newsletter reader asked a question today: "Can you give me a source for getting more information about DNA testing for genealogical purposes?"

I was going to write something until I found an excellent introduction to the subject on the International Society of Genetic Genealogy's web site. If you are new to the topic of DNA, you might want to read *Genetic Genealogy Q&A for Beginners* at http://www.isogg.org/ggfaq.htm

You may also want to read *Genealogical DNA Testing Myths* at http://www.isogg.org/dnamyths.htm

The ISOGG web site is a great resource. You can find it at http://www.isogg.org/

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 07, 2011 in DNA **|** Permalink

Scan and Digitize Your Books for $1 Each (August 13, 2011)

Newsletter reader "Stony" Stonebraker wrote to tell of a new scanning service that is available. I read about the new service and became enthused. I write about a lot of services and products in this newsletter, but this is one I think I will use frequently!

I have been scanning genealogy books in preparation for "downsizing" someday. As I move closer to retirement, I realize that I will someday move to smaller living quarters without room for all the books and magazines I have accumulated. I won't have room for the required bookshelves. The answer seems obvious: digitize them! Thousands of books can be stored in a very small computer or in a tablet computer or even a flash drive.

The problem is that my progress to date has been slow. Scanning a book is a tedious process, and I haven't completed the scanning of very many books. Now a new online service promises to do the job for me at a modest price: one dollar per 100-page book. The same service will also scan documents, photographs, business cards, and even the old greeting cards from relatives I have been saving all these years.

1DollarScan is the U.S. division of a company called Bookscan that has been in business for a few years and now does several million dollars of business per year in Japan.

Anyone can use 1DollarScan by filling out an online order form and then shipping the books or other materials to 1DollarScan's offices in San Jose, California. The company scans them and converts them into PDF files and also performs OCR (optical character recognition) to create a text layer behind the images to make the text searchable and selectable. The PDF files and text files can be sent to the customer by download or on DVD disks. The PDF files can be read on:

- Any Windows, Macintosh, or Linux computer

- Apple iPad, iPad2, iPhone3G, iPhone3GS, iPhone4, iPod touch

- HTC Desire, HTC DesireHD, Xperia

- GALAXY S, GALAXY Tab

- Amazon Kindle3 (coming soon)

- SONY Reader PRS-650 (coming soon)

- Barnes & Noble Nook (coming soon)

- All Android phones, All Android Tabs

- And probably all future computers and ebook readers as well

PDF is a standard that probably will be around for many years. When a better format becomes widely available, conversion programs undoubtedly will be available to easily convert the PDF files to whatever format becomes popular in the future.

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After the materials are scanned and the electronic images are returned to the customer, the original paper documents may either be returned (the customer pays the shipping charges) or sent to a recycling service to be shredded and reborn as recycled paper. Obviously, none of us will be sending family heirloom photos to be recycled! However, this is a great method of recycling all the less-valuable books and magazines I have accumulated over the years. I bet I have 200 pounds of them and I certainly can't keep them all when I "downsize my living space."

Once the materials have been scanned and the electronic files sent, the customer manages all future storage as he or she sees fit. In my case, I will make multiple backups and will make sure the backups are stored in several different locations for safe keeping. I will use the L.O.C.K.S.S. method (Lots Of Copies Keeps Stuff Safe.) Luckily, this is easy to do and the online storage expenses are far cheaper than paying for a larger home to store all the physical books.

Prices for the scanning service seem reasonable:

- Books: $1 for 100 pages (so scanning a 300-page book will cost $3)

- Documents: $1 for 10 pages

- Business cards: $1 for 10 cards

- Photographs: $1 for 10 photos

- Greeting cards: $1 per card

1DollarScan promises that future services will include saving all scanned materials directly to a shared Dropbox folder with no CD or DVD disks required. 1DollarScan will scan the books, perform the OCR text conversion, and the customer will receive electronic copies within minutes.

The company is also promising a future service of shipments directly from Amazon.com. You will be able to buy a book on Amazon.com and specify it be shipped directly to 1DollarScan. The company will then scan the book, send the electronic version to you, and dispose of the paper copy as you specify.

I'd suggest this is a great service for genealogists and for many others as well. I won't use it for scanning everything I plan to digitize, but I do hope to send most of the "tedious" scanning to 1DollarScan. I still plan to scan my fragile materials and valuable items myself.

You can learn more about 1DollarScan's services at http://1dollarscan.com.

My thanks to newsletter reader "Stony" Stonebraker for telling me about 1DollarScan.

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 13, 2011 in Preservation | Permalink

Genealogy is not just for the Retired Anymore (August 15, 2011)
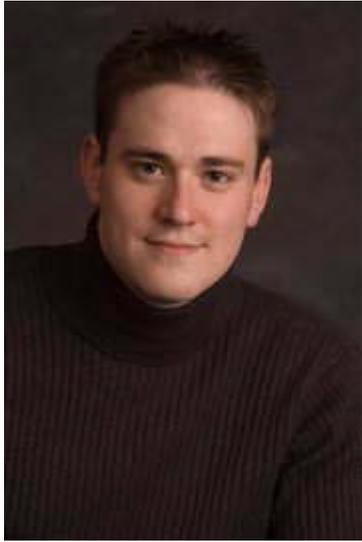
D. Joshua Taylor is a nationally recognized genealogical author, lecturer, researcher, and is also the former director of education and programs at the New England Historic Genealogical Society. He recently spoke at the Conference on Family History and Genealogy at Brigham Young University and talked about the future of genealogy, saying, "it will no longer be viewed as an 'old' activity for the retired. It will be undefined by age, gender and nationality. We're in prime time now."

Taylor made several predictions for the near future. Of course, most all of us will agree with his predictions of more information will be simple to download and interactive, there will be more online websites for digital scrapbooks and family histories, and everything will be digital. However, he also predicted:
Genealogy will be more about people than facts. He encouraged genealogists to think beyond the pedigree chart and get into the stories about people.

Communities will share data. Genealogists, historians, librarians, archivists and medical professionals will share information.

There will be a new generation of genealogists that will take new tactics.

…and a number of other predictions.

You can read more about D. Joshua Taylor's recent talk in an article by Laurie Snow Turner in the Deseret News at

http://goo.gl/5JkwO

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 15, 2011 in Current Affairs **|** Permalink

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LOCAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS/PROGRAMS

Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists

PLEASE NOTE THIS IMPORTANT CHANGE FOR THIS SOCIETY. THEY ARE CHANGING THE MEETING DAY, MEETING TIME AND MEETING LOCATION FOR PROGRAMS FOR THIS SOCIETY EFFECTIVE WITH THE AUGUST 2011 PROGRAM. THIS SOCIETY WILL _NO LONGER_ BE MEETING ON THE 3RD TUESDAY EVENING OF MONTH FOR SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER AND JANUARY-MAY AT THE FOREST VIEW EDUCATIONAL CENTER IN ARLINGTON HEIGHTS. INSTEAD, THE SOCIETY WILL BE MEETING ON THE 1ST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH STARTING AT 10:00 AM AT THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER LOCATED AT 1801 WEST CENTRAL ROAD IN ARLINGTON HEIGHTS. THERE IS A 30 MINUTE ROUND-TABLE HELP SESSION THAT STARTS AT 9:30 AM PRIOR TO THE ACTUAL PROGRAM.

The next meeting of the Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists will take place on Saturday morning, October 1, 2011. The program for the morning is titled **"To Be Determined"**. The speaker for the morning will be To Be Determined.

Meetings take place at Arlington Heights Senior Center, 1801 West Central Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60005 at 10:00 AM. There is a round table discussion that takes place at 9:30 AM prior to the main meeting that starts at 10:00 AM. 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 meetings that are scheduled for September 2011 through May 2012. The September 2011 program will occur at the DuPage County Historical Museum located at 102 E. Wesley Street in Wheaton, IL. The October 2011 through May 2012 programs 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 21, 2011. The program scheduled for that evening is **"Using Non-Federal Civil War Records in Family History Research"**. The speaker for the program will be Craig Pfannkuche.

You may visit the society's web page at:

www.dcgs.org

The society also has a blog that you can visit to find out about "this and that" related to the society as well as find genealogical tips. You can visit the DuPage County Genealogical Society blog at:

http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/

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Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI)

The next meeting of CAGGNI will take place on Saturday morning, September 17, 2011 at the Schaumburg Township District Library at 10:30 AM. The program scheduled for this day is **"The Musical "Chicago" And All That Genealogical Jazz"**. The speaker for the program will be Mike Karsen.

The Broadway musical and Hollywood movie CHICAGO was based on the stories of two real-life women by the name of Belva and Beulah. Just as in the show and movie these women killed their lovers. By collecting standard genealogical documents Mike Karsen piece together their lives as well as put their tales into context relating to Chicago history. Join us for this fascinating look into actual Chicago historical events.

Mike Karsen is a member of the National Genealogical Society (NGS) and the Genealogical Speakers Guild. He speaks on genealogical topics locally and nationally, teaches classes in genealogy and is on the faculty of the National Institute for Genealogical Studies. Mike has presented at state, national, and international conferences. He is the author of the JewishGen website "Guide to Jewish Genealogy in Chicagoland" and has published articles on genealogy.

You may visit the organization web page at:

www.CAGGNI.org

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INTERNET INFORMATION

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Automate Your Google Searches (July 30, 2011)

Google has become the primary tool for all sorts of online searches. I use Google every day for genealogy and other searches. I perform searches for several ancestors, searches for any information about a small town where my ancestors lived, searches for any information about the small town where I grew up, any mentions of my newsletter, any mention of my cousins with the unusual surname, and a number of other topics. I perform these searches daily, always looking for any new information that appears online.

Of course, logging onto Google every day and manually performing such searches is tedious. Besides, I am forgetful. I don't always remember to perform the searches as often as I should.

Luckily, Google provides a solution for me and for millions of others who wish to perform repetitive searches of Google's billions of links, looking for new information. In fact, Google will perform a search for me every day or every week and even send any newly-found results to me as email messages. Google remembers these tasks far better than I do. If I forget, Google still remembers and sends me an email message with the results, if any. Even better, Google only sends each new piece of information one time. I never see repeats. Each new email message contains only new results that Google has found since the last email message was sent.

Google Alerts will monitor almost anything on Google that you specify. You choose the search terms in exactly the same manner as a normal search on Google. You specify if you want to search only Google News, only blogs, only videos, only discussions, or the option that I use most of the time: search everything. You can also specify to search once a

day, once a week, or "as it happens." However, if you search for popular topics, the "as it happens" option can generate a lot of email messages! I'd suggest starting with the DAILY option at first, then experiment later.

You can enter your search terms and then click on PREVIEW to see an example of the results you'll receive. If you are overwhelmed with too many results, you can change the search terms and click on PREVIEW again to see the modified search. Once you are satisfied with the results, click on CREATE ALERT. From then on, you simply check your email messages occasionally to see the results.

Should you later change your mind, you can modify the search terms at any time or even stop the email messages completely. You remain in control.

Google Alerts are great for many purposes, including:

monitoring a developing news story

keeping current on a competitor or industry

keeping current on a company in which you have made an investment

getting the latest updates on a celebrity or event

keeping tabs on your favorite sports teams

searching for newly-posted ancestral information

and probably a few thousand other uses.

The best feature of Google Alerts? It is available **FREE** of charge.

Google Alerts is still listed as being available in beta. In fact, it has been in beta for years. It seems to work well, so I'd suggest you pay no attention to the beta label.

Here are some typical Google Alert search terms I use:

"Washington Harvey Eastman"

"Eastman family"

"Eastman genealogy"

"Dexter, Maine"

"Red Sox"

Ancestry.com

"National Genealogical Society"

"Family Tree Maker"

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I'd suggest you use your imagination to create the search terms that interest you. Of course, you can specify all the usual Google search terms, including the minus sign, quotation marks, tildes (meaning "similar to"), wild cards and more. A full explanation of all the Google search terms is beyond the scope of this article but you can find dozens of articles on the web that explain those search terms in detail. I suggest you start at http://goo.gl/9a9Nj to find those articles.

To create your own Google Alerts, go to http://www.google.com/alerts.
Comment: I always enjoy reading the engagement announcements and birth announcements of those cousins with the unusual surname. I also appreciate reading their obituaries, although I guess "enjoy" is not the appropriate word for obits. I often know about family news before the other family members do, thanks to Google Alerts. That even includes arrest records. (You'd have to know my relatives to appreciate that comment.)

Unfortunately, the search for relatives works best for unusual surnames. Don't try it for John Smith!

However, I have had some success by combining common names with towns or occupations, such as:

"John Williams" "Fountain Hills" Florida
or

"Peter Johnson" electrician

I then receive occasional email messages from Google with alerts containing those words. However, many of them are "false hits" about articles containing all of those words but referring to someone other than my relative. Even though I have to throw away some of the references by "eyeball," I still often find mentions of my relatives in the alerts. You can experiment with such searches yourself easily. If it doesn't work out, you can always delete the search.

With a few carefully created search phrases, you should be able to save a lot of time and keystrokes by regularly using Google Alerts for genealogy and other topics of interest.

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 30, 2011 in Online Sites **|** Permalink

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Lingotek Enables FamilySearch Members to Translate Historical Family Documents (August 16, 2011)

The following announcement was written by Lingotek:

Users of the World's Largest Genealogy Organization Can Now Translate Records Such as Birth, Death and Marriage Certificates Into Their Native Languages

THE TRANSLATION NETWORK

DRAPER, UT - Lingotek, the leader in collaborative translation solutions, has announced an exclusive, long-term relationship with FamilySearch. With this agreement, Lingotek will help FamilySearch, the largest genealogy organization in the world, translate historical documents so that users can find family

members using their native languages. FamilySearch members can now leverage a community of more than 2,000 users to help translate documents through the Lingotek application, which will be embedded directly into the FamilySearch website. FamilySearch is among the largest crowdsourcing projects on the planet, with more than 10 million hits per day and more than one billion names in its database. FamilySearch has been collecting and sharing genealogical records for over 100 years, including birth, death and marriage certificates, immigration documents, and census records. The organization is currently supplying records in nine languages, and has partnered with Lingotek to expand its language offerings.

Lingotek's application, available for free to FamilySearch members, will offer instant access to fast, reliable and cost-effective translation of historical documents. Lingotek's crowdsourcing software service, which incorporates natural language and machine translation, is a perfect fit for the large scale community approach of FamilySearch. With Lingotek, users can tap into the FamilySearch volunteer base to translate documents in real-time into their native language. Alternatively, if users want a quick, fundamental idea of what a record says, they can plug content into Lingotek's best-in-class machine translation. To further support community participation and the most accurate translation, users can volunteer to help interpret documents and rate the precision and reliability of translations.

"FamilySearch has a long history of crowdsourcing and community-based approach," said Rob Vandenberg, CEO of Lingotek. "Our web-based collaborative translation software is uniquely suited to connect the global FamilySearch member base with its rich, multilingual lineage. We're excited to participate in bringing more families together by translating critical documents in their family tree."

"Often times the translation of historical records is the key in revealing family connections," said Rob Thomas, Senior Project Manager, Globalization at FamilySearch. "We find that as people focus on their family histories, they draw closer together and build stronger family communities. Lingotek provides a powerful, seamless way to support our users as they look to research their family ancestry in their native languages."

For more information please visit Lingotek (www.lingotek.com) on Twitter and Facebook. For logos, executive pictures, screenshots, presentations, demos, and other media, visit Lingotek's media kit.

ABOUT LINGOTEK

Lingotek | The Translation Network gives enterprise business customers new ways to engage their global communities by providing trusted, rapid translations to expand and grow business in a cost effective way. Its exclusive web-based Collaborative Translation Platform™ represents the next step in the evolution of translation through technology and community involvement. Today, global organizations, intelligence agencies and government entities use the platform, saving time and resources on projects ranging from a few pages to several volumes. Lingotek also offers professional translation services for companies. The company is based in Draper, Utah and is funded by Canopy Ventures, In-Q-Tel, and Flywheel Ventures. For more information, visit http://www.lingotek.com.

ABOUT FAMILYSEARCH

FamilySearch International is the largest genealogy organization in the world. FamilySearch is a nonprofit, volunteer-driven organization sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Millions of people use FamilySearch records, resources, and services to learn more about their family history. To help in this great pursuit,

FamilySearch has been actively gathering, preserving, and sharing genealogical records worldwide for over 100 years. Patrons may access FamilySearch services and resources free online at FamilySearch or through over 4,600 family history centers in 132 countries, including the main Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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PERIODICAL NEWS

National Genealogical Society Quarterly

We have received the June 2011, Volume 99, No. 2 issue of National Genealogical Society Quarterly.

Key articles in this issue are:

"Documents and DNA Identifiy a Little-Known Lee Family in Virginia"
By Judy Keller Fox, CG

"Illegitimacy, Desertion and Divorce: Using Indirect Evidence to Find Nicholas Mauer of Dromersheim"
By Karen Mauer Green, CG

"Dirkje Vanalstine, Dorothy Porter, Dorcas Carroll: One and the Same Woman?"
By Brenda Dougall Merriman, CG

"Which Isaac Purnell Was Esau's Father?: Unraveling Relationships in Wiltshire"
By Marci Despain, CG, AG

"Using Freedman's Bank Registers to Trace Enslaved Families: A South Carolina McFall Example"
By Morna Lahnice Hollister

"Village Jews in Imperial Russia's Nineteenth-Century Minsk Governorate Viewed through a Genealogical Lens"
By Neville Lamdan, D. Phil.

Usually, this journal includes extensive reviews of recently published genealogical material as either books, CDs etc. Unfortunately, there are no reviews included in this issue.

This journal includes articles that fit the high requirements of the National Genealogical Society. You will often see that the supporting documentation via the endnotes is often greater in size than the contents of the article itself. If you want to see

what extensive documentation looks like for genealogical articles, then take a look at any of the above articles to see the scope of the documentation and citation process.

Take a look at the article titles I noted above to see if any have any possible connection to your own personal research

You can find this most recent edition of the National Genealogical Society Quarterly on the 2nd floor of our library on the magazine shelves.

Older editions of this journal are available to be checked out and read at home. This checkout policy applies only to Schaumburg Township District Library cardholders.

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Internet Genealogy

We have received the August/September 2011, Volume 6, Number 3 issue of Internet Genealogy.

Key articles in this issue are:

"Mobile Genealogy: Family History Research on Your Phone, Tablet and More!"
        By Tony Bandy

Tony Bandy examines the latest developments in the world of mobile genealogy!

"Research in Pennsylvania"
        By Carol Gohari

Carol Gohari looks at the resources available for researching in Northampton and Lehigh Counties.

"Family Tree Builder 5.0: A Bit of the Old, A Lot of the New!"
        By Tony Bandy

Tony Bandy examines the newest version of My Heritage's Family Tree Builder.

"Leafing Through History: What Our Ancestors Read"
        By Diane Dittgen

Diane Dittgen looks at the magazines that informed and entertained our ancestors.

"Czech Research: Jan Zabransky"
        By Edward Zapletal

Edward Zapletal recounts his quest to trace his great-grandfather using online Czech parish books.

"Researching Your French Roots"

By Nik Walker

Nik Walker goes online in search of online resources for tracing your French ancestry.

"Military Burials: What You Need to Know!"
By Sharon A. Wilson

Sharon A. Wilson looks at a great online resource for tracing your military ancestor.

"Investigating A Murder in the Family"
By Richard Jordan

Richard Jordan delves deeper into a genealogical case of murder most foul.

"What's in Your Google Toolbox?"
By Diane L. Richard

Diane L. Richard reviews Lisa Louise Cooke's newest book.

"Tracing Your Welsh Roots"
By Alan Stewart

Alan Stewart looks at the top online resources for researching your ancestor from Wales.

"Jamboree Conference Round-Up!"
By Edward Zapletal

Edward Zapletal looks back at the recent genealogy Jamboree in Burbank, California.

"Using Google Scholar for Genealogy!"
By Arnon Hershkovitz, Ph.D

Arnon Hershkovitz, Ph.D looks at yet another way to use Google for your research.

Also included in this issue is a section titled "Net Notes". In this section you will find 4 key web sites of interest that can help advance your genealogical research. The sites are written up in this issue to give the reader some good detail and insight as to why these sites are of note and what the user will find when visiting the site. The write-ups are well-worth reviewing before visiting the sites. The sites mentioned in this section are:

Donauschwaben Villages Helping Hands (DVHH) @
http://dvhh.org

The Canadian Letters and Images Project @
www.canadianletters.ca/index.php

Dayton, OH Rare Photos @
www.daytonhistory.org/archive-research.htm

British Workhouse Records @
www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documentsonline/workhouse.asp

I thought that a good article in this issue is one titled "Mobile Genealogy: Family History Research on Your Phone, Tablet and More!" by Tony Bandy. We as researchers all realize how technology moves at the speed of light. The author took some time to present to us where mobile technology is at this point in time and what it can do for our family research.

The author divides descriptions of this fast-moving technology to :

- Hardware
- Software
- Apps
- Going to the Web
- Online Overviews

In the area of hardware the reader should know that the following technology is available to use:

- Smartphones
- Tablets
- E-Readers

Smartphones are your mobile phones on steroids. They are much more than just a mobile phone. You can make and receive calls. You have an onboard camera. You have access to the web. You can do wonders with your genealogy using a smartphone. One obvious drawback is screen size. It is small, especially for aging eyes. Another drawback may be monthly cost. You are usually required to sign up with a provider for multiple users in order to get the phone itself at a reduced cost. The monthly cost for the smartphone also includes a data plan that allows you to access the web. You could easily spend $80 per month for bare minimum minutes of talk plus the data plan.

Here are some manufacturer links to their available smart phone products:

- Apple's iPhone @ www.apple.com/iphone
- Google's Android based phones @ www.google.com/phone
- Windows 7 mobile phones @ www.microsoft.com/windowsphone/en-us/default.aspx
- Blackberry @ http://us.blackberry.com

Tablets are the growing rage now. They are much smaller than laptops, weigh less, are less complicated to use but have somewhat limited power plus input connectors. They are often in the size for screen real estate from 7 to 9 inches, much larger than for a smartphone. They can certainly act like a phone for calling but by using mother providers like Skype.

Here are some manufacturer links on their tablets:

- Blackberry Playbook @ http://us.blackberry.com/playbook-tablet
- HTC FIyer (Android-based tablet) @ http://www.htc.com/us/products/tablets/flyer-bestbuy?extcid=Flyer-GoogleSEM&jt=1&jp=&jadid=6661723810&js=1&jk=HTC%20flyer&jsid=20718&jkId=gc:a8a8ae4cc3000c77001300f9294b819f6:t1_e_:k_HTC%20flyer:pl_&&gclid=CPX3-fa_0aoCFQEKKgoduR5HYg
- Apple's iPad @ www.apple.com/ipad

- HP WebOs tablet @ http://h41112.www4.hp.com/promo/webos/us/en/tablets/touchpad.html
- Walt Mossberg's Review of the Motorola Xoom @ http://media.marketwatch.com/video/20110223/022311mossbergxoom/022311mossbergxoom_1500k.mp4

Consider E-Readers like the Amazon Kindle, Sony's Digital Reader, the Nook and others. The screens are in the same size as for tablets. They are generally very easy to read using technology called e-ink that makes the words stand out even more than on tablets. Battery life is incredible with a charge often lasting about one month. These obviously don't allow you to be as versatile as the Tablets because they are more limited in scope as to what they do.

Links to manufacturer information on E-Readers can be found at:

- Amazon Kindle @ www.amazon.com/Kindle-Wireless-Reader-WifiGraphite/dp/B002Y27P3M
- Barnes and Noble Nook @ www.barnesandnoble.com/nook/index.asp
- Kobo @ www.kobobooks.com/touch

Software as we referred to it in the past is generally referred to today as Apps for the above devices. Apps are what make the world go round. Apps are associated with your Operating System for your phone. Often Apps are developed to be able to function on all Operating Systems, but not always. So you have to be aware of what Operating System you will get with your purchase of a particular device. Software is developed to function on the Apple OS Operating System, the Android System from Google, or the Windows 7 Operating System from Microsoft.

For the Mac Mobile OS system, some of the genealogy Apps you can consider are:

- Ancestry App that allows you to access and work with any of your uploaded family trees at Ancestry.com. This assumes you have a personal subscription with Ancestry and have uploaded material to the site. You can see more about this App at http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/ancestry/id349554263?mt=8
- Billion Graves App is similar to using FindAGrave. This App allows you to upload and share your cemetery information for your ancestors. Visit Billion Graves at http://billiongraves.com.
- Internet Genealogy magazine App that allows you to access your already subscribed magazines to this great journal. If you do not subscribe to this journal you can also purchase individual copies for $1.99. Visit Moorshead Magazines to find out more about this App at www.moorshead.com.

For the Android Operating System for mobile devices you will find the following Apps:

- GedStar Pro Genealogy Viewer @ http://ghcssoftware.com
- FindAGrave (Beta) @ http://sites.google.com/site/findgrave/
- My Heritage @ https://market.android.com/details?id=net.piod.myHeritage

If you are looking for some general information about Mobile Genealogy and why you do not want to be left behind in this developing aspect of genealogy, then take a look at some of the following online sites to give you more information:

- From About.com "iPad Apps for Genealogy @ http://genealogy.about.com/od/family_tree_software/tp/Ipad-Apps-For-Genealogy.htm
- From Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter "Windows Phone 7 for Genealogists" @ http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2010/10/windows-phone-7-for-genealogists.html
- Engadget (Hardware Reviews for Smartphones and Tablets) @ www.engadget.com/reviews/
- FamilySearch Tech Tips "Mobile Devices" @ www.familysearch.org/techtips/category/how-tos-and-tips/using-mobile-devices-for-genealogy
- FamilySearch Tech Tips "Mobile Genealogy on Android Made Easy" @ www.familysearch.org/techtips/2011/04/mobile-genealogy-on-android-made-easy.html
- Find My Ancestor Blog "Mobile Monday" @ www.blog.findmyancestor.com/category/mobile-monday/
- MobileGenealogy.com "Windows Phone 7 and Genealogy" @ www.mobilegenealogy.com/2010/10/11/windows-phone-7-and-genealogy-apps/
- Review: Mobile Family Tree @ www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~utcfhc/Mobile_Tree.pdf

If you currently do not have a smartphone or a tablet or an e-reader, you may want to spend some time reading the entirety of this article. There is plenty to read from beginning tom end in this article that can certainly enlighten you about Mobile Genealogy. It is another wave of technology that is here to stay. This is an article that is well-worth making a personal copy and keep for reference as you plow your way through jumping on the Mobile Genealogy bandwagon.

Right now my own head is even spinning about this exploding topic!!

I thought that another good article in this issue is one titled "What's in Your Google Toolbox?" by Diane L. Richard. Diane is actually reviewing a newly published book by Lisa Louise Cook titled "The Genealogist's Google Toolbox".

Google is a genealogist's best friend. We all use it and some of us may use it exclusively. Just like with lineage software products, the product itself is laden with great capabilities that most of us do not take the time to learn about. We use if for its basic functionality and in essence probably use about 10% of the power of the product. Because we often get great results by just using 10% of the product, we are often happy with what we get. But Google has so much more to offer than just the basics. I think genealogists should feel very lucky that a book now exists to give us a better overview of a great deal of the Google Tools that exist that we should consider incorporating into our own research.

For many of us we would just like to take advantage of the resources within Google anonymously. Unfortunately, in order to take advantage of all of what Google offers you will need to register yourself with Google. The reviewer even suggests that many of us have multiple e-mail accounts so why not considering registering yourself with Google to get a

Gmail account. Once you register for this, you in essence have free roaming to all of the other tools.

The reviewer of the book notes the following items you can find in the Google Toolbox:

- **Google Alerts** – you can activate a process within Google to notify you if in Google's massive searching of internet material it comes across a new item that you may previously not have encountered. You don't have to guess whether you have incorporated a new item into your own searches. Tell Google what you want to keep up on and it will inform you of any new discoveries.

- **iGoogle** – within Google you can create your own personal Google page. Yahoo offers similar services. On your own iGoogle page you can incorporate all of the nice things offered by Google. Things such as News, Gmail, Date/Time/Weather, Calendar and more. You can add "gadgets" to your iGoogle page and the reviewer indicates that there are at least 60 gadgets that are genealogically oriented in nature.

- **Google Books and Google News** – I have previously mentioned Google Books as being a great source of accessing millions of books online, especially those that are out of copyright and are free for you to download. These out of copyright books may be important sources of genealogically material, especially Family Tree books that may have been written and published prior to 1923. With Google News you can always keep in touch with current news as well as searching for news about your ancestors.

- **Google Translate** – what better place than to use this feature to help us with translations of our ancestors' documents from non-English speaking countries. Do you need to write a letter to a foreign archive? Write it in English and let Google Translate convert it for you to that foreign language.

- **YouTube** – Google owns YouTube. There are over 2 Billion views of YouTube material per day. There are many genealogical videos posted on YouTube for your pleasure, enjoyment and to expand your research knowledge.

- **Google Earth** – the reviewer indicates the book devotes many chapters to this great tool. Google Earth may be somewhat complex, but the reviewer indicates that the multiple chapters in the book do a good job of getting you through the process of fully tapping into Google Earth. What better place to connect to the ancestral areas where our ancestors lived. You may very well see the actual home area of an ancestor using this tool. For those researchers not wanting to actually make a trip, consider this a great alternative.

The reviewer is very excited in her description of all that can be found in this great book. What a nice way to unlock more of the power of Google by taking a tour through this great book. The more you know about Google and its power, the better your own research can become.

I plan on ordering a copy of this book for our library as a circulating item.

For an even more in-depth review of the book, you will definitely want to read the entirety of the article.

This is another great issue of <u>Internet Genealogy</u>. There are lots of good articles that may just be screaming for you to read fully. Take a look at the list of contents I noted up above to see just what articles are of interest to you.

You can find this most recent issue on the 2nd floor of our library on the magazine shelves. The most current issue cannot be checked out, but you can check out previous issues to read at home. The checkout capability is only available to Schaumburg Township District Library cardholders.

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BOOKS IN PRINT

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SOFTWARE/HARDWARE

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Family Tree Maker for Mac 2011 Review (July 29, 2011)

PC Advisor (a British publication) has a review of Family Tree Maker for Mac, written by Simon Jary. He compares the Macintosh program with several other genealogy programs for the Mac, then offers a comparison to the Windows version. He says generally positive things about the program, although he is obviously not happy with the fact that the Mac version is about a year behind in available features when compared to the Windows version.

Jary writes, "The free six-month Premium subscription to Ancestry is an excellent incentive if you want to give yourself a longer trial than the usual 14-day demo, and is worth more than the cost of the program itself."

The prices mentioned are accurate for U.K. users but anyone in other countries will want to check local pricing. Everything else in the review seems to apply to the program worldwide. You can read the full review of Family Tree Maker for Mac 2011 in *PC Advisor* at

http://goo.gl/a97oL.

Posted by Dick Eastman on July 29, 2011 in Software | Permalink

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Windows is Dying… and so are Macintosh and Linux (August 3, 2011)

Writing in ZDnet.com, Steven J. Vaughan-Nichols has an interesting article. Well, it was interesting to me, and I suspect anyone else interested in the future of computing will enjoy reading it also. Vaughan-Nichols points out that the number of Windows XP computers has now slipped to slightly under 50% of all installed personal computers. Windows Vista remains steady at 10% and Windows 7 has edged up slightly to about 28% of the market. The small remaining percentages comprise Macintosh OS X plus a tiny handful of people who use Linux.

So which of these operating systems will dominate in the future? Vaughan-Nichols predicts that none of them will be the marketplace leader. Instead, he believes that all versions of Windows, Macintosh, and Linux will slowly lose ground. Vaughan-Nichols writes, "It's the tablet and smartphone users who are really pointing the way to the end-user operating system future."

He also points to a recent, very informal survey he conducted at a local coffee shop. During a his visit, Vaughan-Nichols found the customers were using two Windows 7 laptops, one Windows XP laptop, eight Macintosh laptops, one Samsung Chromebook, three iPads, one Galaxy Tab, and a variety of "smartphone" cell phones to access email and surf the web or to perform other chores while sipping coffee.

Vaughan-Nichols predicts, "In 2021, we won't be comparing Windows, Mac OS X and Linux as much as we will be Apple iOS; Google Android; HP webOS; other Linux-based mobile operating system such as MeeGo; and, possibly, Windows 8."

You can read Steven J. Vaughan-Nichols' article at http://goo.gl/Cwrct.

If Vaughan-Nichols is correct, this change in technology will have a major impact on genealogy software. If you have been watching this newsletter for the past few years, you may have noticed that fewer and fewer announcements of new genealogy software for desktop and laptop computers have been published in recent years. To be sure, the existing products are selling well, and the present vendors often release new versions with additional features. However, when was the last time you read the announcement of a brand-new genealogy program being announced for Windows or Macintosh?
NOTE: Actually, there have been a couple; but, the newly-released products haven't made much of a dent in the marketplace.

The big growth in genealogy software in the past two or three years has been two-fold: (1.) software that runs in a tablet or smartphone, and (2.) cloud-based software that runs on a distant web server and can be accessed by desktop, laptop and handheld computers alike, including smartphones.

Almost all announcements of brand-new genealogy software in the past two or three years has been for cloud-based systems or for handheld systems. I suspect this trend will continue and become much larger than what we see today.

My preference is for cloud-based systems. I can sit at home, using a desktop or laptop system, and perform all data entry on a full-sized keyboard. I can scan photographs, original documents, maps, and more, and add those to the database. However, the information remains with me when I travel to genealogy conventions, attend family reunions, or visit a cousin.

Thanks to wireless networking now available most everywhere, I can look at my database and even view family photographs wherever I am. I always have my cell phone with me and often have a tablet computer during longer trips. The physical location of my data is unimportant. In fact, I prefer my information to be housed in professionally-managed, cloud-based data centers, where it is duplicated and backed up without my involvement. In a cloud-based system that I control, I can share my information with others or not, as I wish.

I believe the future of genealogy computing is in the cloud. The methods we use to access that information will be interesting, but of secondary importance. In fact, I suspect that most genealogists will use two or even more methods to access their personal information, depending upon whatever method is most convenient at the moment.

This change has already started. In fact, it started two or three years ago and is steadily increasing. The handheld and cloud-based systems won't "take over" immediately, but I do believe they will slowly continue to grow in popularity. My belief is that, ten years

from now, we won't care where our data is located as long is it is available to each of us, whenever and wherever we happen to be at the moment. No longer will any of us say, "I'll look that up when I return home."
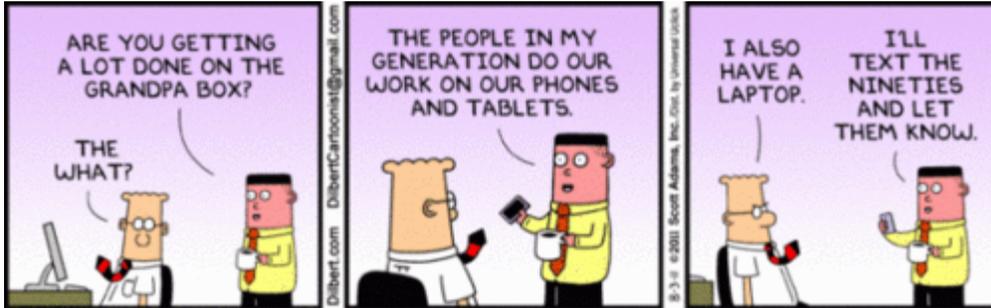
Posted by Dick Eastman on August 03, 2011 in Opinion, Software **|** Permalink

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FUNNY BONE

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 can be humorous in the eye of the beholder or can really upset people that such a final message can be left!

You be the judge!

Stan, thanks for sending me the pictures!

Here rests

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JUVENALES

1968-1993

He was a good

husband, a wonderful

father, but a bad

electrician

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Sep 13   Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting.
TUE   130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7
2011   PM.
           Break Out Sessions/Small Group Discussions.
           Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.
           Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com

Sep 17   CAGG-NI. Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois. Meetings
SAT   held the 3rd Saturday of each month at Schaumburg Township District
2011   Library.
           130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL. 10:30 AM.
           Topic for the meeting "**The Musical Chicago: And All That Genealogical
           Jazz**"
           Presented by Mike Karsen
           Further information at: **www.caggni.org** or

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

Sep 21 WED 2011	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, September 21, 2011. DuPage County Historical Museum. 102 E. Wesley St. Wheaton, IL. 6:30 PM Refreshments. Program begins at 7:00 PM. Program title is "**Using Non-Federal Civil War Records in Family History Research**". Guest speaker is Craig Pfannkuche. Society website at www.dcgs.org. Society blog at http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/ DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
*Oct 1 SAT 2011	Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, October 1, 2011. "**World War II And Women Too**". Presented by Kathryn Barrett Arlington Heights Senior Center. 1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL. 847-398-1884 or 847-593-8160. Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:30 AM Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com
Oct 8 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 "**Second Saturday Workshop Series – Getting the Most Out of A Newberry Library Road Trip**" Presented by Elaine Beaudoin Further information at: **www.caggni.org** or P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
Oct 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. **"Family History Research in Illinois and Wisconsin"** Presented by Maureen Brady. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Oct 15 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 "**Google Earth**" Presented by Ralph Beaudoin Further information at: **www.caggni.org** or P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
Oct 19 WED 2011	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, October 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 "**Social Networking: New Horizons for Genealogists**".

Guest speaker is Thomas MacEntee.
Society website at www.dcgs.org.
Society blog at http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum

Oct 28 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 "**First Ever CAGGNI Road Trip ─ The Newberry Library ─ 9 AM to 4 PM**" Contact Elaine Beaudoin for Further Information Further information at: **www.caggni.org** or P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
*Nov 5 SAT 2011	Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, November 5, 2011. "**Polished Gems: Property Records, Cook County, Illinois**". Presented by Jeanne Larzalere Bloom Arlington Heights Senior Center. 1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL. 847-398-1884 or 847-593-8160. Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:30 AM Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com
Nov 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. **"So You Didn't Find It in the Index"** Presented by Jeffrey Bockman. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Nov 16 WED 2011	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, November 16, 2011. Wheaton Public Library (Lower Level) 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187. 6:30 PM Refreshments. Program begins at 7:00 PM. Program title is "**Discovering the Naperville Family History Center**". Guest speaker is Sandra Trapp. Society website at www.dcgs.org. Society blog at http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/ DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
Nov 19 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 "**Civil War Surgeon**" Presented by To Be Determined **PLEASE NOTE. THIS PROGRAM WILL BE HELD AT THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS MEMORIAL LIBRARY <u>NOT</u> THE SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP DISTRICT LIBRARY.** Further information at: **www.caggni.org** or P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567

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Jan 7 SAT 2012	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 "**Second Saturday Workshop Series — Slideshows and Movies**" Presented by Michelle Wilson Further information at: **www.caggni.org** or P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
*Jan 7 SAT 2012	Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, January 7, 2012. "**Organizing and Writing Your Family History**". Presented by Steve Szabados Arlington Heights Senior Center. 1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL. 847-398-1884 or 847-593-8160. Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:30 AM Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com
Jan 10 TUE 2012	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Social Networking for Genealogists: Family Trees, FaceBook, Blogs and More"** Presented by Caron Brennan. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Jan 18 WED 2012	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, January 18, 2012. 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 "**Visualizing Your Genealogical Data: Excel, OneNote, Maps, Blogs**". Guest speaker is Jennifer Holik. Society website at www.dcgs.org. DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
*Feb 4 SAT 2012	Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, February 4, 2012. "**Investigating Resources at ChicagoAncestors.org**". Presented by Sandra Trapp Arlington Heights Senior Center. 1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL. 847-398-1884 or 847-593-8160. Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:30 AM

Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM
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Feb 14 TUE 2012	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Using Railroad Records in Your Family History Research"** Presented by Craig Pfannkuche. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Feb 25 SAT 2012	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Saturday, February 25, 2012. 8:00 AM Refreshments. Programs begin at 9:00 AM. DuPage County Genealogical Society Annual Conference. Guest speakers. Society website at www.dcgs.org. Society blog at http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/ DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
Mar 3 SAT 2012	Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, March 3, 2012. "**To Be Determined**". Presented by To Be Determined Arlington Heights Senior Center. 1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL. 847-398-1884 or 847-593-8160. Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:30 AM Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com
Mar 10 SAT 2012	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 "**Second Saturday Workshop Series – Technology Basics for Genealogists**" Presented by Skip Bieber Further information at: **www.caggni.org** or P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
Mar 13 TUE 2012	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
Mar 21 WED 2012	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, March 21, 2012. 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 "**Breaking Down a Brick Wall: A Case Study in Unlocking My Irish Ancestry**". Guest speaker is Nancy Thomas. Society website at www.dcgs.org.

Society blog at http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/
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*Apr 7 SAT 2012	Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, April 7, 2012. "**Searching for Great Grandpa ─ Find Your Union Soldier**". Presented by Jerry Allen Arlington Heights Senior Center. 1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL. 847-398-1884 or 847-593-8160. Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:30 AM Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com
Apr 10 TUE 2012	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Understanding the English Census"** Presented by Paul Milner. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Apr 18 WED 2012	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, April 18, 2012. 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 "**Finding and Using Sanborn Maps**". Guest speaker is Jeffrey Bockman. Society website at www.dcgs.org. Society blog at http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/ DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
May 5 SAT 2012	Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, May 5, 2012. "**To Be Determined**". Presented by To Be Determined Arlington Heights Senior Center. 1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL. 847-398-1884 or 847-593-8160. Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:30 AM Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com
May 8 TUE 2012	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Military Service Records"** Presented by Kathryn Barrett. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
May 16 WED 2012	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, May 16, 2012. 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 "**From Land Records to Google Earth: Mapping Your Family's Place**".

Guest speaker is Jane Haldeman.
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Jul 10 TUE 2012	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Hiring A Professional Genealogist"** Presented by Jeanne Larzalere Bloom. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Aug 14 TUE 2012	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Liven Up Your Family History with Images"** Presented by Mike Karsen. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
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Oct 9 TUE 2012	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Organizing and Writing My Family History"** Presented by Steve Szabados. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Nov 13 TUE 2012	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Group Meeting. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Program to Be Determined"** Presented by To Be Determined. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
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