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September 10, 2013 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program "Handouts"

Hi Everyone,

This document should be considered as the program "handouts" document for our September 10, 2013 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.

What does this really mean?

Prior to this "new" process, our program handouts would actually be paper handouts that were based on me often printing up the first page related to a web site that I wanted to mention. Then on the paper for the web site I would handwrite what things of importance are associated with the web site that the researcher should know. Maybe it was a new web site or maybe an important date related to a significant event or maybe a new database was released. Whatever it was I noted it on the paper of the first page of the web site.

The source for the vast majority of what is in the Handouts is the monthly Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Newsletter. From within this larger document I extract information on upcoming genealogy programs local to our area, important items from Dick Eastman's Online Genealogy Blog, as well as I summarize some key periodical articles of interest that I think are important to be aware of. The Handouts simply provide me with the opportunity to focus in on what I consider are important genealogical bits of information important to the researcher as well as to share my own personal thoughts on why it is of note.

You will also see a small redesign of the PDF Handout package. You will now see a Table of Contents on Page 1 listing what the following "handouts" are by topic. Within the Table of contents you can quickly access the handouts by using the hyperlinks and bookmarks that will get you quickly to your handout of interest. You will no longer have to scroll through the entire package of handouts to get to the one you want.

I also plan on use the "yellow highlight" tool within Word and highlight certain areas of these notes that I think are important to note. The visual highlighting will take your eyes to areas of importance to note. Please let me know if you think this OK or if it may be a distraction? I thought I would give it a try.

Going forward I plan on creating this document on a monthly basis that will include my notes regarding a web site of interest and a link to the web site itself.

The reader of this "handout" list can themselves then read my overview summary of the site and then link to the site directly themselves to get more details or print out what they want from site.

I will clearly identify my own comments when the handout is a combination of material that came from some other source such as Dick Eastman's blog as well as my own comments. I will indicate my comments in Italics, clearly marked so the reader can distinguish between the original verbiage and my own comments. If a handout item was completely created by me then you will see that noted at the top.

In this case, the entirety of the handout was created by me and will not be shown in Italics.

This program "Handout" information will then be uploaded to the Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Blog that is titled "Genealogy with Tony". This blog will be accessible from the library's main web site page at www.schaumburglibrary.org. Select "Local History and Genealogy" at the top of the page, then look for the icon on the Local History and Genealogy page that says "Tony's Genealogy Blog". Open the blog link and then look at the right hand sidebar of the blog and you will see the "Handouts" information. The direct web address for the blog I author is <http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com>

Here we go with the list of "handouts"!

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Handout #1 – VISIT THE SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP DISTRICT LIBRARY GENEALOGY BLOG

I will continue to remind participants of our library’s new genealogy blog. You can access it through our library home page at www.SchaumburgLibrary.org by scrolling across the top of the first page and look for the tab that says “Local History and Genealogy”. Click on that tab and look on the right side for our library genealogy blog on the right side that says “Tony’s Genealogy Blog”.

Or you can just go directly to the blog at:

<http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com>

You will find postings on upcoming programs, both at our library, and elsewhere in the area. You will also find a myriad of other kinds of postings, especially those that I offer on “Genealogy Tips” to help make your research efforts more productive.

You will also find our Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Newsletter and our “Program Handouts” at the blog as PDF files for you to view online, or download and save to your own computer for future referral.

Please remember that the blog will be the place to retrieve the newsletter and the “handouts”. I do not plan on making paper handouts of these available for distribution at the program or for mailing to individuals.

Try to visit the blog frequently to see what is going on. Subscribe to the blog via RSS (Really Simple Syndication) and you will receive notices when a new post or comment has been made at the blog. Or, just click on the WordPress icon in the lower right part of your screen that simply states “Follow”. By clicking on the “Follow” link you will subscribe to the blog and will receive follow-up e-mail notices when I publish a new post.

Our blog is the way of the future and the future is here now!

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Handout #2 – NEXT MEETING OF THE NORTHWEST SUBURBAN COUNCIL OF GENEALOGISTS ON OCTOBER 5, 2013

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 60 MINUTE ROUND-TABLE HELP SESSION THAT STARTS AT 9:00 AM PRIOR TO THE ACTUAL PROGRAM.

The next meeting of the Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists will take place on Saturday morning, October 5, 2013. The program for the morning is titled **"To Be Determined"**. The speaker for the morning will be To Be Determined.

Meetings are held at the Arlington Heights Senior Center at 1801 West Central Road in Arlington Heights. They begin at 10:00 AM with a Round-Table discussion/mingling time starting at 9:00 AM. They encourage people to bring their research problems, achievements or interesting tips to share with each other during the time prior to the program start. **The main portion of the meeting begins promptly at 10:00 AM.** Donations are always welcome! Coffee is available to attendees for a charge.

You may visit the society web page at for any further details on the program as well as on the society:

www.NWSCG.com

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**Handout #3 – DUPAGE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEXT
REGULAR SOCIETY PROGRAM ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2013**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the DuPage County Genealogical Society will take place on Wednesday evening, September 18, 2013. The program scheduled for that evening is **“Write Your Family History NOW”**. The speaker for the program will be Mike Karsen.

We genealogists are very good at doing research and collecting many facts about our families. For any of a number of reasons, however, most of us delay publishing the results of this research. Mike Karsen shows how you can publish your findings in books that vary from a simple 30 pages to one that contains detailed biographies and places your family in historical context. Your goal should be to organize your findings and share them with your family as soon as possible.

A professional speaker, Mike Karsen is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG), the Genealogical Speakers Guild (GSG), and is currently President of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Illinois. He speaks on family legacy topics locally and nationally, presents conference programs and has presented at Newberry Library and Spertus Institute of Jewish Studies in Chicago. Mike is the author of the JewishGen website "Guide to Jewish Genealogy in Chicagoland" and has published articles on genealogy.

He holds an undergraduate degree in mathematics/computer science and a master's in operations research alongside 30 years in telecommunications management.

This meeting will take place at the DuPage County Historical Museum, Upstairs Meeting Room. The address of the Museum is 102 E. Wesley St. in Wheaton, IL. The meeting room opens at 6:30 PM. Refreshments are available at that time. The society conducts business at 7 PM, the speaker will start by 7:30 PM and the program will conclude by 8:30 PM.

You may visit the society web page to find out further information about this program and other future programs the society has on their schedule at:

www.dcfgs.org

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Handout #4 – COMPUTER ASSISTED GENEALOGY GROUP OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS (CAGG-NI) NEXT PROGRAM ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2013 AT THE SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP DISTRICT LIBRARY

The next meeting of CAGGNI will take place on Saturday morning, September 21, 2013 at the Scahumburg Township District Library starting at 10:30 AM. The program scheduled for this day is " **Evernote for the Genealogist**". The speaker for the program will be Ralph Beaudoin.

Evernote is a program that can collect, store, organize and easily retrieve information. This cloud based software can gather your genealogical data from many forms and make it available on all of your devices. Learn how you can take advantage of this technology to speed up your family research.

You may visit the organization web page to find out further information about this program and other future programs the society has on their schedule at:

www.CAGGNI.org

Visit the group's web site noted above for information about this program as well as what CAGG-NI is all about.

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Handout #5 – SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP DISTRICT LIBRARY NEXT GENEALOGY PROGRAM ON OCTOBER 8, 2013

Our program for October 8, 2013 is titled "Using Maps in Your Genealogical Research". The speaker will be Jeffrey Bockman.

Jeff will provide an overview of both physical and online maps including: Historical Atlases: State and County, Plat (Land ownership), inside details on Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, along with Panoramic, Migration, Topographical, and others. Jeff will provide insights that look at using maps with other records and using them to help find other records.

Jeff is an experienced genealogy lecturer, author, and writer. He has an MBA with a concentration in Organization Development. He is a Professional Engineer, with a B.S. in Fire Protection Engineering.

He has applied his engineering, management, computer, and organizational development skills to help with the analyzing, problem solving and organization of records necessary for genealogical research.

He has been doing genealogical research since 1987 and has been active in societies, society management, classes, and presenting lectures since 1994.

He is the author of [*Give Your Family A Gift That Money Can't Buy*](#) a book that encourages people to record and preserve their family's history. The 5th edition has just been published by [Family Roots Publishing LLC](#).

He was a contributing editor for the former *Everton's Genealogical Helper* and a feature writer for the former *Heritage Quest Magazine*. His articles have also appeared in publications such as *The Digital Genealogist*, the *FGS Forum*, *Family Tree Magazine (UK)*, *Missing Links*, the *DCGS Reveiw*, and other society publications.

See a list of his articles at [Jeff's Articles](#), Many of his articles can be found online at [Genealogy According to Jeff](#).

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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Handout #6 – FAMILY TREE DNA PERMANENTLY REDUCES FAMILY FINDER DNA GENEALOGY PRODUCT PRICE TO \$99

The following was found at Dick Eastman's Blog at www.eogn.com dated July 26, 2013.



Family Tree DNA reduced its Family Finder price to \$99 one month ago. At the time, the company promised to make the price reduction permanent if a minimum volume of orders was received during the promotion. The number apparently was achieved, as Family Tree DNA has now announced that the \$99 price is permanent.

Family Finder will find relatives across all lines, both male & female. It uses autosomal DNA (inherited from both the mother and father, four grandparents, eight great-grandparents, etc.) to provide you a breakdown of your ethnic percentages and connect you with relatives descended from any of your ancestral lines within approximately the last 5 generations. It finds matches for close genealogy relationships (within the past 5 generations) that cross gender lines and also your ethnic percentages.

More information may be found at <http://www.familytreedna.com/family-finder-compare.aspx>.

Comments by Tony Kierna

DNA testing is really the "hot" topic of genealogy research lately and I do not think it is going to fade away. It is hot now and getting "hotter" because it provides the researcher with fascinating information plus the ability to connect with other "related" researchers who also have taken a DNA test allowing for matches to be made among the participants in the company's DNA database.

Family Tree DNA is a well-known DNA testing company that provides a multitude of various DNA testing kits to the researcher. They have a large base of participants thus allowing the increased chance of you matching to someone in the database. You may discover someone else that shares a common ancestor with you when all the comparisons are done on the DNA material provided.

DNA testing for genealogy has still been of late a rather expensive proposition. Even basic testing could cost the researcher hundreds of dollars. But the scale of economy is now becoming more in favor of the researcher. The more "widgets" that are bought from a company often allows them to reduce their cost of the product enticing even more purchases from a growing base of customers. That is what is happening now with Family Tree DNA and the cost of their "Family Finder" genealogy DNA testing product. In June 2013 the product cost you \$199. Now the product costs you \$99. More importantly, Family Tree DNA had such a successful sale when they initially offered it to customers for \$99 in July 2013 that the company has indicated the price for the product will now remain at \$99. That amounts to a 50%

decrease in cost. Wouldn't you like to find gasoline for cars at \$1.75 per gallon instead of the \$3.50 we are currently paying!

You can still add-on even more premium testing of your DNA over and above the Family Finder product. You still may want to approach your initial DNA testing effort with just the "basics" and don't get carried away with all the "premiums" you can add on. Remember, in the future, you can always add on another premium test of your DNA by just contacting the company. You will not have to provide another swab. Instead, the company will just provide you with the added premium information from the original swab.

I know of participants at our program that have done just that. They started with the basics and added deeper results as they felt the need to during their research efforts. You do not need to fork over \$500 from the get-go! Start with the basics and add on as you feel the added DNA data results would warrant further investments of your money.

Check out the link above to Family Tree DNA and specifically to their Family Finder product. If you have been hesitant up to now, perhaps the permanently reduced price for this product is what you were waiting for. Now may be the right time for you to consider getting your DNA tested for genealogical purposes.

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Handout #7 – LASERS AND GRAVESTONE TECHNOLOGY

The following was found in Dick Eastman's Online Blog at www.eogn.com dated August 5, 2013.



The Atlantic has published an interesting article written by Alexis C. Madridal about a new technology that has almost revolutionized the tombstone industry in recent years: lasers.

In 1989, Vytex, a small Fitchburg, Massachusetts, company, began to sell laser systems specifically to the monument industry that could take a photograph or drawing and reproduce it on granite. The laser works almost like a printer, but instead of putting dark ink on white paper, the laser blasts away the polished surface of the granite to reveal the lighter rock underneath. Then, a worker goes over the lasered parts with a razor blade, scraping very lightly to remove any debris. The process produces a high-resolution grayscale image on the stone, a far cry from the thick line drawings that chiseling and sandblasting had allowed before. A name could have a face.

You can read a lot more about this new technology in Alexis C. Madridal's article in The Atlantic at <http://goo.gl/tuDQUa>.

I didn't realize it at the time, but apparently I was at the leading edge of this technology when I purchased a laser-etched tombstone for a recently-deceased family member in 1994. I hope to have something similar as my tombstone some day:



Comments by Tony Kierna

I think the above capability is very remarkable. I guess lasers can be employed to do just about anything. I guess if the bakery industry can do something similar with putting a picture of a person on a birthday cake, then it seems like such capabilities exist for uses we are just not commonly thinking about.

In our on-site cemetery research we may have come across gravestones from many years ago where we saw a picture of the loved one embedded in the granite gravestone. The picture was behind some kind of glass. I always found that discovering these gravesites that included a picture of the loved one was a special discovery. Gravestone makers of years past certainly did a good job of incorporating the pictures into the monument because for the most part when I encounter one at the cemetery I usually still see the picture.

But now it appears gravestone creators have ramped up their abilities to work with granite and other non-granite materials in a way other than "chiseling". It would not surprise me that the entirety of a gravestone today can be created without the need for "chiseling" or human intervention. Let today's powerful lasers work for the industry.

The article link above also mentions that "black-black" is the rage these days for the color of monuments. In fact, these "black-black" monuments are often not granite but are instead materials known as dolerites and gabbros and diorites and hornblende-amphibolites and basalts. I am no geologist so my eyes are already glazed over now. Even the core material is changing in the gravestone world. When you look at many of the sample images showing laser-etched photos you more often than not see the "black-black" gravestone. Perhaps it is that the images just show so well on the color of these gravestones.

It is amazing how absolutely realistic the picture of a loved one can be made to look using lasers on gravestones today. You see a high-resolution grayscale image that looks just like a photo! The article link above notes how this new technology is allowing gravestone companies to offer more choices to customers at far reduced costs compared to years ago. It is also a method that allows the gravestone makers to compete against the cremation industry. Cremations have been rising rapidly over the years in comparison to burials. It is all about choices we have for the end of our life. Perhaps now we might want to consider burial with the ability to have such a beautiful pictorial likeness for others to see!

The pictures we see today on gravestones from 100 years ago sure makes that gravesite special and noted. Perhaps the future gravestones with photorealistic laser created pictures etched right into the stone of our loved ones, or even ourselves, appears to be the next way of leaving a legacy of ourselves for others to see 100 years from now.

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Handout #8 – HOW I LEARNED TO STOP WORRYING AND LOVE THE CLOUD!

The following was found in Dick Eastman's Online Blog at www.eogn.com dated August 13, 2013.



I have [written often](#) about all the advantages of using the cloud for security purposes and for convenience. Now a series of articles by writers Rene Ritchie, Daniel Rubino, Kevin Michaluk, and Phil Nickinson seem to agree. If you are still wondering about "the cloud," you might want to read *How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Cloud* at <http://goo.gl/mcqRFT>. You will also find a video on that site.

I think the biggest advantage of all is illustrated in the last few words in the article, written by Rene Ritchie:

"Last year my iPhone was destroyed by fireworks (don't ask). I got a replacement iPhone, logged in to my iCloud account, and 15 minutes later I walked out with an exact copy of my old phone, right down to the apps and my data.

"Priceless."

Comments by Tony Kierna

Choices, choice everywhere! Yesterday, we could not get a big enough hard-drive to store all of our "stuff" on our desk top computer. Today the message is the "cloud" to keep your "stuff".

We are no longer just using a desktop computer anymore. When we did, hard drive space was important. We also had to make backups of that hard drive and keep that copy in our home as well as outside the home for safety and security. But then we saw the creation of laptops that we used as adjunct to our desk top machine. Soon we saw netbooks and tablets and smartphones all of which allowed us to work on our data on these multiple devices. But if we work on the data on a tablet and then decide later to work on our desktop, the data on the desktop may be out of outdated and not the current version of the data. Then we started synching one device to another to keep things current across all of them.

And then the "cloud" came to life to solve all of our access problems, security problems, synching problems and the like!

The link in the above Dick Eastman is a very useful link to learn more about the cloud and how you need to start loving it and using it. Each author has created an

article about their view of the cloud and how they interact with it. The 5 minute video is also well done giving you a broad overview of how each of the authors interacts with the cloud.

Think of your genealogy data. Maybe you still only have it in paper format. The cloud will not help you for that. You need to digitize and convert to uploadable material. Think of collaborating with cousins and fellow researchers. You want to show them something. Jump through many hoops to be able to do that or point them to a cloud storage area and give them access to easily look at something whether they live next door to you or across the world. Think of improving the efficiencies of your research.

Think more importantly of security of your data in the cloud if something happens to the device you are using that is storing the data. Think of your hard drive failing. Think of your laptop being stolen. Think of any one of your devices being inoperable, either temporarily or permanently. Think of when your basement floods and your "archive" in the basement containing your only copies gets a little wet! Think of when you have to leave your home due to a natural disaster and cannot return until that has passed. How are you going to access your "stuff" if you do not have it in the cloud? This is when the cloud will shine for you. Your data is accessible anywhere and anytime in the cloud when you need it the most and something may have happened to your device.

One of the articles in the above link mentions the author accessing their data when their iPhone was destroyed by fireworks. Once a replacement iPhone was gotten, data was accessed and restored within 15 minutes. Does that not sound like peace of mind!

The authors note that the cloud is not going away. Now is the time to learn about it and how to make it work for you. Genealogists are resilient and are always learning about new technology that can help them. The cloud is no different now. Jump on the bandwagon before you get left behind and made more vulnerable with your "stuff" not having a readily accessible home in the cloud.

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Handout #9 – “RESEARCHING FAMILY HISTORY IN OLD NEWSPAPERS”

The following review and comments were created by me, Tony Kierna, based on my having read an article that was seen in the July/August 2013, Volume 17, Number 6 issue of Family Chronicle.

I thought that a very interesting article in this issue is one titled “Researching Family History in Old Newspapers. The author of the article is J. H. Fonkert.

Many of us connect to newspaper research only through the hunt for obituaries. In the pre-digitized days when newspapers were exclusively on microfilm, I can understand that limitation. At least you had a death date and could scour the local newspaper dated a few days after the death to look for that obituary. Many times we were successful in making that discovery. But looking for other family material in the microfilm newspaper unrelated to you knowing any particular date can be daunting.

However, we now have more and more digitized searchable newspaper data than ever from the local rural newspaper where your ancestors may have lived to the large urban newspapers in our cities. Digitization allows us to search for surnames and make discoveries when we do not know a particular date to look at. Obviously, it does help if you are searching for a more uncommon surname than a common surname.

The author noted some links to digitized early North American newspapers that you should consider checking out, especially if they may have a connection to some of your research. Newspapers noted were:

- Kentucky Gazette @ <http://kdl.kyvl.org>
- The Virginia Gazette @ <http://research.history.org/DigitalLibrary/BrowseVG.cfm>
- Stanford Newspaper Data Visualization Project @ www.stanford.edu/group/ruralwest/cgi-bin/drupal/visualizations/us_newspapers

The author also noted the researcher should think out of the box for looking for material on ancestors outside of the usual obituary. Our ancestors were “joiners” into other groups such as churches, lodges and fraternal organization. “Society News” was big for our ancestors and can easily be found in the newspapers where our ancestors lived. Think of finding material like wedding anniversaries, dinner parties, church activities, school awards and more in which an ancestral surname may be discovered.

The author also notes we should think of the “Fifteen Minutes of Fame” category in which our ancestors may have had newspaper articles about them. Think of things like accidents, petty crimes or legal disputes.

Maybe an ancestor was a businessman or a farmer. Think of reading about the "gossip" then about an ancestor's ups and downs in their business or farm activities.

The author encourages you to think not just about your particular ancestor and what you could discover about them in digital newspapers, but to think of what you can discover about the era they lived in. How about the advertisements that appeared in these newspapers? Movies that were advertised then may have been the movies your ancestors viewed in the theater on a Saturday night. How about looking at the ads from clothing stores to see what the latest fashion trends were that your ancestors may have been exposed to. How about looking at grocery store ads to see what it cost for the various edibles your ancestors were purchasing.

Think of filling out the lives of your ancestors with information about the times. The stories and ads are a good way to discover this when they are not specific to your own ancestor.

The author notes there are several web-based services offered for searchable indexes. Those mentioned are:

- Chronicling America (Free) @ <http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov>
- Newspaper Archive.com (Fee) @ www.newspaperarchive.com
- GenealogyBank (Fee) @ www.genealogybank.com
- Ancestry.com Historical Newspaper Collection (Fee) @ www.ancestry.com
- Newspapers.com (Fee) @ www.newspapers.com
- FindMyPast.com (Fee – England, Scotland and Wales Newspapers from 1710 to 1950) @ www.findmypast.com
- ProQuest Historical Newspapers (Free via Libraries That Subscribe To The Product) @ www.proquest.com/en-US/catalogs/databases/detail/pq-hist-news.shtml
- America's Historical Newspapers (Free via Libraries That Subscribe To The Product) @ www.newsbank.com/readex/index.cfm?content=309

The author notes that there are great variations between the databases on what may be contained in them. An example is that Newspaper Archives.com holds 872 Iowa titles but Chronicling American includes none. So you really need to check out the contents of all the databases to see which if any contains material on what you are looking for. The author provided a very nice table/matrix on the various contents of the various newspaper databases. One thing I noticed in the matrix is that it contains information only for the various states that appears to be contained in the various databases. The states mentioned are California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Washington and Canada. The researcher should also be aware that a newspaper of interest in the database may only contain a few years of issuance, a few months of issuance or even a few days. So you may discover a promising newspaper title only to discover it covers a very short time span relative to the lives of your ancestors.

The author also notes that microfilm newspaper researching should still be considered a viable approach for reading a newspaper possibly cover to cover. Check the catalogs of various state historical societies and archives to see if

microfilm newspaper data exists. Look through an issue to simply get the “lay of the land” on how it was organized. The organization stayed intact generally from newspaper to newspaper so you could jump quickly to that section of the paper that might be promising for your ancestral research.

I definitely recommend looking at the entire article to pick up on even more material that can help you, especially the matrix as to what is contained among the various newspaper databases on a state by state basis (for the limited number of states I noted above). It is very exciting to be able to access so much more data on the lives of our ancestors in such a straightforward online searchable manner.

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Handout #10 – “RESEARCHING THE BRITISH ARMY; PART 2”

The following review and comments were created by me, Tony Kierna, based on my having read an article that was seen in the July/August 2013, Volume 17, Number 6 issue of Family Chronicle.

For those of you that might have British military ancestors, I thought that another good article in this issue is one titled “Researching the British Army: Part Two”. The author of this article is Ed Storey. Ed actually created a Part One version on researching the British Army that appeared in the March/April 2013 issue of Family Chronicle on page 48. If this article piques your curiosity, you may want to review the first part of his multi-part series.

The author notes that the researcher should keep in mind that there was an army of the British Government and another one of the Honourable East India Company (HEIC). Both armies had significant amount of troops stationed in India during the time of the British involvement with that country.

The author also provided a matrix in this article that noted several books of interest to those researching British military ancestral connections. These books mainly deal with information about officers serving within the British army and not the entire force. There are too many books mentioned in it for me to identify. Just note you can look at the actual article in the journal and make a copy of the page containing the matrix.

Other online resources mentioned by the author in the article are:

- **War Office Printed Army List** – start with the Families in British India Society (FIBIS) Wiki at http://wiki.fibis.org/index.php?title=British_Army. The author recommends reading this to gain a better understanding of military life in the British army. Scroll down at the Wiki entry to National Archives Guides under Research Guides to get to a part of the British National Archives. Look for something identified as “WO 65”. This has a connection to the War Office. See what you can find within this resource.
- **Hart’s Annual Army List** – H. G. Hart began publishing material before 1840. Many editions can be found within Google Books. Enter “annual army list” as a search term. Similar to the War Office List noted above, but has more information on where officers served.
- **Allen’s Indian Mail; List of Marriages** – Periodical came out quarterly and can also be found within Google Books. HEIC soldiers were mentioned in this publication, including promotions, new assignments and deaths.
- **Departure List** – Arrivals and departures are noted but often only include the last name of the soldier. Many civilian names are also included.

- **Asiatic Annual Register; Army Promotions** – more frequent than others but difficult to use. Also can be found within Google Books. The author notes the letter “s” is of the old type and thus may be difficult for the researcher not familiar with the appearance. Many localities included including Egypt and Ceylon. Recording of births, marriages and deaths can often be found in this resource.
- **East India Register and Army List; Officer List** – a publication of the HEIC. Much information on the company and its army. Ten different years can be found with Google Books. Mainly about civilian information. Provides a good amount of information about the perils of life in India at the time.
- **Nafziger Orders of Battle** – Has few names other than generals. Provides a connection between the regiments listed and their fighting. Use “Nafziger” as a search term in Google. Combine information found here with information on Hart’s Annual Army List previously to see the connections.
- **London Gazette** – available online using “London Gazette” as Google search.
- **Colburn’s United Service Magazine List; Promotion List** – covers both the HEIC and the regular British army. Online access is a two step process. First find “United Service Magazine” in WorldCat. The entry says “ejournal”. Click on this, scroll down and look for “Hathi Trust”. Scroll down to your year of interest on the next page.

Once again, we see the importance of material contained within Google Books. As you can see above, the author provided many of the resources that can be found within Google Books. You will have to work just a little harder from within Google Books to find the resources, but the author provided easy search tips noted above to help you find the material. I definitely recommend looking at the entirety of this article in this recent issue of Family Chronicle if you are researching British military officers more so than just regular soldiers. And don’t forget the author had part one of this series published in the March/April 2013 issue of this journal.

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