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PLEASE NOTE

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

I would like to remind you that a few extra "paper" copies of all newsletters are filed at the "Ask Us" 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 program will be contained in a folder specifically for that program date e.g. Newsletter as well as "handout" summary for program on 1/12/10 are contained in a separate folder. Each program 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 Reference is 847-923-3335.**

I am at the library each Monday, Tuesday (except on program dates) and Wednesday morning from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the Reference Office 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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DECEMBER 10, 2013 GENEALOGY PROGRAM TOPIC

We will have another "break-out" session for our gathering on December 10, 2013. Our previous attempts proved to be quite a good success. I would like us to build on those successes and afford those participants the opportunity to meet with those again or sample other groups.

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

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

I want to reconvene the following groups:

- Polish Researchers
- German Researchers
- Czech Researchers
- Irish Researchers
- Italian Researchers
- British Researchers
- Scandinavian Researchers
- Colonial Americans Researchers
- Sharing Your Printed Family Histories/How To

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

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

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

Please remember that the group's composition is based on the numbers that will participate. If only one person is present to participate in the Polish group, then we cannot have a Polish group that evening. I cannot guarantee there will be enough participants to form a group. In that case I would always recommend participating in another ethnic group of interest if that is also in your research interests or join me at the Beginner's Group.

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

I look forward to our next "break-out" session on December 10, 2013.

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

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

http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/getting_started

Our participants are 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 182 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 1,376 surnames among all of the individuals.

Remember, that I will bring to the program 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

The following articles are from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter September 26, 2013, September 27, 2013, October 8, 2013, October 11, 2013, October 17, 2013, October 17, 2013 and are copyright 2013 by Richard W. Eastman. They are re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>.

More than 80 Million Professional and Amateur Genealogists around the World! (September 26, 2013)
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An article in the Voice of America web site says that market research firm Global Industry Analysts says there are more than 80 million professional and amateur genealogists around the world. No wonder there is so much interest these days!

Reporter Mike Richman goes on to describe the recent agreement between FamilySearch.org and Ancestry.com to put about 1 billion historical records online. He also interviewed two people with a lot of experience in the growth of genealogy: Paul Nauta of FamilySearch and some guy named Dick Eastman who writes a genealogy e-newsletter at <http://www.eogn.com>.

You can read the full article at <http://goo.gl/voaBFY>.

On a personal note, I think the reporter, Mike Richman, now has caught the genealogy bug. When he called the first time, he said he only knew his ancestry back to his grandparents. I gave him a few suggestions and pointed him to a few web sites. He later emailed back and asked follow-up questions so I dug a bit deeper and have him a whole bunch of other places to look. Yes, now we have 80 million and one genealogists!

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on September 26, 2013 in [Current Affairs](#) | [Permalink](#)

Burial Space in England Could Run Out in 20 Years (September 27, 2013)

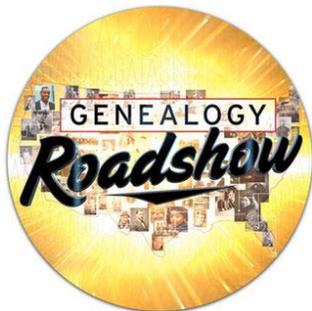


Almost half of England's cemeteries could run out of space within the next 20 years, a BBC survey suggests. A quarter of 358 local authorities responding to the BBC said they would have no more room for burials within a decade. Cemetery experts warned of a looming "crisis", while managers called for a change in law to allow graves that are more than 75-years-old to be reused.

You can read the interesting story on the BBC web site at <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-24283426>.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on September 27, 2013 in [Current Affairs](#) | [Permalink](#)

Want to Appear on Genealogy Roadshow? (October 8, 2013)



I don't know if this means the show has been renewed for a second season or not, but it looks like it has. The company that finds guests for Genealogy Roadshow is looking for potential guests for next year's programs. Quoting from the announcement:

Genealogy Roadshow is an exciting PBS groundbreaking documentary series that aims to reunite people from all walks of life with their past, present and future.

We have just finished taping our first season but would like to hear from you if you are interested in being part of the next season of Genealogy Roadshow.

- Expert genealogists will uncover rich and surprising history about the people and places that make up our incredibly diverse and fascinating country.
- Your story can be part of history!
- Is there a family legend you would like to explore?
- Is there a missing piece or person in your family tree you've always wondered about?
- Do you believe you might be connected to our nation's rich history and folklore?
- Have you discovered an ancestral link to a founding father or an American icon?
- Is there a family story passed down for generations you would like investigated and finally answered?

If so, we'd love to hear from you!

Details may be found at <http://www.grcasting.com/>.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on October 08, 2013 in [Video & Television](#) | [Permalink](#)

80-Year-Old Orphan Finds His Family Thanks to DNA (October 11, 2013)

CNN.com has a fascinating story about an 80-year-old man who had never met a blood relative until a DNA test found his family. He was placed in an orphanage when he was a few days old and spent his entire childhood there. He had his DNA tested a few years ago and recently was notified that another person's newly-submitted DNA sample was a very close match. After learning of the man's date of birth, the new family instantly knew who he was.

You can watch the video at <http://goo.gl/CxInaS>.

My thanks to newsletter reader Nancy Hand SeDoris for telling me about this video.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on October 11, 2013 in [DNA](#) | [Permalink](#)

Mocavo Adds 5000+ New Databases in 5 Days (October 17, 2013)

The following was written by Cliff Shaw, CEO of Mocavo.com:



I'm happy to report that we've had an overwhelmingly positive response to our announcement last week - it really struck a cord with the community. They're excited that when content goes online at Mocavo, it's [free forever](#). I also told you last week that we would release more than 1,000 databases every day - and we've kept our promise. In just the past five days, we've brought online more than [5,000 databases](#), all of them free forever, including family and local histories, vital records, city directories, newspapers, yearbooks, and more.

[See the 5000+ databases we've added in just 5 days](#) - or [just today](#).

Many of you have signed up for Mocavo Gold in support of our cause, and are enjoying searching these new [5,000 databases](#) *all at once*, plus more than [100,000 more](#). And, as always, Mocavo Basic users can search these databases individually for free.

Mocavo Gold offers you automated searching, the ability to run global searches across all of our databases, and a number of other great features. This means that you can search the Texas Death Index (or more than [100,000 other databases](#)) to your heart's content without paying a dime. If you want to search them all at once, [join our revolution](#)

[and upgrade to Mocavo Gold.](#)

If you haven't already, consider signing up for Mocavo Gold, and for a limited time only, [save an additional 50% off the regular price.](#)

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on October 17, 2013 in [Online Sites](#) | [Permalink](#)

AncestryDNA Announces a More Comprehensive DNA Test for Exploring Ethnic Origins (October 17, 2013)

The following announcement was written by AncestryDNA:

Update to AncestryDNA gives a deeper level of insight with expanded information for twenty-six regions



(PROVO, Utah) – October 17, 2013 – Ancestry.com DNA, LLC announced today an update to its popular DNA test. Armed with one of the most comprehensive collections of location based DNA samples from around the world and the latest DNA testing technology, AncestryDNA now maps a test taker's ethnic origins to 26 global regions, including expanded regions for people of European and West African descent.

"We are rapidly advancing DNA testing for family history," said Dr. Ken Chahine, Senior Vice President and General Manager of AncestryDNA. "The greatest benefit of this test is that it provides an easy way to help explore one's ancestral background and discover your family's past in amazing detail never before available."

Whether you're just getting started researching your family history or you are an advanced genealogist tracking down a specific portion of a family tree where records are going cold, the new update to AncestryDNA can help people explore their ancestry beyond historical records.

The new update to AncestryDNA includes:

- Increased number of ethnic regions to 26 from across the globe.
- More detailed African ethnicity – a total of 10 African regions, including 6 different countries/regions within Western Africa including Benin/Togo, Cameroon/Congo, Ivory/Ghana, Mali, Nigeria and Senegal.
- More detailed European ethnicity, including Ireland, Great Britain, the Iberian Peninsula and Italy/Greece.
- A complete user interface redesign with improved visualization tools, regional educational materials and a detailed description of the science behind the results.
- Improved science, including extensive testing, validation and an increase in the number of reference populations.
- A database of more than 200,000 customers.

"Five years ago, a genealogical DNA test would predict the rough proportions of a person's ancestry from Europe, Asia, or Africa – but most people could determine that without the aid of a DNA test," said Dr. Catherine Ball, Vice President of Genomics and Bioinformatics for AncestryDNA. "Today, the AncestryDNA science team has examined more than 700,000 DNA markers to create a genetic portrait for groups of people around the

world. By comparing someone's DNA to this core reference set, we can calculate an ethnicity estimate based on 26 global populations."

Updates to AncestryDNA Further Advances Family History Exploration

Last year, with the initial launch of AncestryDNA, a test taker was able to receive results that mapped back to 22 different ethnic regions. Today's announcement marks an expanded range of genetic ethnicity and geographic origins that is currently not available in other consumer DNA tests on the market.

- The journey of many African American's ancestors can be difficult to research using historical records alone, as most lose the paper trail around the 1870s or before. But now thanks to expanded capabilities that detail African ethnicity into 10 regions, including 6 different countries/regions within **Western Africa**, AncestryDNA will help people of African descent better understand where their ancestors came from and the cultures of those places, in a way never before possible.
- Previously identified as one ethnicity group, the **British Isles** is now broken down to expanded regions, divided into Great Britain and Ireland. This development provides additional insight to the approximately 21% of Americans who claim Irish or English heritage.
- **Southern Europe** is also now separated into two groups including, the Iberian Peninsula (Spain and Portugal) and Italy/Greece, providing more detail for those with Mediterranean heritage where historical records are less likely to be available.

In May 2012, Ancestry.com launched AncestryDNA, a service that analyzes a person's genome at more than 700,000 marker locations. It is available at www.ancestrydna.com for \$99, plus shipping and handling. The price includes a DNA testing kit, genetic lab processing, online results delivered in a private and secure account, as well as continual ethnicity and cousin matching updates. Additional information on AncestryDNA can be found at www.ancestryDNA.com.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on October 17, 2013 in [DNA](#) | [Permalink](#)



LOCAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS/PROGRAMS

Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists

The next meeting of the Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists will take place on Saturday morning, January 4, 2014. The program for the morning is titled "**Space-Time for Family Historians: Timewarps and Curved Space Aren't Just for Physicists**". The speaker for the morning will be **Dr. Daniel Hubbard**.

Dr. Daniel Hubbard has been seriously researching his family history since he was 11 years old. He is a former particle physicist who lived in France and Sweden for 20 years before returning to Libertyville with his family. He is now a full-time professional genealogist, book designer and writer. He is the owner of Personal Past (www.thePersonalPast.com) with research concentrating on American, Canadian and

Swedish records. He is President of the Lake County Genealogical Society and a member of the Nordic Family Genealogy Advisory Board at the Swedish-American Museum in Chicago.

Dan will present an entertaining look at how the times and places we read about and research are not always what they seem. Decoding dates, comprehending calendars and understanding the time on your ancestor's pocket watch are not as easy as they seem. What time they meant depends on where they were.

Meetings take place at the 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 9:00 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.

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DuPage County Genealogical Society

**Please note that meetings that will take place for the society will occur between September 2013 through May 2014. The September 2013 program will occur at the DuPage County Historical Museum located at 102 E. Wesley Street in Wheaton, IL. The October 2013 through May 2014 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 8:30 PM.**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the DuPage County Genealogical Society will take place on Wednesday evening, November 20, 2013. The program scheduled for that evening is **"Researching the Forbidden"**. The speaker for the program will be **Teri O'Connell**.

We all have family secrets; stories that are whispered to a select few, and hidden from the rest. Some secrets go with our ancestors to the grave while others are eventually exposed. Why do we feel the need to hold these family secrets? What can we learn about our past that will help us in the present and the generations to come in the future? What

records are available and what can you learn to sort out these family secrets? In this lecture learn what the records can tell you, even if you were not looking for it.

You may visit the society's web page at:

[www.dcgs.org](http://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, November 16, 2013 at the Hyatt Place located at 1851 McConnor Parkway in Schaumburg, IL starting at 10:00 AM. The program scheduled for this day is "**Famous First Ladies**". The speaker will be Jenny Riddle. The Society will also be conducting its annual Business Meeting. In addition, the society will also be having a Family Favorites Potluck Social.

**PLEASE NOTE THE LOCATION OF THIS PROGRAM/MEETING/SOCIAL AND THE EARLIER TIME FOR THE START OF THE EVENT. IT WILL NOT TAKE PLACE AT THE SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP DISTRICT LIBRARY.**

You may visit the organization web page at:

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

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## INTERNET INFORMATION

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### **75,000 "How To" Articles in the FamilySearch Research Wiki (October 3, 2013)**

According to Nathan W. Murphy's article in the *FamilySearch Blog*, FamilySearch has reached a significant milestone. Last week, the 75,000th article was published in the *Research Wiki*.



The Wiki is like having a worldwide encyclopedia of genealogy knowledge at your fingertips. If you have not already seen it, I suggest you carve out an hour or two to investigate one of the better online resources available to genealogists.

The *FamilySearch Research Wiki* is a free online guide explaining how to find ancestors in different time periods and places all around the world. Originally based on the Family History Library's Research Outlines, the *FamilySearch Research Wiki* has expanded over the past five years to help you learn how to use records in such places as:

- Liverpool, England
- New York City
- London
- Denmark
- Australia
- Philadelphia
- Norway
- Czech Republic
- Barbados
- Boston, Massachusetts
- Japan
- Augusta County, Virginia
- Italy
- India
- and much more!

You can read more in Murphy's article at <https://familysearch.org/blog/en/familysearch-wiki-reaches-important-milestone-2>.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on October 03, 2013 in [Online Sites](#) | [Permalink](#)

## Mocavo Introduces Free Forever (October 11, 2013)

I use genealogy search engine Mocavo.com frequently when searching for genealogy data and have quite a bit of success with it, finding information that I could not find with other search engines. You can read some of my past articles about Mocavo if you start at <http://goo.gl/yeq1QK>.

Mocavo has been a two-tiered search engine: a free version that searched lots of data and a paid Mocavo Plus version that offered more options. Now the pricing model is changing. It will remain as a two-tiered system, but free users will receive even more than they have in the past. A paid version, now called Mocavo Gold, will offer some extra features.

That sounds a bit complicated so I am enclosing an extract of an announcement I received from Cliff Shaw, CEO of Mocavo:



When I founded Mocavo several years ago, I had been dreaming of building this company for over a decade. I wanted to bring all of the world's existing genealogy information under one roof – and then start hosting even more content online for free. We just needed a business model to support those goals and sustain the costs associated with hosting billions of records and images. We've finally figured out how to do it, and it's with unbelievable excitement that I can finally say: When Mocavo brings content online, it becomes free forever. Let me be clear – I didn't just say free for now, I said free forever. We're making a radical departure from the status quo of how content is controlled in the genealogy industry.

### **But wait! Mocavo is a business. How can you afford to do this?**

Our paid product, Mocavo Gold (formerly Mocavo Plus), charges for automated searching, the ability to run global searches across all the databases on Mocavo, and a number of other great features. You're paying for speed and convenience to make discoveries faster, but we're not charging you for the content. This means that you can search the Texas Death Index (or tens of thousands of other databases) to your heart's content without paying a dime. If you want to search them all at once, join our revolution and upgrade to [Mocavo Gold](#).

### **How can I trust that content on Mocavo will be free forever?**

We are committed to free genealogy unlike any other company – it's part of our history. When I founded GenForum in 1997, I said the site would be free forever. To this day, it's still free. Everything else I've done in the industry is now free (GenCircles, Family Tree Legends, BackupMyTree). When we announced our partnership with FreeBMD earlier this year, we also announced that we had joined the Open Genealogy Alliance (and we are still the only genealogy company to have done so). Openness is in our DNA and we'll continue to demonstrate our commitment to the cause.

### **We need your help to fuel the revolution!**

Even though we don't charge for content, we still need to pay for our 500+ servers and the employees who improve our product everyday. By deciding to [upgrade your account to Mocavo Gold](#), you're supporting our mission to bring the world's genealogical information

online, for free.

**We have some exciting things we're working on for the community that we'll announce over the next month or so:**

- Starting today and every day, we'll be releasing more than 1,000 entirely new databases into our search engine. And we'll do this every day from here on out (as long as we can find the data, we're going to keep bringing it online for free). You'll know because we'll send you updates on all the great new stuff we've added. These databases become free to the public forever. Browse some of our tens of thousands of existing databases here: <http://www.mocavo.com/records>.
- You'll see us begin to release more of our software as open source projects, in an effort to provide the genealogy community with the tools it needs to bring more content online for free. Tell us what you need to get this content organized and accessible – and we'll help you host it and bring it online with our commitment that it stays free forever.  
There's a lot of work to do! If you'd like to help us in our mission, please email [volunteers@mocavo.com](mailto:volunteers@mocavo.com) so we can all start bringing more of our history online – to be free forever.

I founded Mocavo with the belief that information wants to be free. With your help, free genealogy can make a serious foothold in this industry. We've got an incredible ability with Mocavo to finally do it right, and I'm asking you to join me in this mission. Over the past 10 years, I've dreamed of putting all the world's historical information online for free to benefit the community and future generations.

Join us as we build a new future for genealogy, one free database at a time. The Internet was the first revolution in genealogy – let's work together to build the next one.

[Come try a search at Mocavo](#) – it's better than ever.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on October 11, 2013 in [Online Sites](#) | [Permalink](#)

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## **PERIODICAL NEWS**

### **Internet Genealogy**

We have received the October/November 2013, Volume 8, Number 4 issue of Internet Genealogy.

Key articles in this issue are:

**“Joseph and Phebe McCloy – the Rest of the Story”**  
By Constance Cherba

*Constance Cherba discovers that church archives, with help from the Internet, can reveal much about a family's past.*

**"Time to Explore: The New Digital Public Library of America"**

By Carol Richey

*Carol Richey enlightens us on the plans to create a virtual tour of our cultural heritage.*

**"Searching for Scholars: Online School Records"**

By David A. Norris

*David A. Norris looks at how a growing collection of digital materials may offer a crash course on your ancestor's Alma Mater.*

**"Ready, Aim, Research!"**

By Tony Bandy

*Tony Bandy shows us how to locate Canadian and United Kingdom Military records on Ancestry.com.*

**"Going Local"**

By Carol Richey

*Carol Richey examines four local history resources you might have overlooked and shows you where to find them.*

**"Profiling 150,000 US Surnames"**

By Ray Cavanaugh

*Ray Cavanaugh looks at a free website that provides a wealth of information on 150,000 US surnames.*

**"In Search of the "Smiths"**

By Gabrielle Morgan

*Gabrielle Morgan goes on a search for her great-grandfather.*

**"Buried Far From Home"**

By David A. Norris

*David A. Norris tries to shed some light on where your expatriate ancestor may be buried.*

**"British Vital Record Indices"**

By Ed Storey

*Ed Storey explores some of the online sources for searching out vital records of your UK ancestor.*

**"First Looks: Family Tree Builder 7.0!"**

By Tony Bandy

*Tony Bandy examines the latest software release from MyHeritage.com.*

Also included in this journal is a section titled "Net Notes". This section highlights with lengthy description websites of note for the genealogy researcher. Diane L. Richard, the author of this section, provides a good amount of text description of the sites to give the reader some good insights on what can be found there that may help them with their research. Sometimes you just take a look at some of these interesting sites even if there is no direct connection to your own research. They are just interesting on their own!

Sites mentioned in this section are:

Rochester (NY) Churches Indexing Project @  
[www.rcip.info](http://www.rcip.info)

Archives Hub (UK) @  
<http://archiveshub.ac.uk>

Hack Genealogy @  
<http://hackgenealogy.com>

College Yearbooks – Always Fun to Checkout!

DigitalINC @ <http://digitalinc.org/exhibits/college-yearbooks>

Internet Archive Collection of Yearbooks @  
<http://archive.org/search.php?query=subject%3A%22Yearbooks%22>

E-yearbook.com @ [www.e-yearbook.com](http://www.e-yearbook.com)

Archives.com yearbook collection @  
[www.archives.com/collections?collType=yearbook](http://www.archives.com/collections?collType=yearbook)

I thought that a good article in this issue is one titled "Going Local". The author is Carol Richey. The author describes 4 often overlooked local history resources that can help you in your genealogical research.

Here are the four resources to consider searching when trying to uncover more about your ancestor or just the time and the location that your ancestor lived in:

- **Celebrations** – just as individuals have celebrations so too do local communities. Within the context of these community celebrations you may discover information about your particular ancestor or just see a better understanding of the community your ancestor resided in. If you know your ancestor's community, church or school reached a certain milestone event search for any material about the celebration. Consider special publications of the commemorative event. Look for newspaper articles. Look for local history material in the local public library that serves that community. Other things to consider for celebrations:
  - Local commemorative publications may be very limited so your search may be a challenge.
  - Contact the local church to see if they have had any historical celebrations for which they may have a printed memorial.

- Do the same for local schools.
- Search Google and WorldCat ([www.worldcat.org](http://www.worldcat.org)) for any printed material of the event.
- Work through a local Historical Society if one exists.
- **Town and County Histories** – County histories were extremely popular in 1876 as the country celebrated its one hundred year anniversary. Counties also wanted to celebrate and produce histories of them during this auspicious year. Look for these for your county of interest in your local public library or even online or within local historical societies. You can often get great historical insights into the origins of the county and the early families that settled there. However, the family histories you may discover often got into the books only because the family paid a fee to have it included in the book. So if families had the money they could showcase their ancestry. If you did not have the money, you did not appear by name in the book. Because the families supplied the material of their ancestry be cautious because a good amount of it may be more “embellishment” than fact! Here are also some other resources to consider:
  - Take a look at a book source titled *A Bibliography of American County Histories* (Genealogical Publishing, 1985)
  - Check out Kory Meyerink’s chapter on county and local histories in *Printed Sources: A Guide to Published Genealogical Records* (Ancestry, 1998)
- **Atlases and More** – County atlases, plat books and other maps often provide landowner information. You can also discover the locations of churches, schools, cemeteries, biographies, directory of farmers or patrons. Consider using fire insurance maps, especially the Sanborn Map collections from ProQuest. There are 660,000 large-scale maps covering more than 12,000 cities. You can easily discover property descriptions for land and buildings of your ancestors. Also check out the following:
  - Historic Map Works @ [www.historicmapworks.com](http://www.historicmapworks.com)
  - Wisconsin Historical Society maps of Midwest locations @ [www.wisconsinhistory.org/libraryarchives/maps](http://www.wisconsinhistory.org/libraryarchives/maps)
  - Canadian County Atlas Digital Project @ <http://digital.library.mcgill.ca/CountyAtlas/default.htm>
- **Other Local History Books** – do not forget to actually talk to a librarian from an area associated with your ancestors’ location. That library may have material in its collection of historical nature that may simply not be in the catalog that you might search online. Other resources to consider:
  - Conduct a “place name” search at FamilySearch in their extensive online catalog that you can find at [www.familysearch.org/catalog-search](http://www.familysearch.org/catalog-search).
  - Check out the Genealogy Center @ [www.genealogycenter.org/Home.aspx](http://www.genealogycenter.org/Home.aspx)
  - Check out the Mid-Continent Public Library Midwest Genealogy Center @ [www.mymcpl.org/genealogy](http://www.mymcpl.org/genealogy)

I thought that another interesting and “fun” article in this issue is one titled “Profiling 150,000 US Surnames”. The author of the article is Ray Cavanaugh.

For many of us as we do our genealogy research we often come across fairly standard “surnames” and often times come across very different and unique sounding and spelled surnames. This article provides insights into what the surnames may have as their original meaning and how they came about.

The author notes that there is a website where you can discover these interesting and fun tidbits of information related to surnames. The website mentioned is:

[www.americanlastnames.us](http://www.americanlastnames.us)

The website is free and is full of lots of information on a lot of surnames!

But before you get too excited, be aware that the focus of the information contained in the surnames on the site pertains to “American” last name. Or better yet, when you go to the website you will see some links right away that indicate the information is predominantly intended for surnames of English, Scottish and Welsh origin. However, you can click on the link for the all-encompassing “Other” to see what other ethnicities are included for you to search. Mine being “Polish” I felt the need to see what I could find for KIERNA.

There was a Polish category as well as many other non-English categories. You could select from the letters of the alphabet to get you to the beginning of the surname. So for me, I went to the “K” listings for Polish in origin. I did notice there does not appear that you can enter a name into a search box to find it. You must laboriously scroll through all the surnames that start with the particular letter. So if I am looking for “Ki” as the first two letters, I must just keep scrolling page by page until I find the beginning of the part where I can then peruse the “Ki” first two letters. Then I have to go to the third letter of the last name and on and on. So your attempt to discover may end quickly because getting to the result is not quick.

I basically gave up trying to scroll down these lists looking for the name KIERNA. Oh well, from better Polish sources that focus on the origin and meaning of my Polish name, I pretty much knew that my last name has a meaning associated with a “butter tool”!!

However, you can just click on the link at the top left of the page for the “alphabet” list of surnames. The next pages will get you to your name of interest faster because the surname alphabet list will have multiple letters like KIE-KIP. I looked for name in the grouping under “K” and to my surprise my name was not listed at all. I could get nothing even though I know there were KIERNA names in 2000. Oh well, so much for the fun of this site for me! But that was for me, you can give it a try for your surname of interest.

If you find your name in any list, you may discover that there is no origin or meaning of the name specified, especially for the non-English names. For the English names you will see a very short “meaning” description. An example of this might be “BALLISTER” under the English category. The meaning for this name is noted as “The arbelister, an arbalester, or balister, a cross-bowman”.

The site, while fun and full of interesting pieces of information, is filled up with of “commercial” links to get you side-tracked. These all have some connection to possibly related genealogy information

but they are generally to subscribable products. There is a sense of irritation to be distracted with so much commercial material.

The author notes that the information for all of the names included connect back to the 2000 census (not the 2010 census).

At the site you will also find some interesting "group" categories you can access. Those mentioned are:

- Pilgrims Names
- Presidents names
- Middle Names
- Cool Names
- Names by Nationality
  - English
  - Scottish
  - Welsh
  - Others
- Uncategorized Surnames
- Baby Names

The site provides the top ten surnames to be found in the US based on the 2000 Census. These 10 are:

- Smith
- Johnson
- Williams
- Brown
- Jones
- Miller
- Davis
- Garcia
- Rodriguez
- Wilson

If you find your name in the list you will also see a "ranking" of that name as to how many occurrences there are for it.

So though the site is free and interesting, you must have the patience to move about the links and scroll down lists looking for your name because you will not find a search box. That alone may make your efforts end rather quickly. It is hard to believe there is no search box for you to enter in your name. Perhaps, that is related to the multitude of commercial links at the site that just keep coming up page after page after page. Why put a search box in when you can make a visitor endure all of that before they ever get to their surname of interest!

Give the site a try! Maybe it will be more fun for you than it was for me. Surnames are interesting. We all want to know what is the origin and meaning of the name we bear. We also want to know how many of us there are based on the census data and even how popular the name is. You can get some insights from the site mentioned in the article but again keep in mind one thing – PATIENCE!

This is another good issue of [Internet Genealogy](#). Look at the Table of Contents I noted at the beginning that identifies all of the articles contained in the issue to see if any might connect to your own likes for the research you are doing.

You can find this current issue of [Internet Genealogy](#) on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library on the magazine shelves.

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Family Chronicle

We have received the September/October 2013, Volume 18, Number 1 issue of [Family Chronicle](#).

Key articles in this issue are:

“Five Reasons the Records Aren’t in the Courthouse”

By George G. Morgan

George G. Morgan investigates why records you might expect to find in a courthouse aren't there.

“Wooden Shoe Genealogy: Finding Your Dutch and Frisian Ancestors, Part I”

By J. H. Fonkert, CG

J. H. Fonkert, CG sets you on a course to discover your ancestors from the Netherlands.

“How to Find Dead People in Chicago”

By Kellie Jensen

Kellie Jensen explores some Chicago-area cemeteries and, in the process, discovers a new friend.

“Processioners’ Books”

By David A. Norris

David A. Norris looks at a genealogical record source that had its roots in medieval England.

“Lessons in Genealogy: A Note to Beginners”

By John J. Weidner

John J. Weidner offers up some advice to newcomers who are starting their research.

"Upon Destiny's Song"

By Mike Ericksen

In this excerpt from his book, Upon Destiny's Song, Mike Ericksen retells the harrowing story of his ancestors' journey across an unforgiving Western frontier.

"The Musician's Letter"

By Smiljka Kitanovic

Smiljka Kitanovic uncovers a treasured document in a distant land and Reveals a connection to a leading musician from 19th-century Bucharest.

"Finding John and Hannah's House"

By Elizabeth Banas

Elizabeth Banas locates the house where her maternal great-great grandparents lived using a variety of records and resources.

"Follow the Luther Trail"

By Carol Richey

Carol Richey shows us how to discover our Lutheran ancestors.

"Stories (and more) from Down Under"

By Dave Obee

Dave Obee suggests that we should spend more time talking with each other.

Also included in this issue is a section titled "Research Resources" in which the publisher has provided small summary reviews of newly published books and other media format material that is of interest to genealogical researchers. Resources identified in this section in this issue are:

Jewish Lives: Britain 1750-1950

By Melody Amsel-Ariell

How Our Ancestors Died: A Guide for Family Historians

by Simon Wills

Tracing Your Aristocratic Ancestors: A Guide for Family Historians

By Anthony Adolph

I thought that a good article in this issue is one titled "Five Reasons the Records Aren't in the Courthouse". The author of the article is George G. Morgan.

Courthouses are a great repository for many different kinds of records helpful to genealogists. You may find information on land transactions, marriage records, divorce cases, tax records, wills and probates. All of these can often contribute far more to your

research than just a name. These are records that are often “verbose” with text that can shed many surprises to the genealogical researcher. Do not overlook courthouse records in your research.

The author provides insights into what are some of the reasons that you may not find something at a courthouse that you felt was a sure thing. Here are the things to consider when you come up empty-handed:

- **Are You in the Right Place?** – sad but true especially when you come to realize the dramatic changes that may have occurred over time to the county you know about now but was maybe not the county at the time of the records of your ancestors. Always ask yourself the following:
 - What were the birth and death dates of my ancestor?
 - Where did he or she physically live in every period of life?
 - What type of record am I seeking?
 - What government entity had jurisdiction of the geographical area at the time the record was created?
 - Where is the courthouse for that particular county?
 - Consider the David Ramsey map collection as a tool to help find the right places over time. You can access it at www.davidramsey.com.
 - Know when the specific record type you seek began being collected. Use *The Family Tree Sourcebook: Your Essential Directory of American County and Town Records*
- **Are There Multiple Courthouses or Offices?**
 - Maybe you are in the wrong actual office location under the correct county. Perhaps the county has subdivided its records among multiple locations.
 - Visit the website of the county of interest to determine record dissemination to various locations.
- **Where Are the Older Documents?**
 - Sometimes older documents less frequently accessed are held in another sub-facility location. You are in the right county, right location that may require the facility to retrieve what you seek rather than having it available immediately.
 - Determine if these less accessed documents might be available in the facility you are in but in microfilm format.
 - Determine if the very old documents you seek may in fact have been digitized are now available online via the courthouse or the county.
 - Call in advance to determine any of the nuances in storage for the county. You do not want to discover these nuances when you visit and waste your visit.
- **Does Every Courthouse Have All of Its Historical Documents Available?**

- The state for the county may require that certain materials be forwarded to the state archive, especially for original material. Perhaps those documents sent to the state are now in microfilm format at the county.
- Counties may determine that certain material is no longer needed by them. Rather than destroy the material or move it to another governmental facility, it is possible the data has been disseminated to a private or other public location like a college or university.
- Call in advance at the county to determine any unique transfers of records to outside of governmental organizations.
- **Original documents May Have Been Lost or Intentionally Destroyed**
 - Unfortunately, it is true some of the time but not all of the time, that courthouses have been consumed by fire! Records are thus unintentionally destroyed, especially if the fires occurred before microfilming was around.
 - If it wasn't a fire, perhaps it was a flood in the basement!
 - Yes, there are officials that may have taken material out but lax procedures did not make sure the material was returned in its original condition or not returned at all.
 - Yes, people actually steal the material. Sometimes, it is stolen for value as an old document and may appear on eBay or some other spot for sale.
 - As with businesses, sometimes courthouses may face tough decisions when storage has reached a limit. Materials deemed as unnecessary today may find their way for destruction. This may have happened more in the past than today because there seems to be so much more openness in reaching out for someone else to take the material before it is destroyed.

The key presented by the author is to do your research first on the county and the courthouse before you actually embark on your "real" research. Know what the courthouse has and does not have. Know if there are multiple facilities for different kinds of records. Peruse the county courthouse website for what they have published about uniqueness of their material.

Don't get caught by surprise! Do your advance work and make your actual research time productive.

I thought that another good article in this issue is one titled "Lessons in Genealogy: A Note to Beginners". The author of this article is John J. Weidner.

The author relates some key tips he would share to Beginners beginning their genealogy research journey. One of his best personal resources on his family history was a book presented to him by his father when the author was a child. It was a book published by the local Roman Catholic church in Buffalo Grove, IL in 1947 that was special 100 year anniversary book for the church dating back to 1847. In it, the author's ancestral family that was connected to the church was identified.

The author had these "words of wisdom" for Beginners:

- **Know Where To Begin** – begin with yourself and work back each level to discover the facts e.g. yourself, your parents, your grandparents etc. Try to work these direct connections before branching out to aunts and uncles etc.
- **Source Citation** – cite your sources for your discoveries on where you found the information, no matter how small or insignificant the information may appear to be. Use a book written by Elizabeth Shown Mills as your guide. It is titled *Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace*.
- **Primary Source and Secondary Source** – know the differences between the two categories. Primary source is firsthand evidence often expressed by the actual participant or a witness. Think of original birth, marriage, death certificates or wills. Secondary source is often created after the event and may include transcribed records or a note on a death certificate noting the birth date of the deceased.
- **Record Collection** – essential documents to consider collecting are:
 - Birth certificate
 - Baptism certificate
 - Confirmation
 - Marriage certificate
 - Death records
 - Probate records
 - Deeds
 - Obituaries
 - Newspaper Articles
 - Photographs
- **No Shortcuts** – maybe you are lucky enough to be related within a famous family for which a published family history book exists. Do your research to see if you can find something like this in advance because it will save you duplicating your research efforts.
- **Correspondence** – be succinct and polite when writing correspondence. Lengthy letters may work against you. If writing via “snail mail” rather than e-mail, include a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope to allow the recipient to more easily respond back to you.
- **Photocopies** – don’t forget to copy the title page of a book or journal from which you are gathering information. This will be used for your citations. You can then write the citation information on the document so that any future copies you make to share will have this piece of information for the recipient.
- **Photographs** – scan photographs in their entirety, framing and all. Crop the photo during editing. If the photo is too large to scan, get a service to do it. Use a flatbed scanner for photos and not a document feeder device as this could damage the photo when being read in.
- **Scanning** – scan photos and other documents at least at 600 DPI and save the file as a TIF, which records more information and will create larger size

files. Share your scanned images as JPEG formatted images because these are smaller in file size and more easily transmitted.

- **Sharing Scans** – If you received a scanned image from someone, ask them for permission if you plan on sharing that with someone else. If you are permitted to share it, then give credit to the original source of the image. Share images with others as TIF or JPEG. Do not send scanned photos as PDF files because there is time-consuming effort on the recipient's part to make the photo useable to them.
- **Genealogy Software** – experiment with lineage-based software that exists and decide what is the best for your own personal needs. Over time you may change programs and migrate from one to another. The author progressed from the Family History System to Family Tree Maker and finally to The Master Genealogist (TMG).
- **Supplies and Equipment** – if you travel for your research be sure to bring your supplies that you can at least leave in your car. Think of the usual office supplies you would have at home such as pens, paper, eraser, clips, ruler, highlighter, USB flashdrive, stapler, stapler remover. Additional items to consider are a laptop computer or tablet computer, portable scanner, batteries etc.
- **Gut Feeling** – when the evidence before you does not make sense, follow your gut feeling

This is another very good issue of Family Chronicle with many good articles. See if the above two I highlighted can be of help to you. Look at the Table of Contents for this issue that I noted above. If any of the articles is of interest, come on in to our library and make personal copies of the articles of interest. Genealogy journals are a good source to keep current with what is going on in the genealogy community as well as to encounter some great articles that may really have a direct relation to your own personal genealogy research efforts.

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

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BOOKS IN PRINT

No new genealogy book added during this recent month to report on.

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SOFTWARE/HARDWARE

The following articles are from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter October 6, 2013 and October 10, 2013 and are copyright by Richard W. Eastman 2013. They are re-published

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Family Tree for Macintosh (October 6, 2013)

Family Tree is a genealogy program for Macintosh systems that appeared a while ago. The program has much going for it, namely a low price and an easy-to-use interface. However, I wouldn't use it for tracking my genealogy research.



Family Tree does have a very nice user interface. Adding individuals and connecting them to each other is performed in a very intuitive manner. You can attach photos of the individual as well as of any documents that need to be attached to the person. The program even includes some photo editing capabilities.

Family Tree handles many family relationships, including step-brothers and step-sisters. However, it always assumes that the parents are married (called a "matrimonial union" in the program).

Family Tree will create maps showing your family's geography and migration paths. It also allows the user to set reminders of data that needs to be entered in the future. It also creates charts and graphs in many formats, including .JPG, .PNG, .TIFF and .PDF files.

One of the better features is that Family Tree will synchronize your data to your iCloud account, making backups in the cloud easy and almost automatic. Your data will then be protected against hard drive crashes and other catastrophes that can cause problems for your computer. It also will import and export GEDCOM files.

Perhaps the biggest drawback I found is that there is no provision for source citations. That seems to be a strange omission as even most free genealogy programs of today include true source citation databases. To be sure, Family Tree does have a Notes field for every person and you can enter source citations in the notes. However, I wouldn't want to do that for every relative who appears in the 1940 census. If 50 relatives appear in that source, I'd have to enter the data 50 times! A better method is to have a true source citation database where I would need to enter the data once, then link the 50 relatives to that one source.

All in all, I found Family Tree to be an easy-to-use program that is a bit too elementary for serious genealogists.

If you are interested in possibly using Family Tree, I would suggest you first download the users manual at <http://www.familytree-app.com/files/UserGuide.pdf> and read it carefully to see if the program meets your needs. The users manual is available to everyone at no charge. You can also watch a video showing the program in operation at <http://vimeo.com/60085666>.

Family Tree requires OS X 10.7 or later and a 64-bit processor. It sells for \$9.99 and is available in the Apple Macintosh App Store. You can learn more about Family Tree at <http://www.familytree-app.com/>.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on October 06, 2013 in [Software](#) | [Permalink](#)

Clooz 3.3 Has Been Released (October 10, 2013)

The following announcement was written by Ancestral Systems LLC:

There are two exciting additions in version 3.3. First, this update provides a major leap forward for those Clooz users who also use Legacy Family Tree software. Users can now first process all of their documents in Clooz, then under direct user control, transfer all of the significant data to the appropriate fields in Legacy with one click. During the export process preparation, family structures for ancestors new to the Legacy file can be established in Clooz, and are reflected properly in Legacy. The powerful combination of our unique Composite View and this new export feature clearly places Clooz 3.3 in the forefront of serious research and analysis genealogy "front end" programs.



Second, we have implemented a robust media location tool. Users sometimes change a file or image location on their computer hard drive, then later when attempting to access the file in Clooz, the attempt results in an error message. This valuable tool indicates what files are no longer properly linked in Clooz, searches them out, and corrects Clooz to access the current location. The Media Location tool is essential for users who have moved their Clooz program to a new computer or hard drive.

These two new features are complex and powerful. We strongly suggest that our users review the [training videos](#) on our YouTube Channel prior to actually using them. [Here](#) is where you can download the video files if you would rather do that.

Your program will update to Version 3.3 the next time that you open Clooz.

You can learn more about Clooz at <http://ancestralsystems.com>.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on October 10, 2013 in [Software](#) | [Permalink](#)



FUNNY BONE

The following "epitaphs" were found at:

http://www.costumediscounters.com/csc_inc/html/static/articles/epitaphs-humorous.html

Do I know they are real? Nope!

But they sound interesting nonetheless!

Enjoy!

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William Wilson -
Here lieth W.W.
Who never more will
Trouble you, trouble you

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Sir John Strange
Here lies an honest lawyer,
And that is Strange.

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Blown upward, out of sight
He traced the leak by candle light

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Now I really am between a rock and a hard place!

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Her last look we shall never forget,
Though hard to see her expire.
She smiled as she bade us adieu
And said she was going up higher.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Nov 12 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
TUE 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7
2013 PM.
 “Compiling Your Medical Family Tree”
 Presented by Marsha Peterson-Maass.
 Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.

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

- *Nov 16
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2013
- 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 – 12:30 PM.
This event starts at 10:00 AM instead of 10:30 AM
Hyatt Place, 1851 McConnor Parkway, Schaumburg, IL
(Check CAGGNI website for meeting location. Meeting locations have occurred at other locations than Schaumburg Library main location.)
Topic for the meeting “**Annual Business Meeting, Family Favorites Potluck Social and “ Famous First Ladies Program”**”
Presented by Jenny Riddle
Further information at: www.caggni.org or
P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
- Nov 20
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2013
- DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, November 20, 2013.
Wheaton Public Library (Lower Level) 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.
6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.
Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM.
Program title is “**Researching the Forbidden**”.
Guest speaker is Terri O’Connell.
Society website at www.dcggs.org.
Society blog at <http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/>
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
- Dec 9
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2013
- Casa Italia Genealogy Program. Monday, December 9, 2013.
Italian Cultural Center
3800 Division Street
Stone Park, IL 60165
708-345-5933
Program presentation 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM
No formal program. Interaction among participants. Beginning Genealogy.
Italian Genealogy. Computers/Online Databases.
Facilitator is Jennifer Holik
Casa Italia Genealogy Program info @
<http://casaitaliachicago.wordpress.com/2013/08/14/genealogy-group-begins-in-september/>
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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>
- Jan 4
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2014
- Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, January 4, 2014.
“Space Time for Family Historians: Timewarps and Curved Space Aren’t Just for Physicists”.
Presented by Dr. Daniel Hubbard
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 9:00 AM
Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM
Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com

- Jan 13
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Casa Italia Genealogy Program. Monday, January 13, 2014.
Italian Cultural Center
3800 Division Street
Stone Park, IL 60165
708-345-5933
Program presentation 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM
Program title is **"Sharing Your Family History with Social Media"**
Guest speaker is Jennifer Holik
Casa Italia Genealogy Program info @
<http://casaitaliachicago.wordpress.com/2013/08/14/genealogy-group-begins-in-september/>
- Jan 14
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2014
Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.
"An Archivist's Notebook: Who Will Look At Your Genealogical Material?"
Presented by Laura Cosgrove Lorenzana.
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- Jan 15
WED
2014
DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, January 15, 2014.
Wheaton Public Library (Lower Level) 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.
6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.
Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM.
Program title is **"Stories of the Lost"**.
Guest speaker is Jennifer Holik.
Society website at www.dcg.org.
Society blog at <http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/>
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
- Jan 18
SAT
2014
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 – 12:30 PM.
(Check CAGGNI website for meeting location. Meeting locations have occurred at other locations than Schaumburg Library main location.)
Topic for the meeting **"French Genealogy Is Easy – Merci Napoleon!"**
Presented by Jacquie Schattner
Further information at: www.caggni.org or
P.O. Box 59567, Schaumburg, IL 60159-0567
- Feb 1
SAT
2014
Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, February 1, 2014.
"From Land Records to Google Earth: Mapping Your Family's Place".
Presented by Jane Haldeman
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 9:00 AM
Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM
Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com

- Feb 10
MON
2014
Casa Italia Genealogy Program. Monday, February 10, 2014.
Italian Cultural Center
3800 Division Street
Stone Park, IL 60165
708-345-5933
Program presentation 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM
Program title is **"To Be Determined"**
Guest speaker is To Be Determined
Casa Italia Genealogy Program info @
<http://casaitaliachicago.wordpress.com/2013/08/14/genealogy-group-begins-in-september/>
- Feb 11
TUE
2014
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"First Contact: Making Connections to Newly Discovered Relatives"
Presented by Barbara Peterson.
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- Mar 1
SAT
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Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, March 1, 2014.
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Topic for the meeting **"What's New in Technology?"**
Presented by Ed Rosenthal
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- Mar 19
WED
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- DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, March 19, 2014.
Wheaton Public Library (Lower Level) 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.
6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.
Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM.
Program title is **"Tech Toys for Genealogists"**.
Guest speaker is Nancy Thomas.
Society website at www.dcggs.org.
Society blog at <http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/>
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
- Apr 5
SAT
2014
- Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, April 5, 2014.
"Preserving Your Family History Materials".
Presented by Laura Cosgrove Lorenzana
Arlington Heights Senior Center.
1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL.
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Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:00 AM
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- Apr 8
TUE
2014
- Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.
"Researching At Appomattox Courthouse – Genealogy Through the Lens of the Civil War"
Presented by Dr. Daniel Hubbard.
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- Apr 14
MON
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- Casa Italia Genealogy Program. Monday, April 14, 2014.
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Program presentation 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM
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Apr 16
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DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, April 16, 2014.
Wheaton Public Library (Lower Level) 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.
6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.
Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM.
Program title is **"Mining Census Records – Information to Enrich Your Heritage"**.
Guest speaker is Steve Szabados.
Society website at www.dcg.org.
Society blog at <http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/>
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum

May 3
SAT
2014
Northwest Suburban Council of Genealogists. Saturday, May 3, 2014.
"Have You Ever Thought About Joining a Lineage Society?".
Presented by Joan E. Murray
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 9:00 AM
Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM
Visit the society website at www.NWSCG.com

May 12
MON
2014
Casa Italia Genealogy Program. Monday, May 12, 2014.
Italian Cultural Center
3800 Division Street
Stone Park, IL 60165
708-345-5933
Program presentation 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM
Program title is **"To Be Determined"**
Guest speaker is To Be Determined
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May 13
TUE
2014
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"Using Non-Population Census Schedules"
Presented by Matt Rutherford.
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6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.
Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM.
Program title is **"La Famiglia – Beginning Italian Genealogy Research"**.
Guest speaker is Jennifer Holik.
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Jun 10
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Jul 8
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"Using the Internet Archives in Your Family History Research"

Presented by Kristin Newton McCallum.

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Aug 12
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"Miracles, Mysteries & Mayhem: Online Family Trees"

Presented by Jeanne Larzalere Bloom.

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"Advanced Search Techniques – A Case Study of Online Research"

Presented by Steve Szabados.

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