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Hi Everyone,

This document should be considered as the program “handouts” document for our August 9, 2016 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 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 “Research 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”. You may have to scroll down slightly on the page to see the information for the 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 the “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 GENEALOGY SOCIETY WILL BE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2016

THE SOCIETY WILL NOT BE MEETING DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE AND JULY 2016. THEY WILL RE-GATHER AGAIN IN ON AUGUST 27, 2016 INSTEAD OF A SEPTEMBER PROGRAM THAT WOULD CONFLICT WITH LABOR DAY.

The next meeting of the Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society will take place on Saturday morning, August 27, 2016. The program for the morning is titled “Tapping the Power of FamilySearch”. The speaker for the morning will be Maureen Brady.

FamilySearch, a free website sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, provides family history researchers with access to original historical records from around the world, indexes linked directly to many of those records, an ever-growing genealogical encyclopedia, instructional videos and much more. Even experienced researchers often do not know how to tap the power of FamilySearch’s many databases and articles. Maureen Brady’s presentation will provide a tour of the website and will also discuss search strategies and helpful hints for organizing your research time at FamilySearch.

This meeting will take place at the Arlington Heights Senior Center, 1801 W. Central Rd., 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/program 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:

http://www.nwsgenealogy.org/

Please note that it has happened once in a while that the society may change a program schedule without actively sharing that fact. Checking their web site may also not give you notice of such a change if they do not change the web site. That is still the first place to check. You may also want to contact someone at the society if a phone number is available to verify that a program is still scheduled as they had advertised. That is always not available either.

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Handout #3 – DUPAGE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEXT REGULAR SOCIETY PROGRAM ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2016

Please note that there will be no meetings of the DuPage County Genealogical Society during the months of June, July and August 2016. Meetings will resume again on Wednesday evening, September 21, 2016.

Please note that meetings that will take place for the society will occur between September 2016 through May 2017. The September 2016 program will occur at the DuPage County Historical Museum located at 102 E. Wesley Street in Wheaton, IL. The October 2016 through May 2017 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 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 8:45 PM.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the DuPage County Genealogical Society will take place on Wednesday evening, September 21, 2016. The program scheduled for that evening is “To Be Determined”. The speaker for the program will be To Be Determined.

You may visit the society’s web page at:

www.dcgss.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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Handout #4 – COMPUTER ASSISTED GENEALOGY GROUP OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS (CAGGNI) NEXT PROGRAM ON AUGUST 20, 2016 AT THE SCHAUMBURG TOWNSHIP DISTRICT LIBRARY

The next regular meeting of CAGGNI will take place on Saturday morning, August 20, 2016 at the Schaumburg Township District Library in Schaumburg, IL. The program scheduled for this day is “Creating and Sustaining Your Family Newsletter: Genealogy-Rich Source Material”. The speakers will be Janis Minor Forte.

Creating a Family Newsletter is a dynamic way of maintaining contact with and communicating to family members. A newsletter also documents the past legacy of the family while preserving family events for future generations. This presentation chronicles the development of a now 18-year family newsletter. The lecture presents a variety of administrative and policy issues to be considered.

Janis Minor Forté is an experienced genealogists, writer and lecturer. She has presented at FGS, NGS, OGS, Roots Tech, ISGS and local conferences. In 2014 she was the James Dent Walker Memorial Lecturer at the FGS Conference. In 2013 she won First Place in the ISFHWE Excellence-in-Writing Competition and her family newsletter won Honorable Mention in the Genealogy Newsletter Category. She is a member of CAGGNI.

You may visit the organization web page at:

www.CAGGNI.org

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Our next genealogy program will take place on Tuesday evening, September 13, 2016.

We will have another “break-out” session for our gathering on September 13, 2016. 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 September 13, 2016.

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 and other libraries.
Handout #6 – ANCESTRY.COM OPENS ITS NEW HEADQUARTERS IN LEHI, UTAH

The following was found at Dick Eastman’s Blog at www.eogn.com dated June 23, 2016.

Ancestry.com’s headquarters have been in Provo, Utah for the past thirty years. Yesterday, the company opened its new headquarters building in nearby Lehi, Utah. CEO Tim Sullivan says the new location in Lehi at the Point of the Mountain will help the company attract top talent from both Salt Lake and Utah Counties.

The new $35 million facility, located just a few miles off Interstate 15, sits on 10.5 acres with a sleek modern design that incorporates floor to ceiling windows to take in more light and phenomenal views of Mount Timpanogos and the surrounding valley. Ancestry will initially occupy approximately 135,000 square feet on location, positioning the company for the decades of growth and success to come.

Ancestry has 1,400 employees globally, 1000 of whom are based in Utah, and they are looking to expand.

Comments by Tony Kierna

Hopefully, now you can see where your Ancestry.com subscription money has been channeled. It has gone to build a new corporate building for Ancestry.com. Now with a new facility we will feel that the employees are motivated and ready to improve their product even more.

It truly is nice being able to work in a newly constructed corporate building. Everything is new. Everything is up to that day’s technology capabilities. New carpeting, new chairs and all that goes with a new building. I experienced that here at the Schaumburg Township District Library when our library building opened in 1998. It truly was a great feeling, especially when a comparison is made to the old facility that we left that was so much smaller in size and was already becoming outdated even after major expansions.
So I do not begrudge Ancestry.com. They are a truly wonderful organization that is always improving their major databases product with new material each and every month. Considering that an all-inclusive annual subscription to all the databases available is still around the same price as it has been for quite a while ($299 per year), I say subscribers are getting quite a good bargain when millions and millions of new records are being added to monthly. They do not announce a new subscription price level each and every month as new data becomes available. In that regards we have more data to possibly find ancestral information for the same price of our subscription.

Previously, I did not have an idea as to the number of employees within Ancestry.com. The total shown of 400 located globally and 1,000 located within Utah is pretty amazing. They even note they are expanding their employee base. That is always a good sign indicative of a successful company. All signs point to a long-lasting, successful future for Ancestry.com. New HQ and a growing employee base speak volumes on the road to success.

Hats off to you Ancestry.com. Congratulations and thank you for the all of the data that you make available for us to make our ancestral searches successful.

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Handout #7 – PHOTOGRAPHS OF MEN WHO FOUGHT IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

The following was found in Dick Eastman’s Online Blog at www.eogn.com dated July 4, 2016.

Yes, you read that right. **Photographs** of Americans who fought in the Revolution are exceptionally rare because few of the Patriots of 1775-1783 lived until the dawn of practical photography in the early 1840s.

Utah-based journalist Joe Baumam spent three decades researching and compiling the images. These early photographs – known as daguerreotypes – are exceptionally rare camera-original, fully-identified photographs of veterans of the War for Independence – the war that established the United States.

You can see the photographs in an article in *The Daily Mail* at [http://goo.gl/S3s7g8](http://goo.gl/S3s7g8).

If one of them happens to be your ancestor, right-click on the image to save a family heirloom!

**Comments by Tony Kierna**

I thought that the availability of such photographic material was remarkable. Our thoughts of Revolutionary War military heroes generally reside in the hand drawn images or portraits of these individuals. But to actually be able to see some real photographs of these individuals is phenomenal. You could say it is all luck and in fact it is the luck of having these significantly elder citizens alive at the time of the invention of the first phases of photography that makes this such a miracle.

**Average life span in the era noted was probably in the early 40s at best.** But we always know there are individuals that survive double the expectancy at the time. These were some of those unique individuals who not only beat the odds of life expectancy lengths for their era, but also survived the Revolutionary War itself. Additionally, they were willing and able to have themselves photographed with new-fangled equipment of the time.

Additionally, just as we hunt for records of ancestors, we can only hope that those records have survived for us to access. **Who knows how many photographs were made that no longer exist?** Who knows how many photos of these elderly vets existed only to be discarded because the owner of the picture did not know who the “old man” was in the photo? If you don’t know who it is why keep it over time? We face these same dilemmas.

It was just so refreshing to be able to look at and read the stories of these Revolutionary War veterans through an actual photograph. **Perhaps these pictures**
could be age-regressed to show what the individual may have looked like in his prime between 1776-1783?

Although these are unique images, the lesson here is also to work with all of your identified cousins. Perhaps someone within these contacts has a treasure trove of identified family history images waiting to share with you and other cousins. You may not find a Revolutionary War veteran, but wouldn't it be nice to discover an 1860s image of a great-great-grandfather. Keep digging, who knows what you will uncover!!

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Handout #8 – MYHERITAGE INTRODUCES NEW SUPERSEARCH ALERTS

The following was found in Dick Eastman’s Online Blog at www.eogn.com dated July 18, 2016.

MyHeritage has just launched a new feature — SuperSearch™ Alerts — that repeats previous searches that MyHeritage users have made in SuperSearch and seeks new results that did not exist at the time of the original search.

When MyHeritage finds new results for those previous searches, the company will send you an email message with links to view the records, and if you’d like, you can save it to your family tree, extract information to the relevant people in your family tree, or add new individuals to your tree.

SuperSearch Alerts works automatically in the background ensuring that you won’t miss new records that have been added to MyHeritage’s collections that are relevant to your past searches. As stated in the MyHeritage Blog:

From now on, we will automatically repeat old searches you’ve made on SuperSearch, in the background, every two months. We detect relevant results that were not available previously. We then send you an email about the new results found, with links to view the records. As with any record on SuperSearch, once you view it, if you consider it relevant, you can easily save it to your family tree (creating a citation pointing to the record) and extract information to the relevant people in your family tree, or add new individuals to your tree.

SuperSearch Alerts cover every search you’ve made (when you were logged in to MyHeritage) since SuperSearch was launched in 2012, satisfying every condition you’ve specified in every search (such as birth years, death years, relatives, places, etc). Searches for extremely common names or searches that yield too many results are automatically excluded from SuperSearch Alerts, because when there are too many results, chances are that the new results are not relevant, and we don’t want to waste your time.

SuperSearch Alerts is rolling out gradually, starting with the first group of 10 million MyHeritage users. If you do not receive any email notices just yet, just wait a while. It will take several days to add the functionality to all of MyHeritage’s 80 million+ registered users.

Details may be found in the MyHeritage Blog post at http://blog.myheritage.com/2016/07/new-supersearch-alerts/.

Comments by Tony Kierna
When you start seeing new developments being highlighted by one company, you can almost always assume that those new developments will fall into the normal offerings of other database providers.

The concept is brilliant. Establish a master list of names you are researching under your account with the provider and then do your normal searches. Results will come back to you based on the data in the databases at the time. Without having “master search lists”, my suggestion to you today would be to go back to the database provider on some regular recurring basis and submit those names again. The point of this is that the provider would have added more and more databases since your last visit and you want to see if the same names generate new results.

How simple and brilliant is this process. Establish your names to be searched and then sit back and receive new updates of search hits without you going back to initiate the search yourself. This is not a one-time after 2 months re-search. The system will re-search the databases after each 2 month interval from the previous re-search. As more and more data enters the databases, you can just sit back and see if you are receiving any new updates of results every two months.

Specifically to MyHeritage, all of your SuperSearch names going back to 2012 will be included in these ongoing re-searches. How good is that? Unfortunately, this is where a subscription to a provider’s service is the doorway to these special perks you can have. No subscription, no SuperSearch!

If you are subscribed to Ancestry.com, perhaps you will see similar developments occur within the product. Getting ongoing future updates using a list of names supplied by you is a great feature as more and more new databases are added to a subscription service series of databases.

So, if you don’t want to wait for your provider to add this feature, consider subscribing to MyHeritage. Just be aware that each provider’s series of databases is different among the providers. Some may have more, some less, some focusing on different ethnic areas of data from around the world. Sometimes just being patient is the best strategy as each provider likes to look like the other providers so as not to lose a competitive edge.
Handout #9 – “AVOTAYNU – SPRING 2016 - OVERVIEW”

The following review and comments were created by me, Tony Kierna, based on my having read an article that was seen in the Spring 2016, Volume XXXII, Number 1 issue of Avotaynu.

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We have received the Spring 2016, Volume XXXII, Number 1 issue of Avotaynu.

Key articles in this issue are:

“Eight Unique Technologies for Genealogical Discoveries”
By Gilad Japhet

“Teaching Jewish Genealogy to Eleven and Twelve Year Old Students”
By Robinn Magid

“Searching for Ashkenazic Surnames in Reference Books”
By Alexander Beider

“Genetic Genealogy Tips”
By Marlis Glaser Humphrey

“Y-DNA Evidence for Ashkenazi Lineage’s Iberian Origin”
By Rachel Ukefer, J.B. Royal and Wim Pennix

“Some Things You Can Do on Archives.org Including the Wayback Machine”
By Edward David Luft

“New Additions to the JDC Archives Names Index: Major Online Treasures for Jewish Genealogists”
By Linda G. Levi

“Hard-to-Find Family History: A Story About Some Illegitimate” Jewish Children”
By Sarah Nadia Lipes

“JRI-Poland Success Stories”
By Robinn Magid

“The Mystery of Old, Dormant Jewish Records”
By Alex Denysenko

“A Guide to Indirect Evidence: How We Find It, How It Guides Our Research and How It Helps Us Build a Case”
By Harold Henderson, CG

“Mussar Founder’s Mystery Female”
By Neil Rosenstein

“Escape from the Shadows: The True Identity of the Man Who Discovered America”
By Joyce T. Freedman

“How the Gogolinsky Family of Warsaw Became the Barney Family of St. Louis Missouri”
by Martin Fischer

“Jewish Refugees and Stateless Persons from Greece and Turkey in Paris During World War II”
by Laurence Abensur-Hazan

“Wloclawek Area Books of Residents Online”
By Fay Bussgang

Also included in this recent issue is a section titled “Book Reviews”. In this section you will find extensive book reviews of some recently published genealogical material that may be of interest to the Eastern European researcher or one who is researching Jewish ancestry.

The books included for review in this section are the following:

**Guide to Genealogical Writing: How to Write and Publish Your Family History**
By Penelope L. Stratton and Henry B. Hoff

**Nazi Persecution and Postwar Repercussions, the International Tracing Service Archive and Holocaust Research**
By Suzanne Brown-Fleming

The reviews are quite extensive and are more than just an overview of the books. The reviewers do a good job of highlighting both strong and weak points of the material.

You will also find a section titled “Ask the Experts” in this recent issue. In this section you will find questions posed to the experts seeking help and understanding trying to solve the problem at hand. Some of the questions are detailed and in-depth. Most of the answers are also well presented and offer many good suggestions to the person posing the question on how to go about resolving the question. I think these sections in this journal and other journals are always worth visiting to see what is posed and how the answers can help expand your knowledge in your own research.

This journal also contains a section titled “From Our Mailbox”. It is here that interesting comments on a variety of articles and topics are provided by readers of Avotaynu. I always enjoy perusing these sections if they exist in various journals. The thoughts provided by readers are generally detailed and well written. You often come away with an even deeper understanding of a topic that is being commented on.

See if any of the above articles in this recent issue of Avotaynu has an appeal that connects to your own personal research. These all appear to be good articles, many
written by people like you and I who wanted to share some unique aspect of their own research. You can always pick up some tips from someone else that has overcome a research problem that is similar to one that you face currently.

You will find this most recent issue of *Avotaynu* on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library on the magazine shelves.
Handout #10 – “(ENCORE INCLUSION) NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY QUARTERLY OVERVIEW JUNE 2014”

The following review and comments were created by me, Tony Kierna, based on my having read an article that was seen in the June 2014, Volume 102, Number 2 issue of National Genealogical Society Quarterly.

We have received the Volume 102, No. 2, June 2014 issue of National Genealogical Society Quarterly.

Key articles in this issue are:

“Why and How Did Phillipina Kicherer Immigrate to Jefferson County, Pennsylvania”
By Judy Kellar Fox, CG

She must have come with someone or because of someone, but who and why.

“Jane Fife’s Mother, Elizabeth (Sowersby) Stather Fife Hought”
By Arlene V. Jennings, CG

Reading nearly illegible documents and studying the men in her life reveals an eighteenth-century Englishwoman’s identity.

“Testing Family Lore to Determine the Parentage of Samuel W. Boren of Pittsburgh”
By Harold Henderson, CG

Information from one source can be tested by comparing it with information from unrelated sources. Comparative techniques include tabulating the data, establishing a migration trajectory and timeline, and documenting linkages.

“Using Networks to Backtrack the Migration and Identity of the Parents of Jacob Wynkoop of Morgan County, Ohio”
By Stephen B. Hatton

Migrating families often settled among networks of people from their prior neighborhood. Thus, backtracking people in a destination network can lead to a family’s prior residence. It can also cement identities in the place of settlement to those in the place of origin.

“Testing the FAN (Friends, Associates and Neighbors) Principle Against DNA: Zilphy (Watts) Price Cooksey of Georgia and Mississippi”
By Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS

How accurate can a maternal lineage be when, for four consecutive
generations, no document names, parents or siblings? Here, three powerful tools – the FAN principle, DNA testing, and the GPS – combine to solve a perennial problem.

In this issue you will also find a variety of pages that contain a small, half-page genealogical item of interest. They are not full stories, just little tidbits of genealogical interest. National Genealogical Society Quarterly identifies these as “Sidelights”. These often contain a bit of humor in them. Don’t forget to take peek at these as you peruse the journal.

“Sidelights” items noted in this issue are:

- “A Nicely Garbled Marriage Record” p. 92
- “Matrimonial Auction” p. 96
- “On the Origin of the Coroner’s Jury in England” p. 96
- “Who’s in the Jailhouse Now?” p. 110
- “Between Two Decennial Censuses” p. 127
- “Sufferings of Quakers in Cornwall, 1655-1686

Also included in this issue are a significant number of lengthy reviews of newly published genealogical matter. The reviews are extensive and often critical allowing you to gain a better understanding of the quality of the material.

Reviews included in this issue are:

**The First Muirs Of The Province Of Quebec, Including Two Millers, James and William Muir, Their Origins In Scotland and The Descendants Of James Muir Of Beloeil, Vercheres, Quebec, Who Settled in Various Towns in Quebec, Vermont, Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and Connecticut**

By Edward Wallace Phillips
Reviewed by Michael J. Leclerc

**Deciphering Handwriting in German Documents: Analyzing German, Latin, And French in Historical Manuscripts, 2nd Ed.**

By Roger P. Minert
Reviewed by Teresa Steinkamp McMillin, CG

**Frank K. Hain and the Manhattan Railway Company: the Elevated Railway, 1875-1903**

By Peter Murray Hain
Reviewed by Chad R. Milliner, AG

**The Nicholas Wade Family**

By Richard H. Benson
Reviewed by Mary E. Petty

**Louisiana Letters: 1678-1803**

By Marie-Antoinette Menier, Etienne Tailemite and Gilberte de Forges
Reviewed by Suzanne Prosnier, CG
This journal is one to take a look at just to see the very detailed and documented articles that are published. You will often see very quickly that the supporting documentation of endnotes or footnotes is often time larger in print space than the article itself. This is the standard for articles to be published in this journal. Your own documentation of your discoveries should always occur in such detail so that your research can always be re-traced and proven out by any future family members that will inherit your work. It is also simply the correct thing to do.

The articles are often very “niched” as a very specific topic. So the average genealogy researcher may not feel they will benefit by reading the article because there is not an obvious “How To” approach being written by the author. But if you try reading an article, you will see copious amounts of “problem-solving” efforts in the article that you can take in account to solve your own research problems.

Give an article a try! Stick with one from beginning to end. You will walk away with some problem-solving aspect of research that you can apply to your own research difficulties.

You can find this most recently published issue of the National Genealogical Society Quarterly on the 2nd floor of our library on the magazine shelves. Read through some of the uniquely documented articles in this issue where the citations aspects of the articles are often larger in scope than the article itself.

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