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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 newsletters from the recent 2 months are filed at the "Ask Us" Desk on the 2nd floor along with the most recent "handouts" from the last 2 months. 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 1:00 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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**NOVEMBER 8, 2016 GENEALOGY PROGRAM TOPIC**

Our next genealogy program will take place on Tuesday evening, November 8, 2016.

The program is titled "Navigating World War II Records on Fold3". The speaker for this topic will be Jennifer Holik.

Researching the service of a World War II soldier is more than the Official Military Personnel File we might locate. That file is helpful in creating a timeline of military service, but we must move beyond it to find more of the story. Looking beyond the individual records, we can find unit histories, battle reports, mission reports, war diaries, and other higher level materials, which provide context in which to put our soldier.

Many of the records you need to research your soldier's service, are not online. However, Fold3.com has digitized many unit level records from the National Archives at College Park, MD, to help you with your research. As with any digitized collection, searching by your soldier's name will not usually yield you enough of the materials available. There are many tips and tricks to locating the gold within the massive amount of paperwork available.

Jennifer Holik is an international researcher, speaker, and author of numerous books, articles, and courses. She holds a BA in History from Missouri University of Science and Technology. Jennifer offers expert World War II, genealogical, and historical research, writing, and speaking services. Her website is: <http://wwiiresearchandwritingcenter.com/>

You may visit the library's web page at:

[www.SchaumburgLibrary.org](http://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, 4<sup>th</sup> Ed. 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 (R 929.1 CRO). These two books present a good place to begin familiarizing yourself with the field of Genealogy. Feel free to review these books.

If you have access to the Internet, you may want to check out a "How To Make A Family Tree" web page that appears at the National Genealogical Society web site. The address is:

[http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/How\\_to\\_make\\_a\\_family\\_tree](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/How_to_make_a_family_tree)

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 225 participants that have returned a filled-out questionnaire to me. 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 attending our genealogy program concerning your research efforts.

From the filled-out questionnaires that have been returned to me, the numbers show that they are searching for a total of 1,667 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 "Ask Us" 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 "Ask Us" Desk on the 2nd floor for the material. Also check for this binder at my desk in the Reference Office if you do not find it at the "Ask Us" Desk.

Any feedback from you is welcome concerning the report and the material included in it. I do occasionally make typos or I possibly misread what you provided.

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## SHORT TAKES / POTPOURRI

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<b>Irish Birth, Marriage, and Death Records Soon to be Online (September 7, 2016)</b>
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According to the announcement at <http://www.irishgenealogy.ie/en/>:



Coming soon to [Irishgenealogy.ie](http://Irishgenealogy.ie):

The historic records of Births over 100 years ago, Marriages over 75 years ago and Deaths over 50 years ago of the General Register Office (GRO), will soon be available to view on [www.irishgenealogy.ie](http://www.irishgenealogy.ie), following their launch at 5.30pm on Thursday 8th September 2016.

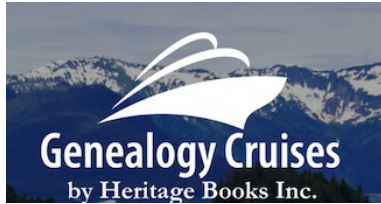
I am assuming the time of "5.30pm" is the time in Irish Daylight Savings Time in Dublin which corresponds to 12:30pm Eastern US time, 9:30am Pacific.

The records will be available at:

<https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/civil-search.jsp>.

**Take a Genealogy Cruise to Alaska with HB Genealogy Cruises (September 12, 2016)**

[Dick Eastman](#) · [September 12, 2016](#) · [Conferences](#), [Travel](#) · [4 Comments](#)



Genealogy cruises are very popular and for good reasons. They are educational, they are fun, and they also provide a great experience for family members who are not interested in genealogy. Unlike a genealogy conference in a major city's conference center, I have never heard a complaint about a cruise from non-interested family members who accompany a family member on one of these family history conferences on the seas.

For more information about the benefits of genealogy cruises, see my earlier article, *Genealogy Cruises versus Convention Centers*, at <http://goo.gl/9d0acs>.

**HB Genealogy Cruises**, sponsored by Heritage Books, has been in the cruise business for several years under the guidance of Craig Scott. The company is now offering its **4th Annual Genealogy Conference & Cruise**, this time from Seattle, Washington, to British Columbia, to several ports in Alaska, and back again. The cruise will take place on September 17 — 24, 2017, roughly one year from now. I will suggest now is the time to start planning!

The voyage will be on the Princess cruise ship *Emerald Princess* when it leaves from Seattle, Washington, to sail to Ketchikan, Alaska; Juneau, Alaska; Skagway, Alaska; Victoria, British Columbia; and back to Seattle, Washington. Attendees will learn about genealogical research methods, sources, and tools from some of the foremost speakers in those fields — Blaine Bettinger, PhD, JD; Debbie Mieszala, CG; Pamela Boyer Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA; Rick Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA; and Craig Scott, CG.

With HB Genealogy Cruises, attendees have an opportunity to do more than simply sit in lectures. Each attendee can share a meal with a world-class genealogist or schedule one-on-one time with the experts to discuss their specific research challenges. It is suggested that you come armed with your records and be prepared to hear about new resources, repositories, and finding aids that will help you to break down those brick walls. Some people find these private consultations alone to be worth the trip!

Prices start at \$1,144 per person for an inside cabin and ocean view cabins, balcony cabins, and mini suites are also available at higher prices.

For comparison purposes, I can state that it cost more than that for me to recently attend a 4-day national genealogical conference on land within the US and neither the food nor the scenery was anywhere near as good as that of a cruise ship. Each evening's entertainment is also much better on a cruise ship. The chairs in a cruise ship's conference rooms are also softer than those in most landlocked conference centers and the temperature is better controlled to boot!

Unlike some of the other genealogy cruises, single cabins are available for anyone traveling alone on HB Genealogy Cruises' genealogy cruise to Alaska. If you book your cabin by November 16, 2016, you will receive a **FREE** stateroom location upgrade, **FREE** gratuities, and **FREE** onboard spending money. You can learn all the details of this offer at <http://goo.gl/LRVLh3>.

For more information about HB Genealogy Cruises' *4th Annual Genealogy Conference & Cruise to Alaska and British Columbia*, go to <http://hbgenealogycruises.com>.

<b>You Can Help Challenge History and Correct the History Books in a New Television Series (September 15, 2016)</b>
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Sirens Media and Leftfield Entertainment is looking to genealogists or amateur or professional historians to be assist in the casting of a new television series. That could be you

Sirens Media and Leftfield Entertainment is one of the largest TV programming powerhouses in the world. The company has created a number of programs for virtually every television network, including the History Channel, Discovery Channel, and National Geographic, to name a few. You can learn more about some of the company's productions at [leftfieldpictures.com](http://leftfieldpictures.com).

I received the following message from Jodi Friedman, the Casting Director of Sirens Media and Leftfield Entertainment:

We're currently casting a groundbreaking new series for one of the major TV networks that will feature passionate descendants, historians, and history enthusiasts. Specifically, we are looking for individuals who want to challenge history, and are confident that the history books got something wrong. Our series will dive into an active investigation with distant relatives of notable historical figures, as well as passionate history buffs on a mission to reveal the truth about a historical event. People must have some sort of proof, whether it be a diary, photographs, documents, etc. We are looking to cover all time periods, everything from ancient Greece to Obama's presidency – nothing is too old or too recent. If you (or someone you know) has physical evidence of something that can possibly rewrite history – and the passion prove it – we want to hear from you ASAP!

Please spread the word! My contact info is below if anyone has questions.

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Casting Director  
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[jodi.friedman@leftfieldpictures.com](mailto:jodi.friedman@leftfieldpictures.com)

<b>Registration for RootsTech2017 is now Open (September 15, 2016)</b>
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This morning, the organizers of RootsTech opened the online registration for next February's conference in Salt Lake City, Utah, to be held February 8–11. If you are

interested in genealogy, and especially if you are interested in the use of technology to help in your genealogy research efforts, you will want to attend this event. The digital age has transformed the way people look at family history and RootsTech focuses on the use of the new ideas.

In just a few short years, RootsTech has become the biggest conference in the genealogy world. Next February's event promises to be the same and probably will be bigger than ever.

Bring your walking shoes! You will need them for this huge event. (Handicap access is also provided.)

You can register for RootsTech2017 now at <http://www.rootstech.org>.

RootsTech offers something for everyone: genealogy novices, genealogy experts, and entrepreneurs involved on providing family history products and services are all invited. There will be more than 200 breakout sessions, along with the largest exhibits hall ever seen at any genealogy conference.

An extra, 1-day conference experience called The Summit is designed for innovators, entrepreneurs, and developers interested in giving their creative ideas traction in a multi-billion-dollar industry.

In addition, an Innovator Showdown provides innovators the unparalleled opportunity to present their best ideas on stage before renowned judges, key industry influencers, potential investors, peers, and a live audience. Over \$100,000 in prizes will be awarded to finalists. Best of all, the public is invited to attend the Innovator Showdown. I was there at last year's Innovator Showdown and learned a lot.

Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints can attend a one-day Family Discovery Day on Saturday free of charge.

RootsTech2017 will be held at the Salt Palace, a modern, state-of-the-art convention center in downtown Salt Lake City, Utah. Easy access to the Salt Palace is available via TRAX, a modern trolley system that connects many areas of Salt Lake City together. You can even ride the TRAX trolley from the airport directly to the Salt Palace.

Also, hotel rooms will be in short supply that week in Salt Lake City. You also might want to reserve a hotel room now. (I already have reserved my room!) You can find information about all the hotels near the Salt Palace by starting at <https://goo.gl/znox8F>.

In past years, I used to stay in hotels within walking distance of major events I attended in Salt Lake City. Now that TRAX is available, I frequently stay in hotels that are further away (and cheaper!) and then I ride TRAX. The result often is less walking than staying in a hotel within walking distance of the Salt Palace.

You can learn more about the TRAX routes at <http://www.rideuta.com> and especially the TRAX map at [http://www.rideuta.com/-/media/RideUTA/Maps/UTA\\_RAIL\\_Map.ashx](http://www.rideuta.com/-/media/RideUTA/Maps/UTA_RAIL_Map.ashx). Notice that both the Green Line and the Blue Line stop at Temple Square, just a few steps from the entrance to the Salt Palace.



Best of all, TRAX is free in the immediate downtown area near the Salt Palace. For distances further away, the one-way fares for both the Green Line and the Blue Line are \$2.50 for adults but are discounted to \$1.25 for senior citizens. Day passes and month-long passes are also available at significant discounts. Again, start at <http://www.rideuta.com> to learn more.

Early Bird Pricing for RootsTech2017 starts at \$159. A "Getting Started" Pass designed for genealogy novices with access limited to beginners' sessions is available for \$69. If you wait too long, those prices will increase. I suggest you register now at <http://www.rootstech.org>.

I'll see you at RootsTech2017!

### Amazon Photo Printing Service (September 22, 2016)

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This isn't a genealogy story but I am aware that many genealogists also like to digitize and duplicate old family photos. Therefore, I suspect many genealogists will be interested in Amazon's recently announced photo printing service. You upload your digital images online to Amazon's servers and then the company prints them on very high quality photo printers and mails the printed photos to you in old-fashioned postal mail. The result is much higher quality photos than anything you could ever print at home on standard consumer-quality inkjet printers. Amazon Prints is available only to Amazon Prime and Amazon Drive customers.

The big news is that Amazon Prints photo printing service has pricing that is much cheaper than its major competitors: Shutterfly, Snapfish or your local CVS, Walgreens, Walmart, or other stores. For instance, Amazon's photo printing fees are 55% cheaper than Shutterfly. The new pricing is so aggressive that Shutterfly's stock dropped by more than 12% in the NASDAQ stock exchange in one day following Amazon's announcement.

Amazon Prints will only charge Prime or Drive customers \$0.09 for 4R (4"x6"), \$0.58 for 5R (5"x7"), and \$1.79 for 8R (8"x10") prints. Those prices are in US dollars.

Cheap photo printing from Amazon Prints is also an incentive for people to sign-up for Amazon Prime. (I am an Amazon Prime customer and love the service. It is expensive to sign up but I believe I receive all that money back and more over the following year in the form of lower prices and free shipping. In addition, Amazon Prime offers free access to movies delivered online via streaming video, to free music, and a lot more.) For a limited time, Amazon Prints is offering free shipping as a further enticement to sign up now although I am sure that will change within a few weeks or months.

You can learn more about Amazon Prints at

<https://www.amazon.com/b?node=14866317011>.

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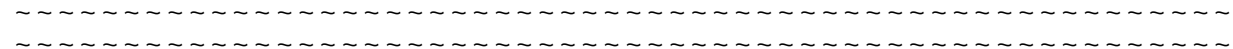
The Library of Congress Preservation Directorate has developed the bookmarks below to celebrate Preservation Week, an initiative launched by the Library of Congress, Institute of Library and Museum Services, American Library Association, American Institute for Conservation, Society of American Archivists, and Heritage Preservation to highlight what we can do, individually and together, to preserve our personal and shared collections. The original versions of these bookmarks (2009, 2011) were made possible in part by funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

See <https://goo.gl/uoACXo> for:

- Preserve Your Photographs
- Preserve Your Digital Files
- Preserve Your Papers
- Preserve Your Books

See <https://goo.gl/YtfMxj> for:

- Preserve Your Works Of Art
- Preserve Your Family Heirlooms
- Preserve Your Stuff After Water Damage
- Preserve Your A/V Recordings



## **LOCAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS/PROGRAMS**

### *Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society*

The next meeting of the Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society will take place on Saturday morning, November 5, 2016. The program for the morning is titled **“Research Practices: Sources and Citations”**. The speaker for the morning will be **Ginger Frere**.

If you are a beginning genealogist or have ever scratched your head trying to re-create previous research, this session is for you. Learn the basics of evaluating a document and the information it contains. Find out how to cite sources appropriately. We will also discuss resources to guide you in becoming a better genealogist.

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.

We do our best here to try to be sure that information we convey about programs is accurate. However, sometimes we are unable to convey changes unless we are made aware of those changes.

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DuPage County Genealogical Society

**Please note that meetings that will take place for the society will occur between September 2016 through May 2017. The September 2016 and October 2016 programs will occur at the DuPage County Historical Museum located at 102 E. Wesley Street in Wheaton, IL. The November 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, October 19, 2016. The program scheduled for that evening is **"Finding Your Civil War Ancestor Online"**. The speakers for the program will be **Bruce Allardice**. *The October 2016 program will occur at the DuPage County Historical Museum located at 102 E. Wesley Street in Wheaton, IL. It will NOT occur at the Wheaton Public Library.*

You may visit the society's web page at:

[www.dcg.org](http://www.dcg.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 regular meeting of CAGGNI will take place on Saturday morning, October 15, 2016 at the Hyatt Place Schaumburg in Schaumburg, IL. **(Program Will Not Be Held At the Schaumburg Township District Library)**. The program scheduled for this day is "Try-It Illinois". The speaker will be **Debra Dudek**.

(October & November) The annual *Try-It Illinois* Database trial which runs from October 1 - November 30, allow you to access a ton of free genealogy databases from home for free! Learn how to navigate these resources successfully to fulfill your research goals

Debra Dudek is Head of the Adult and Teen Services at Fountaindale Public Library District in Bolingbrook, IL. Ms Dudek specializes in British genealogy and technology tips. She is currently pursuing a second masters degree in Genealogical, Paleographic & Heraldic Studies from the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland.

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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## Introducing the Monumental Archive Project (September 2, 2016)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [September 2, 2016](#) · [Online Sites](#) · [10 Comments](#)

A new online site should appeal to genealogists. It obviously is to be a competitor of BillionGraves and Find-A-Grave but, unlike the other two, the **Monumental Archive Project** appears to have a strong emphasis on historical research.



The Monumental Archive Project is a place to access cemetery records, collaborate on research, and discuss approaches to monuments for history, archaeology and genealogy. It is an open community, creating an open database. The project will value the work that is being done around the world by individuals, communities and academics committed to preserving and protecting these important heritage landscapes.

The following is copied-and-pasted from the Monumental Archive Project web site:

Archaeologists, historians, genealogists, community groups, and cemetery enthusiasts all over the world have recognized the historical value of gravestones for studying identity, social relationships, tradition, practice and choice, grief and emotion, self-representation, symbolism, trade and craft production – the possibilities are endless.

There are a lot of people doing great work recording funerary monuments but very little access to the data afterwards. This limits historical research by restricting sample size and comparative studies, but it also results in the constant repetition of work that has already been done. A rich historical record already exists, if only it was accessible.

### **Goals of the Monumental Archive Project:**

The Monumental Archive Project (MAP) will act as an open database of historic cemeteries to:

1. preserve and provide free access to existing records;
2. stimulate new research and engagement with historic cemeteries (an at-risk heritage resource);
3. establish collaborative networks and discussions between diverse interest groups.

To use the resources, read about the collections and view or download the archives. Read our blog to see some of the stories that emerge from the records, and learn how to contribute records. Contact us to tell us about your research, to guest blog, or to access more information!

### **Behind the Monumental Archive Project:**

Katherine Cook completed a BA in Anthropology and History and an MA in Anthropology at McMaster University. During that time, she worked with Dr. Aubrey Cannon on monumental records from Cambridgeshire, UK, and on a thesis project that used digital technology to record and reconstruct a local historic cemetery (Hamilton Cemetery, Ontario).

She completed her PhD at the University of York (UK). Her thesis employed burial grounds and commemorative monuments in the British Atlantic to explore the construction and negotiation of identity, family and community in the Caribbean between the 17th and 20th centuries.

During this time, the inaccessibility of records, the lack of sharing of resources and collaboration, and frequent redundancy in recording efforts pushed her to not only make her own database openly available, but also build a platform to make it easy for others to do the same.

This project was developed through participation in the Digital Archaeology Institute at Michigan State University.

The Monumental Archive Project may be found at:

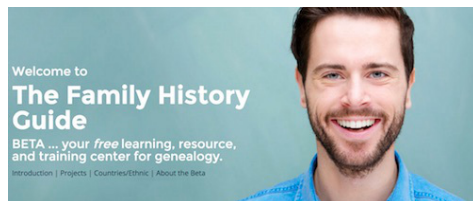
<http://monumentalarchiveproject.com>.

### Introducing the New Beta Site for The Family History Guide (September 16, 2016)

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**The Family History Guide** is a huge website aimed for beginners and advanced genealogy researchers alike. It is not a simple ebook published in PDF or some other format. Instead, it is a full interactive guide that contains some of its information on the Family History Guide's own web site and adds hundreds of links to other web sites that also contain useful information. I described The Family History Guide in an earlier article at <https://goo.gl/m0WPpZ>.

Now The Family History Guide has a new site that is still under construction. You can view the beta site at: <http://www.thefhguide.com/beta/index.html>.



Note that the original website will be fully operational until the Beta period is over. Then it will be retired, and the Beta website will be moved to the regular [www.thefhguide.com](http://www.thefhguide.com) address.

You can read more about the beta test at <http://www.thefhguide.com/beta/about-beta.html>.

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## **PERIODICAL NEWS**

### **Your Genealogy Today**

We have received the September/October 2016, Volume 2, Number 4 issue of Your Genealogy Today.

Key articles in this issue are:

**"Completing the Family Portrait"**

By Barbara Curtis French

*Barbara Curtis French looks at locating missing children in your genealogy.*

**"A "Hand-Out" for Your Poor Ancestors"**

By Diane L. Richard

*Diane L. Richard looks at how North Carolina parishes and counties stepped up to offer relief.*

**"Dog License Records and Genealogy"**

By David A. Norris

*If your ancestors were dog owners, David A. Norris looks at a not-so-common record source that might help you with your family history research.*

**"The Quiet Hero"**

By Colleen Callahan Wells

*Colleen Callahan Wells researches her Irish-born great-great-grandfather who fought in the Mexican War of 1846-1848.*

**"Oral Hygiene History: Preventing Cavities in Your Genealogy"**

By Joe Grandinetti

*Joe Grandinetti suggests that hearing the stories of your family's history are important to preserving that history.*

**"Organize Your Genealogy: Strategies and Solutions for Every Researcher"**

Book Review by Lisa A. Alzo

*Lisa A. Alzo reviews the book from Drew Smith.*

**"When Good Webinars Go Bad"**

By Lisa A. Alzo

**"Researching Military Service in World War II Museums and Cemeteries in Europe"**

By Jennifer Holik

*Jennifer Holik shows you how to gain a whole new perspective on researching your WWII military ancestors.*

**"Should You Learn the Language of Your Ancestors?"**

By Barbara Krasner

*Barbara Krasner poses the question to a few experts from the genealogical Community and discovers opinions are divided.*

**"Jewish Genetic Genealogy"**

By Diahna Southard

**"You Might Be Only a Spit Away from Research Success"**

By Dave Obee

Also included in this issue is a section titled "Research Resources". Here you will find some highlights/summaries of recently published genealogical resources, often books, that could be of help to your own ongoing genealogy research.

Resources mentioned this month are two newly published books.

They are:

*German Census Records, 1816-1916: The When, Where and How of a Valuable Genealogical Resource*

By Roger P. Minert, Ph.D, A.G.

*Atlanta Canada's Irish Immigrants: A Fish and Timber Story*

By Lucille H. Campey

I thought that a good article in this issue is one titled "Oral History Hygiene: Preventing Cavities in Your Genealogy". The author of the article is Joe Grandinetti.

The author provides insights into how we as genealogists are responsible for capturing the family stories that exist in our families. It is important to capture so that they can be passed down to the next and hopefully many generations to come after that.

The author provides an example of how he had an occasion to start the process. It was on the death of his mother's first cousin when he met the deceased for the first time. It was through this period of mourning that he was able to connect with many of the descendants of this recently deceased 102 year old cousin. Additionally, the author was able to paint a picture of the deceased from the eulogies that were made in her honor. The author did regret not taking advantage of connecting with the deceased while she was still alive.

The author took the funeral to plan a new process of capturing oral histories from other family members still alive. One of them was his uncle from his father's side. As it turned out this uncle was older than his own father and thus possessed a deeper insight into some of the family stories. Also, his uncle proved to be a goldmine of information and a



long term relationship was established between the author and his uncle. Much information was captured before the author's uncle passed away at age 88.

The author sadly notes that family stories seemed so much easier to hear a generation ago when they were often passed and recounted at family gatherings. Hearing them orally then is not the same as "hearing" them today often Facebook or Twitter or in electronic format. Quoting from the author, "Today's communication is increasingly abbreviated, remote, and/or virtual. In a sad reversal of behavior, family time seems a distraction to screen time."

The stories from our ancestors may stem from their own experiences and those of others they've heard. In other words, as a story is told over time from person to person, the end result when you hear it may only be a hint of the actual story as it occurred.

These stories can be captured still on paper with pen. However, in the digital age, don't forego recording capabilities through technology. The author notes some of the tools today in the digital world are:

- Intent @ [www.intentapp.com](http://www.intentapp.com)
- StoryWorth @ [www.storyworth.com](http://www.storyworth.com)
- The History Project @ [www.thehistoryproject.com](http://www.thehistoryproject.com)

It is critical to capture oral history. It is more critical to convert it to a format that can be passed on to future generations without changing the contexts of the stories through the difficulties of passing down only oral histories.

In the article the author provided a nice list of Tips for Oral History Interviewing. These are:

- A sense of trust must be developed between interviewer and interviewee. If not yet established build it sincerity, politeness and subtle reminders that it's about "our family".
- Always consider the interviewee's comfort. Be at their home. Consider the presence of other family members to reassure the interviewee.
- Place your recording devices inconspicuously to reduce distraction.
- Have a list of questions, but still let the conversation take its natural twists and turns.
- Respect boundaries on topics that may simply be too sensitive.
- Don't push the interviewee if you sense facts and details are not as you may know them. Just do follow-up research to establish accuracy if possible.
- Even when an interview is going well between parties, don't keep it going forever. Stop at a natural breakpoint and plan to have another follow-up interview.
- If you cannot meet face-to-face and phone or email will not work, then fall back to old fashioned pen and paper via regular mail. Supply the interviewee with a questionnaire and a pedigree chart and have them write their answers. Still try to reconnect with a face-to-face follow-up to review material provided by the interviewee.

Oral history is critical in your research. It should be the first thing you do as you embark on becoming the family historian. Your online research can wait. Your face to face capturing of stories cannot wait because you are always at risk of having the person with the most knowledge and stories pass away at an untimely moment. Don't wait to capture the stories from still-living relatives.

I thought that another good article in this issue is one titled "Should You Learn the Language of Your Ancestors?". The author of this article is Barbara Krasner.

For many of us, the question might be a moot point. We speak English. Our ancestors might be English going back a long time. All the records we look at are written in English. Case closed. For many others, we may have our backs up against the wall once we complete looking at United States Census Records. Perhaps our next set of records we look at will be Birth records on an LDS microfilm for a particular village in Poland we gleaned from some American church records where a place of origin was noted.

The author uses her own example of coming across some Polish records on microfilm and basically feeling lost after seeing so much more information in Polish after the name of the ancestor she discovered. What about the information of that information?

Do you need to learn the language of your ancestor? The author thought it would be a good question to ask other genealogy research friends of the author to gather their opinion. Here is some of the feedback provided by those friends:

- No You Don't
  - One friend who had been doing research for over 25 years said she did not know how to speak Italian, the language associated with the records she often frequented. The researcher said she picked up certain phrases early on examining Italian records and could then apply the learned phrases into all future Italian document research. If you attempt to learn the language, you then need someone else to practice with. That may be too difficult.
  - Another researcher noted you need to learn enough of the language in order to become familiar with vital documents, but you do not need to become fluent in the language. This still makes us rely on someone to translate those documents we cannot do our self with the limited phrase knowledge we may have accumulated.
- Yes You Do
  - Keeping alive a language skill just makes it that much easier to transition to the documents.
  - Knowing the language allows you to pick up subtle pieces of information in the written language that might go unnoticed.
- Mixed Reaction – Maybe Yes, Maybe No
  - We should at least learn how to pronounce the letters of the alphabet of the language of interest for our research.

The author also mentioned what are some good tools of translation to consider to use if you do not know how to speak a foreign language connected with your research interests. Several guides are available and should become the tools of the researcher. Here are some mentioned by the author:

- (Polish) *In Their Words: A Genealogist's Translation Guide to Polish, German, Latin and Russian Documents* by Jonathan D. Shea and William F. Hoffman.
- (Polish) *Translation Guide to Nineteenth Century Polish Language Civil Registration Documents (Birth, Marriage and Death Records)* by Judith R. Frazin
- (Italian) *Tracing Your Italian Ancestors* from the publishers of Your Genealogy Today.
- (German) *German-English Genealogical Dictionary* by Ernest Thode.

Obviously, there are workarounds. You develop some short learned version of the language to get you through documents. You can find guide, both published and via searching online, especially what you may be able to find at the FamilySearch Wiki. Knowing a language deeper can get you so much further in your own research. You can pick up subtleties of the language in the writings. You don't have to seek a translator. But realistically what are the chances of you just learning another language in short order. Probably slim to none. If it has been working for you already not knowing a language, just keep up the process and add finer skills to your language repertoire.

This is another good issue of Your Genealogy Today. There are lots of good articles from the above Table of Contents of the articles in this issue. See what interests you. There always seems to be at least one article of interest for you to read in its entirety.

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

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## BOOKS IN PRINT

We have a book in our collection titled ***The Ultimate Search Book, 2011 Ed.*** The author of the book is Lori Carangelo. The call number of the book is 929.3 CARANGELO, L. The book was added to our collection in 2012.

Some of you that do genealogical research may uncover the connection to ancestors that were adopted. Perhaps even you were adopted and are trying to uncover your ancestral connections. This may be a good book for that particular aspect of genealogy dealing with the knowledge of an adoption in your family tree and how to go about uncovering the records associated with that person.

I did notice that there is a well written book review that was on Dick Eastman's web site about this book. I wanted to share that with you and how it connects to the book we have in our collection.

Just want to make you aware of this resource in our collection on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of our library on the circulating shelves.

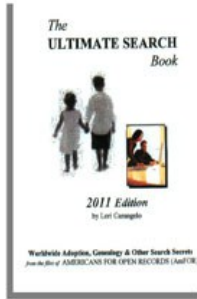
Here is the book review published on February 20, 2015 by Bobbi King. The link to get you to the online book review is at <https://blog.eogn.com/2015/02/20/book-review-the->

[ultimate-search-book-worldwide-adoption-genealogy-and-other-search-secrets/#more-5868](#).

Here is the text of that review:

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The following book review was written by Bobbi King:



*The Ultimate Search Book.*

*Worldwide Adoption, Genealogy, and Other Search Secrets.*

By Lori Carangelo. Published by Genealogical Publishing Co., 2011. 294 pages.

Lori Corangelo has been an adoption activist and involved with adoption research for many years. She founded Americans for Open Records (AmFOR), an organization for adoption-affected citizens. Their website at <http://www.amfor.net> offers further explanations and resources involving adoption research.

The unique feature of *Ultimate Search Book* is its focus on adoption research. Typical first steps are described for genealogical research, but following chapters focus on the obstacles and techniques for performing adoptive research.

The author describes situations involving missing or runaway children, how to report them and how to look for them, as well as searching for records involving debtor circumstances, child support, heirs, and the more mundane searches for classmates, old loves, and war buddies.

The second half of the book lists records offices in every state of the union, as well as offices worldwide. Addresses and key information for each state help the researcher prepare for research queries. There are lists of adoption research support groups for the states, as well as copies of the statutes defining the restrictions on the records as pertaining to adoptions.

There is an international listing of resources with similar description information.

This is a good beginner book for getting into adoption research.

The *Ultimate Search Book. Worldwide Adoption, Genealogy, and Other Search Secrets* is available from the publisher, Genealogical Publishing Co., at <http://goo.gl/bVVD41>.

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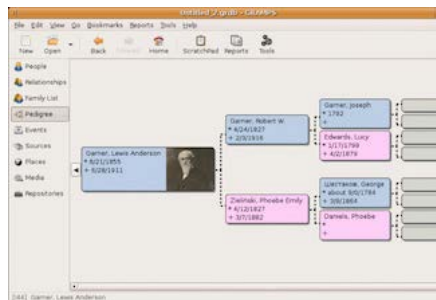
## SOFTWARE/HARDWARE

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### **The Future of Genealogy Software (September 6, 2016)**

[Dick Eastman](#) · [September 6, 2016](#) · [Opinion](#), [Software](#) · [26 Comments](#)

**Warning: this article contains personal opinions.**



I recently exchanged email messages with a newsletter reader who is looking for a replacement for his favorite genealogy program, the now-defunct program called The Master Genealogist. He raised some good points about today's available genealogy products, and I responded with some of my views and predictions. I decided to write an article based upon our "conversation" and to also expand our comments as I imagine many newsletter readers also are interested in finding new and (hopefully) better programs.

### **First, let me write specifically about The Master Genealogist.**

The Master Genealogist, usually referred to as TMG, was a very powerful Windows genealogy program. It had features that appealed to the serious genealogist who wanted a tool to not only record genealogy findings but also to track and manage the entire family history research process. TMG had an army of strongly dedicated users, most of whom seemed to enjoy wringing every last ounce of productivity out of the program.

Many TMG users are still using the program as it seems to work well on every version of Windows, from Windows XP through Windows 10. However, most of the users also realize that some day a new version of Windows probably will break some of the features in TMG. Future use of the program is not guaranteed. Since the program is no longer supported or updated, a large number of these users are thinking about replacing TMG with something that will hopefully be supported for many more years.

I do not know the finances of Wholly Genes Software, the producers of TMG, but I suspect the company saw declining revenues every year accompanied by either stable or increasing expenses for support and future development. No company stays in business very long with those opposing factors. In addition, TMG was written in what has long been

an obsolete programming language, so the idea of porting it to a new language or even to new operating systems (Macintosh, Android, iPad, etc.) probably was cost-prohibitive.

While the decision to drop TMG and to close the doors of the company was disappointing to the customers, I imagine the owner of the company had no other choice.

### **Alternative Genealogy Programs**

OK, here is the sad news for present TMG owners: there is no other genealogy program on the market that has the power and the advanced capabilities of The Master Genealogist. None.

That's bad news for dedicated TMG users, but it is a fact of life.

There are programs that are better than TMG at various individual tasks, such as searching online databases, better at comparing family trees with distant relatives who have uploaded their family trees to a myriad of web services, better at providing user-friendly interfaces, and perhaps better at a number of other tasks. Indeed, there are more than a dozen excellent genealogy programs available today for Windows, Macintosh, and other operating systems.

However, I am not aware of any genealogy program available today that matches the power of TMG at recording all facets of the research process, at providing tools for evaluating genealogy evidence, and at a number of tasks that serious genealogists expect. Maybe there will be such a product someday, but such a product does not exist today.

### **Other Factors That Affect the Future of Genealogy Software**

I read a lot of printed and online computer trade magazines. Over and over, I have read that the number of desktop computers being sold is dropping rapidly every year. In addition, depending upon which manufacturer's report you read, the sales of laptop computers are either holding steady or else are declining slowly every year.

The only laptops that are growing rapidly in numbers are the cloud-based Chromebook laptops that run the Chrome operating system. The sales of Chromebooks are exploding for a number of reasons: they are very easy to use, very reliable, perform most of the tasks that every-day computer users want, have been widely adopted in the public school systems, and have very low prices.

The Windows 10 and Macintosh OS X operating systems only run on desktop and laptop computers if we ignore the tiny fraction of 1% of the tablet computers that can also run Windows. Anything less than 1% can safely be ignored; it is not a significant factor.

**The bottom line is this: the number of Windows and Macintosh systems being sold is already dropping every year.**

This leads to one inescapable conclusion: Windows and the Macintosh OS X operating systems are also slowly dying. If the only systems that run these operating systems are declining, the operating systems themselves are obviously declining as well.

To be sure, Windows and OS X will not disappear any time soon. Your present desktop or laptop computer probably will be very useful for a long time yet. I believe Windows will survive in ever-smaller numbers for at least another decade, especially in the corporate environment. Businesses seem to love their Windows systems and probably will keep using them for at least another 10 years, perhaps longer. Sales of Windows systems to in-home users are already declining rapidly and that trend undoubtedly will continue.

I am not as sure about Macintosh OS X. Apple apparently has already seen “the writing on the wall” and is slowly merging the advantages of OS X and the advantages of mobile iOS systems (iPad, iPhone, and iPod Touch) into one powerful, but future, product. OS X will probably change radically into something new, perhaps with a new name, and then will continue for a long time.

It seems obvious to me and to many others that the trend is moving to mobile systems, namely iPads, iPhones, and Android tablets and cell phones. These tiny devices are selling like hot cakes. In my frequent travels to airports and on board airplanes, I see hundreds of portable computing devices, mostly those running Android or Apple’s iOS operating system.

Next, can you name a single brand-new genealogy program that has been announced for either Windows or Macintosh OS X in recent years? I am not referring to any new, upgraded release of an existing program. Instead, how many NEW genealogy programs can you think of that have been announced for Windows or Macintosh in the past 2 or 3 years?

**NOTE:** I can think of a couple, but they also seem to have since disappeared.

RootsMagic, Legacy Family Tree, Ancestral Quest, Family Historian, Family Tree Builder, Family Tree Maker, Reunion, MacFamilyTree, Heredis, GRAMPS, and other genealogy programs for Windows and/or Macintosh OS X are still being used by millions of people around the world; but, one has to question the future of these programs. If the number of Windows and Macintosh OS X desktop and laptop computers being sold every year is declining, what is the inevitable result for Windows and Macintosh OS X genealogy programs?

**I will suggest that sales of these present programs will slowly decline.**

Of course, many of the companies that produce today’s genealogy programs are releasing new versions for Android and/or Apple iOS. I believe that most of these companies will remain in business and will remain profitable as they adapt to changing marketplace demands. The growth of genealogy programs appears to be taking place in the mobile marketplace. Dozens of new Android and Apple iOS genealogy apps have appeared in recent years, some of them produced by companies that have been producing Windows or Macintosh products.

**There is one “elephant in the room” that I have not yet mentioned: the cloud.**

Cloud-based apps are taking over the world in many areas although apparently not yet in genealogy.

Google Docs seems to be destined to replace Microsoft Word, LibreOffice, OpenOffice, WordPerfect, and many other desktop/laptop word processors. Similar stories seem to be happening for Excel and other spreadsheet programs, for Photoshop, and for many computer games.

If the Windows and Macintosh computers are to slowly disappear, it seems reasonable that the programs for those operating systems will also become less and less popular every year. OK, perhaps not entirely. Again, almost all the producers of word processors, spreadsheet programs, photo editing programs, and games are rapidly creating new versions of their programs for Android, iPhone, iPad, and cloud-based operating systems. Most of them have also developed or are developing cloud-based versions. I predict that their Windows and Macintosh versions will fade away, but most of the companies will remain in business by selling versions for the newer operating systems and for the cloud.

### Let's examine cloud-based genealogy programs.

Cloud-based genealogy programs are available in two versions:

1. Many of the huge online database services digitize millions of records and make them available to their customers. I am thinking of the databases on MyHeritage.com, FamilySearch.org, Findmypast.com, Ancestry.com, and other online services. While valuable, I will ignore their company-contributed digital records for the remainder of this article. Instead, I will focus solely on services where individuals can upload their own family tree information for online storage and often for online collaboration with other genealogists. These are the online services that allow users to build their family trees on the web sites instead of in their personal devices.

2. In addition, there are only two well developed, state-of-the-art genealogy programs available today for implementation by single users in the cloud: **The Next Generation of Genealogy Sitebuilding** (which I will abbreviate to "TNG") and **WebTrees**, an open source, free genealogy program. Both of these programs are great for use by one person, by one family, or by one family association.

For more information about TNG, see <http://www.tngsitebuilding.com>.

For more information about WebTrees, see <https://www.webtrees.net>.

**Note:** Do not confuse the cloud-based TNG program (The Next Generation of Genealogy Sitebuilding) with the now-defunct Windows genealogy program called TMG (The Master Genealogist). These are two entirely different products, developed for different operating systems by different software developers. They are unrelated.

There are many advantages to using cloud-based programs, although not all of those advantages are apparent in today's cloud-based genealogy programs:

1. Most of these programs can be used with a variety of operating systems—Windows, Macintosh, Linux, Android, iPhone, iPad, Chromebooks, and probably future operating systems that have not yet been invented. No longer will cousins using different operating systems have difficulty exchanging genealogy data or be restricted to the multiple problems of GEDCOM data transfers. If everyone is sharing data within cloud-based



genealogy programs, everyone will have access to the same data. The choice of the user's computer is now unimportant.

2. The security of cloud-based programs is equal to and often better than that of desktop and laptop computers. Admittedly, many people do not yet believe that. Yet today's security techniques on cloud-based systems are far better at locking out thieves, hackers, and spies than either Windows or Macintosh.

**Note:** I had a Windows laptop computer stolen from the trunk of my automobile a few years ago. The thief gained access to all my genealogy information on the laptop's hard drive, as well as my credit card numbers, my Social Security Number, the name, email addresses, and telephone numbers of hundreds of my relatives and business associates, my checking account information, my investment portfolio, and much more. Even the simplest cloud-based application has better protection than a stolen laptop computer that has not been encrypted! I spent weeks canceling credit cards and bank accounts and obtaining replacements. Such problems are rare in today's strongly-protected cloud-based systems. Had I been using a cloud-based banking system, cloud-based credit card company access, and other cloud-based services, the thief would have accessed nothing personal.

3. In cloud-based genealogy services, sharing information theoretically is easier to implement and control than it is with desktop and laptop genealogy programs.

Notice my use of the word "theoretically." Not all of today's cloud-based genealogy services have implemented controls for sharing. However, TNG, WebTrees, and some of the huge online databases intended to be used by thousands of users provide options to keep your genealogy information private, to share it with only a few trusted relatives, or to make it visible to everyone on the World Wide Web. With many of these services, the user is in control of his or her own privacy. Be aware that there are exceptions, however.

### **Summation**

The future of genealogy software appears to be in programs installed in the cloud, not programs installed in Macintosh or Windows computers. None of those programs contain the power of either TMG or most of the other Windows and Macintosh genealogy programs in the versions available today. However, they are improving every year.

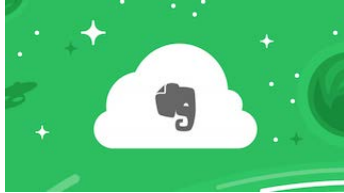
Today's cloud-based genealogy programs have capabilities that approximately match the genealogy programs of the 1990s, plus they are compatible with many operating systems and can support multiple simultaneous users. Those of us who have been using genealogy programs since the 1990s can report that the available genealogy software has improved greatly since those days. I am certain that today's cloud-based genealogy services and even the mobile apps for Android and Apple iOS also will improve at least as much in future years.

The new cloud-based programs will not match the power of the Windows and Macintosh programs this year, probably not next year, and I doubt if they will be as powerful even the year after. But I anticipate that they will match and even surpass the power of today's desktop and laptop genealogy programs within a few years. The genealogy programs of the 1980s and 1990s continually improved to become the powerhouses of today. I believe history will repeat itself: today's cloud-based genealogy programs will continually improve to become collaborative services that do far more than anything we have today.

The way I see it, the future of genealogy software is in the cloud.

**Evernote's Future Is in the Cloud (September 13, 2016)**

[Dick Eastman](#) · [September 13, 2016](#) · [Cloud Services](#) · [3 Comments](#)



I have written frequently about Evernote, a note-taking app on steroids that is very useful for genealogists and most everyone else. (See <http://goo.gl/uEaV7X> for my past articles about Evernote.) I have also written frequently about use of “the cloud” for genealogy and other purposes. (See <http://goo.gl/f6lkQh> for my past articles about the cloud. I especially recommend a Plus Edition article, (+) *I am Moving to the Cloud*, that has an introduction at <http://goo.gl/z6P2TL> with the full article available at <http://eogn.com/wp/?p=40129>.)

Now Evernote has come to the same conclusion that I came to some time ago: it makes sense to move to the cloud.

The Evernote Blog has an article entitled *Evernote's Future Is in the Cloud* at <https://blog.evernote.com/blog/2016/09/13/evernotes-future-cloud/> that summarizes the company's recent study. It says (in part):

*“In reviewing our options, the benefits of adopting a modern cloud solution for our data quickly became clear. After an intensive period of research and investigation involving several cloud providers, we have selected Google Cloud Platform to provide our data infrastructure moving forward.*

*“Until now, Evernote has owned, configured, and maintained its own servers and networks. This approach gave us the ability to build the service we wanted the way we wanted to build it. But it is also limiting—expensive to maintain, slow to upgrade, and difficult to scale. And while the infrastructure we have now is perfectly suited to support Evernote as it runs today, it lacks the speed and flexibility we need for tomorrow.*

*“Meanwhile, cloud platform services have come into their own, transforming the technological landscape as they become ever more robust. But the question was this: can a cloud service give our 200 million customers the high level of quality, performance, and security they expect and deserve from Evernote?”*

*“We believe it can.”*

You can read the article at <https://blog.evernote.com/blog/2016/09/13/evernotes-future-cloud/>.

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## FUNNY BONE

Some more funny sounding names found in census research.

Found at:

[http://homepages.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~tracers/funny\\_census\\_names.htm](http://homepages.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~tracers/funny_census_names.htm)

These are names actually found in census records.

Just a bit of humor in reality!

Sorry if these are related to you. It is all in good fun!

Comfort Castle - found in 1830 Columbia County, NY.

Constant Chase - found in 1830 Boston, Suffolk Co, MA.

Noble Crapper - found in 1790 Worcester Co, MD.

Orange Field - found in 1930 Miller County, GA.

Tiny Little - found in 1930 Chatooga County, GA.

Joy Rider - found in 1930 Bennington, Morrow County, OH.

Cotton Tufts - found in 1830 Weymouth, Norfolk Co, MA.

Page Turner - found in 1880 Putnam County, GA.

Frost Snow - found in 1920 Reed Island, Pulaski Co, VA.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

***For An Even More Comprehensive List of All Kinds of Genealogy Programs Being Offered Locally and Even Nationally, Please Visit My Blog I Write for the Library and Look At My Page Titled "Calendar of Local Genealogy Events".***

***Here Is A Direct Link To the Calendar:***

***<http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com/calendar-of-local-genealogy-events/>***

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

Oct 11          Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.

- TUE 2016 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.  
**"Find Your Roots in Naturalization Records"**  
 Presented by Steve Szabados.  
 Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.  
 Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at <http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com>
- \*Oct 19 WED 2016 DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday  
 DuPage County Historical Museum, 102 E. Wesley St., Wheaton, IL 60187.  
 6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.  
 Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:45 PM.  
 Program title is **"Finding Your Civil War Ancestor Online"**.  
 Guest speaker is **Bruce Allardice**.  
 Society website at [www.dcg.org](http://www.dcg.org).  
 Society blog at <http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/>  
 DuPage County History Museum website at [www.dupageco.org/museum](http://www.dupageco.org/museum)
- Nov 5 SAT 2016 Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, November 5, 2016.  
**"Research Practices: Sources and Citations"**  
 Presented by Ginger Frere  
 Arlington Heights Senior Center.  
 1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL.  
 Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:00 AM  
 Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM  
 Visit the society website at <http://www.nwsgenealogy.org/>
- Nov 8 TUE 2016 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.  
 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.  
**"Using Fold3 to Research World War I and II Military Records"**  
 Presented by Jennifer Holik.  
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- \*Nov 16 WED 2016 DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday  
 Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.  
 6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.  
 Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:45 PM.  
 Program title is **"Luck of the Irish Uncovers the Truth"**.  
 Guest speaker is **Patricia Biallas**.  
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- Dec 13 TUE 2016 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.  
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**Break Out Sessions/Small Group Discussions.**  
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- Jan 7 SAT 2017 Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, January 7, 2017.  
**"German Immigration"**  
 Presented by Teresa Steinkamp McMillin

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Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:00 AM  
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Jan 10  
TUE  
2017  
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**"Finding Newspapers Online"**

Presented by Sarah A. V. Kirby.  
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\*Jan 18  
WED  
2017  
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6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.  
Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:45 PM.

Program title is **"Find My Past"**.  
Guest speaker is **Debra Dudek**.  
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Feb 4  
SAT  
2017  
Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, February 4, 2017.

**"DNA: A Power Tool in the Genealogist's Toolbox"**

Presented by Karen Stanbary  
Arlington Heights Senior Center.  
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Feb 14  
TUE  
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**"Searching Genealogy Websites Successfully"**

Presented by Jane Haldeman.  
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\*Feb 15  
WED  
2017  
DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday  
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6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.  
Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:45 PM.

Program title is **"Family History's Navigational Tool: The G.P.S."**.  
Guest speaker is **Laura Cosgrove Lorenzana**.  
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Mar 4  
Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, March 4, 2017.

- SAT  
2017      **"Webinar: On and Off the Net: Locality Searching"**  
Presented by D. Joshua Taylor  
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1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL.  
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- Mar 14  
TUE  
2017      Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.  
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PM.  
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- Apr 1  
SAT  
2017      Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, April 1, 2017.  
**"What's New on the Internet"**  
Presented by Caron Brennan  
Arlington Heights Senior Center.  
1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL.  
Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:00 AM  
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- Apr 11  
TUE  
2017      Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.  
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PM.  
**"Ancestral Stories, Fact or Fiction? – Researching the Legends"**  
Presented by Barbara Peterson.  
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- \*Apr 19  
WED  
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6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.  
Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:45 PM.  
Program title is **"Family History Research in the British Isles"**.  
Guest speaker is **Maureen Brady**.  
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- May 6  
SAT  
2017      Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, May 6, 2017.  
**"Courthouse Discoveries"**  
Presented by Tina Beard  
Arlington Heights Senior Center.  
1801 West Central Road. Arlington Heights, IL.  
Pre-Meeting Round Table/Helping/Sharing at 9:00 AM  
Speaker program starts at 10:00 AM  
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- May 9  
TUE  
2017      Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.  
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PM.

**"Navigating the Cook County Clerk of the Circuit Court Archives"**

Presented by Raymond Johnson.

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- \*May 17  
WED  
2017
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6:30 PM Refreshments. Society Business begins at 7:00 PM.  
Program Presentation 7:30 PM to 8:45 PM.  
Program title is **"Looking for Love in All the Wrong Places: Marriage Records"**.  
Guest speaker is **Ginger Frere**.  
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- Jun 13  
TUE  
2017
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- \*Jul 11  
TUE  
2017
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**"Using Timelines To Break Down Brick Walls"**  
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- \*Aug 8  
TUE  
2017
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**"How the PBS Genealogy Roadshow Solved My Family Mystery!"**  
Presented by Gail Lukasik.  
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- Sep 12  
TUE  
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- \*Oct 10  
TUE  
2017
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130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.  
**"Developing a Sixth Census: Finding More in the "Census" Than Meets the Eye"**  
Presented by Dr. Daniel Hubbard.  
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\*Nov 14  
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**"Transcribing Records for FamilySearch: You Can Do It!"**

Presented by Jeffrey Bockman.

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Dec 12  
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