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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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JANUARY 9, 2018 GENEALOGY PROGRAM TOPIC

Our next genealogy program will take place on Tuesday evening, January 9, 2018.

Maureen Brady will be our guest speaker for the evening. Maureen will present a program titled "Optimize Your Online Genealogy Searches: Its More Than FamilySearch and Ancestry.com".

Maureen Brady will help you learn how to jump start your online genealogy research by utilizing Cyndis List, Find My Past, Fold3, USGenWeb and other "broad coverage" websites.

Maureen Brady is a former school librarian and computer educator. She has over 35 years' experience with family history research, is a professional genealogist, and owner of Bare Roots Genealogical Services. Maureen has made numerous presentations to Illinois and Wisconsin genealogical societies, libraries, conferences, and workshops. Ms. Brady is co-director of the Crystal Lake (Illinois) Family History Center and is a member of many genealogical and family history societies in the U.S. and Scotland.

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.

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, 4th 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

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 233 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 1,743 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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1921 Canadian Census is Now Available Free at the Library and Archives Canada (October 30, 2017)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [October 30, 2017](#) · [Online Sites](#) · [One Comment](#)

According to a note in the IAJGS Public Records Access Alert:



Canada

In 2013, Ancestry digitized the Canadian 1921 census and until last month it was available only through Ancestry. Per their agreement with Library and Archives Canada, the 1921 census is now available free at the Library and Archives Canada. Canada has a 92-year privacy act therefore, the first time it would have been available to the public is 2013. In 1921 there were 233 census districts and enumerators collected information on 8,788,433 individuals. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics was authorized to microfilm and destroy the original paper records. The only microfilm copy is an archival holding. The digitized copies were made from microfilm-which is acknowledged on inconsistent quality and some images are not readable. Some of the records did not survive. Access on Library and Archives Canada is free.

To access the census go to:

<https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/census/1921/Pages/introduction.aspx>

Recorded MyHeritage Genealogy Seminar Webinars Are Now Available Online for Free (November 1, 2017)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [November 1, 2017](#) · [Education](#) · [One Comment](#)

In an article I published a couple of weeks ago (and still visible to all at <http://bit.ly/2z5CjgK>), I mentioned that MyHeritage would be holding free online webinars featuring the participation of experts in DNA, Jewish genealogy, general research techniques, and technology trends for genealogy. That webinar was held on October 19.



The webinars did take place and they were also recorded. If you missed the original events, you can still listen to them today. Details may be found at <http://bit.ly/2hwaTt4>.

Who Actually Owns Your Content When You Post It to the Web? (November 2, 2017)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [November 2, 2017](#) · [Genealogy Basics, Legal Affairs](#) · [14 Comments](#)

Over the years, I have heard or read many comments from genealogists about who owns information posted to the World Wide Web. In fact, many people are reluctant to post their family trees online because "someone might steal the information." A short article published in the Gizmodo.com Web site uses non-lawyer English to explain several of the issues concerning legal "ownership" of information posted online.

If you have concerns about ownership of online information, you might want to read *Who Actually Owns Your Content When You Post It to the Web* by David Nield at <http://bit.ly/2ypjoQU>.

I will offer one thought to keep in mind: names of people, along with dates and places of birth, marriage, death, military service, and similar facts of interest to genealogists are just that: facts. As stated in the article by David Nield, "**You can't copyright facts, or ideas, or systems...**" While you might be in possession of certain facts about your ancestors, that doesn't mean that you OWN the information. No one person "owns" facts within the U.S., according to copyright law.

Ancestry Adds Options to Share or to Not Share DNA Information (November 3, 2017)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [November 3, 2017](#) · [DNA](#) · [9 Comments](#)

Ancestry has announced a new update to its popular DNA service: an option to share DNA information or to keep the information private. In a statement released yesterday, the company states:

"Customers can now decide if they want to have access to the list of people they may be related to and be shown as a potential family member for other customers with whom they share DNA. While connecting family is one of the main benefits of our service, we also recognize that not everyone is open to discovering their extended family."

The full announcement may be found at: <http://ancestry.me/2A5suyF>.

My thanks to the several newsletter readers who told me about the new announcement.

Your Genealogy Research Could Land Your DNA Results in a Criminal Investigation (November 7, 2017)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [November 7, 2017](#) · [DNA](#) · [11 Comments](#)

Just to clarify, the title above does not mean that **YOU** would be the subject of a criminal investigation. However, your DNA test could result in a criminal investigation into the activities of a family member or other relative.

Millions of people have submitted DNA samples to companies, including to Ancestry.com, 23andMe, Family Tree DNA, MyHeritage, Living DNA, and others. The websites allow customers to find out where their ancestors came from. However, an article in the KIRO-TV web site suggests that your DNA data could be used for other purposes.

Law enforcement could get access to your DNA profile to solve a violent crime involving a close relative of yours.

The article is a bit sensationalist, emphasizing one very small negative in what I believe to be a testing process that is filled with lots of positive stories. Nonetheless, you might want to think about this a bit before submitting a DNA sample. If so, please read the article at: <http://kiro.tv/2iDXgHP>.

Is it possible that one of your relatives committed a violent crime? If so, do you want to help identify him or her?

I will give you my answer: "If one of my relatives committed a despicable violent crime, I would want him or her to be identified, arrested, and tried. That's true regardless of our blood relationship. Criminals everywhere need to be apprehended and tried in a court of law."

I have already submitted DNA samples to four different DNA companies and I probably will do so again if new genealogy testing companies appear. **I will not hesitate.** If my DNA helps prove that a relative of mine is a criminal, then he or she deserves to face a judge and jury.

However, I realize that other people might not agree with my thoughts. Some people might want to hide certain facts.

I suggest you should think about this to determine how you feel, then make up your own mind.

NBC to Develop a "Reunited" Genealogy Television Drama (November 8, 2017)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [November 8, 2017](#) · [Video & Television](#) · [No Comments](#)

According to an article in the [Deadline.com](#) web site:



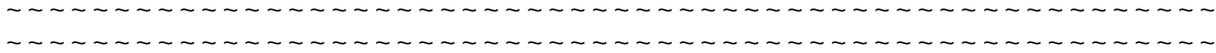
"NBC has put in development *Reunited*, a drama inspired by investigative genealogist Pamela Slaton, from *Gone* creator/executive producer Matt Lopez, Epidemic Pictures & Management's Darryl Taja (*The Perfect Guy*) and Universal TV.

"Created and written by Lopez, *Reunited* is inspired by Slaton, the country's foremost investigative genealogist, who uses her wits, detective skills and take-no-prisoners attitude to track down long-lost loved ones and reunite broken families."

At another point, the article states:

"Slaton, a specialist in reuniting adoptees and lost love ones, authored with Samantha Marshall the book *Reunited*, a biography on her life and career, published by St. Martin's Press in 2012. She is currently an on-air contributor for ABC's 20/20."

You can read the complete article by Nellie Andreeva at: <http://bit.ly/2At2j63>.



LOCAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS/PROGRAMS

Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society

The next meeting of the Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society will take place on Saturday morning January 6, 2018. The program for the morning is titled "*Digitizing Photos and Slides*". The speaker for the morning will be **Debra Dudek**.

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.

DuPage County Genealogical Society

Please note that meetings that will take place for the society will occur between September 2017 and May 2018. The September 2017 program will occur at the DuPage County Historical Museum located at 102 E. Wesley Street in Wheaton, IL. The October 2017 through May 2018 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, January 17, 2018 between 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Refreshments are offered at 6:30pm. The program scheduled for that evening is **"Reconstructing Your Soldier's WW I Experience"**. The speaker for the program will be **Tina Beaird**.

Many federal WWI personnel records were destroyed in a National Archives fire in the 1970s. Tina offers ways to locate copies of peripheral federal military records and provides solutions for recreating some of your soldier's lost military history by using local government documents, newspapers and more.

You may visit the society's web page at:

www.dcgs.org

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

<http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/>

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Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI)

The next regular meeting of CAGGNI will take place on Saturday morning, January 20, 2018 at the Schaumburg Township District Library, 130 S. Roselle Road, Schaumburg, IL between 10:30am to 12:30pm. The program scheduled for this day is **"Brick by Brick: Tracing Your Home's History"**. The speaker will be **Tina Beard**.

If walls could talk was your home moved, damaged by fire or enlarged to accommodate a growing family? Tina will provide strategies for researching the history of your home using government records, newspapers, phone directories, maps and other resources. Every home tells a story - what does your say?

You may visit the organization web page at:

www.CAGGNI.org

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INTERNET INFORMATION

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Why Was the Information Removed from Online? (October 26, 2017)
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[Dick Eastman](#) · [October 26, 2017](#) · [Online Sites](#) · [15 Comments](#)

NOTE: *This is a slightly updated version of an article I published about a year ago. A newsletter reader sent a message to me recently expressing dissatisfaction with records that once were available online but recently have disappeared. I am offering this republished article as an explanation about why we should not be surprised when that*

happens. I believe that every genealogist should understand why this happens so this article bears repeating every year or two. Please feel free to republish this article in newsletters, message boards, or forward it in email messages as you see fit.

I will also offer a suggestion as to making sure you keep your own copies of online records that are valuable to you.

A newsletter reader sent an email message to me recently expressing dissatisfaction that a set of images of vital records has been removed from one of the very popular genealogy sites. Indeed, removal of any online records of genealogical value is sad, but not unusual. Changes such as these are quite common on FamilySearch, MyHeritage, Ancestry.com, Fold3, FindMyPast, and many other genealogy sites that provide digital images of old records online. Removal of datasets has occurred dozens of times in the past, and I suspect such things will continue to happen in the future. I thought I would write a brief explanation.

In almost all cases, information of genealogical value obtained from government agencies, religious groups, museums, genealogy societies, and other organizations is provided under contractual agreements. The contracts specify what information is to be provided, how it is to be made available, and what price the web site has to pay to the provider for the records. **All contracts also have a defined expiration date**, typically 2 years or 3 years or perhaps 5 years after the contract is signed.

When a contract nears expiration, the two parties usually attempt to renegotiate the contract. Sometimes renewal is automatic, but more often it is not. Maybe the information provider (the government agency, religious group, museum, genealogy society, and other organization) decides they want more money, or maybe they decide they no longer want to supply the data to the online genealogy service. For instance, in the time the information has been available online, the information provider may have learned just how valuable the information really is. The information provider may decide to ask for more money or may even refuse to provide the information any more since the provider may have a **NEW plan to create their own web site and offer the same information online on their own, new web site for a fee.**

Sure, that stinks for those of us who would like to have the information everywhere; but, it makes sense to most everyone else. I am sure the budget officer at most any state or local government archive thinks it makes sense.

Every contract renegotiation is different, but it is not unusual to agree to disagree. The contract ends, and the web site provider legally **MUST** remove the information from their web site. The same thing frequently happens to all the other online sites that provide old records online.

Moral of this story: If you find a record online that is valuable to you, **SAVE IT NOW!** Save it to your hard drive and make a backup copy someplace else as well. If there is no option to save, make a screen shot and save it on your hard drive or some other place where it will last for many years. Just because you can see the record online today does not mean that it will be available tomorrow.

[Dick Eastman](#) · [October 31, 2017](#) · [Genealogy Basics](#) · [11 Comments](#)

Would you like to know who lived in your home many years ago? Or perhaps you want to find the home of your ancestors in the 19th century. One online site can help. **Historic Map Works** has unveiled a way to link people and places throughout history.



Historic Map Works is a collection of 19th and early 20th century city, town, and county maps. The detailed maps usually show every building and every street in each city or town. Each single-dwelling home contains the name of the family who resided there, either on or beside the building on the map. Apartment complexes contained the property owner's name.

The new site should be of interest to history buffs, genealogy searchers, and real estate agents. Can you imagine the realtor listing the details of a family that used to live in the house being offered for sale? I suspect that amount of detail might increase the sale price!

The maps are visible on the web site free of charge while higher quality printed maps are offered for sale.

Historic Map Works provides the following description of their site:

Based in Portland Maine, Historic Map Works, LLC is an Internet company formed to create a historic digital map database of North America and the world. Drawing on the largest physical collection of American property atlases of its type, it is our aim to be the single best online destination for map enthusiasts and researchers alike.

In addition to our own atlas collection, we incorporated our scans of the antiquarian world map collection from the Osher Map Library and Smith Center for Cartographic Education located at the University of Southern Maine. Combining these collections allows site visitors a vast amount of information spanning several centuries of cartographic information.

Historic Map Works's map collection includes:

- United States Property Atlases
- Antiquarian Maps
- Nautical Charts
- Birdseye Views
- Special Collections (Celestial Maps, Portraits, and other historical images)
- Directories and other text documents

The vast majority of our database was created by scanning an original map at a high resolution by our team of highly skilled image technicians. After scanning, this team processes out the major imperfections while maintaining the look of an antiquarian map.

Maps are then uploaded and cataloged for viewing on our website. Our technicians geocode each map to a modern map to enable the search by address function. Linking the historic images in our database with geocode data allows visitors to search by modern day address or latitude and longitude coordinates. Other methods to view our maps include browsing by geographic location as well as searching our maps via keywords, town names, makers names, or simply by year.

Prints and giftware are offered for the vast majority of images on our site. A Giclee printing process is used to create the images ordered from our site ensuring an archival print that will remain vibrant for years to come.

I will share one experience I had. I first went to the Historic Map Works web site, clicked on one map for a town where some of my ancestors lived, and then clicked on zoom. Imagine my surprise to see my great-great-uncle's house listed in Scarborough, Maine. I had only been on the web site about fifteen seconds!

I cannot guarantee that you will have the same level of success that I enjoyed, but you can find out for yourself at <http://www.historicmapworks.com>.



PERIODICAL NEWS

NGS Magazine

We have received the July-September 2017, Volume 43, Number 3 issue of NGS Magazine.

Key articles in this issue are:

“Digital Rather Than Microfilm Access to FamilySearch Records”

By FamilySearch

“The Writing of “Mastering Genealogical Documentation””

By Angela Packer McGhie, CG

An Interview of Author, Thomas W. Jones

“The Power of Story”

By Curt B. Witcher

“The Story is in the Conflict”

By Sharon DeBartolo Carmack, MFA, CG

“Uncovering the Stories of Farming Ancestors”

By Annette Burke Lyttle

"Drawing Out and Recording Six Hundred Years of Stories"

By Jaimie Yuenger

"A Code of Ethics for Storytelling"

By Amie Bowser Tennant

"World War I Statement of Service Cards"

By Susan Goss Johnston

**"The National World War I Museum and Memorial's
Edward Jones Research Center"**

By Jonathan R. Casey and Stacie Petersen

"Recording Tools for Audio Family History"

By Jordan Jones

"Showing and Telling Family History Stories"

By Kathy Petlewski, MLS

"The Two Dimensions of DNA: time and Place"

By Diahna Southard

**"Butter Makers and More: Revelations of the 1929 Census of
Manufacturers"**

By Claire Prechtel Kluskens

Just by looking at the variety of the titles of the articles above, it does appear that a "theme" seems to stand out about many of the articles focusing of "storytelling".

There are many other non-storytelling articles in this issue many of which may pique your curiosity.

I thought that a good article included in this issue is titled "Digital Rather Than Microfilm Access to FamilySearch Records". The author of the article is FamilySearch. The article is very timely and can certainly help the researcher make his way through the fact that FamilySearch is no longer providing microfilms to researchers as of September 7, 2017.

Here are the key points of the article:

- Microfilm to Digital Transitioning
 - FamilySearch start using digital cameras in 1998 to capture documents.
 - Conversion of existing microfilm material to digital format began in 2004.
 - First images of digitized microfilm material were made available in 2007.
 - Today, all camera work being done by FamilySearch is digital.
- Status of Digitization

- FamilySearch has digitized over 1.5 million reels of the 2.4 million reels in its collection
- Currently, 1.1 million digitized rolls are available to anyone at any FamilySearch Family History Center.
- FamilySearch is negotiating contracts for restricted collections to allow publication of this material on the Internet.
- Before becoming available in name-searchable or image-browseable historical record collections, digitized microfilms are first published in the FamilySearch catalog. Currently 870,000 digitized rolls are available only through the catalog.
- For those digitized rolls in the catalog, a camera icon without an associated lock icon means the film is available to anyone to view. A camera icon with a lock icon means that film that while digitally viewable, has restrictions on it limiting viewing through a Family History Center or a FamilySearch Affiliate Library.
- FamilySearch Affiliate Libraries have been working with FamilySearch to be sure the affiliate has technical capabilities to allow viewing of these restricted digital rolls. (I have personally verified that affiliate libraries in our area can access microfilm reel numbers from the catalog that are shown with a camera icon and a lock. You will not have to go only to a Family History Center to view these films. Affiliates that are normally public libraries now have the capability for you to view these films. Plus they are generally open every day and have longer hours when open to view these films.)
- The Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Films not onsite at the Family History Library can be requested 24 hours in advance of use and films will be duplicated from the granite vault storage facility and provided to the Family History Library.
- Films are being digitally converted in the order of most requested and used. FamilySearch is noting that if you need a film to be digitized can request that it be added to the priority digitization list by calling FamilySearch support toll free at 866-406-1830.
- Restricted Access
 - Due to contractual reasons, access to some digitized rolls is restricted in some fashion.
 - Some digitized data may not be available via the Internet.
 - Some digitized data may not be available at all to the general public.
 - Some digitized data may not be available in certain geographic area.
 - Some digitized data may only be available for viewing online only at a Family History Center or a FamilySearch Affiliate Library.
 - Some digitized rolls are not available anywhere due to privacy laws.

- Some parts of digitized rolls are restricted due to laws. If a part of a roll is restricted, the entire roll is restricted from viewing. FamilySearch is developing the capability to display partial digital rolls of data to honor the restriction regarding the parts that cannot be viewed.
- Microfilms in Family History Centers and Affiliate Libraries
 - Any microfilms currently in inventory at family history centers or affiliates have been designated as extended loans and do not have to be returned to Salt Lake City.
 - Local family history centers or affiliates can choose to return the films in their inventory if they choose.
 - Microfilms are the property of FamilySearch and may not be donated, given away, sold or relocated without prior permission.

This is a very good and informative small article and very timely for researchers to gain a better understanding for them to access to digital material from FamilySearch. For personal films of interest to me I have seen the variety of categories for these films. Some are readily available to me to access online from anywhere. Some films are digitally available but only available for me to see at a Family History Center or an Affiliate. And yes, some films are in microfilm format that very well may have restrictions or be at the bottom of any priority list for digitization. For all I know I may be the only one interested in these type of films. They certainly do not have a high number of uses.

I am also in the process of obtaining permission from NGS Magazine to allow me to make paper copies of the article to use as a handout at our genealogy programs.

I thought that another good article in this issue is one titled "Recording Tools for Audio Family History". The author of the article is Jordan Jones.

Hearing stories from our relatives about our ancestors is wonderful and inspiring. However, our own memories of listening to those stories can be fleeting and not permanent. Now is the time to consider capturing the stories of the lives of our cousins and living relatives while we can. How about capturing your own story? Data is nice to discover and document. Stories about an individual add that much more. We can't hear the voice of someone from 150 years ago who passed away. So why not take the opportunity in your family history research to start capturing the images and audio of those who are alive by capturing their stories of their lives.

This is a good article that lays out a nice framework for the technical and software resources to consider using to capture these stories.

The author gives these suggestions on how to go about "collecting" your stories:

- Choose the interview subject
 - Who among the elderly might have a story to tell?
 - Who knew a great-grandfather?
 - Who might know why the family moved west?
- Prepare a list of prompts

- Create a list of jumping off points for the conversation. Don't rely on pulling these points out of your head.
- Maybe a picture is a jumping off point.
- Maybe an existing story that can be told with even more detail is a jumping off point.
- Decide what tools to use
 - Do want to record just an audio interview? Do you want to record a video/audio interview?
 - Will you use software that came with your desktop/laptop/mobile? Special software that is over and above the basic?
 - Will you record with the idea of the recording be public or private?
- Plan the Interview
 - Choose a time and place that is convenient and comfortable for the person being interviewed.
 - Limit the time for the convenience of the person being interviewed, especially if that person is elderly.
- StoryCorps
 - Consider StoryCorps as one of those tools to use to make your recordings. You can access them online at <https://storycorps.org>.
 - Generally consists of two relatives or close friends where one is telling a story with a few prompts from the other.
 - StoryCorps has stationary booths in New York, San Francisco and Atlanta as well as has traveling booths in an Airstream trailer.
 - Its mobile app for iOS and Android allows anyone to record stories and share the stories for free. The website for StoryCorps allows uploading of recordings made without using the app. It accepts many different audio formats for uploading.
 - StoryCorps archives recordings at the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress.
- StoryWorth
 - (iOS) <https://www.storyworth.com>
 - Captures written or audio stories and features an Apple TV app that allows playback of the audio on a TV with an Apple TV device.
 - Reminder emails are sent to the interviewer or the interviewee every week for a year.
 - Questions can be selected from a preset list or created from scratch.
 - Responses can be in writing or in audio format.
 - At the end of the year the stories, transcriptions of the recordings, photos etc. are put together into a draft of the book.
 - Copies of the created are then available to purchase.
 - Full cost for StoryWorth participation and creation of material is \$79.

- StoryGlory
 - (iOS) <http://storyglory.me>
 - Designed to elicit comments and stories around a photo uploaded to the app.
 - Similar to a Facebook post, except that it is shared only with a specific list of family members. Emphasis is on audio responses.
 - Free starter account to trial the process.
 - A "storyteller" account for \$90 per year allows you to download photos, movies and get live support.
 - One printed book also included with the annual subscription with starter account of \$100; additional books at \$80; scanning of 100 photos for free; additional scans at \$.40 each.
- FamilySearch Memories
 - iOS and Android
 - Free photo and audio sharing app
 - Photos and recordings can be associated with people in the FamilySearch tree.
 - All items are backed up to FamilySearch databases.
 - Upload and manage photos, written stories, documents and audio recordings at <https://familysearch.org/photos>
- Using what is available
 - Family stories don't need a fancy program.
 - A smartphone, tablet or computer will produce serviceable recordings.
 - Consider using Microsoft's Windows Movie Maker or Apple's iMovie or TechSmith's product called Camtasia at <https://www.techsmith.com/camtasia.html> (\$199).
 - Consider Evernote mobile app for iOS and Android. Open a note, click on microphone icon, record an MP3 and upload the recording to Evernote.
 - Use these more readily available ways to capture audio. Don't lose out on the opportunity to record.
- Preservation of recordings
 - Crucial to take the time to preserve the recorded memories.
 - Some of the recordings from designated apps will go directly to the Cloud. Others may just go to the desktop.
 - You are better off getting the memories into the Cloud
 - Dropbox
 - Google Drive
 - OneDrive
 - Still back up any recorded memories on your own local devices.

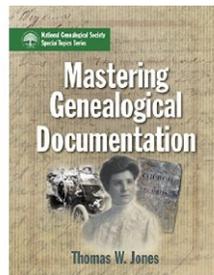
Remember, it is always best to start capturing the stories of our living relatives before you even start doing your genealogical research. Great plan, but it does not always work out. If you never recorded those stories and just jumped headlong into research, consider taking a pause on the research and switch over to capturing those stories. Perhaps you may realize a key relative may have passed away since your research started. Now is the time to realize those memories are only there as long as those relatives are still alive. Consider that you have been given another chance to capture the stories.

This is another very good issue of NGS Magazine. Take a look again at the Table of Contents of the articles included in this issue that I noted back at the beginning. See if any may have a connection to your own research. If so, make a personal copy of that article from this issue for your use.

You will find this most recent issue of NGS Magazine on the 2nd floor of our library on the magazine shelves.

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BOOKS IN PRINT



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We have just added a new genealogy book to our circulating collection. The title of the book is *Mastering Genealogical Documentation*. The author of the book is Thomas W. Jones. The call number of the book is 929.1 JONES, T. The book was published in 2017 and was added to our circulating collection in October 2017. It is available to check out. Look for this book to be shelved on the 2nd floor of our library on our regular circulating book shelves by the call number above.

I did notice there was a small review of the book that was posted on the Genea-Musings website of Randy Seaver. You can look at the online post of this review in his blog at <http://www.geneamusings.com/2017/05/mastering-genealogical-documentation.html> or just continuing after the separator line and the full text of the review will follow.

Included in his post you will also be able to see some comments left by other readers.

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ARLINGTON, VA, 4 MAY 2017— On 10 May, the National Genealogical Society (NGS) will release for sale *Mastering Genealogical Documentation* by Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CGSM, CGLSM, FASG, FNGS, FUGA, author of the preeminent work, *Mastering Genealogical Proof*, and an award-winning genealogical researcher and educator. The publication of this

essential text on how to cite all kinds of sources clearly, completely, and accurately coincides with the NGS 2017 Family History Conference, which will be held in Raleigh, NC, 10-13 May.

Mastering Genealogical Documentation teaches genealogists how to describe and cite their sources—including sources for which no model citation exists—with artistry, clarity, conciseness, completeness, and competence so that their work will meet the genealogy field’s published standards. In this new step-by-step guidebook, Dr. Thomas W. Jones provides a foundation in the principles, logic, and decisions that underpin genealogical documentation. Exercises are provided at the end of each chapter (with answers at the back of the book) to reinforce concepts and provide opportunities for practice.

Jones is a professor emeritus from Gallaudet University. A former trustee and past president of the Board for Certification of Genealogists, he has co-edited the National Genealogical Society Quarterly since 2002. He has taught genealogical documentation at Boston University, the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh, Institute on Genealogy and Historical Research, Western Institute of Genealogy, and elsewhere.

Conference participants will be able to purchase *Mastering Genealogical Documentation* at the conference. Others may order it online beginning 10 May. Shipment of the book will begin 22 May 2017. For more information, visit http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/mastering_genealogical_documentation.

SOFTWARE/HARDWARE

The following articles are from Eastman’s Online Genealogy Newsletter October 27, 2017 and November 15, 2017 and are copyright by Richard W. Eastman 2017. They are re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>

Family History Hosting Announces GedSite Version 1.10 (October 27, 2017)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [October 27, 2017](#) · [Software](#) · [2 Comments](#)

GedSite is a great tool for creating personal genealogy web sites. The program has its own “roots” in a program that was used to create gorgeous web sites from the database of The Master Genealogist, a Windows program that is no longer available. The program’s creator, John Cardinal, then moved his focus to creating web sites from GEDCOM files. He named the newly-launched program GedSite.

Now John has greatly expanded the capabilities of GedSite, as explained in the announcement below:

Family History Hosting Announces GedSite Version 1.10

Featuring enhancements for customers using Legacy®

North Andover, MA – October 27, 2017 – [Family History Hosting, LLC](#) is pleased to announce [GedSite](#) version 1.10, the most recent release of this must-have tool for any genealogist creating web sites from GEDCOM files. This release features enhanced support for GEDCOM files exported from Legacy® and several optimizations related to exhibit handling.

“GedSite builds narratives using a flexible processing engine that interprets sentence templates exported from several genealogy programs, now including Legacy” said John Cardinal, CEO and Founder of Family History Hosting.

Soliciting and acting on customer feedback is an integral part of the GedSite development process, and as usual, this release delivers several features requested by users, including optimizations related to media exhibits.

GedSite creates HTML pages that can be published on the web or shared privately via removable media or cloud-based file storage. Genealogists who do not plan to share their research via a web site will find GedSite useful for personal use: reviewing an unpublished site is easy and provides an all-encompassing view of lineage, names, events, places, citations, sources, and media exhibits.

The Publish feature in GedSite is closely integrated with the Family History Hosting web hosting service. With two mouse clicks, your site is uploaded to the server, a process so simple and fast that customers update their sites frequently, and frequent updates keep your site interesting to your visitors.

For more information about GedSite, see the product homepage at <http://www.gedsite.com>. To purchase a GedSite license, visit Family History Hosting’s software sales site at <http://www.familyhistoryhosting.com/oc>.

About Family History Hosting, LLC

[Family History Hosting LLC](#) was founded in 2007 to provide first-class web hosting services for genealogists and family historians, and to publish genealogy software focused on web site creation.

Contact:

Sales@FamilyHistoryHosting.com

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Nokia Security Report for 2017 (November 15, 2017)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [November 15, 2017](#) · [Off Topic](#) · [No Comments](#)

Are you concerned about malware (malevolent software), such as viruses, keyloggers, and trojan horse programs? If so, you might want to read a new report from Nokia.

The [Nokia Threat Intelligence Report](#) examines malware infections found in mobile and fixed networks worldwide. It provides analysis of data gathered from more than 100 million devices by the Nokia NetGuard Endpoint Security solution. The new report details

key security incidents and trends from the first three quarters of 2017. Amongst the findings:

- Devices using the Android operating system were the most likely to be infected this year, according to Nokia research.
- Android was the #1 target for Malware, about 1% of all Android devices will be infected, an increase from 2016. This means 0.94% of all Android devices were infected, slightly above Google's 2016 Q4 estimate of 0.71%.
- Out of all infected devices, 68.50% were Androids, 27.96% ran on Windows, and 3.54% used iOS.

Nokia labeled trojanized apps as the top security threat to Androids. Android users should only download reputable apps from the Play Store and avoid third-party app stores.

Residential Users

The overall monthly infection rate in residential fixed broadband networks averaged 6.20 percent in 2017. This is down from 11.30 percent in the same period last year.

You can download the full report as a PDF file by starting at:
<https://pages.nokia.com/18259.threat.intelligence.report.lp.html>.

I found one statement in the report to be especially interesting: "*Out of all infected devices, 68.50% were Androids, 27.96% ran on Windows, and 3.54% used iOS.*" That indicates that infections on Macintosh, Linux, and Chromebook devices either were zero or else too few to count. That's one of the reasons I use a Macintosh for most day-to-day computing tasks (including writing and posting this article) and either the Linux operating system or a Chromebook for connecting to my bank account and other financial web sites. What are you using?

My thanks to reader Mark Middleton for telling me about the latest Nokia Security Report.

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FUNNY BONE

Found some interesting genealogy humor images on Pinterest. Thought I would share the link below to the entirety of what is all there. Enjoy all of them.

<https://www.pinterest.com/explore/genealogy-humor/>

Here are some interesting examples:

I had a lot of things to do but then I started researching census records...

now I don't know what day it is.



Twisted Twigs
on gnarled branches

There s a fine
line between a
packrat and a
serious family
historian.

If you shake your family
tree, watch for the nuts
to fall.

Today's brick wall is brought to you by the 1890 US Census.



Twisted Twigs
on gnarled branches

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 "")*

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| Dec 12
TUE
2017 | Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.
Break Out Sessions/Small Group Discussions.
No Speaker
Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. |
| Jan 6
SAT
2018 | Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, January 6, 2018.
"Digitizing Photos and Slides"
Presented by Debra Dudek
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/ |
| Jan 9
TUE
2018 | Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.
"Optimizing Your Searches on the Internet -- It's More Than FamilySearch and Ancestry"
Presented by Maureen Brady.
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- Jan 17
WED
2018
DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, January 17, 2018
Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.
6: 30 PM Refreshments.
Meeting/Program Presentation 7:00 PM to 8: 45 PM.
"Reconstructing Your Soldier's WWI Experience".
Presented by Tina Beaird.
Society website at www.dcg.org.
Society blog at <http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/>
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
- Feb 3
SAT
2018
Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, February 3, 2018.
"Funeral Homes and Family History - - They Are Dying to Meet You!"
(This program is a webinar.)
Presented by Daniel Earl
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/>
- Feb 13
TUE
2018
Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7
PM.
"The Voyages of Our German Immigrants"
Presented by Teresa Steinkamp McMillin, CG.
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- Mar 3
SAT
2018
Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, March 3, 2018.
"Learning Your Way Around Ancestry DNA"
Presented by Karen Stanbary
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/>
- Mar 10
WED
DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, March 10, 2018
Annual Conference, NIU Conference Center.
"To Be Determined".
Presented by To Be Determined.
Society website at www.dcg.org.
Society blog at <http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/>
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
- Mar 13
TUE
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No Speaker

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- Apr 7
SAT
2018 Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, April 7, 2018.
"Newspaper Research: Beyond the Birdcage"
Presented by Debbie Mieszela
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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- Apr 10
TUE
2018 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.
"Family History's Navigational Tool: The Genealogical Proof Standard (G.P.S.)"
Presented by Laura Cosgrove Lorenzana.
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- Apr 18
WED
2018 DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, April 18, 2018
Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.
6:30 PM Refreshments.
Meeting/Program Presentation 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM.
"Oh Where, Oh Where Are My Ancestors From?".
Presented by Teresa McMillin.
Society website at www.dcg.org.
Society blog at <http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/>
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
- May 5
SAT
2018 Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, May 5, 2018.
"Who Sank Grandpa's Boat? Effective Techniques for Finding Passenger Manifests"
Presented by Dan Niemiec
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 8
TUE
2018 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM.
"How To Deal with Other Genealogists Without Going Crazy" (Live Webinar)
Presented by Thomas MacEntee, via off-site webinar.
Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.
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- May 16
WED
DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, May 16, 2018
Wheaton Public Library, 225 N. Cross St., Wheaton, IL 60187.

- 2018 6:30 PM Refreshments.
Meeting/Program Presentation 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM.
"What's New on the Internet for Genealogists".
Presented by Caron Brennan.
Society website at www.dcgcs.org.
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DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
- Jun 12 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
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- Jul 10 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
TUE 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7
2018 PM.
"Why Am I Stuck? 10 Solutions to Common Genealogical Problems"
Presented by Marsha Peterson-Maass.
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- Aug 14 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
TUE 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7
2018 PM.
"Sharing with Others: How To Convey Evidence"
Presented by Jeanne Larzalere Bloom.
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- Oct 9 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
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2018 PM.
"How DNA Can Help Your Genealogy"
Presented by Steve Szabados.
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- *Nov 13 Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program.
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"Mapping the Past: Navigating Your Family History with Maps"

Presented by Dr. Daniel Hubbard.

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