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Genealogy Group Newsletter

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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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AUGUST 14, 2018 GENEALOGY PROGRAM TOPIC

Our next genealogy program will take place on Tuesday evening, August 14, 2018.

The title of this program is "Sharing with Others: How To Convey Evidence".   The guest speaker for this program is Jeanne Larzalere Bloom.

Learn techniques to construct and arrange genealogical reasoning so that our research is useful to future generations and facilitates effective collaboration with other genealogists.

Jeanne Larzalere Bloom, CGSMis a full-time professional researcher specializing in Chicago and Cook County research, problem solving, and multi-generational family histories. She conducts research projects for government agencies, attorneys, authors, newspapers, heir-search firms, professional genealogists, family researchers. Her clients are international and include Australia, Canada, Czech Republic, England, France, Ireland, Israel, Norway, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, and Switzerland. On behalf of the Department of the Army and the Department of the Air Force, Jeanne searches and identifies family members of unaccounted for servicemen from World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.

Jeanne writes articles for scholarly journals and society publications and is a frequent lecturer at conferences, workshops, and institutes. She served as the editor of Chicago Cemetery Records 1847–1863; Sexton's Reports and Certificates, Treasurer Receipts, Deeds, and Undertakers' Reports.

Jeanne researched the ancestry of actor-comedian Jason Sudeikis, for the television series, Who Do You Think You Are?, and appeared in that episode that first aired in May 2012. In April 2012 she was interviewed by National Public Radio about the release of the 1940 U.S. census.

She is a trustee and the treasurer of the Board for Certification of Genealogists, a member of National Genealogical Society, Association of Professional Genealogists, Genealogical Speakers Guild, International Society of Family History Writers and Editors, and a multi-year alumnus of the Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research at Samford University and the National Institute of Genealogical Research at the National Archives, Washington, DC. She holds a Bachelor of Arts [History] from the University of Illinois at Chicago and a second-year certificate from the University of Chicago's publishing program.

Doors will open at approximately 7 p.m. so you can pick-up handouts, review books and journals, and network with other participants. Tony Kierna will start the program at 7:30 p.m. with introductions of new participants and a brief review of handouts and genealogical matters.

For further information, contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390.

You may visit the library's web page at:

www.SchaumburgLibrary.org

to view a Calendar of Events section of the library web page for this program and for many more non-genealogical programs offered by our library.

You can also visit the Genealogy Blog of the library that is authored by Tony Kierna. Visit the blog at **http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com** for all things related to genealogy and the genealogy programs at the Schaumburg Township District Library.

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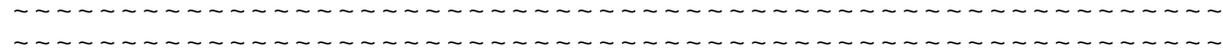
WELCOME TO ALL NEWCOMERS

Glad you could join us as you embark on a rather adventurous journey into the unknown and far-reaching past! Please see me so I can get to know you and the details of the "journey" you plan to take. Make sure you receive from me a special "newcomer" package of materials that will help you take your first big steps.

I would greatly appreciate your taking the time to fill out and return to me a simple questionnaire that I use to better understand areas of research into which you may delve as well as your having access or not to a home personal computer.

Please feel free to become acquainted with the Genealogy Collection at Schaumburg Township District Library. Our book material is generally located in the 929.1XXXX to 929.3XXXX sections of both the Circulating Collection as well as the Reference Collection. The library also has a Video, Audio and Microform Collection of Genealogy material located in the AV-Department. The materials in AV are also identified in the same Dewey number range as the printed material. These are two great browsing areas for you to review introductory material.

For book material I would like to recommend as a starter a book titled Unpuzzling Your Past: A Basic Guide to Genealogy, 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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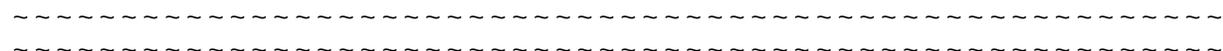
WHO WE ARE AND WHERE WE ARE LOOKING - FOLLOW-UP

Here is an update on our participant information that I am tracking. My database to date includes information on 243 participants that have returned a filled-out questionnaire to me over many years. *(In fact, the questionnaire has just recently been revised as of March 2018 to include questions on family trees being uploaded and to what locations and DNA testing as well as through which companies. The questionnaire has also been revised to allow multiple responses to a variety of the questions. The revised questionnaire is now included in all of the "Welcome" packages I hand out to new participants at our monthly program. Those that may have submitted the "old" questionnaire to me are certainly welcome to submit the new updated one back to me. I bring extra copies of this revised questionnaire to our program just for that purpose for those interested in filling out the new revised one.)* 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 program participants are searching for a total of 1,846 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. Look for the red binder in the area of the handout material at our programs. I will make additions/deletions to the participants that will be reflected in the listing of participants contained in the red binder.

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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A New Database with Pictures of 18th and 19th Century Ireland is Launched (May 25, 2018)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [May 25, 2018](#) · [History](#), [Photography](#) · [No Comments](#)

From an article by Micheál Ó Maoileoin in the *Galway Daily*:

"How was Ireland depicted in illustrations produced by travellers from 1680 to 1860? A new database of images drawn from travel accounts answers this question.
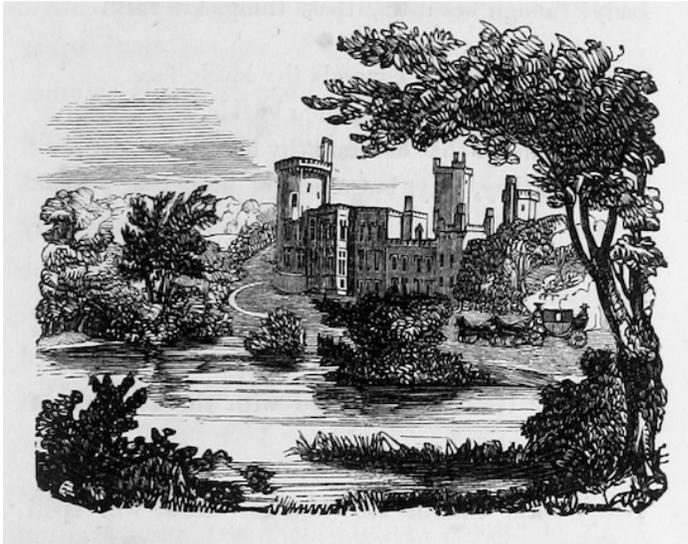
"Based on years of research by a group of investigators at NUI Galway led by Professor Jane Conroy, Ireland Illustrated is now available to view online."

"Ireland Illustrated, 1680-1860, is a database of over 500 images of Ireland – woodcuts, water colours, engravings and other illustrations – with related text, drawn from more than 50 manuscript and printed works, and highlighting several neglected or rarely accessible sources.

"Many of the pictures in the database, woodcuts, water colours, engravings and other illustrations, have rarely, if ever, been seen by the public."

You can read the full story and view a number of the images at: http://bit.ly/2kpfPkt.

The database is available at: https://ttce.nuigalway.ie/irelandillustrated/.

Experts Outline Ethics Issues With Use of Genealogy DNA to Solve Crimes (June 1, 2018)

Dick Eastman · June 1, 2018 · DNA, Legal Affairs · 17 Comments

I recently wrote about two different "cold cases" where murderers allegedly have been identified and arrested by using information found on the publicly-available genealogy DNA site at GEDmatch.com.

(See http://bit.ly/2J0dHye and http://bit.ly/2LPaSOs for my past articles.)

Privacy advocates and many others have since questioned the legality of using the information for law enforcement purposes. Admittedly, the information is publicly available for all to see. The genealogists who contributed the information did so willingly and presumably gave permission for the family DNA to be available to all. However, the relatives of the uploading genealogists may or may not have given permission for **THEIR** personal DNA information to be made available to the public. After all, it isn't the DNA of any one individual; it is indeed the family's DNA information. Not all family members have agreed to having that information made available to genealogists, law enforcement personnel, insurance companies, and worldwide hackers alike.

In the past, a court order was required for law enforcement personnel to legitimately invade the privacy of an individual or a family. The public information made available on GEDmatch seems to circumvent the legal protections of having a judge review the intent of law enforcement personnel. Are we giving up some of our liberties and privacy protections by making such information available?

There is also an issue of having law enforcement personnel use the information only for legitimate criminal investigations. One of the alleged murderers, commonly referred to as the Golden State Killer, reportedly was a uniformed police officer at the time he allegedly committed the rapes and murders. If GEDmatch had been available, would he have used the information on the web site to avoid identification and arrest? Indeed, GEDmatch theoretically could be used by murderers and others to evade capture.

You can find dozens of online article questioning the wisdom of making such information public. I'll point to one such article by Carolyn Crist on the *Reuters News Service* web site at https://reut.rs/2szWHUq as one that describes the pros and cons of the issue. However, you can find many more articles about this issue by starting at any general-purpose Web search engine.

Perhaps the best quote of the article is, "'Think carefully before uploading your genealogy data,'" said Benjamin Berkman, who heads the section on the ethics of genetics and new technologies at the National Institutes of Health's Department of Bioethics in Bethesda, Maryland. 'We're not saying it's unduly risky or a bad idea, but be comfortable with the idea that police may use your information to solve crimes before you sign up for these services.'"

My thanks to the many newsletter readers who sent me links to articles about these issues.

Need a Little Extra Money? You'll Soon be Able to Sell and Rent Your DNA (June 4, 2018)

Dick Eastman · June 4, 2018 · DNA · 2 Comments

NOTE: *I don't think I will be the first person to sign up for this. In fact, I won't sign up at all. However, I like to report all the news and this does qualify as "news." You can decide for yourself whether or not you support this new business venture. I won't.*

Consumers will soon be able to sell or rent their DNA to scientists who are trying to fight diseases as different as dementia, lupus and leukemia. Bio-brokers want to collect everything from someone's 23andMe and Ancestry.com gene data to fully sequenced genomes. The data would be sold or rented to biomedical institutes, universities and pharmaceutical companies, generating money for consumers who share their genetic secrets.

The roundup is mostly led by LunaDNA of Solana Beach, California and Nebula Genomics of San Francisco, startups that are still figuring out how much a person would be paid for their contribution.

You can read more in an article by Gary Robbins in the *San Diego Union-Tribune* web site at: http://bit.ly/2suod6w.

Internet Archive's Book Scanning Robot (June 5, 2018)

Dick Eastman · June 5, 2018 · Books · 3 Comments

This is the way to digitize old books! The Internet Archive's version of the Kirtas APT 1200 book scanning system in Toronto, Ontario, is shown in this video here at https://archive.org/details/scanning_robot. Simply insert a (bound) book, press a button or two, and let the robotic scanner turn the pages automatically, saving a digital image of each and every page as it operates.

The first section of the video shows an operator working with the robot on every page turn. Later there is a section in this 10-minute video where the robot runs without being touched.

I'd love to have one of these in my living room! However, it is far more cost-effective to simple send your out-of-copyright books to the Internet Archive where the will digitize the book(s) for you at no charge and place the images online at Archive.org. Instructions for sending your books may be found at https://openlibrary.org/bookdrive.

Archive.org preserves 750 million Web pages per week! The nonprofit saves about 35 petabytes (that's 35,000,000,000,000,000 bytes) of data PER WEEK! And that only counts the web pages being preserved. Archive.org also has digitized 2.7 million books and all of them are available online. (See http://openlibraries.online/ for the details.) In addition, Archive.org digitizes and preserves old magazines, music, photographs, radio shows, television shows, movies, and more.

You can learn more at http://www.archive.org.

Are You New to Genealogy? (June 8, 2018)

Dick Eastman · June 8, 2018 · Genealogy Basics

Welcome to the fascinating world of family history research! You can learn more about you, your ancestors, and why you are the person you are today.

Here is a list of articles from my newsletter that I think are the most useful resources for anyone who is learning how to find their ancestors:

[A Genealogy Intro](#)

[Family History for Beginners](#)

[Begin Your Genealogy Quest](#), an excellent tutorial for beginners found on FamilySearch

[Beginner's guide to family history documents](#), a video from [MyHeritage.com](#)

[Genealogy Basics](#)

[Are You a Family Historian or a Name Collector?](#)

[Online Genealogy Dictionaries & Other References](#)

[Family History Guide](#)

[Free Genealogy Software](#)

[The Genealogy Library Inside Your Computer: How to Increase Your Personal Genealogy Library without Additional Bookshelves](#)

[Who Owns Your Genealogy Data?](#)

[Always Keep Backups of Your Online Genealogy Information](#)

[GEDCOM Explained](#)

[Ahnentafel Explained](#)

["Second Cousins, Once Removed", and More Explained](#)

[Barking Up the Wrong Tree](#)

[Citing Sources](#)

[Using WorldCat to Find Genealogy Books](#)

[Beginners Guide To Genetic Genealogy (in 16 lessons) by Kelly Wheaton](#)

In addition, you need to become familiar with **Cyndi's List** at http://www.cyndislist.com. Cyndi's List has been a trusted genealogy research site for more than 18 years. Cyndi's List is free for everyone to use and it is meant to be your starting point when researching online.

What exactly is Cyndi's List?

- A categorized & cross-referenced index to genealogical resources on the Internet.
- A list of links that point you to genealogical research sites online.
- A free jumping-off point for you to use in your online research.
- A "card catalog" to the genealogical collection in the immense library that is the Internet.
- Your genealogical research portal onto the Internet.

Man, Presumed Dead, Returns Home a Year After the Family Cremated the Wrong Body (June 13, 2018)

Dick Eastman · June 13, 2018 · Current Affairs · 3 Comments

"Honey, I'm home"

"BUT YOU'RE DEAD"

"I got better"

A man in his 40s, who was reported missing last year, and later "found," then confirmed dead by police and his family who had him cremated, has shocked his family by returning home alive and well.

According to police reports, the man in his 40s went missing from his home in Matsudo, Chiba Prefecture, Japan, last year. His family filed a missing persons report immediately after and police had been searching for his whereabouts. The police then found an unconscious man in the Edo River in Tokyo's Katsushika Ward. His facial and body features matched those reported by the family of the missing man in his 40s. The man found in the river passed away shortly after he was taken to a hospital. There was no ID on him.

The family of the missing man, including his wife and two other relatives, were called by police to identify the body, which they did, confirming that "there's no mistake" that this was him.

The police believed the incident had been solved and pronounced the first man was dead and then closed the investigation. The whole investigation later became unraveled when the supposedly-deceased man walked into his home about a year later, surprising his wife.

You can read this interesting story in the *JapanToday* web site at http://bit.ly/2LPUe0n.

I would love to know what the man told his wife where he was for the past year. Unfortunately, the article in the *JapanToday* web site doesn't tell us. I hope it was a good excuse! I doubt if he simply said, "Surprise!"

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LOCAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWS/PROGRAMS

Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society

THE SOCIETY WILL NOT BE MEETING DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE AND JULY 2018. THEY WILL RE-GATHER AGAIN ON AUGUST 11, 2018 INSTEAD OF A SEPTEMBER PROGRAM THAT WOULD CONFLICT WITH LABOR DAY. *PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS AUGUST 11, 2018 PROGRAM WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS MEMORIAL LIBRARY AND NOT AT THE ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SENIOR CENTER.*

The next meeting of the Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society will take place on Saturday morning August 11, 2018**.** The program for the morning is titled **"Finding Dead Ancestors is Easy; Finding Living Relatives Can be a Challenge"**. The speaker for the morning will be **Dr. Michael D. Lacopo**.

This meeting will take place at the Arlington Heights Memorial Library, 500 N. Dunton Ave., 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.

Michael has contributed to numerous periodicals and has helped numerous people in their quests to locate their relatives – living and dead. He appeared in **USA Today** in 2000 discussing genealogy and the proposed destruction of the federal census tabulated in that year. His national lecturing began in Sacramento, CA, at the National Genealogical Society's national conference in 2004, and has continued with several local, state, national, and international conference speaking engagements to this present day.

Michael's interests and strengths include Mennonite research, German and Swiss research, especially as it pertains to the 18th century immigration to America, among many other topics. He makes many trips throughout the Mid-Atlantic and Midwest states chasing ancestors in primary repositories, and also devotes a considerable amount of time to European research, being proficient in reading German script. Having ancestors from many geographic locales as well as immigrants spanning the 17th century to the 20th century, Michael has a wide variety of proficiencies. He believes that as genealogists we should tell the tales of our ancestors and is a vocal proponent for learning the social history that interweaves our ancestors into the fabric of the past.

In addition to his story-telling and educational blog, Michael's presence can be found online at **www.Roots4U.com**, or for more up-to-date lecture and research information, at his Facebook page at **https://www.facebook.com/Roots4U**.

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 2018 and May 2019. The September 2018 program will occur at the DuPage County Historical Museum located at 102 E. Wesley Street in Wheaton, IL. The October 2018 through May 2019 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.

THERE ARE NO PROGRAMS SCHEDULED DURING THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 2018

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the DuPage County Genealogical Society will take place on Wednesday evening, September 19, 2018 between 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Refreshments are offered at 6:30pm. The program scheduled for that evening is *"To Be Determined"*. The speaker for the program will be **Timothy Pinnick**.

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, July 21, 2018 at the Schaumburg Township District Library between 10:30am to 12:30pm. The program scheduled for this day is *"Using Social History to Build An Ancestor's Story"*. The speaker will be **Susan Mayer.**

What happened between who, what, and when of census data and birth, marriage and death certificates? Researching social history, the study of time and place of everyday people, lets you develop intriguing narratives that will transport readers back to the world your ancestor inhabited. Websites, archives and libraries for discovering a variety of social history themes will be discussed.

Susan Mayer holds a Master's Degree in Library and Information Science with a certificate in Special Collections from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. She is a full-time researcher, DAR member and presents classes on genealogy around the Midwest.

You may visit the organization web page at:

www.CAGGNI.org

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INTERNET INFORMATION

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Are You Missing Most of the Available Genealogy Information? (June 12, 2018)

Dick Eastman · June 12, 2018 · Genealogy Basics · 23 Comments

I recently received a message from a newsletter reader that disturbed me a bit. He wrote, "I have been doing genealogy research for 10-15 years but only through the Internet." He then went on to describe some of the frustrations he has encountered trying to find information. In short, he was disappointed at how little information he has found online.

I read the entire message, but my eyes kept jumping back to the words in his first sentence: "**... but only through the Internet.**"

Doesn't he realize that 95% of the information of interest to genealogists is not yet available on the Internet?

To be sure, many of the biggest and most valuable resources are now available online, including national census records, the Social Security Death Index, military pension applications, draft cards, many passenger lists, land patent databases, and more.

The national databases were the "low hanging fruit" a few years ago as the providers of online information rushed to place large genealogy databases online. These huge collections benefited a lot of genealogists; these databases were the first to become indexed, digitized, and placed online. We all should be thankful that these databases are easily available today and are in common use.

As the national databases became available to all, the online providers moved on to digitize regional and statewide information. State or provincial censuses, birth records, marriage records, death records, naturalization records (which originally were recorded in many local and state courts), county histories, and much, much more are still being placed online.

Of course, this is great news for genealogists who cannot easily travel to the locations where the original records are kept. For many of us, this is even better than having information on microfilm. Most of us don't have microfilm readers at home, but we do have computers.

Yet, I am guessing that 95% of the information of interest to genealogists has not yet been digitized. Why would anyone want to look for genealogy information "**... only through the Internet?**"

State censuses, birth records, marriage records, death records, naturalization records, county histories, and more are all "work in progress" projects. That is, they are not yet complete. In fact, I doubt if all of them will be available online for at least another two decades! If you only look online, you are missing a lot.

In many cases, church parish records, local tax lists, school records, land records (other than Federal land grants), and many more records are not yet available online and probably won't be available for many years. If you are limiting yourself to "... only through the Internet," you are missing 95% of the available information.

If you have the luxury of living near the places where your ancestors lived, I'd suggest you jump in an automobile and drive to the repositories where those records are kept. There is nothing that matches the feeling of holding original records in your hand.

Make photocopies or scan them or take pictures of them or do whatever is possible to collect images of the original records.

If you do not know where to start, I would suggest reading *Begin your genealogy quest* at https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Begin_your_genealogy_quest for some great "getting started" information. Also, check out the links to many valuable tutorials and reference material in my earlier article, **Are You New to Genealogy?**, at https://blog.eogn.com/2018/06/08/are-you-new-to-genealogy.

Which option would you prefer: accessing 5% of the available records or 100% of the available records?

Always Keep Backups of Your Online Genealogy Information (June 14, 2018)

Dick Eastman · June 14, 2018 · Genealogy Basics · 4 Comments

A newsletter reader wrote and asked a question:

"I have an account with Ancestry.com and I was using the Family Tree Maker for my back up just in case there comes a time when I can no longer pay for Ancestry and since they stopped using Family Tree Maker. I was wondering if there was anything else I can use as a back up, I would hate to lose all the information I have if I couldn't pay for it for some reason."

I replied to the question in email but thought I would also post my answer here in the newsletter in case others have the same question:

First, Family Tree Maker did not go away. The program was acquired by Software MacKiev and has been improved significantly in the past year or so. The Software MacKiev version of Family Tree Maker still exchanges data with Ancestry.com and still can function as a viable method of keeping a copy of your genealogy data in your own Macintosh or Windows computer, the same as it did before the acquisition by Software MacKiev.

HOWEVER, if it was me, I would do even more.

To be blunt, I don't trust any online service to remain in business without changes forever and ever. I don't care if we are talking about Ancestry, MyHeritage, FamilySearch, Findmypast, GEDmatch, or even non-genealogy sites that accept information from users, such as Wikipedia. All sorts of things can happen, even to web sites that you control, such as The Next Generation of Genealogy Sitebuilding.

Sometimes companies abruptly declare bankruptcy and go offline with little or no warning. At other times, a web site may be purchased by new owners, perhaps owners that want to change the business model and no longer have an interest in keeping your data online.

A third problem can be a technical problem when a hardware or software malfunction or even a human error accidentally destroys data with no backups available. (We're looking at you, RootsWeb.)

I   n all cases, you want to be prepared in advance. The solution is easy to say and not very difficult to execute: **Keep your own backup copies of everything that is important to you! Never trust any company or non-profit to keep your information online forever.**

Keeping a local backup in your computer or in the cloud (Dropbox, Google Drive, etc.) is very easy to do. In fact, I keep at least two backup copies of everything important to me saved in two different locations. Having three backup copies stored in three different locations is even better and having four backup copies… Well, you get the idea.

You can always export your genealogy data from Ancestry, MyHeritage, FamilySearch, The Next Generation of Genealogy Sitebuilding, and probably some others, in **GEDCOM format**. I would suggest you do that every few weeks, perhaps on the first day of every month, or after any time you make changes to your data. You should save the GEDCOM file on your own hard drive(s) and in other locations as well (Dropbox, Google Drive, etc.).

If something happens to Ancestry or MyHeritage or the other online services you use, you can always import that GEDCOM file that you saved previously into any modern genealogy program in your Macintosh or Windows system as well as upload it into other online genealogy services, such as MyHeritage, The Next Generation of Genealogy Sitebuilding, and others.

If you keep backup copies, you will always have options.

For more information about GEDCOM files, see my earlier article, *GEDCOM Explained*, at https://blog.eogn.com/2014/05/24/gedcom-explained.

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PERIODICAL NEWS

Internet Genealogy

We have received the June/July 2018, Volume 13, Number 2 issue of Internet Genealogy.

Key articles in this issue are:

> **"Inklings, Hunches, and Sneaking Suspicions"**
>   By Sue Lisk
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> *Sue Lisk outlines a process that may help you deal with those strange notions that present themselves during your online family history research.*
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> **"CROWDSOURCING: Many Hands Get Digitized Records Indexed!"**
>   By Diane L. Richard

Diane L. Richard looks at why crowdsourcing has become such a valuable benefit to the genealogy community.

"Who Were Those Brave Young Men?"
By Constance R. Cherba

Constance R. Cherba uses a variety of online sources to research the lives Of five WWII soldiers who gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

"Did a Meteorite Land Near Your Ancestor's House?"
By David A. Norris

David A. Norris examines how meteors may have played a part in your family history.

"Scottish Tax Rolls Online"
By David A. Norris

David A. Norris looks at a comprehensive substitute for census rolls when researching Scottish ancestors.

"Joe Grandinetti Investigates Ireland's Virtual Record Treasury: Beyond 2022"
By Joe Grandinetti

"Topsy-Turvy To Dos"
By Sue Lisk

Sue Lisk offers five quick tasks to do when you need a break from the more challenging aspects of research.

"Scrivener 3"
By Lisa A. Alzo

Lisa A. Alzo reviews the new and improved features of Scrivener 3 for Mac.

"Telling Your Family Story with TSOLife"
By Tony Bandy

Tony Bandy reviews an online service that allows users to upload media, write stories and share them easily.

"Genlighten"
By Diane L. Richard

Diane L. Richard looks at a unique and affordable service that connects family historians with independent research professionals.

"Dave Obee Looks At Getting the Most From Online Newspapers"
By Dave Obee

Also included in this journal is a section titled "Net Notes". This section highlights with lengthy description websites of note for the genealogy researcher. Diane L. Richard,

the author of this section, provides a good amount of text description of the sites to give the reader some good insights on what can be found there that may help them with their research. Sometimes you just take a look at some of these interesting sites even if there is no direct connection to your own research. They are just interesting on their own!

Sites mentioned in this section are:

Whaling History Database @ **http://whalinghistory.org**

Swedish National Archives Digital Collections (Freely Accessible) @ **http://sok.riksarkivet.se/digitala-forskarsalen**

Mapping Abandoned Railroads @ **https://www.google.com/maps/d/viewer?mid=1Q91IBeZLh916Q5a uDaQ9-x25vh0&ll=39.778868677564475%2C- 83.78414613299856&z=10**

and

www.abandonedrails.com/default.aspx

New York Slavery Records Index @ **http://nyslavery.commons.gc.cuny.edu**

I thought that a good article in this issue is one titled "Topsy-Turvy To Dos". The author of the article is Sue Lisk.

The author points out that we all face those genealogical roadblocks when things just get tough to advance our research. She suggests those are the times to take a break from trying to resolve the tough roadblocks and direct our attention to some of the more easier projects we have on our list of things to do. Some of these easy items to consider are:

- *Regard the Cards*
  - It is not that uncommon for us to receive holiday cards from relatives that contain updates on their family developments, activities, discoveries, additions etc.
  - Review those family update writings to see what you can glean from the information to add to current information on your relatives in your family tree.
  - Perhaps some new pictures may have come your way. Now is the time to use these pictures with updated information on identifying who is in the picture.

- *Glance at the Past*
  - Historical context is everything as it relates to your ancestral families.
  - Now is the time to simply read some online historical information about the area where your ancestors lived.
  - Local events of the time affected your ancestors more than national events.

- Look for published histories of your ancestors' area that may have coincided with special commemorative publications such as the 100th year anniversary of the creation of a town or village.

- Look also for the history of counties in which your ancestor lived. They too often published special commemorative printings to celebrate. The town of your ancestor could certainly be included in such a celebration publication for you to capture the historical context of the area at the time of your ancestors.

- *Focus on Photos*

  - Choose an unusual photo you have that is unknown to you. Scan and send to a cousin who might know something about it.

  - Provide the history of the photo on how you obtained it and from who for them to have a clear picture of the trail for the picture.

  - If there is something on the back of the picture be sure to include that to your cousin when you share the picture, especially including the handwriting.

  - Sometimes it may actually be better just to send the complete front and back of the picture to a cousin without any additional story provided by you. They will look at it without hearing any suggestions from you that may in fact be incorrect. Your relative may have a better chance of correctly identifying all in the picture without any details from you.

- *Nose Out Newsletters*

  - Do an internet search for free family history newsletters. Don't necessarily look for those associated with your own family history interests. You can find many articles of interest to you even when the entire newsletter may not match to your research interests.

  - Examples used by the author are *The Weekly Genealogist* published by the New England Historic Genealogical Society at **www.americanancestors.org/browse/publications/the-weekly-genealogist** and the newsletter created by the publisher of Internet Genealogy at **https://yourgenealogytoday.com/newsletter_optin.htm**.

  - Search for a newsletter from the town/area where your ancestors lived. You can learn more about that town. Subscribe to the newsletter. You may be given opportunities to purchase further materials at significant discounts.

- *Handle Heirlooms*

  - Review and hold any heirlooms you may have in your possession. Take pictures of them if you have not already done so.

    - Take pictures in front of a solid background.

    - Take pictures from different angles.

    - Take close-ups of any printed or engraved descriptions on any of these items looking for date or place of manufacture.

- Consider writing a short description of the history of the object as best as you know it and how you came into possession of it.
- Share such photos of heirlooms and your written descriptions with cousins.

When you are stuck on research, consider addressing doing some of the above items that can rally help provide details and insights on your family. Share your work efforts with cousins. Who knows, sharing such information and materials with cousins may lead to information that may actually help you on your "stuck" genealogical research issue.

I thought that another good article in this issue is one titled "Inklings, Hunches, and Sneaking Suspicions". The author of the article is Sue Lisk.

The author notes that while it is essential to analyze data and prove hypotheses, intuition should play a role in our research. So how do you deal with those mysterious feelings you have in your research when you do not yet have facts but you believe your gut is leading you down a path that may payout for you.

The author suggests the following ways to approach these feelings:

- ***Wonder About Them***
  - Engage your curiosity.
  - Ask yourself questions about things you run across that arouse your interest.
  - Maybe when doing census research a relative turns up in an unusual place or with a group of people you cannot account for.
  - Analyze these feelings and discoveries and look for possible connections.
  - Note down your suspicions.

- ***Examine Them***
  - Focus on separating hunches from flights of fancy.
  - You may have wished to be from royalty or have a descendant on the Mayflower but separate these "wishes" from real "hunches".
  - Are your hunches coming from already confirmed research?
  - Which "hunches" might be simple to investigate? Move forward on those. Does proving a "hunch" right or wrong help you advance your research in other areas?
  - Answer these questions before deciding which suspicions to pursue researching.

- ***Organize Them***
  - For each hunch, list all the facts you have already verified that are related to your research target.
  - Do you have relatives who you could talk to who might know more about a particular subject?

- o Have you checked to see if other genealogists have posted information online related to the focus of your hunch and search?

- o Consider specialized books online via Google Books or Internet Archive, subject matter experts, maps, local histories etc.

- o Create a basic research plan for each suspicion you would like to confirm.

- o Mapping out how you will research the suspicion is critical.

- *Study Them*

  - o Your research process will not always be linear based on your discoveries.

  - o Check out each aspect of your hunch.

  - o Can you use other sources if you are unable to use or discover the ones in your original plan?

  - o Your research results may show you that your hunch may be incorrect.

  - o Maybe other evidence you discover may make you reconsider your original hypothesis.

  - o Evaluate the reliability of your resources. Primary are better than secondary.

  - o Do not waste precious time on a hunch that proves to be almost impossible to prove.

- *Set Them Free*

  - o You will reach a point when you are ready to halt the investigation.

  - o Maybe your research has shown that your hunch is not correct. Still save your research notes for any future referral. Hunches often have a way of coming back. Your research notes will show you have been down this path and do not need to embark on it again.

  - o Maybe your hunch has merit but you simply do not have the time or energy to continue pursuing it. Keep your research notes on this as future discoveries may happen that can shed further insight on your hunch but back when.

  - o Maybe your research actually proves your hunch to be correct. Consider sharing this information with family and fellow researchers. Your published results can help other researchers from going down the same path of a hunch and wasting their time when your research can be used to help them avoid going down the same path.

The author notes you should always listen for the whispers of ideas when they appear. Think about them with an open mind. Do not discount them but evaluate them over time with a research plan.

This is another wonderful issue of <u>Internet Genealogy</u>. Check out all of the articles I noted above in this recent issue. Perhaps there is one article that matches perfectly with your own research interests. Make a personal copy of the article. Read it and learn more from it to help your own research.

You can find this most recent issue of <u>Internet Genealogy</u> on the 2nd floor of our library on the magazine shelves.

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<u>BOOKS IN PRINT</u>

We have added a genealogy book titled *World War I Genealogy Research Guide: Tracing American Military and Non-Combatant Ancestors (Includes a Guide to Canadian Military Research)* to our circulating collection. The author of the book is Debra M. Dudek. The call number of the book is 929.1072 DUDEK, D. The book consists of 91 pages. The book is available to check out from our 2nd floor circulating shelves.

Here is a small description from Amazon on the topic of the book:

Gathering information on your WWI ancestors is easier than you think! This guide outlines a straightforward strategy to find service details and information from a variety of online resources and physical depositories.
Special topics include women's records, a state specific resource guide, naturalization records, alien registration files, and a quick guide to Canadian military World War I resources.

Chapters in the book are:

> Introduction By the Author
> Before You Begin Your Research
> Research Goals
> WWI Research Online: United States
> State Specific Collections and Resources
> Examining Essential Records at the National Archives
> Naturalization and Enemy Alien Records
> Non-Military Women's World War I Records
> Short Guide to Canadian World War I

It is amazing that this is the 100th year anniversary related to our entering World War I. There are many topical writings that are focusing on World War I because this is the 100th anniversary. If you are researching your ancestor's World War I military history then this is the time to check this book out to assist you with your research effort to make the discoveries on your ancestor.

I am currently reviewing the book and it should be back on the shelves available for checkout before you read this.

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SOFTWARE/HARDWARE

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Use CloudConvert to Convert a File from One Format to Another (June 8, 2018)

[Dick Eastman](#) · [June 8, 2018](#) · [Cloud Services](#) · [No Comments](#)

Here is a web site you probably should bookmark: https://cloudconvert.com. You probably won't need to use it often but when you do have a need it can be a lifesaver. Best of all, it is a free service if you only want to convert a few files. However, if you want to convert dozens of files, there is a modest charge.

CloudConvert converts almost any file from one format to almost any other format. It recognizes files in more than 200 different formats, and connects with Box, Dropbox, Google Drive, and OneDrive. The list of files types it can convert may be found at https://cloudconvert.com/formats. It is a long, long list!

I find CloudConvert useful for converting PNG images into JPG format. It also can can turn a PDF file into a DOCX file, which you may open in Microsoft Word, LibreOffice, or Google Docs. It also can convert Macintosh Keynote presentation files into PowerPoint PPTX files. In fact, CloudConvert can convert about 200 different file formats into other file formats.

CloudConvert also allows you to extract audio from a video file. For example, I selected a .MOV file and converted it to .MP3 format. That gave me an audio-only .MP3 file. It also converts .MOV video files into .MP4 video files as well. Did you download a video from the web, only to find it doesn't display in your computer's video player? CloudConvert probably can fix the problem for you.

CloudConvert is a cloud-based application. That is, the program runs from a web site. There is no software to install in your computer. It works equally well on Windows, Macintosh, Linux, Chromebooks, and even on mobile devices running Android or Apple iOS (iPhone, iPad, and iPod touch).

For occasional use, CloudConvert doesn't charge. If you convert files smaller than 1 gigabyte, fewer than five files at a time, and use less than 25 minutes of file conversion time a day, CloudConvert's services are free of charge. For high volume users,

CloudConvert does charge fees as described at https://cloudconvert.com/pricing. I suspect most in-home users will never encounter a need for fees.

CloudConvert is one of those useful web tools that you may not need immediately. But, the next time you say, "I can't open this file…," give it a try. CloudConvert may be able to convert that file you can't use into one you can.

CloudConvert is available at https://cloudconvert.com.

Family History Hosting Announces GedSite Version 2.06 (June 15, 2018)

Dick Eastman · June 15, 2018 · Online Sites · No Comments

The following announcement was written by Family History Hosting, LLC:

Includes several enhancements, including image size optimization option

Narragansett, RI – June 15, 2018 – Family History Hosting, LLC is pleased to announce GedSite version 2.06, the most recent release of this must-have tool for any genealogist creating web sites from GEDCOM files. This release includes a new image size optimization feature and changes related to the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) that went into effect on 25 May 2018. It also includes several other minor enhancements and changes.

"This version continues GedSite's tradition of frequent updates," said John Cardinal, CEO and Founder of Family History Hosting, "the web is always moving, and GedSite moves with it."

Soliciting and acting on customer feedback is an integral part of the GedSite development process. This release delivers several features requested by users, including new options in charts, new features in the GEDCOM load process, and other changes.

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.

GedSite works with any GEDCOM file but has custom features for program-specific data in GEDCOM files exported by Family Historian, Family Tree Maker®, Legacy®, and RootsMagic™.

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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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/lisal4/genealogy-humor/

Here are some interesting examples:

Shhhh!
Be vewy,
vewy quiet.
I'm hunting
forebears.

My husband has started calling
cemeteries "Ancestor Farms"

Genealogy Lingo

"Let me just look up
this one record"

Translation

"I'll be here for hours"

Twisted Twigs
on gnarled branches

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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 "")*

Jul 10 TUE 2018	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Why Am I Stuck? 10 Solutions to Common Genealogical Problems" Presented by Marsha Peterson-Maass**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Jul 21 SAT 2018	Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI). July 21, 2018, Saturday, 10:30 AM, Schaumburg Township District Library "**Using Social Media to Build an Ancestor's Story**". **Presented by Susan Mayer**. Society website at www.caggni.org
*Aug 11 *SAT 2018	Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, August 11, 2018. **"Finding Dead Ancestors Is Easy: Finding Living Relatives Can Be A Challenge"** **Presented by Dr. Michael D. Lacopo** Arlington Heights Memorial Library 500 N. Dunton Ave. 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/
Aug 14 TUE 2018	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Sharing with Others: How To Convey Evidence" Presented by Jeanne Larzalere Bloom**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Aug 18 SAT 2018	Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI). August 18, 2018, Saturday, 10:30 AM, Schaumburg Township District Library "**Beyond the Census**". **Presented by Janis Minor Forte**.

Society website at www.caggni.org

Sep 11 TUE 2018	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. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Sep 15 SAT 2018	Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI). September 15, 2018, Saturday, 10:30 AM, Schaumburg Township District Library "**Beyond the Records: Putting Flesh on the Bones of Your Civil War Ancestors**". **Presented by Karen Heinrich**. Society website at www.caggni.org
*Sep 19 WED 2018	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, September 19, 2018 DuPage County Historical Museum, 102 E. Wesley St., Wheaton, IL 60187. 6:30 PM Refreshments. Meeting/Program Presentation 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM. "**Program To Be Determined**". **Presented by Tim Pinnick**. Society website at www.dcgs.org. Society blog at http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/ DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
*Oct 6 SAT 2018	Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, October 6, 2018. **"Newspaper Research: Beyond the Birdcage"** **Presented by Debra Mieszala, CG** 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/
Oct 9 TUE 2018	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"How DNA Can Help Your Genealogy"** **Presented by Steve Szabados**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
*Oct 17 WED 2018	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, October 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. "**To Be Determined**". **Presented by Sandra Trapp**. Society website at www.dcgs.org.

Society blog at http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/
DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum

Oct 20 SAT 2018	Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI). October 20, 2018, Saturday, 10:30 AM, Schaumburg Township District Library "**To Be Determined**". **Presented by Jeffrey Bockman**. Society website at www.caggni.org
*Nov 3 SAT 2018	Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, November 3, 2018. "**DNA Doubleheader (Programs to be Named)"** **Presented by Robert Sliwinski** 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 13 TUE 2018	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Mapping the Past: Navigating Your Family History with Maps"** **Presented by Dr. Daniel Hubbard**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
*Nov 14 WED 2018	DuPage County Genealogical Society. Wednesday, November 14, 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. "**To Be Determined**". **Presented by Janis Minor Forte**. Society website at www.dcgs.org. Society blog at http://dupagecountygenealogicalsociety.wordpress.com/ DuPage County History Museum website at www.dupageco.org/museum
Nov 17 SAT 2018	Computer Assisted Genealogy Group of Northern Illinois (CAGGNI). November 17, 2018, Saturday, 10:30 AM, Schaumburg Township District Library "**Historical Figure (To Be Determined) and Holiday Party**". **Presented by To Be Determined**. Society website at www.caggni.org
Dec 11 TUE 2018	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. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com

*Jan 7 SAT 2019	Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, January 5, 2019. "**How to Organize All of This Genealogy Stuff (Live Webinar)"** **Presented by Lisa Louise Cooke** 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 8 TUE 2019	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Preparing to Publish Your Genealogy Book: Tips and Tricks for the Writer"** **Presented by Regina Yuill**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
*Feb 2 SAT 2019	Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, February 2, 2019. "**Tools to Dig Deeper: Probate and Inquest Records"** **Presented by Grace DuMelle** 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 12 TUE 2019	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Genealogy Research at the Newberry"** **Presented by Becky Lowery**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
*Mar 2 SAT 2019	Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, March 2, 2019. "**Pinning Together Your Genealogy Past with Pinterest"** **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/
Mar 12 TUE 2019	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. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com

*Apr 6 SAT 2019	Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, April 6, 2019. "**Familienbuchs: An Essential Resource for the German Researcher**" **Presented by John Weiss** 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/
Apr 9 TUE 2019	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"To Be Determined"** **Presented by To Be Determined**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
*May 4 SAT 2019	Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society. Saturday, May 4, 2019. "**Genealogy Cloud Computing (Live Webinar)**" **Presented by Thomas MacEntee** 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/
*May 14 TUE 2019	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"Using Fold3 Library Edition for Genealogy Research"** **Presented by Debra Dudek**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Jun 11 TUE 2019	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. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
*Jul 9 TUE 2019	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"The Latest in Chicago Vital Records Online"** **Presented by Dan Niemiec**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Aug 13 TUE	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7

2019	PM. **"To Be Determined"** **Presented by To Be Determined**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Sep 10 TUE 2019	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. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Oct 8 TUE 2019	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"To Be Determined"** **Presented by To Be Determined**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
*Nov 12 TUE 2019	Schaumburg Township District Library Genealogy Program. 130 S. Roselle Road. Schaumburg, IL, 60193. 7:30 PM. Room opens at 7 PM. **"One Touch Genealogy Research: How to Handle a Record Just Once"** **Presented by Thomas MacEntee via a Live Webinar**. Contact Tony Kierna at 847-923-3390. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com
Dec 10 TUE 2019	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. Visit STDL Genealogy Blog at http://genealogywithtony.wordpress.com

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