



EARLY BIRD DEADLINE IS TODAY FOR THE NHG FALL CONFERENCE!

The North Hills Genealogists of Pittsburgh, PA, will host their 2nd Annual Fall Family History Conference, *Discover Your Roots, Discover Yourself: The Search for Lost Treasures* on Saturday, 24 October 2009. This event will be held from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at Christ Episcopal Church, 5910 Babcock Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA, 15237. The church is located behind the Northway Mall between McKnight Road and Perry Highway—Route 19. Registration opens at 8:00 A.M. Parking is free.

The featured conference speakers, Paula Stuart-Warren, CG, of Minnesota, and Sandra MacLean Clunies, CG, of Maryland, are well known in genealogical circles as knowledgeable speakers and outstanding writers. The unique format of the NHG Fall Conference provides a chance to interact with our speakers in both formal and informal sessions. Lecture topics include church records, NUCMC and manuscript collections, tracing poor ancestors and immigrant families, writing the family history, and DC research from your home.

A continental breakfast, hot lunch, and door prizes are included in the registration fee. NHG members may register for the fall conference at a discount of \$35 by today, 15 September; the non-member early-bird fee is \$45. After today, the fee is \$40 for NHG members and \$50 for non-members. Karen Mauer Green of Frontier Press will be selling books. All levels of genealogists can benefit from the conference!

2009 FALL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

TIME		
8:00	Registration Opens	
9:00	Welcome Session	
9:15	<i>Lord Preserve Us! Church Records for Family History Research</i> Paula Stuart-Warren, CG	
10:15	Break	
10:30	<i>NUCMC and Its Cousins: Keys to "Lost" Ancestral Records</i> Paula Stuart-Warren, CG	
11:30	Lunch	
1:00	<i>Tho' They Were Poor, They May Have Been Rich in Records</i> Paula Stuart-Warren, CG	<i>Jump the Pond: Tracing Immigrant Families</i> Sandra MacLean Clunies, CG
2:00	Break	
2:15	<i>Research in Washington, DC, From Home</i> Sandra MacLean Clunies, CG	<i>A Baker's Dozen: Easy Ways to Begin Writing Your Family History</i> Paula Stuart-Warren, CG
3:30	Panel Discussion Paula Stuart-Warren, CG and Sandra MacLean Clunies, CG	

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WHO WE ARE NORTH HILLS GENEALOGISTS

We are a group of genealogy enthusiasts who meet on a regular basis to assist one another in establishing our family histories. We meet on the third Tuesday of every month, except December, at the Northland Public Library, 300 Cumberland Road, McCandless Township in the North Hills of Pittsburgh, PA. Tip Time begins at 6:45 P.M., and our general meeting commences at 7:00 P.M. Meetings are free and open to the public.

We publish a newsletter ten times a year for a nominal membership fee of \$15.00 annually. The subscription year runs from August to June, but anyone wishing to join the North Hills Genealogists mid-year will receive back issues of the newsletter for that membership year. Previous years' newsletters are also available for purchase, each containing helpful hints for beginners and for experienced genealogists.

The North Hills Genealogists Board meets at 7:00 P.M. on the first Tuesday of each month in the Conference Room of the Northland Public Library. The Board meeting is open to all members of the North Hills Genealogists organization. Consider joining us this year!

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As a Boy Scout Leader I signed up as a counselor for the Genealogy Merit Badge. During one session at a Boy Scout Troop meeting, I was introducing the Genealogy Merit Badge to the Scouts and Leaders. Dave, a Leader in that Troop, asked me what I had found while searching my family history. After I showed him some records and documents, he became very interested and asked how he could get started.

I told Dave to pick up a copy of the Genealogy software product that I use. I suggested that he purchase the software and load it onto his PC. I then told him to come over to my house and bring all the information he had about his family. A few weeks later, we were sitting at my PC, and he entered the information he had gathered. We started with the one person he knew the most about, himself, and built the file from there. He entered all the names, dates, and locations he could find. He asked why I wanted him to enter his aunts, uncles, and cousins, and I told him I would explain later after we had more information entered about his family.

I explained to Dave the reason he had to cite his sources; I did not want him to make the same mistake I had when I first started. For any information he had that was from memory, I guided him to enter his name as the source until he could gather a record as proof. I showed him some of the facts I had gathered over the last number of years. He was amazed that one person had a primary birth date and many alternate birth dates. For this individual all the dates had a source. I even showed him how an ancestor's name changed each census year.

After all his information was entered, we printed some of it out, and then I showed him Ancestry.com so that we could search for a few names. He found some ancestors on the census records, and we added the information, citing the source as we progressed. He belongs to Northland Library, and I explained to him he **(continued on page 13)**

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could use Ancestry.com from the library for free. From using the census records, he found that he had doubled the number of names from which he had started. I told him that he needed to verify each record that he found; he was surprised when a number of names matching the one he was looking for came up. Dave used the parents' and children's names, birth dates, and birth locations that he already knew when he was matching his information to the census records.

A little later we were printing Dave's Ancestry reports; I explained at that time why it was important to have entered his aunts, uncles, and cousins. It was so he could make copies of all the reports and send them to other relatives including a request for additional information. The suggestion was made to ask them to look for any documents or letters. Check family bibles for names, dates and locations. I told him the more people he had helping him to research, the better the chance he would have of finding more ancestors.

I share all the family information I find with the relatives in that ancestor's line and by doing this, I have received a wealth of added information from other family member who did not previously realize that the information they had was valuable to my research. My friend saved his file, and I emailed it to him.

I heard from Dave a few weeks later. He said that some of his relatives had sent back information. Dave admitted that like me, some of the dates and names contradicted each other, but he entered all the data and cited his sources anyway. I encouraged Dave to attend our NHG club meetings and the upcoming fall conference in October.

Remember to include other relatives in your research, and share the compiled information you find with them. You never know when you

will discover some piece of information that will spark a memory or thought in someone else and provide that clue for which you have been searching.

~ Al

QUERIES

HILTY, Sarah Ann. Also: **BUDD, CRUSAN, BECKERT, LAPP, RINAMAN, HOPKINS, LOWE, HAWKINS, WEAVER, HAYWARD.** Contact: *Joanne May Hopkins-Budd, 215 Grove Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15229-1307.*

MALOY, HAWTHORNE, CRAWFORD, BANNON, PLUNKETT, MOAN. Contact: *Colleen Rumble, 704 Elm Rd. Bradford Woods PA 15015 or crumble@zoominternet.net.*

CLEVEDENCE/CLEVIDANCE, John and Mary (b. Reed). Looking for location of farm and burial ground – Pine Township, c. 1800 – 1850. Contact: *Lois Salvatora, 5522 Bauer Dr. Gibsonia PA 15044 or lois@fyi.net.*

FUCHS and FEY, Lawrenceville area. **STALEY,** Indiana Twp. Contact: *Joyce Dreshar Purdue, 4107 St. Thomas Dr. Gibsonia PA 15044 or tigre15044@yahoo.com.*

LIMPERT/LIMBERT, Conrad and HEIL, Nicholas -- Looking for family relatives, lived in Lawrenceville area, c. 1800s. **HEIL** owned a grocery. **LIMPERTS** remained in Pittsburgh area, son Theodore moved to Ohio. Contact: *Virginia Skander Mann, 2549 Lah Road, Gibsonia PA 15044-8329 or by e-mail at skanderv@consolidated.net.*

ALL MEMBERS OF NHG ARE PERMITTED TO SUBMIT QUERIES FOR THE NEWSLETTER. Send your queries to: INFO@NorthHillsGenealogists.org.

20th ANNIVERSARY RESEARCH TRIP TO DC ANNOUNCED BY NHG

In honor of the 20th Anniversary of our North Hills Genealogists, the NHG Board announces plans for a 2010 Summer Research Trip. The research trip to Washington, DC is planned for 14-17 July, 2010, leaving on Wednesday and returning on Saturday.

The Harrington Hotel will headquarter the 2010 Summer Research Trip, with rooms available for one, two, three, or four people. Roundtrip bus transportation will be included in the registration fee. Research sites close to the Harrington Hotel include the National Archives, the DAR Library, and the Library of Congress.

Mark your calendars now for this special event next summer! Registration information will be available for the first time at the NHG Fall Conference.

NHG UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Tuesday, 15 September 2009 IRISH HERITAGE RESEARCH

Presented by Father Peter Murphy

Father Peter Murphy, Pastor of St. Alphonsus Parish in Wexford, PA, will speak about Irish heritage research and multiple trips to Ireland at the September NHG meeting. Father Murphy will discuss the joy of the adventure of research by sharing his own experiences in genealogy. His discovery of many family ancestors of parishioners and friends and of finding their original homesteads in Ireland, including the original family home of the first bishop of Pittsburgh, Michael O'Connor are included.

Father Murphy's Irish heritage has inspired him to travel to Ireland 18 times, including trips to where his parents were born in County Monaghan and County Galway. His presentation will interest all levels of genealogists.

Tuesday, 20 October 2009 THE WORLD WAR I DRAFT CARD: DON'T DO RESEARCH WITHOUT IT!

Presented by Tim Pinnick

World War I draft registration cards contain valuable imbedded pieces of information that can become leads in solving some genealogical roadblocks for researchers. The content of this program is valuable for all levels of genealogists.

Tim's program will highlight an overview of the WWI Registration Cards. Where can you locate them? What basic information do they hold? Are there any guides available to help the researcher use them? He will also discuss Degrees of Separation - Using the WWI registration cards to help identify your ancestor with a common name.

WWI registration cards can provide a springboard to discovering relatives and establishing familial relationships you may or not have known to exist. Other details include using WWI draft cards to collect employer and residence information and combining it with other sources to provide revealing clues to the friendships created by your ancestor. You will be encouraged to look beyond your own ancestor by building a database of WWI registrants with similar attributes that can result in breakthrough leads and should be given serious consideration.

Tim Pinnick of Illinois is a genealogical lecturer and family historian with more than 20 years of overall research experience including all of the major U.S. repositories. He is the author of *Finding and Using African American Newspapers*, released May 2008, the Region 2 board member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, and an instructor at the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University.

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Saturday, 24 October 2009 NHG FALL FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE

See page 11 in this newsletter or go to <http://www.NorthHillsGenealogy.org> for detailed information.

Tuesday, 17 November 2009 ANNUAL NHG ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Presented by NHG MEMBERS

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WHERE GENEALOGISTS MEET

16 SEPTEMBER 2009 7:00 P.M. BEAVER COUNTY, PA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The monthly meeting of the Beaver County Genealogical Society is Wednesday, 16 September 2009 at the Mormon Family History Center, 114 Church Drive, Monaca, PA. David Miller, Director of Education at Bushy Run Battlefield will present "The French and Indian War in Pennsylvania." This is a free class offered by the Beaver County Genealogy and History Center. Everyone with an interest in genealogy or history is welcome! For information call (724) 847-9253, or go to: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~pabecgs/>.

WHERE GENEALOGISTS MEET

Wednesday, 23 September 2009 7 P.M. CRANBERRY GENEALOGY CLUB

This month's meeting of the Cranberry Genealogy Club will be held on Wednesday, 23 September 2009 with a presentation by Marilyn Holt called "The Western PA Genealogical Society and Its Resources." The Cranberry Genealogy Club meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month throughout the year in the Library Conference Room at the Cranberry Township Municipal Building, 2525 Rochester Road. For more information about the Cranberry Genealogy club, go to <http://www.cranberrygenealogy.org>. All meetings are free, and the public is invited.

26-27 September 2009 9 A.M.–4 P.M. GERMANY GENEALOGY HANDS- ON WORKSHOP – WPGS

Presented by John T. Humphrey, CG

WPGS offers a special opportunity to spend two days with award-winning author and German genealogy specialist John T. Humphrey, CG, in an intensive immersion in German genealogy techniques. On Saturday, 26 September, and Sunday, 27 September, Mr. Humphrey will offer a two-day workshop at the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh Main Library in Oakland. This will be a unique opportunity to take your research skills to the next level in German script and research. Please note that this is NOT a beginner's class! The program will be held from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. each day. The registration fee is \$70 for WPGS Members and \$80 for Non-Members. **Advanced registration is required.** For details go to the WPGS workshop page: http://www.wpgs.org/german_workshop.htm.

Upcoming WPGS Programs:

12 October 2009 - Victorian Mourning Customs

14 November 2009 - Methodist Church Records

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27 SEPTEMBER – 3 OCTOBER 2009 2009 NGS FALL RESEARCH TRIP Salt Lake City, Utah

The National Genealogical Society has announced information about their annual research trip for genealogists to Salt Lake City, UT. The trip package includes consultations with the trip directors Sandra MacLean Clunies, CG, and Shirley Langdon Wilcox, CG, FNGS. Accommodations are next door to the Family History Library and some meals are included. This research trip is limited to 30 attendees, so register now if you are interested. For full details go to <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org> or contact Shirley Wilcox at slwilcox@juno.com.

10 OCTOBER 2009 9:30 A.M.–4 P.M. GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA “Eastern European Conference”

The October conference of the Genealogical Society of Southwestern PA features programs presented by Lisa A. Alzo, M.F.A, and Patricia Penka French. Registration begins at 9:30 with a light continental breakfast available. Lisa A. Alzo will speak about :Demystifying Eastern European Research from 10 A.M. to 12 noon. An ethnic buffet lunch is included, followed by the afternoon presentation “Bulgarian-Macedonian Culture Research by Patricia Penka French.

The Eastern European Conference will be held at the Citizens Library, 55 South College Street, Washington, PA 15301. A non-refundable registration fee is due by 2 October 2009. GSSWPA members will pay \$25.00, non-members will pay \$30.00, and walk-ins will pay \$35.00 to attend this event. Call (724) 225-8560 for inquires about the conference. Mail registration and payment to: GSSWPA Conference, 55 South College Street, Washington PA 15301.

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LOCAL FESTIVALS AND FAIRS

Researched and submitted by Ed Heinlein

The following local festivals and fairs are either related to family history, one’s cultural heritage, or both. Included are web sites to access for more detailed information.

Renaissance Festival / New Stanton

Dates: 19-20 September, 26-27 September, and 3-4 October

<http://www.pittsburghrenfest.com>

Oktoberfest / Evans City

Dates: 18-20 September

<http://www.visitbutlercounty.com>

Fall Festival / Butler

Dates: 19 September

<http://www.butlerfallfestival.com>

International Taste of Pittsburgh / Riverplex, Homestead

Dates: 19-20 September

<http://www.sandcastlewaterpark.com>

Penn’s Colony / Saxonburg

Dates: 19-20 September, 26-27 September

<http://www.pennscolony.com>

Mt. Pleasant Glass & Ethnic Festival / Mt. Pleasant

Dates: 22-24 September

No web site available

Erntefest / Old Economy, Ambridge

Dates: 26 September

<http://www.oldeconomyvillage.org>

Villagefest / Slippery Rock

Dates: 26 September

<http://www.slipperyrockpa.org>

Highland Games Scottish Festival / Ligonier and Little Italy Days / Bloomfield – COMING SOON!

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THE HYDREF- A FALL FESTIVAL **Saturday, 3 October 2009** **10A.M. – 5P.M.**

The North Hills' Depreciation Lands Museum "...A Village Where History is Real" is hosting a fall festival, the Hydref, named to commemorate the Welsh heritage of some of our early settlers. The Hydref will feature a day filled with 18th century re-enactors and craft demonstrators, a Children's Corner, delicious homemade food, music and vendors. Our biggest event of the year, be sure to visit the Museum for the Hydref!

This year take advantage of convenient parking at the Hampton Community Day, and ride the free shuttle to the Hydref! **Admission is \$3/adult, \$1/children, and DLM Members are free.** For more information call 412-486-0563 or **e-mail** the Museum, located at 4743 S Pioneer Road, in Allison Park, PA.

The North Hills Genealogists will present an information table at this year's Hydref Fall Festival. If you can help to man the table for part or all of the day on Saturday, 3 October, please contact NHG member Dave Williams or any NHG Board Member.

CZECH CULTURAL CONFERENCE **14 – 17 October 2009**

The 12th Genealogical Cultural Conference of the Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International will be held at the Holiday Inn Cleveland South in Independence, Ohio, on 14-17 October. This 4-day event begins with ethnic neighborhood tours of the Czech, Slovak and Carpatho-Rusyn settlements in and near Cleveland on both Wednesday, 14 October and Thursday 15 October.

The Conference offers 38 presentations Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 15-17 October 2009. There will be two speakers from the Czech Republic and one from Slovakia. This year's conference keynote speaker is John J.

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Grabowski, co-author of the Encyclopedia of Cleveland History.

For further information visit: www.cgsi.org, or e-mail Paul Makousky, Conference Co-Chair at PaulMCzech@comcast.net.

SUPPORT EFFORT TO PRESERVE **PA STATE DEATH CERTIFICATES**

The effort to get the older Pennsylvania state death certificates available online is progressing. There are now 266 organizational supporters for this cause including the North Hills Genealogists, and we are working on getting many more. However, we still need individuals writing letters and sending emails. As one state legislator stated, "It's all about the squeaky wheel." Because it is a new session of the Pennsylvania State Assembly, we had to get our bill re-introduced in the House (HB 931). We're still working on getting it re-introduced into the Senate.

By the way there are now three more states that have their older state death certificates available online: North Carolina, South Carolina and Michigan. This brings the total to 11 states with online databases. Three other states have extracted data available online: Washington State, Alabama and Florida. The links to the various states can be found on the Death Certificates for Other States, Etc section of our web site: <http://users.rcn.com/timarg/PaHR-Access.htm>. Thank you for all your help. For more information, contact Tim Gruber by calling (610) 791-9294.

PA'S PRESERVATION GOALS

Preservation Pennsylvania has released this statement: "Pennsylvania At Risk serves as a representative sampling of the Commonwealth's most endangered historic resources. Visit www.preservationpa.org to download the 2009 Pennsylvania At Risk nomination form." Many historic sites are being razed or destroyed. This organization wants to identify and save them.

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PHC ADVOCATES FOR A FUNDING INCREASE IN 2010!

“The public humanities urgently need your advocacy at a time when Pennsylvania’s public libraries, historic sites and museums, and other cultural institutions face severe losses in state funding,” states Joseph J. Kelly, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council in a recent letter to genealogy groups. The text of this letter is included here.

“Please join with the PHC in a campaign to increase federal funding. Thanks to the efforts of advocates across the nation, the House of Representatives has passed a bill increasing funding for state humanities councils and the National Endowment for the Humanities. We now want to hold that increase as the House negotiates with the Senate. This could make a big difference for Pennsylvania.

It’s easy to participate. Go to the following website of the Federation of State Humanities Councils: [Advocacy at the Federation of State Humanities Councils](#). Fill in your information to automatically send a letter to your U.S. Representative. PHC has worked with all 19 Representatives; we know your person is likely to support House negotiators if contacted by a constituent.

The letter contains a space for personalizing your message. Please do so, adapting the following paragraph to highlight the value of PHC’s statewide reach.

“With federal funding, the Pennsylvania Humanities Council (PHC) has excelled by developing an extraordinary reach throughout the state – bringing people together from all walks of life, from diverse backgrounds, expressing different points of view. The website www.pahumanities.org shows the vision and responsiveness, engaging individuals across all 67 counties to learn from each other through humanities discussion, and supporting hundreds of non-profit organizations. PHC is now

exploring new opportunities – amid adversity, as state funding radically declines – opening up a new media collaboration with Pennsylvania Cable Network, a special initiative with Commonwealth Libraries to engage young adults and teens, and anniversary planning with Pennsylvania Civil War 150. We also want to build upon recent successes. In 2008, PHC sponsored over 770 events, with 384 different organizations. We engaged 370 humanities scholars and experts, and touched more than 725,000 individuals. The year ended with a timely presentation on immigrants and education by the Irish writer Frank McCourt, delivered to a full-capacity audience in the Hall of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and reaching 84,000 more through live broadcast and rebroadcast.”

Thank you for your participation! PHC will keep in touch as the campaign proceeds, as action shifts to the Senate.

RPAC LIBRARY OF MICHIGAN PETITION UPDATE

Within the genealogical community, the Library of Michigan has long been recognized as one of the premier state libraries in the country. The cohesive Library of Michigan collection with over 180 years of Michigan history, literature and culture records and reflects the lives of not only those who remained to raise their families within the state but of millions more whose migration to other parts of the country left their footprints in the soil and records generated by their passage. Visitors come from all across the country to research at the Library of Michigan.

In meetings held during the Federation of Genealogical Societies/Arkansas Genealogical Society Annual Conference, the Records Preservation and Access Committee representatives initiated a petition drive in support of the Library of Michigan. This is the first time FGS has exercised this option since **(Continued on page 19)**

RPAC LIBRARY OF MICHIGAN PETITION UPDATE (Continued from page 18)

2006, something of an indicator of the seriousness with which the genealogical community views this situation.

The RPAC petition became available for signature on Sunday, 6 September 2009. The petition drive will close on the 1st of October, the date the governor's order is scheduled to take effect. The earlier one signs, the greater the impact.

Although the prospects for reversing this action are remote, we would not want it to be said that a state library can be closed without its users caring.

Genealogists from within and without Michigan are encouraged to sign the online petition at: <http://www.PetitionOnline.com/RPAC2009/petition.html>. We then ask that you urge the members of every society of which you are a member to do likewise.

Additional background and the latest developments can be found at the web site of the Michigan Genealogical Council at: <http://www.mimgc.org/LOM.html>. They may also suggest legislators to whom individual letters might be addressed at appropriate points in the legislative process.

GENEALOGICAL INTERNET SITES WORTH A LOOK

Looking for genealogical forms to record your research findings? A great site with free downloadable forms can be accessed at: <http://www.familytreemagazine.com/forms/download.html>.

The National Archives has recently created a blog of interest to genealogists, found at: <http://blogs.archives.gov/online-public-access/>.

Cumberland County, PA has started to put scanned images of some old records online. The web site to locate these images is accessed at: <http://www.ccpa.net/index.aspx?nid=2566>. Although this project is not complete, there are still some very interesting items already online, including some Revolutionary War pension applications.

At another site, dedicated to preserving birth information, genealogists can search an index of New York City births between 1901 – 1907 at: http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2009/08/new-york-city-birth-records-19011907-now-online.html#more.

If you have ancestors from South Carolina, take the time to browse the text of two Charleston newspapers now found online at: <http://www.goupstate.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20090909/ARTICLES/909099965/1083/ARTICLES>. This site is maintained by the University of South Carolina.

The web site: <http://www3.gendisasters.com/> lists disasters for the U.S. and Canada.

To access the Louisiana Biography and Obituary Index, to view a list of the newspapers and other publications referenced, visit: <http://www.nutrias.org/~nopl/obits/obits.htm>.

Explore Canadian immigration at Pier 21. Follow in the footsteps of the 1.5 million immigrants and Canadian military service personnel who passed through Pier 21 between 1928 and 1971. Explore Canadian stories of immigration and nation building through interactive exhibits, multimedia presentations and activities for all ages. Search at: <http://www.pier21.ca/>.

Finally, a searchable database of British prisoners can be accessed at the web site: <http://www.yorkcastleprison.org.uk/family-history.html>.

Good luck in your next search on the Internet!



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS FROM NHG

Mark Your Calendars!

Tuesday, 20 October 2009

WORLD WAR I DRAFT CARDS

Speaker: Tim Pinnick

World War I draft registration cards contain valuable imbedded pieces of information that can become leads in solving some genealogical roadblocks for researchers. Tim's presentation will give an overview of WWI draft cards, and discuss how to find relatives and other people by adding vital information to your family history from this primary source! Tim has over 20 years of experience as a lecturer and family historian.

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ANNUAL ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Speakers: NHG Members

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THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM - Tuesday, 15 September 2009

IRISH HERITAGE RESEARCH

Speaker: Father Peter Murphy

Pittsburgh native and first generation American Father Peter Murphy will discuss his trips to Ireland to discover his own heritage and that of others from his parish in St. Alphonsus in Wexford and the Pittsburgh Diocese. Hear about Father Murphy's experiences as he joyfully researches in Ireland; learn of his discoveries of family homesteads.