



NEW REFERENCE BOOKS DONATED TO NORTHLAND LIBRARY BY NHG

The North Hills Genealogists recently donated 15 new books to Northland Library for their Genealogy Collection. This donation gift has become an annual occurrence to benefit all patrons of Northland. In collaboration with Northland's genealogical librarian, Amy Steele, the following books were selected to meet the current needs of Northland's patrons.

Listed below is the list of reference books donated by NHG for 2009:

- > *The Genealogist's Guide to Researching Tax Records* by Carol Cooke Darrow and Susan Winchester;
- > *Fashionable Folks' Hairstyles 1840-1900* by Maureen A. Taylor;
- > *Social Networking for Genealogists* by Drew Smith;
- > *Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your African-American Ancestors* by Franklin Carter Smith and Emily Anne Croom;
- > *The German and Swiss Settlements of Colonial Pennsylvania - A Study of the So-Called Pennsylvania Dutch* by Oscar Kuhns;
- > *Families Directly Descended From all the Royal Families in Europe (495-1932) and Mayflower Descendants* by Elizabeth M. Leach Rixford;
- > *Black Genesis: a Resource book for African-American Genealogy* by James M. Rose and Alice Eichholz;
- > *In Search of Your Canadian Roots, 3rd Edition* by Angus Baxter;
- > *The Royal Descents of 600 Immigrants to the*

- American Colonies* by Gary Boyd Roberts;
- > *Understanding Colonial Handwriting* by Harriet Stryker-Rodda;
- > *Deaths in the Pennsylvania Bituminous Coal Districts*;
- > *Index to the Registration of Deaths-Allegheny County Pennsylvania, 1893-1905*;
- > *Soldiers' Orphan Schools of Western Pennsylvania*;
- > *Lists and Indexes to the Legal, Court, and Municipal Records of Allegheny County, PA*;
- > *Allegheny County Warranty Atlas*

At November's NHG meeting, the officers will formally present this collection of new books to Northland Library on behalf of our organization.

Our support of Northland Library is one of the original aims of the North Hills Genealogists organization. Northland has an extensive collection of genealogical reference materials for our use, including the non-fiction resource books, the Heritage Quest database, and the Library Edition of Ancestry. The databases may be used in the library or in some areas, from home. You are encouraged to continue to use these valuable resources from Northland!

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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!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We are all searching for any information we can find to add to the story of our ancestry. Sometimes that additional information is a surprise. This month I will tell you about a unique, unexpected family connection that I discovered during my genealogical research. As I research, I have included everything I have found and preserved the information in Family Tree Maker, one of the software products that I use to keep track of my findings. There is a place to load all the information in either one of the many Fact types or in the Notes section. All of the information I find is loaded along with a notation about the source. From time to time the connections among members of our branches reveal more information than we see at first glance.

Now I have a question for you to consider: Have you ever looked at the information you've collected? I mean really looked at it? Some of my cousins think it is nice of me to tell them when I find something new, and they ask me if there is anything interesting.

As I was researching, I came across something that I thought would really have an impact on some of my relatives. I waited a few weeks until my uncle was shingling his roof and needed help. His kids (some of my cousins) were going to be there and so was my family. I would wait until the lunch break to reveal my findings. On the day of my presentation I was excited and knew that they would be too!

We were taking a lunch break, and while everyone was eating, I showed my results...this was going to be good. I had found and verified the following facts:

M&M
C&A F&M
A&A B&R
D&B B&D
J K
Kasey

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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At the time no one knew the meaning of the relationships except me. (I did show them the full names.) I turned to Ken and Jan and said, "You are cousins!" At this point Ken was eating a sandwich, and he started to choke on it. He was very surprised at this new discovery within our family tree, and then he became distressed. Jan just stared at me, and so did everyone else.

I explained that Ken and Jan were *third* cousins and that their union was legal in this state. Now a few others were showing the same kind of distress Ken was showing, also choking on either food or drink. Third cousins have a common great-great-grandparent, which was the connection that Ken and Jan shared.

I was not realizing how the information was hitting my relations, and I continued by showing them more. If you made two curved lines from Marx and Maria at the top to Kasey at the bottom, one to the left and one to the right, an oval shape emerges. I made the lines on the paper and said, "This makes a shape like a football." At that time little Kasey pointed her finger at me, stated that she was not a football, and hid behind her mother.

Were my relatives excited by my recent genealogical discoveries? Yes, they were, and some still are. I guess in hindsight I should have waited for a better time to share my new findings, but the excitement had overcome me.

The next time you work on your genealogy, take a close look at the information you have collected. What's hidden in it?

Have a wonderful holiday season with your families!

~Al

[Please join us for the NHG Christmas Social on 5 December 2009. See page 34 in this newsletter for additional details.]

REVIEW OF OCTOBER'S PROGRAM: WORLD WAR I DRAFT REGISTRATION CARDS

Thank you to October's speaker, Mr. Tim Pinnick, for an outstanding and detailed talk about using World War I draft registration cards to add to our genealogical research. Tim's presentation was so full of new information that NHG has invited him to return.

Tim explained how World War I draft registration cards contain valuable imbedded pieces of information that can become leads in solving details about certain ancestors. He showed many examples of using the WWI registration cards to help identify ancestors with a common name, to find neighbors and relatives, and to extract personal information.

In *The Weekly Discovery*, a free subscription newsletter through Ancestry.com, Juliana Smith recently (13 October 2009) wrote an article, *Spotlight on World War I Draft Registration Cards*. You can access the complete article at <http://learn.ancestry.com/Home/HMLND.aspx> by clicking on "Article Archives" and searching by title, author, or date.

According to the Ancestry.com article, "In all, more than 24 million men would go on to be drafted for possible service in World War I, and the draft registration cards that were created as a result of that draft include information that will enrich your family history.

Overall, these records include males living in the U.S. who were born between 11 September 1872 and 12 September 1900, who were not already enlisted in the military. Citizenship was not a factor in the registration requirements, so you'll find recent immigrants in the collection, regardless of naturalization status."

The article concludes by breaking down the information to be found in the three WWI draft registration periods. Consider using this resource for your research; you can access it through Ancestry.com at Northland if needed.

MAX'S ALLEGHENY TAVERN

Written by Jan Fazio, NHG Member

What is now Max's Allegheny Tavern was established as Hotel Rahn by **George Rahn**, the great-grandfather of North Hills Genealogy member **Jan Fazio**. The original part of the building was chiefly a drover's hotel, that is, it housed the herdsmen who "parked" their herds of livestock in the commons on the way to the slaughterhouses on East Ohio Street and Herr's Island, now Washington's Landing with plush residences. At the turn of the century George Rahn purchased the building and built the bar on the corner. His family, except for a few who were married, moved from their house on Spring Garden Avenue into the floors above the bar and restaurant. George's wife, **Katherina Naegely Rahn**, cooked the restaurant meals in their upstairs kitchen and shipped the food down on a dumbwaiter, which is now a fuse box. The children still living at home helped in the hotel and restaurant.

In the first dining room past the bar hangs a large photograph of George and Katherine—in their swimming suits. A photographic portrait of George is on the same wall, and in one of the photographs he is behind the bar with other bartenders. The portrait on the wall just outside the present kitchen labeled "Max Rahn" was reportedly found in the attic. It is of unknown origin and not necessarily a member of the Rahn family. "**Max**" Rahn is a fictional character.

The background story of the Tavern in the newspaper-style menu is somewhat apocryphal. As genealogists, we know what happens to oral history, even as related by grandchildren. Stories stray over time from reality but retain kernels of truth. So it is with the little story about George and Katherine. An example of just one inaccuracy is that they were not immigrants, but were second generation. Nevertheless, their eldest child, **Emma**, though born and raised in Deutschtown, did not speak English until she went to school.

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George and Katherine had a total of 11 children. Their eldest, Emma, was Jan's grandmother. On page 37 of Images of America's *Allegheny City, 1840-1907*, is a group photograph of the Rahns (with Naegely misspelled). One of the Rahn daughters, **Amelia**, is in the picture at the top of that page with two unidentified women.

George Rahn died on 13 November 1915 at the age of 61, but not from the concussion reported in *The Evening Record* on the outside of the menu; Katherine died on New Year's Day, 1918, at the age of 62. After some intra-sibling dissension, the children opted to sell the hotel along with the Rahns' other properties in Allegheny City, Reserve Township, and Saxonburg. It is said that during Prohibition, the tavern was a speakeasy, and during some period of its history, the many bedrooms needed by the Rahn family lent themselves to a disreputable use—or so rumor has it.

An aside: Another piece of Rahn history, Trinity Lutheran Church, is on page 52 of *Allegheny City, 1840-1907*. In 1899, **Emma Rahn** married **Jesse Philip Miller** from Wooster, Ohio. After attending St. Luke's Church on Federal Street for a number of years, they joined Trinity Lutheran, which is the church of Jan's childhood. On the corner of Stockton and Arch, Trinity was in the way of North Side progress and so was destroyed and replaced by the Allegheny Center Mall.

NHG UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Tuesday, 17 November 2009

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

Presented by NHG MEMBERS

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Saturday, 5 December 2009

NHG ANNUAL HOLIDAY SOCIAL

Join us at 10:30 A.M. at Photo Antiquities, located in the North Side business district at 531 East Ohio Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212. We will tour the facility and hear a presentation about dating old photographs and photo preservation techniques. After the talk and tour, we will socialize over lunch nearby at Max's Allegheny Tavern. *[See the related article on page 34 about this historic restaurant.]*

The cost for the museum is \$8.00 per person. Lunch will be on an individual basis, ordering from the menu. Parking is available on the street and in a metered lot two blocks away from Photo Antiquities. For more information about this museum of early photography featuring Pittsburgh images, explore their web site at: <http://www.photoantiquities.org>.

An exact count of interested members and guests is needed by November 30th. To RSVP for the NHG Holiday Social, see one of the NHG Officers or Board Members, or e-mail your name and confirmation to: INFO@NorthHillsGenealogists.org.

Tuesday, 19 January 2010

WHAT DOES YOUR GERMAN NAME MEAN?

Presented by Ed Heinlein, NHG Member

A name is a word or a combination of words by which a person, a place, or an idea, is known or designated. If you have ever wondered if your name designates a geographic place, a profession, or a title of noble background, come to hear NHG V.P. Ed Heinlein answer these questions about German given names and surnames. Ed will also discuss spelling of names at Ellis Island, and if your name was affected by phonetic changes from dialects, Low German, or High German, or by writing style (Gothic script) or printing style (Fraktur).

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Tuesday, 16 February 2010

FOUR BRANDS OF GENEALOGY SOFTWARE PLUS

Presented by NHG Members

NHG Members Amy Arner, Susan Ennis, Al Hartman, and Amy Prager, will each demonstrate the genealogy software that they currently use: The Master Genealogist, Reunion 9 for Macintosh, Legacy, and Family Tree Maker. Elissa Scalise Powell will demonstrate the use of Heritage Quest Online that is available at Northland Library or from your home if you reside in the communities supporting Northland Library.

Tuesday, 16 March 2010

EVEN WHEN THERE IS NO WILL THERE IS A WAY: EXAMINING PROBATE RECORDS

Presented by Elissa Scalise Powell, CG

Using examples from Pennsylvania and Ohio, Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, will discuss how to locate probate records for your family. Just because your ancestor did not leave a will is no reason to not examine the records at the Probate Office. The details surrounding the distribution of your ancestor's property at the time of his death may surprise you or give you that clue to further your genealogical research.

WHERE GENEALOGISTS MEET

18 November 2009

6:45 P.M.

BEAVER COUNTY, PA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Beaver County Genealogical Society is Wednesday, 18 November 2009 at the Mormon Family History Center, 114 Church Drive, Monaca, PA. Patricia Penka French will speak about Bulgaria-Macedonian Culture Research. 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/>.

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WHERE GENEALOGISTS MEET

Wednesday, 18 November 2009 7:00 P.M. CRANBERRY GENEALOGY CLUB

On Wednesday, 18 November 2009, the Cranberry Genealogy Club will offer a program that gives fresh ideas on how to look at the data you are collecting. Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, will present "Rubik's Cube Genealogy: A New Twist on your Old Data" at the Cranberry Twp. Library Conference Room, located at 2525 Rochester Road, Cranberry Township, PA 16066. This program is free and open to the public.

By twisting your data by sources, geography, and chronology, holes and discrepancies will become more apparent and may suggest further clues. Discussion will include timelines, genograms, lineage society applications, land platting, and writing your family narrative.

The speaker, Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, is very knowledgeable about genealogical research. She is the Professional Genealogy Course Coordinator at the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama. She also serves as a Trustee for the Board for Certification of Genealogists and their Exhibit Booth Coordinator. Also an instructor, Elissa teaches at the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy and in Boston University's Certificate in Genealogical Research program. A regional and national speaker, her topics include Pennsylvania records, methodology, professional development, and society management. Powell was a Director for the Association of Professional Genealogists for six years, co-edited a cemetery book series, and appeared on the PBS-TV show Ancestors 2 in the cemetery episode.

The Cranberry Genealogy Club meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month throughout the year. For more information, go to <http://www.cranberrygenealogy.org>.

Saturday, 9 January 2010 WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society will be a presentation on Saturday, 9 January 2010. The meeting begins at 10:00 A.M. at the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh (Oakland Area), 4400 Forbes Avenue. Parking is available nearby for \$5.00 and the meeting is free and open to the public. Additional upcoming meeting dates are 13 February 2010 and 13 March 2010. The WPGS Annual Spring Seminar with featured speaker Craig Scott, CG, and for which there is a registration fee, will be held in April 2010. Go to <http://www.wpgs.org> for more details.

28 April – 1 May 2010 NGS ANNUAL CONFERENCE Salt Lake City, Utah

Salt Lake City, Utah is the host city for the 2010 National Genealogical Society's Annual Genealogical Conference from 28 April through 1 May. The NGS Conference "Follow Your Ancestral Trail" will be held at the Salt Palace Convention Center downtown and within a few blocks of the Family History Library. Throughout the conference, there will be extended research hours at the Family History Library. To plan your conference experience, go to <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org>.

18 – 21 August 2010 FGS ANNUAL CONFERENCE Knoxville, Tennessee

"Rediscovering America's First Frontier" is the theme for the 2010 Annual Genealogical Conference of the Federation of Genealogical Societies. Make plans now to travel to Knoxville, Tennessee from 18-21 August 2010 for this conference event to be held at the Knoxville Convention Center. For more details, refer to <http://www.fgs.org/>.

DIGITAL COLLECTIONS AT DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY

Submitted by Kenneth Berner, NHG Member

A few weeks ago, through a happenstance meeting at work with a Duquesne University librarian, I learned that Duquesne's Gumberg Library has, and is continuing to build, a variety of digital collections.

I learned, for instance, that the University has been continuously microfilming *The Pittsburgh Catholic*, a weekly diocesan newspaper, dating back to its inception in 1844. To convert *The Pittsburgh Catholic* to digital format, Gumberg Library started with Volume 1, Issue 1, and will continue to digitize the newspaper from the oldest volumes to the newest volumes. Currently, the first ten years, from 16 March 1844 through 8 March 1854, are available by browsing or searching the full text.

Just a casual, random browsing through some of the earliest issues shows a great concentration of all things Irish, both within the Pittsburgh area and within Ireland. One article that caught my eye was an appeal to the Pittsburgh Bishop from a parish priest in Ireland. It was asking for assistance for his parish after describing the effects that the Potato Famine was having on his parishioners and on the ability of the parish itself to continue functioning.

Also within the Digital Collection are copies of the campus weekly newspaper, *The Duke*. An article in the 7 December 1933 issue contained a front-page announcement of the school's annual essay contest, open to all undergraduate students, on the topic of church history. That particular year's topic was limited to the history of the churches in Western Pennsylvania. The winner was awarded "The Bishop O'Connor Award", a gold medal offered by a chapter of the Knights of Columbus, and valued at \$50! Although only one prize was to be awarded, the ten best essays would be given honorable mention and "all papers shall be deposited and

catalogued in the Pittsburgh Room of the University Library." I have not yet had a chance to check with the library as to whether those essays still exist, but the essays could be an unusual source for anyone researching Western Pennsylvania churches (and, perhaps, their associated cemeteries).

The Gumberg Digital Collection at Duquesne University also houses the prestigious *Musmanno Collection-Interrogations of Hitler Associates*, authored by Michael A. Musmanno, former Justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and presiding judge of the Nuremberg War Crime trials.

There is much more to be learned about the Gumberg Digital Library Collections at <http://digital.library.duq.edu>. Happy hunting!

APG VIDEO LECTURES NOW AVAILABLE

Submitted by Amy Arner, NHG Board Member

This past week the Association of Professional Genealogists released an experiment in video lectures to the public. You may view and listen to three different lectures on the Internet at: http://www.apgen.org/publications/pmc_webcast.html. I thoroughly enjoyed the video lecture *The Bachelor: Reconstructing a Solitary Life Using Obscure and Far-Flung Records* by Mary Penner. *The Bachelor* illustrates how many different records create a life story even for someone who you would otherwise be hard-pressed to know anything about.

The other two programs offered are *Bull's Eye! Planning and Delivering a Winning Mark* by Heather Henderson about marketing your genealogy, and *Get Paid for Your Passion: Becoming a Professional Genealogist* by NHG's Elissa Scalise Powell, CG. Topics covered include: defining professionalism; tips for success; continuing education; finding a mentor; specializing; hanging out your shingle. Congratulations to Elissa for this opportunity!

SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEB 2.0 AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Press Release

14 November 2009

Washington, DC - The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) has launched some Web 2.0 technologies and has signed agreements to create NARA sites on Twitter, YouTube, Facebook, and Flickr. NARA is using these tools and sites to create new ways of communicating with the public and look forward to your feedback.

Below is a list of our new activities. Please visit us often to see our expanding Web 2.0 and social media projects.

[Editor's Note: Although not all of these links are directly related to genealogical research for family historians, all possible links are included here to give an overview of what NARA is currently choosing to publish and share. Go to <http://www.archives.gov> often to check for more updates.]

Blogs

[Collaborate](#) (Blog and Forum for Teachers)
[NARAtions](#) (A Blog about Online Public Access to the Records of the U.S. National Archives)
[RACO 2009 Blog](#) (Records Administration Conference)

Facebook

[US National Archives](#)
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[Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum](#)
[John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum](#)
[Jimmy Carter Presidential Library](#)
[George Bush Presidential Library Foundation](#)
[Clinton Presidential Center](#)

Flickr

[National Archives on Flickr](#)

Twitter

[National Archives News](#)
[Federal Register](#)
[RACO 2009 on Twitter](#) (Records Administration Conference)

YouTube

[National Archives on YouTube](#)
[John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum](#)
[Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum](#)
[Harry S. Truman Library and Museum](#)

RSS Feeds are linked for the following: *The National Archives News*, *Prologue* magazine, *The Federal Register Public Inspection List*, and *Today's Document from the National Archives*.

For more information about NARA's efforts to use social media and Web 2.0 as tools for communication, go to their web site link at: <http://www.archives.gov/social-media/index.html>.

LEARNING ABOUT READING GENEALOGY BLOGS

On Wednesday, 9 December 2009, the Genealogy Center of Allen County Public Library, 900 Library Plaza, Ft. Wayne, Indiana is offering a unique one-day seminar. Reading Genealogy Blogs will be presented at 2:30 P.M. in Meeting Room B. This seminar is described in this manner: "Reading a genealogy blog is a great way to learn about research methodologies, databases, conferences, and new technologies, as well as a chance to keep up with our distant cousins and their research."

By attending this workshop, you will learn about options for managing and organizing the blogs you read. Information about where to find genealogy blogs will also be discussed.

To register for this afternoon workshop at the Allen County Public Library, call (260) 421 - 1225 or online at genealogy@acpl.info.

July 14 – 17, 2010



Washington, DC

SPECIAL 20th Year Celebration Trip!

Join the **North Hills Genealogists** of Pittsburgh for research in the National Archives, DAR Library and Library of Congress. Roundtrip bus from the Pittsburgh, PA area; 3 nights hotel. Prices per person:

Single: \$488 Double: \$300

Triple: \$240 Quad: \$205

Get your research and your roommates together and place your reservation! Details, itinerary, maps, links, and other information can be found at www.NorthHillsGenealogists.org. Direct questions and comments to DCTrip@NorthHillsGenealogists.org or call Elissa Powell at 724-935-6961.

Limited space available; respond ASAP to guarantee your place. Friends and relatives welcome.



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS FROM NHG

Mark Your Calendars!

Saturday, 5 December 2009
ANNUAL HOLIDAY SOCIAL
Speakers: NHG Members and Guests

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Tuesday, 19 January 2010
WHAT DOES YOUR GERMAN NAME MEAN?

Speaker: Ed Heinlein, NHG Member

German expert and NHG member Ed Heinlein will present a talk to guide us in deciphering the meaning of German names from your family tree, both given names and surnames. Using his knowledge of Germany, its culture, the language, and genealogy, Ed's program will be helpful to us as we learn more about name origins.

THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM - Tuesday, 17 November 2009 **ANNUAL NHG ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION**

Speakers: NHG Members

November is a popular month for our group to break through brick walls! Join the North Hills Genealogists for the annual Round Table Discussion meeting. This meeting is an opportunity for all members to exchange ideas for resolving problems in family history research. Everyone, whether a beginner or an experienced genealogist, can benefit from the round table!