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NHG ANNOUNCES FREE FAMILY HISTORY WORKSHOPS IN APRIL AT NORTHLAND LIBRARY

The North Hills Genealogists and Northland Library are offering two free learning events for local genealogists on Saturday, April 21 and Friday, April 27. Separate registration is required for each event due to limited seating. Please register for these events at the Adult Reference Desk at Northland Library or online <http://northlandlibrary.org/news/calendar.html>. Find each date on the web page, and register for one, the other, or both by clicking on the event.

The first event, a Family History Workshop, will be offered on Saturday, April 21, featuring Amy Arner, Mary Dzurichko, and Amy Steele as the speakers. Topics to be covered include things you need to know to get started with genealogy, finding your ancestors in the 1940 U.S. census, and how to use Northland's collection of genealogical resources. In addition to the three presentations, you will have the opportunity for a personal consultation about your own research following the sessions. Handouts will be provided and light refreshments will be served.

Plan to arrive and register for the Family History Workshop between 9:15 - 9:30 A.M. The first of the three one-hour sessions will begin at 9:30, with a 10-minute break between each lecture. Register now for this event, which has a limit of 60 people.

The second event is an After Hours Genealogy Lock-in on Friday evening, April 27 from 6:30 to 10:00 P.M. at Northland Library. There is a limit of 30 people for this event, so please register in advance. The purpose of the Lock-in

is to conduct online genealogical research—including using the 1940 Census—with research volunteers available to assist throughout the evening. Check in will begin at 6:30, followed by an introduction and guidelines for the evening by Amy Steele of Northland Library. Please use the upper entrance at the library. The remainder of the evening will be open research time with the option of guidance from volunteers. Attendees will have access to the library's computer lab and printers as well as online and print resources.

You do not have to attend both events in April; choose the one that works best for your skill level and interests; however, pre-registration is required. If you have further questions, contact Amy Steele at Northland Library.

NECROLOGY

Long-time member John Swick passed away 14 February 2012. His research interests included Germany and Ireland. Our sympathy goes out to his wife Jean, also a long-time member, and their family and friends.

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WHO WE ARE - NHG

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.

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.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

March is National Women's History month, so I wanted to mention a great article "Invisible Women Ancestors" on genealogy.about.com by Kimberly Powell (a local professional genealogist). The first part had a lot of suggestions for searching for your ancestor's maiden name (or her married name, if you are searching forward).

The best place to start is in the marriage record itself, be it a civil or church record. In my case, I contacted the Catholic Diocese in another state about my great-grandparent's marriage. I didn't know the exact date, and they didn't have the resources to search through the records. I lucked out with the Polish Genealogical Society of America; the transcribed records were available on their website. The big surprise in the marriage record was that my great-grandmother had been married previously!

Even the witnesses on the marriage record can prove useful, since they are often the relatives of the bride and groom, as Deborah Abbott explained in her NHG presentation last year. The bride's mother's maiden name could be determined from a witness who is a maternal uncle or cousin. Or this information can help you find her parents, as it did for me. On the marriage record of my ggg-grandparents, the bride's brother was a witness. With a first and last name of a male relative, I finally found her family. (The family emigrated from Canada before the 1851 census.)

The names of witnesses can help again when you are searching a female ancestor forward; the witness could be a married sister. Obituaries can also help with this type of search. In my great-grandmother's obituary, I finally found the married name of her sister. (The sister's first and last names were misspelled so badly that I couldn't identify her in the county marriage record database.)

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Another resource is death records. Sometimes the death record will list her parents' names, and even her mother's maiden name if you're lucky! Also check her children's death records (and baptismal records too), as these may include the mother's maiden name. In addition, consider whether the first or middle names of children (or grandchildren) suggest a surname. If so, it was likely from the maternal ancestral line. It's not a guarantee, but it's a starting place.

And finally, there are census records. Last year, Sue Ennis gave us a lecture on zoom lens genealogy and the importance of scrutinizing your ancestor's neighbors—they may be the bride's family! I found my great-grandmother's maiden name that way. As she and her husband moved around town, the same family was always nearby. Sure enough, they turned out to be her widowed mother and younger brothers.

Hopefully, this column gives you some ideas on getting through a few of your brick walls. For more motivation, please consider attending the After Hours Genealogy Lock-in at Northland Library on April 27, starting at 6:30 P.M. Space is limited, and you must register with the library online (<http://northlandlibrary.org>) or by calling the adult services department (412-366-8100, ext. 113). The Spring Family History Workshop will be at the library on April 21, starting at 9 A.M. Invite any would-be genealogists interested in getting their search started to attend with you!

Meanwhile, the election committee for the board officers has formed and is being headed by Sue Ennis; please contact Sue if you are interested in nominating someone (even yourself). And please consider volunteering to become our next program chair; the responsibilities were summarized in last month's newsletter. If you are interested, please contact any NHG Board member or send us an email (Info@NorthHillsGenealogist.org).

~ Krisanne

TIME TO NOMINATE NHG OFFICERS FOR 2012-13!

The NHG Board is now accepting nominations for the four officer positions in our organization. Annually elected officers include president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. The deadline for nominations is 30 April 2012. Candidates' names will be presented to the NHG Board at the May 1st meeting. The ballot to elect officers will appear in the May newsletter and votes must be returned by June 30th. The term for the new officers begins on August 1. If you are interested in nominating a NHG member or yourself for an officer position, please contact Sue Ennis, Al Hartman, or Dave Williams in person, or by e-mailing Sue at susanennis@verizon.net by the end of April. No experience necessary! The officers meet on the first Tuesday of each month (except December) with the entire board.

TWO NEW BOARD MEMBERS WELCOMED!

The NHG Board is pleased to announce the appointment of members **Carole Ashbridge** as the **Social Media Chair** and **Sharon Cimoch** as the **Chair of the 1940 Census Index Project**. Thank you to Carole and Sharon for volunteering to serve NHG in these newly developed positions.

The Social Media plan will evolve over the next few years with the goal of publicizing all NHG events and dispersing timely information through a variety of channels. Carole's leadership and experience will provide a solid and creative foundation for promoting NHG.

The Census Index Project will be led by Sharon, who will recruit and organize volunteers from our membership to assist with the creation of the index. Sharon's organizational skills will help her to coordinate the local project with representatives of FamilySearch, Archives.com, and FindMyPast.com.

NHG JOINS THE 1940 U.S. CENSUS COMMUNITY PROJECT

NHG has joined forces with genealogical societies and organizations around the country as part of the 1940 U.S. Census Community Project. The initiative aims to publish a free, online searchable name index of the 1940 U.S. Federal Census after images of the census are released to the public in April 2012. This online index will be free forever, offering family history researchers a rich genealogical data set for their ongoing use. Three leading genealogy organizations, Archives.com, FamilySearch International, and findmypast.com, launched the initiative at the end of last year, and the project is already engaging volunteers to help provide this invaluable resource to family historians around the world as soon as possible.

The index created by the project will allow the public to easily search every person found in the census and view digital images of the original census pages where he or she is listed. The highly anticipated 1940 U.S. Census is expected to be the most popular U.S. record collection released to date.

“The 1940 Census is attractive to both new and experienced researchers because most people in the United States can remember a relative that was living in 1940. It will do more to connect living memory with historical records and families than any other collection previously made available,” said David Rencher, Chief Genealogical Officer for FamilySearch.

The 1940 U.S. Census Community Project is also receiving support from leading societal organizations like the Federation of Genealogical Societies, National Genealogical Society, and Ohio Genealogical Society, as well as other societies around the United States.

Go to www.the1940census.com/society and register to participate with our society. Simply select North Hills Genealogists on the profile screen when creating your account. Every new

person indexing with our society gets us closer to milestones that qualify us for incentives provided by the sponsors of the project, so sign up today!

A Note by Sharon Cimoch, Our Census Project Chair: I am excited to be the NHG Project Chair to index the 1940 census for FamilySearch. The census will be released the beginning of April and we will probably be able to start working on it by the beginning of May. I need a few volunteers who are willing to be on a committee and who have the use of a computer for a few hours, daily or weekly. I will be passing around a sign-up sheet at the March 20th meeting and hope to have more information to give everyone at that time. This is a great opportunity for us to be involved in a very small, but important part of history so please think about participating. If you have questions, you can reach me at scimoch@zoominternet.net or 724-816-0342.

USING THE 1940 U.S. CENSUS

The 1940 census will be released to the public 2 April 2012. The census will only be released digitally. The web site for accessing the images will be <http://www.1940census.archives.gov>. There will not be an index to the census initially. There are ways you can find your ancestors before the index is complete. Steve Morse has created some tools to help you determine what enumeration district your ancestor lived in. These tools are available on his web site, <http://www.stevemorse.org>. There, select the US Census option on the left side of the page. That will open another menu where you can choose the 1940 Tutorial Quiz or Getting Ready for the 1940 Census. The quiz option will guide you through finding the enumeration district. The getting ready option will take you to an article or an interview on how to use the quiz. To get the most out of the quiz, have your family information in front of you, especially the information on where they lived when the 1930 census was taken.

WHERE GENEALOGISTS MEET

Wednesday, 21 March 2012, 7:00 P.M.

BEAVER COUNTY GENEALOGY & HISTORY CENTER

The speaker for the next Beaver County Genealogy & History Center meeting is Alice Kern. She will present "The 1940 Census Is Coming, Are You Ready?" The meeting will be held at the Mormon Family History Center, 114 Church Drive, Monaca, PA. For more information, call 724-847-9253 or go to <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~pabecgs>.

23-24 March 2012

FAIRFAX GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE

The Fairfax Genealogical Society will hold their annual conference on 23 and 24 March 2012. The theme for this event is *Find Your National Treasure in the Nation's Capital*. The conference will be held at the Fairfax Marriott at Fair Oaks, 11787 Lee Jackson Memorial Highway, Fairfax, Virginia. There will be three tracks of lectures Friday and six tracks on Saturday. The speakers will include Pam Sayre, CG, Rick Sayre, CG, Thomas W. Jones, Ph.D, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS, Dear MYRTLE, and more. An exhibit hall for genealogical vendors is planned. The conference hotel has a block of rooms at a discounted rate for attendees. For a fee, conference attendees can schedule a twenty minute, one-on-one consultation with an expert to work on brick wall problems. For more information or to register, please visit <http://www.fxgs.org>.

Wednesday, 28 March 2012, 6:30 P.M.

CRANBERRY GENEALOGY CLUB

The next Cranberry Genealogy Club meeting will be March 28th. Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, CGL, will present "They Went West on the O-HI-O: Following a Family's Trail from Pennsylvania to Indiana." The meeting will be

held in the Library Conference Room at the Cranberry Township Municipal Building, 2525 Rochester Road. Meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, please visit <http://www.cranberrygenealogy.org>.

Saturday, 31 March 2012, 8:30 A.M.

MID-ATLANTIC GERMANIC SOCIETY

The Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society will hold their annual spring meeting on Saturday, 31 March 2012. The event will be held at the Holiday Inn Laurel West, 15101 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel, Maryland. The all-day seminar will feature Warren Bittner, CG, and staff from the National Archives and Records Administration. The lectures will include "German Historical Maps and Territories—You Can't Do Research without Them," "Beat the Children with a Fresh Birch Stick—Reading to Put Your Family in Historical Context," "Tips for Using the 1940 Census," and "On Site Research in German Archives." An exhibit hall for genealogical vendors is planned. For more information and a registration form, please visit <http://www.magsgen.com>.

Saturday, 31 March 2012, 9:30 A.M.

AKRON-SUMMIT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Akron-Summit County Public Library will host "Photography for the Family Historian" on March 31st. Diane VanSkiver Gagel will present lectures on three topics: "The Family Photographer: To Be Digital or Not to Be Digital," "Windows on the Past: Dating, Identifying, and Caring for Historical Photographs," and "Ancestors in the Attic: Finding and Sharing Family Photographs." The program is free and open to the public. Pre-registration is required. The event will be held at the library, 60 S. High Street, Akron, OH. For more information, please visit <http://sc.akronlibrary.org>. To register,

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contact the Special Collections Division at 330-643-9030 or speccollections@akronlibrary.org.

Saturday, 31 March 2012, 9:00 A.M.
WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Western Reserve Historical Society (WRHS) Genealogy Committee is sponsoring an all-day seminar on March 31st entitled *Finding Your Czech/Slovak Roots*. John T. Sabol, a writer and historian, will present two lectures in the morning. The afternoon will consist of roundtable discussions focused on finding ancestral villages. Participants are encouraged to bring documents and clues. Pre-registration is required. The fee for the program is \$25. Lunch will be on your own. The event will be held at WRHS, 10825 East Boulevard, Cleveland, Ohio. For more information, please visit <http://www.wrhs.org>.

Tuesday, 10 April 2012, 6:30 P.M.
BUTLER COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The next BCGS meeting will be held on April 10th. It will be a library lock-in at the Weir Genealogy Room at the Butler Library. The library's address is 218 North McKean Street, Butler. Go to <http://www.bcgs.us> for more details.

12-14 April 2012
OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE

The Ohio Genealogical Society will hold its annual conference 12-14 April at the Intercontinental Hotel, 9801 Carnegie Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. The theme is *History and Genealogy: Finding Clues to Ancestral Lives*. The conference will feature a variety of one-

hour lectures and some two-hour workshops. For more information, visit <http://www.ogs.org>.

Monday, 16 April 2012, 1:00 P.M.
MOUNT LEBANON GENEALOGY SOCIETY

The Mount Lebanon Genealogy Society's next meeting will be April 16th. Stan Glickstein will share his experiences searching for his family in Eastern Europe. It will be held at the Mount Lebanon Library, 16 Castle Shannon Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA. For more information, please visit <http://mtlebanongenealogysociety.org>.

Saturday, 21 April 2012, 9:00 A.M.
WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The WPGS Spring Seminar will be held on April 21st. Curt Witcher, manager of the Genealogy Department at Allen County Public Library, will be the speaker. The seminar will be held in the Carnegie Library Lecture Hall, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA. The cost is \$25 for WPGS members and \$30 for non-members. This includes a box lunch. The registration deadline is 16 April. Parking at the Carnegie Library and Museum complex is \$5.00. Go to <http://www.wpgs.org> for more details.

Saturday, 21 April 2012, 8:00 A.M.
NORTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The Northeast Genealogical Society and the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania are jointly sponsoring a seminar on April 21st. The theme of the event is *Searching for Our Ancestors: Navigating Federal, State, and Local Records*. It will be held at the Luzerne County Community College Conference Center in Nanticoke, Pennsylvania. The \$45 fee includes lunch. The registration deadline is 12 April. Visit <http://www.genpa.org> for more information.

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28 April 2012, 9:00 A.M.
INDIANA GENEALOGICAL
SOCIETY CONFERENCE

The Indiana Genealogical Society will hold its annual conference and meeting April 28th at the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana. The featured speaker will be Debra S. Mieszala, CG. Her lectures will include "Lessons From A Snoop: Collaterals and Associates," "Digging Through Documents Word by Word," "Patently Unique: Locating Patent Records, Online and Off," and "Bringing Our Soldiers Home." More information and a registration form are available at <http://www.indgensoc.org>.

9-12 May 2012
NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL
SOCIETY CONFERENCE

The National Genealogical Society's 2012 conference will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio. The theme is *The Ohio River: Gateway to the Western Frontier*. The event will be held at the Duke Energy Convention Center in downtown Cincinnati. The conference will include Ask an Expert consultations, a Kids' Kamp, and a free exhibit hall. Some special evening events are also planned. Registration is now open. More information and a registration form are available at <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org>.

Saturday, 19 May 2012, 8:30 A.M.
EAST CUYAHOGA COUNTY
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The East Cuyahoga County Genealogical Society (ECCGS) will hold an all-day seminar on May 19th. The featured speaker will be Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak. Her lectures will include "Trace Your Roots with DNA," "Reverse Genealogy: Techniques for Finding Lost Loved Ones," "Find That Obituary! Online

Newspaper Research," and "Cases That Made My Brain Hurt." The event will be held at the Harry Eastridge Professional Development Center, 5700 West Canal Road, Building B, Valley View, Ohio, 44125. The pre-registration deadline is April 30th. The registration fee before the early bird deadline is \$35 for ECCGS members and \$40 for non-members. For more information and a registration form, please visit <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~oheccgs>.

1-3 June 2012
ONTARIO GENEALOGICAL
SOCIETY CONFERENCE

The Ontario Genealogical Society will hold its annual conference 1-3 June at the St. Lawrence College, 100 Portsmouth Avenue, Kingston, Ontario. The theme is *Borders and Bridges: 1812-2012*. The early bird registration deadline is 31 March. There will also be one-on-one consultations with members of the Ontario Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists. More information and a registration booklet are available at <http://www.ogs.on.ca>. Note that the program fee must be paid in Canadian dollars.

Thursday-Sunday, 7-10 June 2012
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
JAMBOREE

The Southern California Genealogical Society will hold their annual Jamboree 7-10 June. The event will be held at the Los Angeles Marriott Burbank Airport Hotel in Burbank, California. Speakers will include George Morgan, Drew Smith, Lisa Alzo, Steven Morse, D. Joshua Taylor, Jana Sloan Broglin, CG, Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak, Lisa Louise Cook, and many more. Lectures for all skill levels will be offered. For more information and a registration form, please visit the Jamboree web site at <http://www.scsgenealogy.com/Jamboree/2012jam-home.htm>.

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Wednesday-Saturday, 29 August-1 September 2012 FEDERATION OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES CONFERENCE

The Federation of Genealogical Societies will hold their annual conference 29 August through 1 September. The theme for this year's conference is *Indians, Squatters, Settlers, and Soldiers in the Old Southwest*. The event will be held at the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex in Birmingham, Alabama. The conference will feature eight tracks of lectures each day. The early bird registration deadline is 1 July. For more information and a registration form, please visit <http://www.fgs.org>.

8-12 October 2012 INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR BRITISH GENEALOGY AND FAMILY HISTORY

The International Society for British Genealogy and Family History's annual institute will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah, from Monday, 8 October through Friday, 12 October 2012. The venue will be the Radisson Hotel Salt Lake City Downtown.

This year's classes will be "Records and Strategies for Beginning English Research" taught by Judy Jones, AG, CG; "From Simple to Complex: Applying Genealogy's Standard of Proof to Your Work" taught by Thomas W. Jones, Ph.D., CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS; "British Military, Its Regiments and Records" taught by John M. Kitzmiller, II, AG, FSG (ENGLAND); FSA (SCOT) and "Advanced Methodology for Irish Research" taught by David Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA. More information and a registration form are available at <http://www.isbgfh.org>.

Saturday, 20 October 2012, 8:00 A.M. NORTH HILLS GENEALOGISTS FALL CONFERENCE

NHG will hold our fifth annual conference on Saturday, 20 October 2012. We will be using a new venue, the Wildwood Golf Club, 2195 Sample Road, Allison Park. D. Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS, will be our speaker. He will present four lectures: "Discovering USGenWeb," "Bridging the Gap: Finding Ancestors in the U.S. between 1780 and 1830," "Mapping Your Success: Employing Maps for Genealogical Research," and "Putting It Together: A Case Study." The early bird registration deadline is 18 September. The registration fee includes a continental breakfast and buffet lunch. We will have door prizes. The registration brochure is available at meetings.

NHG PROGRAM CHAIR

The position of **NHG Program Chair** is still open. Please consider serving NHG in this capacity! The monthly programs are finalized through the fall of 2012 at this time. Current program chair Mary Dzurichko will be available to assist with a smooth transition for the new chair and to share all contacts and other pertinent information.

The qualifications for serving as the NHG Program Chair include attendance at monthly board meetings, access to e-mail, planning in advance and meeting deadlines, and coordinating the set-up for each meeting to comply with the needs of the presenter. In addition, the Program Chair should be reasonably organized, communicate well as a representative of NHG, and fulfill the responsibilities of the position as outlined in the by-laws. Interested members may inquire with Mary Dzurichko, contact any NHG Board member, or e-mail your interest to Info@NorthHillsGenealogists.org.

ANCESTRAL TWIGS FROM NEWSPAPERS

More newspapers are digitized and indexed online every month by local, regional, and national preservation groups. Locating and accessing archival newspapers can lead to the discovery of new twigs on your family tree. Or, at the very least, can help a dormant twig to bloom!

If it has been awhile since you looked through newspapers to add to your genealogical research, a place to start is the web site Newspaper Map (<http://www.newspapermap.com>). Modern and historical newspapers can be located through this site by looking at a U.S. map and clicking in the general area where your family resided. Zoom in a bit and you will notice the names of specific newspapers—some still in existence and many not—with details about the name or names of the paper, the location it was published, and a range of dates that it existed. In addition, the range of dates for which that publication has been digitized and a link to that site are also included.

Another newspaper source that is growing and evolving is found through Stanford University. The Stanford Newspaper Data Visualization Project can be found at http://www.stanford.edu/group/ruralwest/cgi-bin/drupal/visualizations/us_newspapers and includes more than 140,000 digitized newspapers from across the U.S. This web site is connected to a Library of Congress project, Chronicling America, which is preserving and making accessible newspapers from as early as the 1690s in North America. More can be found about this project at <http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov>. Both of these give free access to newspapers from all over the U.S. and are easily searched. On the Stanford site, newspapers can be found through repositories in diverse areas, sometimes very remotely from the original location of the publication due to migration patterns.

If a newspaper from your ancestral hometown is not digitized yet on these sites, it is often cataloged there. A typical catalog entry lists the time frame of publication, the locations covered by the newspaper, and places where one can access the articles. These are just a couple of the interesting sites where you might uncover some new members for your family tree or some insightful information about the life and times of an ancestor or two.

NORTHLAND NEEDS HELP IDENTIFYING PHOTOGRAPHS

By Amy Steele, Northland Librarian

Northland needs your help with some road photo descriptions for the Historical Image Collection on the Historic Pittsburgh website. The roads we need help with include: Cemetery Lane, Thompson Run Road, and Babcock Boulevard—including sections in Millvale. Please contact Amy Steele at Northland at 412-366-8100 ext. 113 or steelea@einetwork.net for more information. The images can be viewed at: <http://digital.library.pitt.edu/images/pittsburgh/northland.html>. You can also send corrections or additional information for any of the photos anytime, just be sure to include the image "identifier" which should look something like this: 20100001-hpicnpl-0046, so we can update the correct photo.

NEW FAMILY HISTORY SERIES ON PBS

Henry Louis Gates, Jr., the man behind *Faces of America*, has a new television series. *Finding Your Roots with Henry Louis Gates, Jr.*, will premiere 25 March 2012 at 8:00 P.M. Eastern time. It “examines the histories and family genealogies of a number of well-known personalities.” The ten-part series will end 20 May 2012. A preview of the series is available at <http://www.pbs.org/wnet/finding-your-roots>.



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS FROM NHG

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Tuesday, 17 April 2012

BRINGING YOUR ANCESTORS TO LIFE

Speaker: Dr. Debbie Abbott

Your ancestors are more than names and dates. Learn how to breathe life into your ancestor's life by discovering the hidden stories that fill the dash between birth and death. Case studies will be used to help you learn the many ways to build a family history that has meaning and depth.

Tuesday, 15 May 2012

IRISH GENEALOGY RESEARCH – GETTING STARTED

Speaker: Rebecca Kichta Miller

Irish family history can be a fascinating, but it can also prove very frustrating. This brief overview will get you pointed in the right direction to map your Irish heritage.

THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM – Tuesday, 20 March 2012 ***USING MAPS ON THE HISTORIC PITTSBURGH WEBSITE***

Speaker: Debbie Billeter, NHG Member

Debbie Billeter will discuss the maps on Historic Pittsburgh, the University of Pittsburgh's digital archives. She will describe how to access them and how they can be used to enhance your family history research.