



# NORTH HILLS GENEALOGISTS

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## FHL MICROFILM CAN NOW BE ORDERED ONLINE

Genealogists in Western Pennsylvania are now able to order online microfiche and microfilm from the Family History Library (FHL) in Salt Lake City. The fiche and film will be shipped to a Family History Center (FHC) of the genealogist's choice. The FHCs in our area are in Cranberry Township, Green Tree, Greensburg, Monaca, Plum, and Washington. You can also have fiche and film shipped to the Pennsylvania Department at the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh in Oakland. The Pennsylvania Department recently became a library affiliate of the FHL.

You need a FamilySearch account to place orders. Creating the account is free. If you have an account for FamilySearch Indexing or the FamilySearch Wiki, you can use that to sign into the microfilm ordering system.

The URL to order film is <http://www.familysearch.org/films>. The first time you log in, you will need to set a default Family History Center. This is where the FHL will ship your microfilm. You will also need to provide a billing address.

Once that is done, you can order fiche and film. There are two types of orders, short-term and extended. Short-term orders apply only to microfilm. These orders will be held at a Family History Center for about 70 days before being returned to Salt Lake City. Short-term orders can be renewed to keep the microfilm at the FHC longer. There is no limit to the number of renewals for a film. Extended orders apply to both microfiche and microfilm. These orders do

not have a definite return date, making them permanent. Short-term orders and renewals for microfilm are \$5.50. Extended orders for microfiche are \$4.75. Extended orders for microfilm are \$13.75. Payment can be made via Mastercard and Visa credit and debit cards and PayPal.

Once you place an order, you will receive a confirmation message via email. You can also check the status of your order by logging into the microfilm ordering web site and clicking on the My Account link. The web site has demonstrations on how to order microfiche and microfilm and how to cancel an order. To access these demonstrations, click on the Ordering Help link on the web site.

The Family History Library has millions of microfiche and microfilm. The fiche and film provide access to many records and resources from around the world. While the FHL is in the process of digitizing their collection, it is a long term process. In the mean time, you can order microfiche and microfilm to use near your home.

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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.*

*The North Hills Genealogists Board meets at 7:00 P.M. on the first Tuesday of each month at the Northland Public Library. The board meeting is open to all NHG members.*

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Two years ago, the U.S. Congress designated December 6 as National Miner's Day, commemorating the Monongah, West Virginia coal mine disaster in 1907, the deadliest mine accident in national history. The commonwealth of Pennsylvania has also recognized December 19 as Coal Miner's Day, in remembrance of the Darr mine disaster in Westmoreland County, also in 1907. These disasters led to the creation of the Bureau of Mines. Both explosions were caused by the ignition of the firedamp, a combustible gas composed chiefly of methane that occurs naturally in mines from the decomposition of coal.

To manage the risks associated with firedamp, the mines employed a fire boss. On the 1900 U.S. Census, my great-grandfather indicated that he progressed from miner to fire boss. Naively, I thought that he was a lead fireman for the coal mine. According to a glossary at the Bureau of Mines website, the fire boss is responsible for checking the mine for dangerous gases by entering the mine ahead of the next crew shift. In that era, the fire boss wore thick clothing, usually soaked in water, and went through the mine with a lit candle at the end of a long stick. The idea was to ignite pockets of explosive gases with the candle held at what was hopefully a safe distance for the fire boss; the risk of injury was extreme.

The existence of miners was harsh and dangerous throughout their lives underground. They started as breaker boys as early as age 10, and they sorted slate from coal in extreme working conditions. Although the legal age to work in a mine was 14, boys and their parents often lied about their age. Next they moved up to the job of door boys, who regulated ventilation in the mine; they worked alone and in total darkness. And then they became mule boys, who drove the mule cars up and down the mine (shuttle cars weren't invented until 1937).

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If they weren't crushed by runaway cars, they progressed to conducting or loading the cars. Then they were elevated to the position of miner, subject to all of its risks. To become a fire boss, they needed at least two years of experience as a miner. And finally, if they survived to an older age, they returned to being a breaker at the end of their career in the mines.

If you're curious about the life your ancestor experienced while working in the mines, there are great resources available on the Internet. I recommend consulting reliable Internet sites about the history of coal mining in the United States, the Ohio State University website, <http://ehistory.osu.edu/osu/mmh> and follow the link to *Coal Mining in the Gilded Age*, and the Department of Conservation of Natural Resources educational site <http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us> and search for the publication *Coal in Pennsylvania*.

As the last newsletter and message from the president's corner for the 2011 year, please allow me to wish you and your families the best of the holiday season! Please join us at our annual holiday social, organized by Mary Dzurichko, to tour the Civil War room at the Andrew Carnegie Free Library in Carnegie, on Saturday, December 3. Send a reservation to [Info@NorthHillsGenealogists.org](mailto:Info@NorthHillsGenealogists.org) if you plan to attend the holiday social.

~ Krisanne

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## A FEW WEB SITES ABOUT COAL MINING IN PA

*Western Pennsylvania Coalfields*

<http://www.coalcampusa.com/westpa/index.html>

*Virtual Museum of Coal Mining in Western Pennsylvania*

<http://patheoldminer.rootsweb.ancestry.com/>

[www.NorthHillsGenealogists.org](http://www.NorthHillsGenealogists.org)

*Pennsylvania Coal History*

<http://pennsylvaniacoalhistory.com/>

*GenDisasters: Events That Touched Our Ancestors' Lives*

<http://www.gendisasters.com/pa/mines.htm>

The Department of Environmental Protection site about PA mining bureaus

<http://www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/deputate/minres/Districts/homepage/Default.htm>

These sites will just offer you a start. Remember to go to PA County web sites for more information, including <http://pagenweb.org/imagemap.html> which has a clickable county map to access genealogical and historical records in each county of Pennsylvania. If you know about a specific mining accident, search newspaper archives for articles about the event.

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## 1940 U.S. CENSUS VIDEO AVAILABLE ONLINE

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The 1940 census will become available to the public on 2 April 2012. The date was chosen to comply with the requirement to protect privacy for 72 years. If you want to watch a vintage video, you can learn more about the contents of the 1940 census in a 10-minute movie created by the United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. The movie was created in 1939 or 1940 and is typical of newsreels of that time.

The movie focuses on the role of the enumerators (census takers) but also explains who was counted and provides many details about the 1940 census. You can watch the video on YouTube at <http://youtu.be/OwZk6rASC8k>.

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## **NEW BOOKS DONATED TO NORTHLAND LIBRARY BY NHG**

The North Hills Genealogists recently donated fifteen new books to Northland Library for their genealogy collection. This 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 needs of Northland's patrons. This year's donation includes:

*Names of Persons Who Took the Oath of Allegiance to the State of Pennsylvania Between the Years 1777 and 1789* by Thompson Westcott

*Research in Pennsylvania*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition by Kay Haviland Freilich, CG, CGL

*A Gazetteer of the State of Pennsylvania 1832* by Thomas F. Gordon

*Pennsylvania Research: County and Township Records* by John T. Humphrey

*The Genealogist's Google Toolbox* by Lisa Louise Cooke

*Finding the Civil War in Your Family Album* by Maureen Taylor

*More Dating Old Photographs 1840-1929*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition

*Scandinavian-American Genealogical Resources* by Dr. Charles Dickson

*Getting Started in Jewish Genealogy: 2011*, by Gary Mokotoff

*Going Home: A Guide to Polish American Family History Research* by Jonathan Shea

*Forensic Genealogy* by Colleen Fitzpatrick

*Census, The Expert Guide, Tools; Techniques and Lives Revealed*, by Peter Christian & David Annal

*Tracing Your Family Tree: In England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales: Discover Your Roots and Explore Your Family's History* by Kathy Chater

*Tracing Your Legal Ancestors: A Guide for Family Historians* by Stephen Wade

*The Family Tree Problem Solver: Tried-and-True Tactics For Tracing Elusive Ancestors* by Marsha Hoffman Rising

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

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## **FESTIVE HERITAGE ROOMS AT PITT CELEBRATE HOLIDAY TRADITIONS**

The twenty-seven Nationality Rooms in the Cathedral of Learning at the University of Pittsburgh are decorated for the holidays and open for tours from now through January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012. For a detailed holiday schedule, go to [http://www.pitt.edu/~natrooms/pages/holiday\\_in\\_fo.html](http://www.pitt.edu/~natrooms/pages/holiday_in_fo.html). Tour fees are \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for youths ages 8 - 18.

On Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M., there is a special Open House at the Cathedral of Learning with free admission. All of the twenty-seven heritage rooms will be open. The day will include performances of holiday traditions, craft demonstrators, ethnic foods, and an ethnic marketplace.

The Nationality Rooms Program currently has plans to add eight rooms, celebrating the heritage of Denmark, Finland, Iran, Latin America, the Philippines, Switzerland, Thailand, and Turkey.

If visiting the Nationality Rooms this holiday season, please use the Fifth Avenue entrance. Call 412-624-6000 to contact the Nationality Rooms Program for more information.

## **WHERE GENEALOGISTS MEET**

### **Wednesday, 16 November 2011, 7:00 p.m. BEAVER COUNTY GENEALOGY & HISTORY CENTER**

The speaker for the November Beaver County Genealogy & History Center meeting is Judy R. Enslen, the Beaver County Clerk of Courts. She will present "The Office of Clerk of Courts Beaver County." The meeting will be held at the Mormon Family History Center, 114 Church Drive, Monaca, PA. For more information, go to: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~pabecgs> or call 724-847-9253.

### **Monday, 21 November 2011, 1:00 p.m. MOUNT LEBANON GENEALOGY SOCIETY**

The Mount Lebanon Genealogy Society's next program will be November 21<sup>st</sup>. Julie Agar will present "A Trip to Germany," which will cover Ms. Agar's findings in Deutsche Arkive. It will be held at the Mount Lebanon Library, 16 Castle Shannon Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15228. For more information, please visit <http://mtlebanongenealogysociety.org>.

### **Tuesday, 29 November 2011, 7:00 p.m. WESTMORELAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The Westmoreland County Historical Society (WCHS) will host a program on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. Joanna Moyar, WCHS Education Coordinator, will present "Our Forefathers' Christmas." She will discuss the folklore and traditions of the early ethnic groups in Pennsylvania and how those influenced Christmas celebrations. The event is free for WCHS members and \$5.00 for non-members. It will be held at the WCHS headquarters, 362 Sand Hill Road, Suite 1, Greensburg, PA 15601. For more information, please visit <http://www.starofthewest.org>.

### **Saturday, 3 December 2011, 10:00 a.m. NHG HOLIDAY SOCIAL**

Our annual social will be held Saturday, 3 December 2011 at the Andrew Carnegie Free Library, 300 Beechwood Avenue, Carnegie, PA 15106. This year we will tour the Civil War Room, a national treasure, also known as the Capt. Thomas Espy Post No. 153 of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is one of the most intact GAR posts in the country, having been left undisturbed for fifty years. There is a \$3 per person charge for the tour. We will enjoy lunch at a nearby restaurant after the tour, Dutch treat. Please note the special day and time. Due to space limitations, please let any board member know whether you plan to attend or email us at [Info@NorthHillsGenealogists.org](mailto:Info@NorthHillsGenealogists.org).

### **Saturday, 3 December 2011, 12:00 p.m. GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA**

The Genealogical Society of Southwestern Pennsylvania's next meeting will be held on 3 December. It will be held at Citizens Library55 South College Street, Washington, PA. Phil Schaltenbrand, founder of Westerwald Pottery, will discuss the history of Pottery in southwestern Pennsylvania. This is the society's annual meeting. A registration fee of \$20.00 includes lunch and door prizes. Pre-registration is required. For more information, please visit <http://www.genealogicalsocietywpa.com>.

### **23-27 January 2012 SALT LAKE INSTITUTE OF GENEALOGY**

The 2012 Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy will be held 23-27 January at the Radisson Salt Lake City Downtown in Salt Lake City, Utah. Twelve courses on a variety of genealogical topics will be offered, including New England research; Mid-West research; Swedish research; genealogy software and research tools; and

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advanced genealogical methods. The course coordinators are some of the most respected individuals in the field. There are optional evening sessions and vendor demonstration lunches that require an additional fee. A welcome breakfast and awards banquet are included in the cost of the institute. For more information and to register, please visit <http://www.infouga.org/aem.php?eid=6>.

### **2-4 February 2012 ROOTSTECH**

RootsTech, a conference focusing on genealogy and technology, will be held 2-4 February 2012 at the Salt Palace Convention Center in Salt Lake City, Utah. Registration for the event is now open. The early bird registration deadline is 30 November. Visit <http://www.rootstech.org> for more information and a list of scheduled lectures. There are special evening events in addition to the lectures. Some videos from the 2011 conference are available through the same URL.

### **Saturday, 25 February 2012, 8:00 A.M. DUPAGE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

The DuPage County (Illinois) Genealogical Society will hold their annual conference on Saturday, 25 February 2012. The theme will be *Tracking Your Ancestors' Footsteps*. The event will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, 4070 East Main Street, St. Charles, Illinois. The conference will have four tracks of lectures. The speakers will include Tony Burroughs, Paul Milner, Lou Szucs, and Juliana Smith. Planned topics will cover British, Internet, and Midwestern research. An exhibit hall for genealogical vendors is planned. The early bird registration deadline is 11 February 2012. For more information and a registration form, please visit <http://www.dcdgs.org>.

### **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 in Fairfax, Virginia. There will be three tracks of lectures Friday and six tracks on Saturday. 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, please visit <http://www.fxgs.org>.

### **12-14 April 2012**

## **OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE**

The Ohio Genealogical Society will hold their annual conference 12-14 April at the Intercontinental Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio. The theme is *History and Genealogy: Finding Clues to Ancestral Lives*. More information will be available soon at <http://www.ogs.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. More information will be announced in December on <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org>.

## NHG FALL CONFERENCE A SUCCESS

Our annual fall conference was a resounding success! One hundred sixty-eight genealogists from eight states spent the day learning from Thomas W. Jones, Ph.D., CG, CGL, FASG. The Post Office Deli in Wexford catered a great lunch for us. Volunteers from NHG provided many, many fabulous desserts. Thanks to all who brought goodies! Thanks also to all those who helped plan the conference and with setting up and tearing down of the facility.

Here are some quotes from the conference surveys:

“Thanks to the North Hills Genealogists group for yet another top-notch day of genealogical goodness! And a special thanks to the pumpkin roll chef. That was exquisite. I was lucky enough to be standing at the dessert table when they brought some out. I almost had to fight an old lady for it.”

“Exhausted, but happy. Spent all day listening to Thomas Jones talking about inferential genealogy, using different techniques to break down brick walls, and more. Six or seven hours of constant thinking is more tiring than cleaning house. But also more fun! Thanks to NHG for their hospitality.”

“My brain kept spinning after I got home and kept me from sleeping too. So many possibilities, not enough hours in the day.”

“This was a great one-day conference! Thanks for everything – hope to attend more in the future!”

“Great job, liked the venue, awesome speaker, great lunch.”

“Great presentation! Dr. Jones answered any question that I had in the course of his lecture. He also gave me more 'food for thought'.”

“Thank you very much. This is my first time to attend any genealogy conference. I teach genealogy on-line and courthouse research. I have learned many things that will be incorporated into my classes.”

“This is my fourth genealogical conference held by NHG. The venue for this year's conference was excellent, food excellent and yes, also the desserts. Great conference. Cannot wait till next year!”

“Superbly organized event! Thank you! Excellent value for the registration fee.”



*Our speaker, Dr. Thomas Jones*



*The audience*

Visit us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/North-Hills-Genealogists/246328335404138> for more pictures.

D. Joshua Taylor will be the speaker for next year's conference. Stay tuned for more details!

## **EARLY JOURNAL CONTENT NOW AVAILABLE FREE FROM JSTOR**

**Press Release (partial)      6 September 2011**

**New York** – Today we are making journal content on JSTOR published prior to 1923 in the United States and prior to 1870 elsewhere, freely available to the public for reading and downloading. This includes nearly 500,000 articles from more than 200 journals, representing approximately 6% of the total content on JSTOR <http://www.jstor.org>.

We are taking this step as part of our continuous effort to provide the widest possible access to the content on JSTOR while ensuring the long-term preservation of this important material. To date, we have primarily provided access to people through a growing base of libraries and institutions. In 1995, only ten journals were digitized and available to just a few universities. Today, millions of people from more than 7,000 institutions in 153 countries have access to journals on JSTOR through their universities, colleges, high schools, businesses, research institutions, museums, historical societies, and public libraries.

This constitutes remarkable progress and impact, but there remain many people who are not affiliated with institutions who want access to the knowledge preserved in JSTOR. We have taken a variety of steps over the years to serve them. In 1999 we began partnering with our publishers and scholarly societies to provide access to their journals to their society members and other individuals through what we call our Individual Access Program. More than 300 journals are accessible to individuals in this way today. In 2006 we initiated another program—the Publisher Sales Service—to enable publishers to sell their articles to the public through the JSTOR platform. There are 762 journals that have articles for sale in this way today, with prices set by each individual publisher. In 2009 we began partnering with universities and colleges to offer their alumni access to content

on JSTOR. There are 18 schools in this pilot program today. While these efforts are serving some users, there is more that can be done. About a year ago, we started working on a next set of initiatives to test and provide additional forms of access to content on JSTOR for individuals. These initiatives include: supporting publishers who wish to test different price points for their articles that are part of the Publisher Sales Service; working with our publishers to experiment with a new capability for individuals to read some articles online without charge if they register with us; and providing free access for individuals to the early journal content available through JSTOR. We are very excited about the potential for this next wave of efforts.

JSTOR is a not-for-profit service that helps scholars, researchers, and students discover, use, and build upon a wide range of content in a trusted digital archive of over one thousand academic journals and other scholarly content. More information about the Early Journal Content is available, including a FAQ, is available at <http://about.jstor.org/participate-jstor/individuals/early-journal-content>.

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## **USING JSTOR'S EARLY JOURNAL CONTENT**

To access the Early Journal Content, go to their web site <http://www.jstor.org>. From their main page you can search their entire collection or browse the journals by discipline. When you search their collection, the list of articles in the search results will have icons to the left of the article titles. The green circle with the white check mark in the middle indicates which articles are free to view. While browsing a discipline, the journals with free content will have a green icon to the left of the name. A short video tutorial is available at <http://about.jstor.org/support-training/help/free-early-journal-content-jstor>. A list of all the journals available through the Early Journal Content is online at [http://about.jstor.org/sites/default/files/jstor-ejc\\_discipline\\_2011-09-12.pdf](http://about.jstor.org/sites/default/files/jstor-ejc_discipline_2011-09-12.pdf).

# **AMERICA'S BEST WEEKLY: A CENTURY OF THE PITTSBURGH COURIER**

**Press Release**

**November 2011**

[Excerpted from

<http://www.heinzhistorycenter.org/exhibits.aspx?ExhibitID=23>

In commemoration of *The Pittsburgh Courier's* 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Heinz History Center explores the newspaper's reach and impact throughout the nation over the past century.

This exhibit was unveiled on 11 February 2011 and can be visited through 2 June 2012 on the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Heinz History Center.

Through a number of photographs, artifacts, and audio-visual displays, *America's Best Weekly: A Century of The Pittsburgh Courier* profiles the major contributors who propelled the Courier from a 1907 start-up publication to the most influential African American newspapers in the country. Highlights of the *America's Best Weekly* exhibition include:

- The oldest-known existing copy of *The Pittsburgh Courier* from Nov. 5, 1910.
- A powerful display on the *Courier's* coverage of the Civil Rights Movement and war time issues.
- Highlights from the *Courier's* extensive reporting on black athletes.
- A camera belonging to legendary photographer Charles "Teenie" Harris and a re-creation of the *Courier's* newsroom in the 1950s.
- A detailed look at the birth of *The Pittsburgh Courier*, featuring previously unreleased scholarship related to founders Edward N. Harleston and Robert L. Vann.
- Artifacts from the *Courier's* political coverage of various U.S. presidents and campaigns, including a button from the 1932 Democratic National Convention and a photo signed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

*America's Best Weekly: A Century of The Pittsburgh Courier* is sponsored in part by The Pittsburgh Foundation, the University of Pittsburgh, the Falk Foundation, and the African American Chamber of Commerce. For more information, go to <http://www.heinzhistorycenter.org/>.

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## **HEINZ HISTORY CENTER BLOG SHOWCASES RESOURCES**

Recently the Heinz History Center was the recipient of a grant from the National Historic Publications and Records Commission for \$88,738. The grant will be used over the next two years to catalog and describe more than 600 archival collections and to provide public access to these records. A full-time archivist has been hired to oversee the work.

Born from this project is a new blog, found at <https://heinzhistorycenter.wordpress.com>. The blog posts offer insight into various Pittsburgh archival projects, presenting facts, images, and descriptions, and offering links to learn more about the collections. Interested readers can access the blog through the web address listed above, or enter an e-mail address for a free subscription to receive the updated blog articles directly.

For years, the Heinz History Center has worked to make images and collections available to the public; with the grant award, the project will be able to move forward more quickly. According to the Heinz History Center web site: "Founded in 1879, the Library and Archives division preserves the rich history of Western Pennsylvania and makes its collections accessible to researchers, students, and the general public. Located on the sixth floor of the Senator John Heinz History Center, the Library and Archives is open Wednesday through Saturday, 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., at 1212 Smallman Street, Pittsburgh, PA, 15222." For more information, call 412-454-6364 or send an e-mail to [library@heinzhistorycenter.org](mailto:library@heinzhistorycenter.org).



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## UPCOMING PROGRAMS FROM NHG

## Mark Your Calendars!

### Saturday, 3 December 2011 **NHG HOLIDAY SOCIAL**

We will meet at the Civil War Room at the Andrew Carnegie Free Library in Carnegie, PA, at 10:00 A.M. This national treasure is also known as the Capt. Thomas Espy Post No. 153 of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is one of the most intact GAR posts in the country, having been left undisturbed for fifty years. There is a \$3 per person charge for the tour. We will enjoy lunch at a nearby restaurant after the tour, Dutch treat.

### Tuesday, 17 January 2012 **CARING AND STORAGE OF YOUR FAMILY ARCHIVES**

*Speaker: Mary Dzurichko, NHG Program Chair*

Mary Dzurichko will give a brief presentation on methods for care and storage of genealogical items, including photographs, negatives, documents, and textiles. We will have a "show and tell," so bring your own examples of storing or displaying your archives.

### **THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM – Tuesday, 15 November 2011** **ANNUAL ROUND TABLE**

*Speakers: NHG Members*

November is a popular month for our group to break through brick walls! Join NHG for the annual Round Table Discussion. 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!