



NORTH HILLS GENEALOGISTS

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NHG NEWS

Fall Lock-in

Northland Public Library and NHG will host the annual Fall Lock-in on Friday, November 17th. Join fellow genealogists for an evening of research and fun! Attendees will have the opportunity to work on their own research while volunteers are available to answer questions.

Doors open at 6:30 P.M. Attendees must be in the library by 7:00 P.M. The lock-in will end at 10:00 P.M. Pre-registration is required due to limited space. Registration is open through the library's website, www.northlandlibrary.org.

Attendees will be able to search the library's subscription databases, including Ancestry.com Library Edition and HeritageQuest Online. Attendees are also encouraged to use free websites like FamilySearch (www.familysearch.org) and Find A Grave (www.findagrave.com). Bring a flash drive so you can save copies of the documents you find.

If you register and later find that you cannot attend, please let the library know. This event usually has a waiting list. By the same token, if you are put on the waiting list, check your email the day of the lock-in—you may be able to attend at the last minute.

Holiday Social

NHG will hold its Holiday Social on Saturday, December 2. We will visit the Heinz History Center's Detre Library and Archives for a tour with librarian Mary Jones and archivist Sierra Green. The tour will begin at 10:00 A.M. After an optional group lunch, members are welcome to return to the Heinz History Center to conduct research or pay to tour the museum. Admission is free to the library. Sign ups for the social will start at our October meeting.

DNA SIG

NHG is starting a special interest group focused on using DNA in genealogical research. If you are interested in participating, please send an email to DNASIG@NorthHillsGenealogists.org or sign up at the October meeting. Planning is still in the preliminary stages, so a meeting time and place have not been determined.

Program Chair Needed

NHG is looking for a new program chair. The program chair does not have to be a single person—it could be two people who share the position or a chair with a committee that helps with some of the tasks. Tasks associated with this position include:

1. Identify and contact potential speakers. The board always has many suggestions, and we already have two committed speakers for early next year.
2. Get the title and short description of the talk from the speaker for publication in our newsletter and Northland Library's bulletin.
3. Make sure the room is physically set up for the meetings (but there are always other NHG members who come early and can do that task if you are not available).

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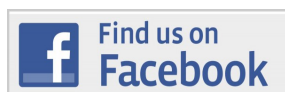
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WHO WE ARE—NHG

The North Hills Genealogists is a group of genealogy enthusiasts who meet to learn, network, and assist one another in establishing our family histories. NHG meets on the third Tuesday of every month except December at Northland Public Library, 300 Cumberland Road, McCandless Township, in the North Hills of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Tip Time begins at 6:45 P.M. and our general meeting starts at 7:00 P.M. Meetings are free and open to the public. Membership runs from August to July for \$15.00 annually.

Benefits of NHG membership include monthly newsletters (not published July or December), field trips, and Special Interest Groups (SIGs). The SIGs are organized so that members can collaborate informally. Current groups are British Isles, Eastern Europe, German Roots, Pennsylvania, and Writing. Find current meeting information on our website.

The NHG Board meets at 7:00 P.M. on the first Tuesday of each month in the Conference Room of the Northland Public Library. All members are welcome. NHG is a member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies.



PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy Family History Month, genies of the North Hills! Did you know that in addition to Family History Month, October is also Polish American Heritage Month, Filipino American Heritage Month, and LGBT History Month? It is also the latter half of German American Heritage Month and National Hispanic Heritage Month. We have many reasons to celebrate our heritage!

One thing I want to celebrate is the kick-off meeting that the North Hills Genealogists' Collaboration Committee has been planning. As I mentioned in my column last month, the FGS conference got our board thinking about how we can collaborate and learn from other local genealogical societies. Our first meeting with other local societies is this week, and we can't wait to tell you more about it!

Let's also take some time during Family History Month to celebrate our research success stories. Did a summer trip yield productive results for you? Did a session at the FGS conference help you break through a brick wall? It's too easy to forget all the wonderful work we've accomplished as we continue in pursuit of that ever-elusive ancestor or piece of information. Make sure your Family History Month also includes a celebration of how far you've come.

I've been reading lately about what's known as the "intergenerational self." A research study conducted through Emory University analyzed four dozen families around their dinner tables. They used a series of twenty "Do You Know" questions to learn about things the children could only have learned through family stories—about how their parents met, for instance, or where their grandparents grew up. In other words, they asked about events of which the children could not have had first-hand knowledge. These researchers discovered that children who knew more about their family's history had higher self-esteem, were more resilient, and felt more strongly that they could affect the world around them.

That is a really amazing thing to ponder. The idea behind this research study and its findings is that children who know these stories were likely to be part of a family who ate together more, shared

stories of the people whose photos adorned the wall, and shared experiences. It's not just that they knew the answers to these questions—it's *how* they knew these answers.

In my opinion, this “intergenerational self” research study is another reason to celebrate this month. As the leader of our family history research, we are the ones entrusted to pass these stories along, and I think it's very likely we already have . . . and probably have done so for years! Even when our relatives fuss and say, “I already know this story!” we can rest assured knowing they are growing because of it . . . and then tell them a few more stories. They will thank us one day.

For more information on the Emory University research, see www.nytimes.com/2013/03/17/fashion/the-family-stories-that-bind-us-this-life.html and www.huffingtonpost.com/marshall-p-duke/the-stories-that-bind-us-b_2918975.html.

Celebrate your family history this month, and always. See you soon!

~ Rich

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4. Report attendance information to the board and to the library.
5. Attend board meetings (held once a month).

If you are interested in serving or learning more about the position, please send an email to Info@NorthHillsGenealogists.org or see a board member at a meeting.

Annual Conference

Registration is open for NHG's annual conference, which will be held Friday, March 23, and Saturday, March 24, at the Columbian Room in Wexford. We are delighted to have John Philip Colletta, PhD, and Aaron McWilliams as the featured speakers. Colletta specializes in federal records held at the National Archives. McWilliams is an archivist at the Pennsylvania State Archives. Friday's lectures will focus on records at archives—both

the national and state levels. Saturday's lectures will focus on immigration, naturalization, how to put your ancestors into historical context, and maps and gazetteers. Registration forms are available at all NHG meetings. If you prefer to pay with a credit card, please visit www.northhillsgenealogists.org/cpage.php?pt=71.

Updated Information

Last month's newsletter article, “Sustaining Pittsburgh's Jewish Genealogy Society” contained a website for JGSP (the Jewish Genealogical Society of Pittsburgh). We have since received a new website for the group. The new web link is www.pghjgs.wordpress.com. If you would like additional information, contact the organizers through this web page.

NEW YORK CITY ATTEMPTING TO RESTRICT ACCESS TO VITAL RECORDS

Press Release (partial)

3 October 2017

New York City—The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is proposing a new rule that would affect when birth and death records are made available to the public and transferred to the Department of Records and Information Services.

The proposed schedule would greatly lengthen the amount of time a birth or death record is restricted for public access, which would negatively impact family history researchers everywhere. Click here to read the full [Notice of Opportunity to Comment](#). **The deadline to submit your comment is October 24, 5:00 P.M. ET.**

We're calling on you to take action and make your voice heard! If this rule is passed, New York City

- **birth records will be locked up for 125 years;**
- **death records will be inaccessible for 75 years.**

To keep these historical records accessible to the millions who have New York ancestors, we need to mobilize quickly and act decisively!

What you can do right now:

- Submit a comment - [sign, print and send this](#)

[letter](#) or write your own.

- [Sign the petition](#) that will accompany our official public comment.
- [Attend the public hearing](#) with the NYG&B [New York Genealogical & Biographical Society] on October 24.
- [Share this news](#) with your friends and family to increase your impact.

Click the blue links above to make a difference.

[Editors' Note: The links above can be accessed through www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/blog/save-vital-records-access-why-we-all-should-act.]

NEW JERSEY MARRIAGE INDEX NOW ONLINE

Reclaim the Records has announced another set of digitized indexes that are available to the public for the first time—the New Jersey Marriage Index 1901–2016. Note that a few years in the 1930s are not currently included. The indexes for these years are currently being digitized and will be posted at a later date. Images of the indexes have been posted on the Internet Archive at www.archive.org/details/njmarriageindex. Most of the records are not searchable, but researchers can browse them. The years 1901–2000 have a bride's index and most of those years have a groom's index. The indexes for 2001–2016 are searchable.

More information about Reclaim the Records and their efforts to provide access for genealogists is available at www.reclaimtherecords.org.

SPOTLIGHT ON LOCAL REPOSITORIES: CARNEGIE LIBRARY OF PITTSBURGH

By Amy Arner, NHG Newsletter Co-Editor

The Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh system has a variety of resources useful for genealogical research. These resources can be divided into two categories—online resources and physical resources.

The library system subscribes to a variety of

online databases. Some of these are only available in one of the system's libraries, a few only from particular libraries in the system, and others from home if you have a Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh library card (note that these are different than the Allegheny County library cards). The library's website lists all of the databases and their access restrictions at www.carnegielibrary.org/research. Some examples of databases useful to genealogists include:

- 19th Century U.S. Newspapers
- African American Experience
- Ancestry Library Edition
- AP Multimedia Archives/AP Images
- Biography and Genealogy Master Index
- Congressional Papers & United States Serial Set
- Encyclopedia Americana
- Fold3
- Genealogy Connect
- HeritageQuest
- JSTOR
- Newspaper Archive
- Pittsburgh Courier
- Sanborn Digital Fire Insurance Maps 1867–1970 – Pennsylvania
- U.S. History in Context
- Westlaw

Several of these databases (Ancestry Library Edition, HeritageQuest, Newspaper Archive, etc.) are useful for searching for information about our ancestors. Others (Encyclopedia Americana, JSTOR, Westlaw, etc.) are more helpful for putting our ancestors into historical context.

The library's Pennsylvania Department has a wide array of physical resources for research. They have an extensive book and microfilm collection that focuses on Pennsylvania and the surrounding states. The library catalog is available at www.carnegielibrary.org. The department's book and microfilm collection is non-circulating.

The Pennsylvania Department also has the Pittsburgh Clippings Files and the Pittsburgh Photographic Library. The Pittsburgh Clippings Files includes thousands of articles about subjects, people, and events in the Pittsburgh area. The articles are from local newspapers and publications. It starts about 1900. The Pittsburgh Photographic Library is a collection of black and

white photographs of Pittsburgh, the area's people, and the surrounding area. Many photos are from the 1940s and 1950s. Researchers can purchase copies of the pictures for a fee.

One of the Pennsylvania Department's services is to fill research requests. A small fee is charged for some requests. The records the department will search are listed at www.carnegielibrary.org/research-overview/genealogy/research-requests. This list is helpful if you are planning a trip to the library, because it describes part of the department's holdings. Note that the Pennsylvania Department has some of the Allegheny County birth and death records on microfilm and microfiche. Researchers can use the records themselves for free, or the department staff will search some Allegheny County birth and death records for a small fee. This staff's search service is described at www.carnegielibrary.org/research-overview/genealogy/allegheny-county-birth-and-death-records.

The Pennsylvania Department hosts the Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society's collection. This non-circulating collection is described at www.wpgs.org/cpage.php?pt=9 and includes books, microfilm, and vertical files. WPGS volunteers are available several days a week to help researchers use the collection.

The library system also has a Microforms Department. This part of the collection includes newspapers from Pittsburgh and other parts of the Pennsylvania.

The Pennsylvania Department, the Microforms Department, and the WPGS collection are located on the third floor of the Main Branch of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh.

GLOBAL ONLINE EVENT AIMS TO MAKE IT EASIER TO FIND ANCESTORS

Press Release

9 October 2017

[FamilySearch International](http://FamilySearch.org) announced its [**Worldwide Indexing Event**](#) to be held October 20 through October 22, 2017. The

annual 3-day initiative unites individuals and online communities globally to create awareness and help make billions of **historic records freely searchable online** by family history seekers. Whether an experienced online volunteer indexer or first timer, interested individuals are invited to participate at FamilySearch.org/indexingevent2017.

[Indexing](#) is the web-based process of entering information from the world's digitally scanned historical documents into an online database, making them easily searchable online. Family history sleuths around the world can then search these volunteer-indexed records to [quickly discover their ancestors](#). Anyone with a computer and Internet connection can help index historic records and offer meaningful community service to those seeking their elusive ancestors.

The [2016 event](#) far surpassed expectations. "From its beginning on Thursday in Southeast Asia and Australia to its conclusion Sunday night in the Pacific, the event attracted a wide range of participants. Volunteers contributed online from home or participated in locally organized events from Zurich, Switzerland, to the Rocky Mountains in the United States," said Allison Hadley, FamilySearch indexing marketing specialist.

Over 100,000 volunteers indexed more than 10 million historic records during the 2016 event. Hadley explained that every record contains the names and stories of real people—the deceased ancestors of millions of living descendants today—just waiting to be discovered and added to the family tree for their posterity. The 3-day event and continued efforts by volunteers throughout the year create millions of personal ancestry discoveries for others.

Hadley said volunteers with non-English language skills are particularly needed at this time. She said FamilySearch currently has over 200 digital camera teams photographing historic records of our ancestors worldwide from non-English speaking countries. It has created a huge need and opportunity for indexers to make these records freely searchable online. Volunteers can choose from projects of interest from all over the world.

“This is a wonderful opportunity to serve people worldwide,” said Hadley. “Indexing is a fun and engaging way to provide meaningful community service, to get involved in family history and historic records preservation and access.”

The web-based tool and event are available in English, Spanish, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Russian, Japanese, Polish, Swedish, and Dutch.

FREE WEBINARS LISTED FOR FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Although it is halfway through October, there are still many interesting offerings of free webinars during Family History Month. Webinars, especially when offered free, are convenient educational opportunities to learn about genealogical topics.

One place to access and register for family history webinars is on the GeneaWebinars site, found at <http://blog.geneawebinars.com/p/calendar.html>. For webinars where registration is required, it is recommended that you register in advance. Reminders will be sent to you through an email address that you provide.

For example, on Thursday, 19 October at 10:15 A.M. there will be a webinar by Stephen Young about “FamilySearch Ontario Research”. From the GeneaWebinars page, click on the title of the webinar. In this case, a link to the webinar is provided and no registration is necessary. Added features include adding the event to a calendar and setting up reminder notification.

Also on 19 October at 6:00 P.M. is a webinar presented by the Florida State Genealogical Society, when Anita R. Henderson will talk about “Reverse Engineer a Genie Book: Creating Narrative from Evidence in Documents”. For this free event, registration is required to “reserve a seat” for the virtual program. If you want to watch this webinar as a live event, membership in FSGS is not required; however, if you want to view the recording of this webinar after the live event, only members of FSGS have free access.

As of publication of this month’s NHG

newsletter, more than fifty genealogical webinars remain during October, many of which are focused upon specific records or ethnicities. There is a full slate of webinars scheduled into November and December as well.

Currently, Legacy Family Tree is offering free access to its collection of genealogical webinars, listed at <https://familytreewebinars.com>. All of the free archived webinars are indicated by a bright blue oval. To access a title, click on the icon for that webinar. Then click on the blue “Watch” box. Notice that the red box gives access to the Syllabus for that webinar for free.

Genealogists can register free for upcoming webinars and watch them live. Twenty future webinars are listed along with a free registration link, a synopsis of the program, how to access the handout, and a summary about the presenter.

Choosing to learn through virtual conferences and webinars is a great avenue for staying up-to-date with genealogical current events and newly released digital record groups.

JEWISH GENEALOGY SOCIETY OF PITTSBURGH TO HOST EVENT

The Jewish Genealogy Society of Pittsburgh will host the event "Family at Your Fingertips" on Sunday, 29 October 2017 from 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M., at the Rauh Jewish Archives, Detre Library's 6th floor Reading Room in the Heinz History Center in the Strip District. Admission is free.

Presenters will discuss current trends in genealogical research such as DNA testing, online resources for vital records, burials, naturalizations, newspaper entries, and ways to share and collect information, all from one's personal computer.

The mission of the Jewish Genealogy Society of Pittsburgh is to provide a means for our members and the community at large to reconnect with their Jewish roots in Southwestern Pennsylvania, as well as in the countries and regions in which their families previously lived.

For further information, e-mail JGSP at pghjgs@gmail.com or browse the site www.pghjgs.wordpress.com.

Immediately following this event at 1:00 P.M., Rabbi Barbara Aiello will give a presentation about Italian Jews during World War II. See "Where Genealogists Meet" later in the newsletter for information about Rabbi Aiello's lecture.

WHERE GENEALOGISTS MEET

17–21 October 2017 CZECHOSLOVAK GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

Registration for this year's CGSI conference is now open. The event will be held in Pittsburgh at the Pittsburgh International Airport Hyatt Regency Hotel. The first two days of the conference will feature bus tours of the area. The last three days feature lectures with four options offered during most time slots. The lectures will focus on history and culture as well as genealogical research. The speakers will include NHG's Rich Venezia and Rebecca Kichta Miller. More information can be found at <http://cgsievents.com>.

Thursday, 19 October 2017 5:00 P.M. CARNEGIE LIBRARY OF PITTSBURGH

The library's Pennsylvania Department will host "Caring for the Family's Records—How to Safely Store and Manage Your Historic Records." The program will be held in the Main Branch's third floor conference room. Pre-registration is required. To register, please call 412-622-3154. More information is available at www.carnegielibrary.org/event/family-history-month-caring-familys-records-safely-store-manage-historic-records.

Thursday, 19 October 2017 6:00 P.M. BUTLER AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Barbara Baum will present "Understanding DNA and Your Family Tree." The program will be held in the library's Basement Meeting Room. Register by emailing Margaret at mhewitt@bcfls.org or by signing up on the sheet across from the circulation desk.

Saturday, 21 October 2017 10:30 A.M. ROOTS IN THE BOOT

NHG President Rich Venezia will present "Demystifying Dual Citizenship: The Purpose and the Process." The program will be held in the third floor conference room of the Main Branch of the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh in Oakland. The program is free and open to the public.

Saturday, 21 October 2017 11:00 A.M. FORT PITT MUSEUM

The museum will host its second annual Dunmore's War Seminar. Jeremy Turner will present "Living Legacies of Logan's Revenge and Lord Dunmore's War." Registration is required. For more information, please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org/events/dunmores-war-seminar-2017.

Saturday, 21 October 2017 10:30 A.M. FAYETTE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Do you know what happened when your ancestor died without a will? It depends on the year, the property he held, and the type of will he left if not a traditional will. Learn what records you should find after the death of your ancestor. The program will be held at the Uniontown Public Library in the 2nd floor meeting room. Everyone is welcome. More information is available at <http://fcgspa.org/upcoming-events>

Saturday, 21 October 2017 2:00 P.M. GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

Ken Britten and Judy Baker will present "How to Use Ancestry and FamilySearch." The program will be held at Citizen's Library, 55 South College Street, Washington. This event is free and open to the public. See www.genealogicalsocietyswpa.com for more information.

20–21 October 2017 CUMBERLAND PATHWAYS FAMILY HISTORY AND GENEALOGY CONFERENCE

The Cumberland County Historical Society, the Army Heritage Center Foundation, the Cumberland Valley Visitors Bureau, Dickinson College, and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania are joining forces to host this conference. Topics will include using archival resources, military records, oral history, and church records for genealogical research. There will also be focus areas staffed with experts to provide information one-on-one. The event will be held at various venues in Carlisle, Pennsylvania. More information and a registration brochure are available at www.cumberlandpathways.org.

Monday, 23 October 2017 6:30 P.M.
ZELIENOPLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

NHG Newsletter Co-Editor Susan Ennis will lead a workshop in learning tips and tricks to grow your family tree using Ancestry.com Library Edition and other databases. Please bring a laptop or tablet if you have one available. It is free and open to all levels of genealogy enthusiasts. Use the time to brainstorm solutions to brick walls and to move ahead with your genealogical research! Another session will be held November 27.

Tuesday, 24 October 2017 6:30 P.M.
**CARNEGIE LIBRARY OF
PITTSBURGH**

The library's Pennsylvania Department will host "What You Won't Find in Your DNA Test Results." The program will be held in the Main Branch's third floor conference room. Pre-registration is required. To register, please call 412-622-3154. More information is available at www.carnegielibrary.org/event/family-history-month-wont-find-dna-test-results.

Wednesday, 25 October 2017 10:00 A.M.
**NATIONAL ARCHIVES VIRTUAL
GENEALOGY FAIR**

The National Archives will host their fifth annual virtual genealogy fair via YouTube. The topics will include caring for family heirlooms, using tax assessment records, using records held at NARA St. Louis, and researching those held in Japanese interment camps during World War

II. The event is free. Participants can watch the lectures live or after the fact. Please visit www.archives.gov/calendar/genealogy-fair for more information.

Wednesday, 25 October 2017 6:30 P.M.
CRANBERRY GENEALOGY CLUB

Cranberry Family History Center Director Ryan Henrie will present "Duplicates and Merging Family Trees in FamilySearch.org." Note that the program will be held at the Cranberry Family History Center, 2771 Rochester Road, Cranberry. The meeting is free and open to the public. Please visit www.cranberrygenealogy.org for more information.

Wednesday, 25 October 2017 9:00 P.M.
**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
WEBINAR**

Are you doing everything you can to safeguard your genealogical research? Your documents? Your data? Your scanned images? We will talk about the importance of taking charge of your own materials and making sure they aren't going to disappear. Cyndi Ingle will present "Be Your Own Digital Archivist." Ingle, a genealogist for more than thirty-six years, is the creator of *Cyndi's List* and author of three books for genealogical research on the Internet. More information and a link to register are online at www.scgsgenealogy.com.

Thursday, 26 October 2017 6:30 P.M.
**CARNEGIE LIBRARY OF
PITTSBURGH**

The library's Pennsylvania Department will host "Q&A on Records in the Catholic Archives of the Diocese of Pittsburgh." The program will be held in the Main Branch's third floor conference room. Pre-registration is required. To register, please call 412-622-3154. More information is available at www.carnegielibrary.org/event/family-history-month-qa-records-catholic-archives-archdiocese-pittsburgh.

Saturday, 28 October 2017 1:00 P.M.
HEINZ HISTORY CENTER

Rabbi Barbara Aiello will present “I’m Italian, but Could I Be Jewish Too?” She will discuss the history of hidden Jews in Southern Italy. Registration is required. Please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org/events for more information.

Sunday, 29 October 2017 1:00 P.M.
HEINZ HISTORY CENTER

Rabbi Barbara Aiello will present “Italian Jews and World War II.” She will discuss how Southern Italians saved four thousand Jews during the war. Registration is required. Please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org/events for more information.

Tuesday, 7 November 2017 6:00 P.M.
BUTLER AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

The library will host “Intro. to Pennsylvania Genealogy,” which is geared toward beginning and intermediate researchers. The program will be held in the library’s Basement Meeting Room. Register by emailing Margaret at mhewitt@bcfls.org or signing up on the sheet across from the circulation desk.

Saturday, 11 November 2017 10:00 A.M.
BUCKS COUNTY ANCESTRY FAIR

The Bucks County Genealogical Society is holding its annual Ancestry Fair at the Bucks County Community College in Perkasié, Pennsylvania. The fair will have lectures on Pennsylvania research, Irish research, using DNA, and more. Visit www.ancestryfair.org for more information.

Saturday, 11 November 2017 10:00 A.M.
**WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**

Elizabeth Williams will present “Pittsburgh and World War I.” Williams wrote *Pittsburgh in World War I: Arsenal of the Allies*. The program will be held in the Carnegie Library Lecture Hall in Oakland. The program is free and open to the public. More details are available at www.carnegielibrary.org/event/western-pennsylvania-genealogical-society-lecture-series-aliens-coming-uscis-record-sets.

17–18 November 2017
**FLORIDA STATE GENEALOGICAL
SOCIETY VIRTUAL CONFERENCE**

FSGS’s virtual conference will feature eight lectures over two days. Watch the lectures from the comfort of your own home. Topics will include using DNA, tax records, funeral home records, school records, and more. More information and a link to register are available at <https://flsgs.org/cpage.php?pt=272>.

Saturday, 18 November 2017 10:30 A.M.
HEINZ HISTORY CENTER

The center’s Detre Library and Archives will present “Treasures in the Archives.” Staff members will explore some of the documents, photographs, and more held in the collection, sharing stories from working with materials. The program is free, however registration is required. Please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org/events for more information and to register.

21–26 January 2018
**SALT LAKE INSTITUTE OF
GENEALOGY**

Registration is open for SLIG 2018. SLIG is offering fourteen courses—several have waiting lists, but the rest still have seats available. The courses are mostly for intermediate to advanced researchers, but several are appropriate for beginners. The institute will be held at the Hilton Salt Lake City Center in downtown Salt Lake City, Utah. Note that the Hilton is only a few blocks from the Family History Library, so attendees can research there after class is over for the day. For a list of courses and hotel and registration information, please visit www.ugagenealogy.org/aem.php?eid=24.

29–31 January 2018
**CHINESE AMERICAN GENEALOGY
WORKSHOP**

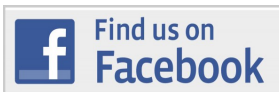
This how-to workshop will be held at the California Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas. Participants do not have to know Chinese. For more information, please contact Henry Tom at Henry.Tom@Cox.net.



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UPCOMING NHG PROGRAMS

Tuesday, 17 October 2017 **Writing and Publishing Your Family History**

Sharon Castle, PhD

What do you do with boxes of research you did or inherited from a family member? Write the book of course! Sharon will share her process about how she gathered research, photos, and hand-drawn maps to produce a legacy book which shares her mostly Quaker heritage. Sharon is a retired Associate Professor of Education from George Mason University. She wrote a research paper about her grand-mother entitled, "The Apple Tree," which inspired her aunt Charlotte (Castle) Neal, the family genealogist, to identify Sharon as the eventual writer of the Castle genealogy book.

Tuesday, 21 November 2017 **Annual Round Table**

If you missed last year's, you missed a great exchange of information and ideas! Our annual Round Table has proved to be a successful meeting of information, guidance, and cousin-finding for those in attendance. Join us for an evening of sharing questions, answers, and helpful hints among all attendees. You can pose your own questions or just sit back and listen. Remember, no question is too basic or obscure. Bring a notepad and pen to capture this terrific information exchange!

Saturday, 2 December 2017 **NHG Holiday Social**

For our annual social, we will visit the Heinz History Center's Detre Library and Archives for a tour with librarian Mary Jones and archivist Sierra Green. The tour will start at 10:00 A.M. After the tour we will go to a local restaurant for lunch, Dutch treat.