

JUNE PROGRAM

By Donna Work

“My Ancestor Was a Farmer”

June 12

Our guest speaker Jane G. Haldeman is a Chicago-area based professional genealogist and owner of *It's Relative* with more than 25 years of research experience. She lectures on a wide range of topics both locally and nationally. She was the National Co-Chair for the Federation of Genealogical Societies 2019 Conference in Washington, D.C. She is a former president of the Illinois State Genealogical Society and is the author of *A Genealogist's Guide to Springfield, Illinois*.

Many of our ancestors were farmers and they left valuable records, including deeds and probate records. From 1937 to 1946, the Farmer's Home Administration gave low-interest loans to small farmers. These records are in the Local Branches of the National Archives in Record

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Sunday: CLOSED

Group 96. The records include family records and information about the farm. Agricultural census records, newspaper articles and obituaries, trade papers, and other agricultural records can give a picture of your ancestor's life. ■

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

By Paula Malak

ORDER FULFILLMENT TEAM

I am looking for another person who would absolutely love to join our Order Fulfillment Team. The team is responsible for mailing publications that have been ordered. We meet on Mondays at 11:00 a.m. to do this. IF there are no orders to be filled, then no meeting — notice given on Friday. The process usually takes less than an hour. Let me know if you would like to volunteer to help your society in this way. Call me with the good news – Paula, 708-829-7096. ■

PRICES CHANGED

By Paula Malak

At the April SSGHS board meeting, it was decided to reduce the prices on early issues of WTTC from \$4.00 for a single issue and \$8.00 for a double issue to \$3.00 for a single issue and \$6.00 for a double issue. If this is the price drop you have been waiting for – now is the time to SHOP! Volumes 1 to 30 are available at this new price. ■

**2021-2022
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Congratulations to the Officers and Directors for 2021-22. They were sworn into office at the May General Membership meeting and Birthday Bash.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2021-2022:**OFFICERS 2021-22:**

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Society Librarian: Laurie Coolidge
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Thanks to our new and continuing members on the SSGHS Board of Directors. Thank you to outgoing board members Maureen Bergquist and Charles Ranlett. ■

SSGHS News

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 (see website for Research Policy).

The Annual Membership year runs from September 1, 2020, through August 31, 2021. Dues are:

- Individual \$30.00
- Library or Society \$30.00
- Family (two people at same address) \$35.00
- Contributing \$40.00
- Supporting \$55.00

General Membership Meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of each month, except December and January, at the Society's headquarters, 3000 West 170th Place, Hazel Crest, in the Municipal Center building, between Dixie Highway and Kedzie Avenue, and a half-mile north of 175th Street via California Avenue.

Newsletter submissions are due by the 15th of each month. We do not assume responsibility for errors, though we will attempt to correct them.

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MAY PROGRAM SUMMARY

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Virtual Show N Tell

In spite of our technical difficulties, our first ever Virtual Show N Tell proved to be as entertaining as ever, with many examples of the wondrous ways our ancestors can come out of the shadows and into our lives. Don Gordon hosted our program and did his best to help us through!

DNA discoveries were filled with surprises. Don introduced us to his half-sister Theresa who as an adoptee had never known her birth parents. It turns out that for many years, they shared a mutual friend of Don's and a cousin of Theresa's who was able to vouch for each to the other!! "I still am!" expresses the excitement they both feel about their discovery.

Eugene Korzenko talked about a DNA cousin who has become a close friend and introduced him to many new ancestors on his mother's side.

David Ryan spoke of the shock of a non-paternal event.

Shirley Koelling showed off a picture of her newest grandchild inside of a cradle that has nestled five generations of her husband's family line.

Donna Work showed a picture of her mother's dog-trot house in Algoma, Mississippi complete with ancestors, horse and hounds.

Larry McClellan had a painting of his ancestral home in Westchester, New York on the Old Boston Post Road where the Marquis de Lafayette once passed an afternoon.

Patty Robinson showed us a short story of her Uncle Delbert who died in a jeep accident on Okinawa in Oct 1945 after World War 2 had ended. She had

found a picture of his military funeral and his temporary burial place in the cemetery there before his body was returned for burial in Chicago in 1949.

Karen Flieth-Hyatte showed us a treasured picture of her German Grandfather's family, he being the only one of many to come to America. She also shared the many death notices he had received from his relatives with "black around the border" showing the name and dates of the deceased and all the living relatives with wives and maiden names!

Doreen Gordon showed us the transfer of title for a slave ancestor named Letty given by Ben Hardin in Bardstown, Kentucky to George Dixon, who was married to Ben's daughter Sally. Ben Hardin was a wealthy planter and prominent Kentucky politician and Doreen was able to procure a 600-page book written about his life, offering insight into Letty's life as well.

Dana Gordon set out to find her Irish roots in Nova Scotia church records. Just from scrolling through many pages on familysearch.org, she was able to come upon a marriage record of her ancestors Patrick Corcoran and Marie Le Pierre with their parents and their Irish townlands!

Laurie Coolidge talked about a book her mother had *To Your Children's Children* with prompts for writing a family history and notes her mother had tucked inside. She is also working on a Covid Scrapbook to commemorate this awful year.

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Ken Carlson showed us pictures of his Grandmother and her Little Red Fortune Birthday Book filled with significant dates for family and friends.

Lisa Holmes shared a story about her ancestor William Jennings Bryant Hines and wondered if anyone else had an ancestor with some one famous in their name. What's in a name? Namesakes included presidents, generals, scientists, religious figures, explorers, and outlaws!!

Paula Malak shared a reading from her mother's diary about a favorite pastime of theirs, going to auctions, referring to the purchase of three hand woven egg crates. Then a picture of the one still remaining in her possession, many times re-constructed.

Duane Werner showed off a wooden postcard with an etching of a football player, mailed to Peotone, Illinois in 1907. Wife Bonnie "stole the show" with a story of her GGGF Alexander Beaver killed in the Civil War. After posting on the internet a story she had written about his life, she was contacted by a California antique dealer who sent her a black and silver, mourning hair brooch engraved with the name Alexander Beaver and containing a lock of his hair. It was light, like his nickname "Sandy." ■

WTTC SPECIAL BUNDLE

By Paula Malak

Our WTTC special (for April, May, and June) is of special interest to Roseland and Dutch fans. These five Quarterlies are priced at \$20.00 with postage & handling included! Quantities may be limited; if we run out, we will offer you a substitute. Make sure you put your contact information on the order form.

- 37:3 Early Dutch in Roseland
- 35:4 Dutch in Forest Home Cemetery

- 29:4 Roseland
- 39:1 Roseland Memories
- 44:1 La importanza dei amici – Spaghetti-Os (in English)

Send us your check for \$20.00 and the order form found in the Publications section of our website, ssghs.org. Indicate Roseland/Dutch special. Our Order Fulfillment Team will get the Quarterlies right out to you.

We have other publications about the Roseland, Pullman, and Calumet areas. Check our Publications list on our website to see a complete list and to place another order. Or come to the Library to make your purchases. ■

JUNE BOOK BARGAINS

By Paula Malak

We have many books on the sale racks in the library. In addition to those, here is a list of our specially priced books for June – they all have to do with Chicago area businesses.

- *75 years in Chicago - Ford and the UAW* - \$6.00
- *A Great Name in Oil - Sinclair through 50 Years* - \$5.00
- *The People Get the Credit - Spiegel* - \$4.00
- *Reminiscences for My Family - Edwin Austin - Chicago attorney. Social and business history.* - \$5.00

How can you get one or more of these books into your personal library?

1. Phone the library and ask us to hold it for you for 48 hours. Come in and buy it, OR,
2. Phone the library and ask us to hold it for you for a week. Send us a check; add \$4 for postage & handling, and we will mail it to you.

Remember, first come, first served! Supplies are limited. If you do not redeem your hold on time, we will sell it to the next person on the list. ■



JUNE CALENDAR

Please call the library before you come.

Saturday, June 5

National Donut Day.
SSGHS Library open
from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 8

SSGHS Board of Directors Meeting
at 7:00 p.m. — All members welcome.
SSGHS Library open
from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 12

10:00 a.m.—General Membership Meeting.
Program: *My Ancestor Was a Farmer* (and virtual via Zoom). SSGHS Library open
from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday, June 14

Flag Day.
SSGHS Library open
from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 19

Writer's Group — at SSGHS,
from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.
(SSGHS Library closed).

Sunday, June 20

Father's Day.
SSGHS Library closed.

Monday, June 21

National Daylight Appreciation Day.
[Summer Solstice].
SSGHS Library open
from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 26

SSGHS Library closed. ■





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WHAT'S NEW



IN THE LIBRARY

History of the Descendants of Mickel Moshe Golubchin & Related Families; Scroggin, Linda Golubchin [[2006]].
F H GOLUBCHIN

History of the Galley Family with Local and Old-Time Sketches in the Yough Region; Galley, Nancy Ware [1968].
FH GALLEY

History of the Jewish Community of Valparaiso, Indiana; Cagen, Mrs. Philip [1976].
977.298 H-CAG

History of the University of Chicago : the first quarter-century [1891-1916]; Goodspeed, Thomas Wakefield [1916].
977.311 H-GOO

Homewood; Wright, James [2017].
977.3167 H-WRI

Hoosier Faiths : A History Of Indiana Churches & Religious Groups; Rudolph, L. C. [c1995].
977.2 H-RUD

How To Document Victims And Locate Survivors Of The Holocaust; Mokotoff, Gary. [c1995].
940 A-MOK

Illinois-Iowa Jewish Community on the Banks of the Mississippi River; Fleishaker, Oscar [1957].
977.7 H-FLE

Illinois 1825 census index; Jackson, Ronald Vern [1984].
977.3 D-JAC

Illinois 1830 census index; Jackson, Ronald Vern [1976].
977.3 D-JAC

Illinois 1835 State Census Index; Jackson, Ronald Vern [1984].
977.3 D-JAC

Illinois 1840 Census Index; Jackson, Ronald Vern [1977].
977.3 D-JAC

Illinois State Census Lake County 1865; [1989].
977.321 D-1865

Illustrated Guide to Hornsea; [1983].
942.74 H-ILL

Illustrated Guide to Hornsea and the surrounding district; [1983].
942.74 H-ILL

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

June 12 – “My Ancestor Was a Farmer” by Jane Haldeman.

July 10 – “DNA – No Tree! No Response! Now What?”
by Suzan Bates.

August 14 – “1950 Census”
by Thomas MacEntee.

September 11 – T.B.A.



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