



NEWSLETTER

of the

HARFORD COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

143 N. MAIN ST, BEL AIR, MD 21014-3539

May 2013

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING

Date:

Saturday, May 18, 2013 Time: **1:00 PM**

Place:

Historical Society of Harford County HQ, 143 N. Main St, Bel Air, MD 21014

Program:

HEREDITARY SOCIETY FAIR

Our program for May provides you with an opportunity to learn about several societies whose members can trace their roots back to participation in significant historical events and ethnic social groups. Events such as the founding of American colonies, the Bush Declaration, our Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, and the Civil War, form the basis for scores of national hereditary societies. Some of these societies include The General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Colonial Dames of America, Daughters of the American Revolution, and Sons of the Confederacy.

Mass immigrations from Europe form the basis of many heritage social and genealogical societies. The British Dames Society, and Baltimore Hibernian Society, are among the ethnic origin and tradition based societies.

Then there are those groups like ours that strive to learn about our ancestors, both rich and famous, as well as poor and overlooked. Harford County Genealogical Society, Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society, and Maryland Genealogical Societies are among these family tree documenters.

All of these societies provide insights on ancestors, and most have a collection of documented family histories. They may not be genealogical researchers, but they know a great deal about family histories, and that can help your own research efforts.

Some of the above mentioned Societies will be staffing booths, and providing handouts with information about their respective society such as purpose, benefits of membership, and how you can become a member, during our Hereditary Society Fair at the Historical Society of Harford County HQ. Each Society will have an opportunity throughout the afternoon to present a brief program that introduces their organization and explains how they support and contribute to genealogical research. This Fair provides you with the opportunity to ask questions, and gain insight as to which societies might best serve your needs.

Light refreshments will be available to keep you going and to encourage mingling.

Come find others that share your roots, and please invite friends to join in on the festivities.

MEETING SCHEDULE: Spring & Fall

We hold two general program meetings per year, usually at The Historical Society of Harford County Inc.,
143 North Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

HaCoGenSoc Yahoo! Group Invitations: I have previously indicated that the Yahoo! Group will be a learning experience ... apparently, especially for me. I have been under the impression that any incoming messages would come to my personal account at the same time as the Society's account. Based on this assumption, I have regularly checked my account, but not the Society's. This is ONLY true AFTER you have been "allowed to join the group." Consequently, I apparently let (at least) three later responses to the original invitation expire, and the messages vanished before I could note who the responders even were ... if you responded to the invitation and I did not "let you join the Group", I apologize. Let me know directly at washburn47@yahoo.com and I will reissue the invitation via HaCoGenSoc@yahoo.com.

Glackin Map on HaCoGenSoc Yahoo! Group: Summer is finally coming and it will soon be time for family reunions. You may or may not know that my wife is a Glackin descendant. In 2013, the Glackin Clan will hold its 80th reunion, and, as part of a special celebration, HCGS Board member Kathy Glackin started a Google Map noting various locations of interest in the family history. She has invited other Glackin cousins to collaborate with her, and the map is really making the family history come alive. Locations of Glackin homes, schools the children attended, churches where ancestors are buried are all included; custom text and images are both allowed. In addition to numerous local family members, there will be Glackins attending this reunion from Canada and Texas, and I have no doubt that this Clan effort will enhance their family history knowledge.

A 1954 publication includes a story of "a Glackin descendant walking from his home in Slate Hill, York Co., PA, across the Conowingo Bridge to his Uncle Daniel I. Glackin's house near Arcadia Station" (Lancaster Co., PA). Using old maps, the location of the (old) Conowingo Bridge and Arcadia Station were determined. When placed on the modern Google Map, you can easily visualize the path that was taken south on Flintville and Castleton Roads in York and Harford Counties, across the Susquehanna River, and north on Bell Manor, Pleasant Grove, and Cherry Hill Roads in Cecil and Lancaster Counties.

The map can be public (literally the world) or kept private. If private, you just need to know the link, which Kathy is allowing me to share ... unfortunately it is one of those 64 character hyper-links that you are afraid to click on when E-mailed to you. Because it is so unwieldy, I think this is a great opportunity to utilize one of the features of our Yahoo! Group page. Hopefully I will be able to do this successfully and hopefully this will be something that will inspire more members to join the Yahoo! Group and share your own information. If all works as it should, just click on the "Links" link on the left side of the Society's Yahoo! Group homepage, and then the link to her *Glackin Heritage Map*.

To view the map, you do NOT have to have a Google (i.e., G-Mail) account. You are required to establish a Google account to MAKE a map. This is a great opportunity to use our Yahoo! Group and expand the interest in your family's history with the younger generations of your clan.

- Doug

Have you joined our HaCoGenSoc Yahoo! Group ?

Post what you would like to know, and what you would like to see. Post questions and inquiries for all members to see, and for some of us to respond.

Let us discover where this adventure takes us. **FOR HCGS MEMBERS ONLY.**

GENEALOGY FEATURE

Writing Your Family History

Many of us have progressed in our research beyond defining our ancestry back to at least one set of great-grandparents, but is our work displayable or presentable? Does our work contain “meat” about our ancestors, or just who married who and had children, one of which was a direct ancestor. It is also important and interesting to remark about the everyday things our ancestors may have experienced in their life, so a reader can contemplate their current likes and dislikes, their tastes in food, their religious beliefs, clothing, prejudices, education, occupations, and how their life is different today.

One way to approach the solution is to write stories about the events in the lives of your ancestors that help set the time, place, and cultural norms of the community in which they reside. The overwhelming majority of our ancestors were not among the rich, famous, and powerful of the world, but almost all had a few worthy qualities. Even the scoundrels in our tree make for enjoyable reading on the level of today’s intrigue, romance, mystery, and adventure novels. This is not to say that you need to a “best selling” writer to produce interesting material for your readers. Remember, your audience has a vested interest in learning about shared ancestors.

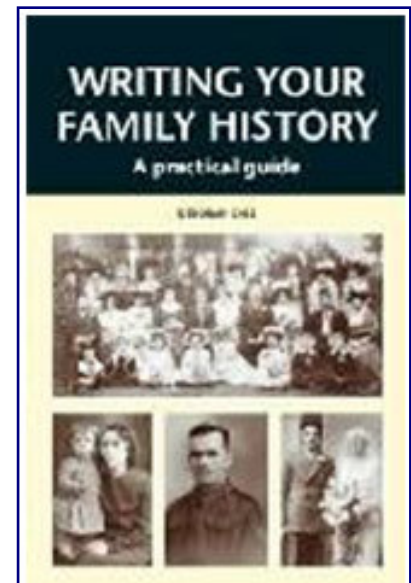
One aid for helping you approach this task is a book by Deborah Cass, titled “**Writing Your Family History: A Practical Guide.**” She covers the obligatory topics that include Primary Sources of information, and other rich sources, along with the DO NOT COPY the creative work of others (especially without permission), and cite your sources commandments. The heart of her text is spent on “Making the most of Limited Material” (25 pages) which is very useful when we are trying to “squeeze blood out of a turnip” or an interesting story from a few numbers.

The text goes on to present several ideas including where to start, timelines that integrate family events with local and worldwide events, and assembling short stories and character sketches into histories of family groups.

There are also aids for structuring your Family History, when to use photographs, diagrams, document images, whether to use footnotes vs. endnotes, and how to develop family group introductions, and summaries. Additional reference sources plus other materials that provide examples of family histories others have produced. The author does make total use of examples and sources that are based in the United Kingdom, but the essence of how to get started, what to write about, and how to package your report is applicable to the United States as well.

At 121 pages broken into seven sections, this is not an unmanageable book. In fact, it might be just enough to get you excited and motivated to write your own tales that help connect the dots and increase your enjoyment of genealogical research.

Richard Appel



Deborah Cass, “Writing Your Family History: A Practical Guide,” The Crowood Press, UK, 2004; pp. 128, pbk. ISBN 1861267037. HCPL Call# 929.1C, \$15 used.

GENEALOGY TIDBITS

Citing Sources from the Internet

Whenever you are citing source materials from internet related locations, be sure to include the Internet address (URL) and the date when the Internet source was accessed by the researcher (typically you) within parentheses for each citation. Any downloaded material is considered as a copy from which the source material was obtained.

Internet sources include web pages, databases, image files, e-mails, and blog postings. The following renowned reference guide for genealogical researchers is a must have book for all of us, even if we are only annotating sources on Family Group Sheets.

Mills, Elizabeth Shown, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA *Evidence! Citation & Analysis for the Family Historian*, Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 1997, pp.124. ISBN 978-0-8063-1543-0. \$15.00 new, HCPL Call# 929.1 M. See also book review in HCGS Newsletter dated September 2009.

Her following and most expansive volume on this topic is: *Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace, 2nd Edition*, Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 2009, pp. 885. ISBN 978-0806318066. \$60.00 new, HCPL Call# 907.2 M. Borrow it from the library to gain an appreciation of how to cite sources through her 1,000+ examples, but her first book in 1997 should be on your reference shelf. Both books can be obtained for less than the noted MSRP.

Below there are helpful examples of a few foot/endnotes by experts from recent genealogical publications.

Online location of documents

Examples from Michael Hait, CG, in his article *Parents of Thomas Burgan of Baltimore County*, Published in the NGS Quarterly Vol. 101, March 2013, pp. 19-33.

Citation note for factual location of Spesutia Church

4. National Register of Historical Places Nomination Form, N. R. Field Sheet, Spesutia Church, Site/Property no. HA-249, prepared by Jean S. Ewing (Maryland Historical Trust); digital images, Maryland Trust, *Inventory of Historic Properties* (<http://mdihp.net> : specifically 8 pages (http://mdihp.net/dsp_county.cfm?search=county&criteria1=S&criteria2=HA&criteria3=&id=13888&viewer=true : accessed 09 March 2012).

Citation note for fact that all births were required to be recorded in Episcopal registers

13. James Bisset, *Abridgement and Collection of the Acts of Assembly of the Province of Maryland, At present in Force* (Philadelphia, 1759), pp.12-14, "An ACT for the Establishment of Religious Worship, according to the Church of England, and for the maintenance of Ministers"; digital images, MSA, *Early State Records*, starting midway on page 12 [image 0901] (<http://www.msa.md.gov/megafile/msa/speccol/sc4800/sc4872/011781/html/m11781-0901.html> : accessed 26 February 2012).

e-Mailed information

Example from Mara Fein, PhD, CG, in her article *Who Was the Father of Henry Norton Jaynes of Indiana, Missouri, Ohio, and Virginia*, Published in the NGS Quarterly Vol. 101, March 2013, pp. 35-47.

Citation note of fact that no Washington Co. record exists of Henry Jaynes naming his heirs

25. Trish Whitely, "Probate Question" e-mail message from tWhitely@xmail.net to author 24 April 2012, author's files. Ms. Whitely searched a Washington Co., OH, probate index covering 1852-1913 for Henry Jaynes and variants. [multiple citations also confirming this fact followed, but have been omitted for simplicity. raa]

Online location of data on a webpage

Another example from Mara Fein's, *Who Was the Father of Henry Norton Jaynes of Indiana, Missouri, Ohio, and Virginia*.

Citation note for facts about the birth and death of H. N. Jaynes

2. *Find A Grave* (<http://www.findagrave.com> , Memorial #: 35,312,992 created by: Donna M. Donally on 29 March 2009) text and digital image of North Salem Cemetery (North Salem, MO) gravestone of Henry Norton Jaynes. Specifically "Henry Norton Jaynes" webpage (<http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=qr&GRid=35,312,992> ; accessed 01 February 2013).

Richard Appel

GENEALOGY HAPPENINGS

NARA –National Archives & Records Administration HOURS

The National Archives in Washington, DC and College Park, MD have cancelled evening hours for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. Research Rooms will continue to be open from 9 am - 5 pm Monday through Saturday. Change due to “Budget Cuts” (aka Sequester) *provided by member Karen Costanzi from*
 –NARA online (<http://www.archives.gov/press/press-releases/2013/nr13-73.html>), 11 March 2013 Press Release.

2013 National Genealogical Society Conference

Date: **8-11 May 2013** (Wed-Sat) +Bus tour on Tuesday May 7th

Place: **The Las Vegas Convention Center** in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Registration: online at: http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/attendee_registration or by mailing a form

http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/new-gallery/2013_Registration_Form.pdf

Visit http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/conference_info

Contact: conference@ngsgenealogy.org or 1-800-473-0060

Program: **Building New Bridges**, a four-day conference offers more than 150 lectures on researching peoples and places of the West, migration to and from the West, law, military records, immigration, methodology, academic history, family history writing, Board for Certification of Genealogists® Skill building, African-American and other ethnic research, technological innovation in genealogy (GenTech), and more. See online Program description at:

<http://members.ngsgenealogy.org/Conferences/Program2013.cfm>

A 6-hour RT bus tour to Hoover Dam & Clark County Museum is available before the conference begins on Tuesday May 7th. http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/new-gallery/2013_Conference_Registration_Brochure_20_November.pdf

Save the date and register now!. Las Vegas Hotel, Conference Center, & Casino are all on this site.



HCGS Hereditary Society Fair

Date: **18 May 2013** (Sat) 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Place: **The Historical Society of Harford County Headquarters**, 143 North Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014

Registration: none See also <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mdhcg/>

Program: Numerous organizations will have tables and personnel to provide visitors with handouts and information. Currently, the following organizations have indicated that they will participate:

<i>Daughters of American Colonist (DAC)</i>	<i>Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR)</i>
<i>Sons of the American Revolution (SAR)</i>	<i>Children of the American Revolution (CAR)</i>
<i>Bush Declaration</i>	<i>Colonial Dames</i>

The Historical Society of Harford County [the host location]

The Harford County Genealogical Society [the host organization]

The following organizations are also invited, but not committed:

<i>General Society of Mayflower Descendants</i>	<i>National Society Daughter of the Union</i>
<i>Upper Shore Genealogical Society</i>	<i>Maryland Genealogical Society (MGS)</i>
<i>Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society (MAGS)</i>	

Come find your roots!



2013 Federation of Genealogical Societies ConferenceDate: **21-24 August 2013** (Wed-Sat) +Librarian's Day Tuesday Aug 20thPlace: **Fort Wayne, Indiana**Registration: See: <http://www.fgs.org> later this year for detailssee preview flyer at http://www.fgs.org/upload/files/FGS2013_Conference_Flyer.pdfProgram: **Journey Through Generations**PS- Fort Wayne, Indiana, is also home to *The Genealogy Center of the Allen County Public Library*, a HCGS member.**HCGS Genealogical Seminar**Date: **21 Sep 2013** (Sat) 9:00 am – 3:30 pmPlace: **The Historical Society of Harford County Headquarters**, 143 North Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014Registration: Pre-event-Registration open now. Members FREE, non-members \$20, Students \$10. Seating is limited. See also <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mdhcgs/>Program: Four one-hour seminars. Rebecca Koford- **“RESEARCHING YOUR WAR OF 1812 ANCESTOR & THE PRESERVE THE PENSIONS PROJECT”** and **“GRANDMA WHERE ART THOU?”**.In the afternoon, Julia Coldren-Walker- **“YOU BETTER WATCH OUT: OMISSIONS, ERRORS & FRAUD”** and **“NEWSPAPER RESEARCH ON THE INTERNET.”**

Bring your own brown-bag lunch. Light refreshments and drinks provided.

**2013 Baltimore Family History & Genealogy Workshop**Date: **12 October 2013** (Sat) 8:00 am – 4:00 pmPlace: **Baltimore Maryland Stake**, 120 Stemmers Run Rd, Essex, MD 21221 (nr MD702 & MD150)Registration: Registration for Workshops opens late July. **No cost !**Program: Save the date and look for details www.baltimorefamilyhistoryworkshop.org**...PLUS MANY MORE EVENTS**

A big thank you goes to HCGS member Karen Costanzi for the referral to **HAROLD's LIST of Upcoming Genealogy Events**, (~60 pages) by Harold McClendon. Mount Vernon (VA) Genealogical Society posts HAROLD's LIST at

http://www.mvgenealogy.org/PDFs/Upcoming_Genealogy_Events.pdf for your review. These events are generally held in the DC, VA, MD, & DEL area, but include Salt Lake City, and national conferences. In Washington DC, the National Archives and the Library of Congress offer an extensive program of seminars and courses.

FUTURE HCGS MEETING

Our Society is planning a **HEREDITARY SOCIETY FAIR** on **Saturday May 18, 2013** at The Historical Society of Harford County Headquarters, 143 North Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014. Several local Hereditary Societies have agreed to staff display tables, introduce you to their societies, and membership benefits. Each one of these groups has ancestral records linking their members to historical events. Please plan on attending and bring some friends.

See our Newsletters, our website www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mdhcgs/ other online venues, Facebook, BelairPatch, The_Dagger, and our new HaCoGenSoc Yahoo!_Group, for the latest information.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

For the latest information see our HCGS website www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mdhcg/	We also post our upcoming events on the BelAirPatch www.BelAir.Patch.com/events/
“Like” our  at https://www.facebook.com/pages/Harford-County-Genealogical-Society/181956435224989	And on  www.DaggerPress.com
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  http://groups.yahoo.com </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> HaCoGenSoc: <i>Join us after receiving your invitation.</i> </div> </div>	

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Please consider helping our Society by becoming an Advisor at Large and volunteering to assist us with providing valuable programs and projects to our members. -Contact Doug Washington, President.

– 2013 CALENDAR OF EVENTS –

For 2013, the Harford County Genealogical Society has modified its schedule of five programs in favor of two larger events *for the membership and the public*.

EVENT #1: HEREDITARY SOCIETY FAIR, Saturday, **18-May-2013** from 1:00-4:00 P.M. at the Historical Society of Harford County, 143 North Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014. The following organizations have indicated that their personnel will staff tables to provide visitors with handouts and information, and answer questions. Each organization will have the opportunity to present a brief program on how it supports and contributes to genealogical research.

<i>Daughters of American Colonists</i>	<i>Daughters of the American Revolution</i>
<i>Sons of the American Revolution</i>	<i>Children of the American Revolution</i>
<i>General Society of the War of 1812</i>	<i>Colonial Dames of America</i>
<i>The Hereditary Order of the Signers of the Bush Declaration</i>	
<i>The Historical Society of Harford County</i> [the host location]	
<i>The Harford County Genealogical Society</i> [the host organization]	

The following organizations were invited, but have not committed at this time.

<i>General Society of Mayflower Descendants</i>	<i>National Society Daughters of the Union</i>
<i>Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society</i>	<i>Maryland Genealogical Society</i>
<i>Upper Shore Genealogical Society of Maryland</i>	

Come find others that share your roots!

EVENT #2: GENEALOGICAL SEMINAR, Saturday, **21-Sep-2013**, we will hold a multi-session from (tentatively) 9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. Our guest speakers will be two well-known genealogists from the Maryland area.

In the morning, [Rebecca Whitman Koford](#) will speak on **“RESEARCHING YOUR WAR OF 1812 ANCESTOR & THE PRESERVE THE PENSIONS PROJECT”** and **“GRANDMA WHERE ART THOU?”**.

In the afternoon, [Julia Coldren-Walker](#) will speak on **“YOU BETTER WATCH OUT: OMISSIONS, ERRORS & FRAUD”** and **“NEWSPAPER RESEARCH ON THE INTERNET.”**

Admission: **HCGS members - FREE**; Non-members, - \$20; and Students (with school ID) - \$10. **Seating is limited. Bring your own brown-bag lunch.** Light refreshments and drinks will be provided.

A registration form is available at The Historical Society of Harford County HQ, and on the [Harford County Genealogical Society](#) web site (below).

Additional details to follow. Latest information will be posted under **“Meeting Info”** at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mdhcg.