

## Massachusetts Genealogical Council 2007 Annual Meeting and Seminar Alert!

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### Early Registration Period for MGC Annual Seminar Extended to July 1, 2007

Saturday, July 14, 2007

8:30 AM to 4:30 PM The Conference Center at Marlborough, Massachusetts

The Massachusetts Genealogical Council is pleased to announce that it will extend the early registration period for its annual seminar to Sunday, July 1, 2007.

The early registration period features a discounted entrance fee of \$65 which includes a continental breakfast, a full buffet lunch, access to the vendor hall, and five concurrent lecture tracks. MGC welcomes to its annual seminar its own members, members of its supporting societies, and the general public. The complete program and registration form are also online at <http://www.massgencouncil.com/program2007.html>.

The Annual Meeting and Seminar features the dynamic **Marcia Iannizzi Melnyk**, who has taught beginning and advanced genealogy courses for over fifteen years. She will present four topics:

- **Getting the Most from Land and Probate Research**
- **Revolutionary and Civil War Military Pension Records**
- **Don't Reinvent the Wheel: Tapping into the Knowledge of Others**
- **Investigating the Dash (1842-1928): Following an Ancestor from Cradle to Grave**

MGC and several of its supporting societies are also sponsoring lecture tracks on specific topics.

- **The Irish Ancestral Research Association (TIARA)** is providing four lectures on starting **Irish family history research: Birth, Marriage, and Death Records in Ireland; Griffith's Valuation; Administrative Districts; and It's Time to Meet the Ancestors.**
- **The New England Chapter of the African-American Historical and Genealogical Society (AAHGS)** is providing lectures on the **Revolutionary War and the Civil War: Free Women of Color Influential in Rescue of Civil War POWs; and The Black Loyalists: A Descendant's Perspective.**
- **The Greater Boston Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists (GBAPG)** is providing lectures on **Uncovering Your Family History in Federal Documents & Publications; and The Wampanoag of Martha's Vineyard.**
- MGC is providing a track for people tracing ethnic roots: **Understanding your Western European Ancestors; Russian Family Research; Early Scottish Immigrants to New England; and Italian Research.**
- MGC is providing three lectures on public records and its important annual panel on records. The lectures are **Vital Records Bills in the Mass. Legislature; Using Federal Census Records; and Finding Naturalizations and Ships Passenger Lists at the National Archives.** The panel discussion is **Access to Public Records for Genealogists: An Open Forum on State and Federal Issues.**

The Massachusetts Genealogical Council acts as a frontline monitoring group for the statewide genealogical community, tracking legislation relating to vital records preservation and access. In addition, MGC provides an annual educational seminar and a quarterly newsletter.

Visit <http://www.massgencouncil.com> for updates about legislative hearings that affect records access.

For additional printed program flyers, please contact :

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**MGC ANNUAL MEETING**  
**JULY 14, 2007**  
**AGENDA**

The 2007 Annual Meeting will be held in conjunction with the Seminar on July 14, 2007, at the Conference Center at Marlborough, Massachusetts, from 8:30a.m. to 9:15a.m. in the auditorium.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the 2006 Annual Meeting
- III. President's Report
- IV. Treasurer's Report
- V. Civil Records Report
- VI. Election of Officers
  - President
  - Vice President
  - Treasurer
  - Secretary
- VII. Election of Directors
  - Archives
  - Civil Records
  - Newsletter Editor
  - Programs
  - Publicity
  - Ways & Means
- VIII. New Business

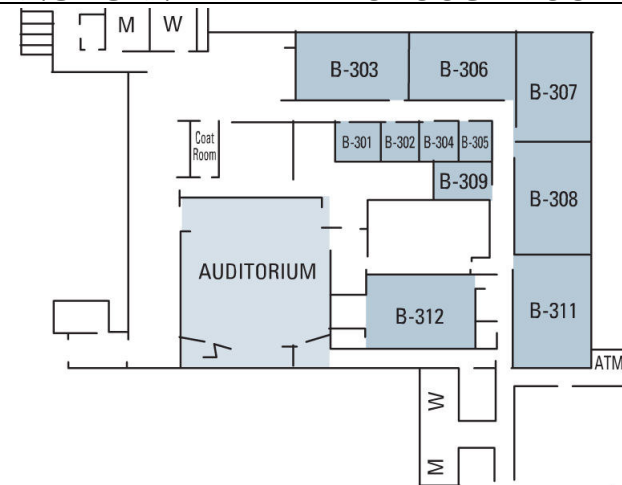
**A. Announcements**

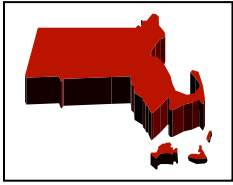
This is an opportunity for members to share information that may relate to everyone.

**B. Adjournment to Program:**

The program features speakers and discussions about genealogy methodology, resources, records access legislation.

**CONFERENCE CENTER MARLBOROUGH ROOM LOCATIONS**





**Massachusetts Genealogical Council Annual Meeting and Seminar**  
**Conference Center at Marlborough**  
**Marlborough, Massachusetts**  
**Saturday July 14, 2007**  
[www.massgencouncil.org](http://www.massgencouncil.org)

**8:00am to 10:30am** **Registration Desk open.** Continental breakfast (coffee, tea, juice, pastries, muffins, bagels) will be served and is included in the registration fee.

**General Information:** Coffee, tea, soft drinks, and water will be available in the lobby all day at no charge. A coatroom is provided just beside the Auditorium. Vendors selling books and materials of genealogical interest will be open from about 8:00am to 3:30pm. Please visit [www.massgencouncil.org](http://www.massgencouncil.org) for additional information on vendors. Questions: contact Sharon Sergeant, 781-209-8861.

8:30-9:15	Morning Tracks	9:30 -- 10:30	11:00 – 12:00
<b>MGC Annual Meeting</b> Auditorium  Continental breakfast (coffee, tea, juice, pastries, muffins, bagels) will be served and is included in the registration fee	<b>Featured Speaker Marcia Melnyk</b> Auditorium	<b>Getting the Most from Land and Probate Research</b> – Marcia Melnyk	<b>Revolutionary and Civil War Military Pension Records</b> – Marcia Melnyk
	<b>MGC</b> Records and Resources Room 307	<b>Vital Records Bills in the Mass. Legislature</b> – MGC Legislative Committee	<b>Using Federal Census Records</b> – Jean Nudd
	<b>MGC</b> Ethnic Research Room 312	<b>Understanding your Western European Ancestors Can Help You Find Them</b> - Leslie Albrecht Huber	<b>Russian Family Research: Basic Tips and Tricks to Locate Them in American Sources</b> – Allison L. Ryall
	<b>TIARA</b> Irish Research Room 308	<b>Birth, Marriage, and Death Records</b> – Mary Ellen Grogan	<b>Griffith's Valuation</b> – George Handran
	<b>GBAPG</b> Special Lectures Room 306	<b>Uncovering Your Family History in Federal Documents &amp; Publications</b> - Connie Reik	<b>The Wampanoag of Martha's Vineyard: Chronicling a Maritime Native American Community</b> – Richard Andrew Pierce

**Noon to 1:30pm Full Buffet Lunch** included. Vendors Open. Please indicate on your registration form if you need a special meal.

12:00 -1:30	1:30-2:00	Afternoon Tracks	2:00 – 3:00	3:30– 4:30
<b>FULL LUNCH BUFFET</b>  <b>UNOPPOSED VENDOR TIME</b>		<b>Featured Speaker Marcia Melnyk</b> Auditorium	<b>Don't Reinvent the Wheel – Tapping into the Knowledge of Others</b> – Marcia Melnyk	<b>Investigating the Dash (1842-1928): Following an Ancestor from Cradle to Grave</b> – Marcia Melnyk
		<b>MGC</b> Records and Resources Room 307	<b>Finding Naturalizations and Ship Passenger Lists at NARA</b> – Jean Nudd	<b>Access to Records for Genealogists: An Open Forum on State and Federal Issues</b> – MGC Board Members
		<b>MGC</b> Ethnic Research Room 312	<b>Early Scottish Immigrants to New England</b> – William Budde	<b>Italian Research</b> – Jonathan Galli
		<b>TIARA</b> Irish Research Room 308	<b>Administrative Districts</b> – George B. Handran	<b>It's Time to Meet the Ancestors</b> – Gregory Atkinson
		<b>AAHGS</b> Special Lectures Room 306	<b>Free Women of Color Influential in Rescue of Civil War POWS</b> – Irving Revaillon	<b>The Black Loyalists: A Descendant's Perspective</b> – Leona W. Martin

**4:30pm to 5:00pm** **Announcements, Door Prizes** (ticket holder must be present to collect the item)

**LOCATION** The Conference Center at Marlborough, 280 Locke Drive, Marlborough, MA 01752  
Phone: 508.263.5500 <http://www.ahl-marlborough.com/>

**DIRECTIONS**

From Boston and Route 128: Take the Massachusetts Turnpike West (Rt. 90) to Route 495 North (Exit 11A). From Route 495 North, take Exit 24B onto Route 20 West. Follow directions below.

From Logan International Airport, Boston: Follow signs to the Ted Williams Tunnel to Route 90 West (Mass Turnpike). Take Mass. Pike West (Route 90) to Route 495 North (Exit 11A). From Route 495 North, take Exit 24B onto Route 20 West. Follow directions below.

From Worcester, Massachusetts: Take Route 290 East to Route 495 South. From Route 495 South, take Exit 24 B onto Route 20 West. Follow directions below.

From Springfield and Western Massachusetts: Take Mass. Pike (Route 90) to Route 495 North (Exit 11A). From Route 495 North, take Exit 24B onto Route 20 West. Follow directions below.

From Cape Cod: Take Route 495 North to Exit 24B onto Route 20 West. Follow directions below.

**“DIRECTIONS BELOW”:** Take your first right onto Felton Street (just before the gas station). Follow Felton Street, and go through the set of lights. At this point, Felton Street becomes Locke Drive. Continue to the end of Locke Drive. The Conference Center at Marlborough entrance will be straight ahead.

Parking: Turn left at the entrance and follow the road around the bend.

**OVERNIGHT ACCOMMODATION:** Rooms are available in the conference center hotel for \$99 and include a hot breakfast. For information on accommodations, see the conference center website at <http://www.ahl-marlborough.com/>. Call 508-263-5700 to make a reservation. Specify that you are attending the MGC conference to get this discounted rate.

**DINNER ON FRIDAY:** Please make a note on the registration form if you would like to join a group of genealogists for dinner at the Wayside Inn on Friday night. We have done this before and it is very enjoyable.

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

**Annual Meeting and Seminar cost is \$65 before July 1 and \$70 after July 1 by mail or at the door**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone with Area Code: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

- Please check one:  I'm a current member of MGC  
 I have included an additional \$10 to renew my membership  
 I have included an additional \$10 to join MGC  
 I am not interested in being a member of MGC at this time

**Please let us know if you need a special meal or if you would like to join the group for dinner on Friday.**

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**COSTS: Registrations received by July 1** are entitled to a \$5 discount. You may join or renew your membership now with a single check.

Amount Enclosed: Annual seminar registration \_\_\_\_\_ MGC Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

**Send completed form (with check payable to Massachusetts Genealogical Council) to:**

MGC, c/o Benjamin Woznick, Treasurer, 240 Brattle St., Cambridge, MA 02138-4628

**TRACK ONE FEATURED SPEAKER:  
MARCIA IANNIZZI MELNYK**

**Marcia Iannizzi Melnyk** is a professional genealogist who has taught beginning and advanced genealogy courses for more than 15 years. She is the author of *The Genealogist's Handbook for New England Research, Fourth Edition*, *The Weekend Genealogist: Timesaving Techniques for Effective Research*, *The Genealogist's Question and Answer Book* and *Family History 101*.

[www.apgen.org/directory/search\\_detail.html?mbr\\_id=1136](http://www.apgen.org/directory/search_detail.html?mbr_id=1136)

**9:30 to 10:30 GETTING THE MOST FROM LAND AND PROBATE RESEARCH**

Using these valuable documents completely and properly can mean the difference between success and frustration. Learn how to use these records accurately and efficiently to uncover valuable information for your family tree.

**11:00 to 12:00 REVOLUTIONARY AND CIVIL WAR MILITARY PENSION RECORDS**

Military pension records can be a goldmine for both military and personal information about your ancestor. Pensions often list the names of children, spouses, and places of residence. Widow's pensions are especially valuable as they often provide proof of marriage, including the date and place. Have you gotten all of the records available and used them properly to uncover the "gold"?

**2:00 to 3:00 DON'T REINVENT THE WHEEL: TAPPING INTO THE KNOWLEDGE OF OTHERS**

Whenever you approach a new research location, or record type why not utilize the knowledge and experience of other researchers. Learn how to access valuable assistance, records, and other unknown sources.

**3:30 to 4:30 INVESTIGATING THE DASH (1842-1928): FOLLOWING AN ANCESTOR FROM CRADLE TO GRAVE**

Every researcher's ancestors lead full lives, just as we do today. They are not just birth, marriage and death dates. Learn how to fill in the gaps by looking at what data you already have in a different way. Reorganize your information to determine where there are gaps and learn how to fill in those blanks.

**TRACK TWO  
RECORDS AND RESOURCES**

**9:30 to 10:30 VITAL RECORDS BILLS IN THE MASS. LEGISLATURE (MGC Legislative Committee Members)**

Learn the specifics of which committees, legislators, and bills are important to us this year.

**11:00 to 12:00 USING FEDERAL CENSUS RECORDS Jean Nudd**

This lecture discusses what's contained in the census records, how they change over time and how to access them using all the methods available including Ancestry, Heritage Quest, AGES and soundex indexes.

**2:00 to 3:00 FINDING NATURALIZATIONS AND SHIP PASSENGER LISTS AT NARA Jean Nudd**

This lecture provides an overview the naturalization and citizenship process over time; a comprehensive outline of what can be found in immigration manifests; and how researchers can access both types of records.

**Jean Nudd** is an Archivist of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) in Pittsfield. She has a BA and MA in history, with a specialization in local history. Jean spent 6 years at the Arizona State Archives before coming to Pittsfield in 1994 where she manages the genealogy reading room. She is an avid genealogist with deep roots in New England and New York on both sides of her family. Jean is well known for your very informative and lively lectures. [www.archives.gov/northeast/pittsfield/contact.html](http://www.archives.gov/northeast/pittsfield/contact.html)

**3:30 to 4:30 ACCESS TO RECORDS FOR GENEALOGISTS: AN OPEN FORUM ON THE ISSUES AT BOTH THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL (Massachusetts Genealogical Council Board Members)**

Access to records of interest to genealogists has become an increasingly controversial issue in the last few years. This will be a public forum to discuss the current status of access, how legislative initiatives and government regulations affect us, and what we can do to maintain and expand open records.

## TRACK THREE ETHNIC RESEARCH

### 9:30 to 10:30 UNDERSTANDING YOUR WESTERN EUROPEAN ANCESTORS CAN HELP YOU FIND THEM Leslie Albrecht Huber [www.understandingyourancestors.com](http://www.understandingyourancestors.com)

Learning about the demographic, religious, and occupational trends that shaped the lives of your Western European Ancestors can be more than interesting – it can improve your research results.

### 11:00 to 12:00 RUSSIAN FAMILY RESEARCH: BASIC TIPS AND TRICKS TO LOCATE THEM IN AMERICAN SOURCES Allison L. Ryall [www.apgen.org/directory/search\\_detail.html?mbr\\_id=3298](http://www.apgen.org/directory/search_detail.html?mbr_id=3298)

This lecture provides insight into understanding the uniqueness of the Russian culture, tradition, and language. It will provide knowledge and information that is important to understand in order to locate your Russian ancestors in genealogical documents. The Russian alphabet and why it is necessary to understand the letters and their respective sounds will be discussed. The significance of the Russian name formation and how the difference applies to males and females within the same family will be explained. The lecture will cover the history of the Russian calendar and how it affects records in America. Also covered will be the significance of the Russian Orthodox Church and its impact on conducting genealogical research on Russian ancestors.

### 2:00 to 3:00 EARLY SCOTTISH IMMIGRANTS TO NEW ENGLAND William Budde [www.apgen.org/directory/search\\_detail.html?mbr\\_id=2037](http://www.apgen.org/directory/search_detail.html?mbr_id=2037)

This presentation reviews Scottish immigration to New England from about 1650 to 1750. It also provides a brief comparison to immigration to the southern colonies, and how the two areas tended to differ in the pattern of immigration during this time period.

### 3:30 to 4:30 ITALIAN RESEARCH Jonathan Galli [www.ancestralmanor.com/?tabid=111](http://www.ancestralmanor.com/?tabid=111)

If you have Italian ancestry and are stuck, whether you're a beginner or an experienced researcher, just starting to investigate your Italian roots or have already been to Italy or used Italian records on microfilm, this hour will help you. Italy has some of the best records in the world. There are more records available in Italy than what has already been microfilmed. We can talk about those as well as any topic you need to help you break through your roadblock. Even if you don't know Italian, there is hope and you can do it!

## TRACK FOUR TIARA IRISH RESEARCH

### 9:30 to 10:30 BIRTH, MARRIAGE, DEATH Mary Ellen Grogan [www.home.netcom.com/~megrogan](http://www.home.netcom.com/~megrogan)

This lecture will explain how to access Irish vital records (both civil and church records), where they are located, and what kind of information these records provide.

### 11:00 to 12:00 GRIFFITH'S VALUATION George B. Handran [www.tiara.ie/2007meetings.php](http://www.tiara.ie/2007meetings.php)

Griffith's Valuation is the single most valuable source for 19th century Irish research. This lecture will explain what Griffith's Valuation is, what information it contains, and how to use the indexes.

### 2:00 to 3:00 ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICTS George B. Handran [www.eneclann.ie/acatalog/IE0021 - Handran s Townlands in Poor Law Unions.html](http://www.eneclann.ie/acatalog/IE0021 - Handran s Townlands in Poor Law Unions.html)

Understanding the relationships of the various administrative districts in Ireland is vital to locating the records you need for research. The principal districts are: Baronies, Poor Law Unions, Electoral Divisions, Parish (Civil and Church), and Townland

### 3:30 to 4:30 IT'S TIME TO MEET THE ANCESTORS! Gregory Atkinson [www.home.netcom.com/~megrogan/id11.html](http://www.home.netcom.com/~megrogan/id11.html)

Serious, yet light-hearted, the presentation will include interviews with 3 composites of the presenter's ancestors from three time periods (1960's, 1910's and 1850's). These ancestors will reveal their personal histories and by so doing will reveal clues to aid in our "future" genealogical efforts.



## TRACK FIVE

GBAPG [www.apgen.org/chapters/boston/index.html](http://www.apgen.org/chapters/boston/index.html)

&

AAHGS [www.aahgs-ne.org](http://www.aahgs-ne.org)

### 9:30 to 10:30 UNCOVERING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY IN FEDERAL DOCUMENTS & PUBLICATIONS Constance Reik [www.library.tufts.edu/tisch/refstaff\\_info.htm](http://www.library.tufts.edu/tisch/refstaff_info.htm)

U.S. government publications are valuable resources for family history and historical research. But which ones are of use to family historians? Learn how to use and find *U.S. Statutes at Large*, *U.S. Serial Set*, and other publications in designated library collections around the country.

### 11:00 to 12:00 THE WAMPANOAG OF MARTHA'S VINEYARD: CHRONICLING A MARITIME NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY R. Andrew Pierce

[www.apgen.org/directory/search\\_detail.html?mbr\\_id=1491](http://www.apgen.org/directory/search_detail.html?mbr_id=1491)

This project, one of the first of its kind, is the result of over a decade's research at dozens of archives in New England, old England and elsewhere, using vital, census, and, probate, court, legislative, business, missionary, military and maritime records.

### 2:00 to 3:00 FREE WOMEN OF COLOR INFLUENTIAL IN THE RESCUE OF CIVIL WAR POWS Irving Revallion Smith [www.aahgs-ne.org/Newsletter-16A.doc](http://www.aahgs-ne.org/Newsletter-16A.doc)

This paper describes Civil War military correspondence documenting the capture as prisoners-of-war, subsequent enslavement, and Post-war emancipation of two African-American union army volunteers from Massachusetts. This is the story of the efforts of Free Women of Color to influence white citizens in Boston to seek the recovery of their offspring.

### 3:30 TO 4:30 THE BLACK LOYALISTS: A DESCENDANT'S PERSPECTIVE Leona W. Martin [www.boston.com/yourlife/family/articles/2007/02/21/the\\_search](http://www.boston.com/yourlife/family/articles/2007/02/21/the_search)

A descendant's quest to learn how her forbearers got to Nova Scotia, Canada. To know this, she had to go back in history to the Revolutionary War. She had to learn more about the life of slaves in the American colonies, how so many served with the British military and then escaped to Nova Scotia with the British in 1783. This story is little known here in the U.S. but is greatly known in Nova Scotia, Canada. These slaves are the ancestors of many American citizens who today reside particularly in the New England area and in other parts of the USA and Canada.

## Preliminary List of Vendors and Door Prize Donors

### **Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, 42 Laurelwood Drive, Stoughton, MA 02072**

The New England Chapter of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc. promotes genealogical research of Afro-American heritage at all levels, beginner through professional. It is affiliated with the national organization of the same name, based in Washington, D.C. AAHGS-NE has been actively involved in educational, genealogical research activities since its formation. Many of these activities serve to facilitate much needed interaction between African-Americans and the historical and genealogical resources within the New England region.

[www.aahgs-ne.org](http://www.aahgs-ne.org) phone: 781-341-1029 - [webmaster@aaahgs-ne.org](mailto:webmaster@aaahgs-ne.org)

### **Ancestral Manor, 48 Lake Street, Waltham MA 02451**

Ancestral Manor has specialized one stop-shopping for migration research resources in map and newspaper research kits (reproductions and the original antiquarian resources) has now expanded through the development of an AncestralManor site for "People, Places and Things of the Past" with internet downloads of maps and over 4500 out-of-print family histories, in addition to CDs and print versions.

[www.Ancestralmanor.com](http://www.Ancestralmanor.com) phone: 781-209-8861 [info@Ancestralmanor.com](mailto:info@Ancestralmanor.com)

**Ancestry and Genealogy: Melinde Lutz Sanborn, PO Box 706, Derry, NH 03038**

Melinde Lutz Sanborn is a Fellow of the American Society of Genealogists and published her first book in 1979. In recent years she has written many books and articles, served on the editorial board of NGSQ, edited the New Hampshire Genealogical Record, produced a CD and posted databases on the web with Ancestry.com. Her new website, AncestryandGenealogy.com, offers a wide variety of information, advice, resources and services  
[melinde44@comcast.net](mailto:melinde44@comcast.net) <http://AncestryandGenealogy.com>

**Archive CD Books USA, 9110 Red Branch Road, Suite "O", Columbia, Maryland 21045**

Although Archive CD Books USA is a new company, our web store includes more than 2000 CDs that were produced by our international partners. Existing products will help you research your ancestors from England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, Canada, Australia, and a several other countries. These great CD products include census records, city directories, family histories, church records, military records, maps, gazetteers, and a variety of other digitized books.

[www.archivecdbooksusa.com](http://www.archivecdbooksusa.com) phone: (410)715-2260 [info@archivecdbooksusa.com](mailto:info@archivecdbooksusa.com)

**Paul J Bunnell, Books, 45 Crosby St., Milford, New Hampshire 03055**

Paul Bunnell has produced several volumes of Loyalist indexes, research and records tips, as well as Barnstable resources, Bunnell and Robinson genealogies, a French & Native American Marriage index and a ACADIAN & CAJUN COOKING & OLD REMEDIES book

[www.bunnellgenealogybooks.citymaker.com](http://www.bunnellgenealogybooks.citymaker.com) Phone: 603-672-6616 [Bunnellloyalist@aol.com](mailto:Bunnellloyalist@aol.com)

**Friends of the Silvio Conte Archives, 10 Conte Drive, Pittsfield MA 01201**

The Friends of the Silvio Conte Archives raises money to contribute research aids to the research room at NARA, Pittsfield. Some of the items that they have donated to the research room include "Germans to America", the 1891 Canadian census and various census CDs. The Friends also run a genealogy book store located at the NARA facility. In addition, the Friends contribute to the support of the volunteer program at NARA by hosting appreciation events for the volunteers.

phone: 413-236-3600 <http://www.rootsweb.com/~mafsozna/>

**International Society of Genetic Genealogy (ISOGG), New England Chapter, organized by John Blair,  
[john@blairgenealogy.com](mailto:john@blairgenealogy.com)**

ISOGG was the first society founded to promote the use of DNA testing in genealogy. Many members of the International Society of Genetic Genealogy (ISOGG) are DNA project administrators; however, this is not a requirement for membership. Most of us have varying levels of knowledge of the concepts of genetic genealogy, but we all have the common goal of the promotion and education of genetic genealogy. Educating could mean that we educate ourselves and each other, but also educating the genealogical world on the subject. This can be accomplished through workshops, our website, speaker's bureau, and meetings.

[www.isogg.org](http://www.isogg.org) participation for this event is sponsored by Family Tree DNA  
<http://www.familytreedna.com>

**Jonathan Sheppard Books, PO Box 2020, Plaza Station, Albany NY 12220**

Jonathan Sheppard Books was established in 1977 and specializes in publishing reprints of large, high-quality 18th and 19th century maps of European and North American areas. In addition to a large reprint map inventory, Jonathan Sheppard Books also stocks and catalogs used, rare and out-of-print books for the genealogical researcher and historian.

<http://www.jonathansheppardbooks.com>

**Legacy User Group New England / Millennia Corporation, NELUG, %John Lisle, PO Box 7048, Nashua, NH 03060**

The Boston/New England Legacy User Group provides support for Legacy Family Tree Software for users in New England. We are on the web at : <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/LegacyBoston> email [legacy@tqsi.com](mailto:legacy@tqsi.com) Phone: 603-888-3333

Millennia Corporation is the developer of Legacy Family Tree Software. <http://www.legacyfamilytree.com>



**Legacy Crafts, P.O. Box 1157, Waldoboro, ME 04572-**

Scrapbooking, genealogy and more! We encourage people to honor their photos and those found when a loved one passes on by putting them in safe albums and identifying the people, with appropriate papers and embellishments for making those albums even more attractive and meaningful to the genealogy. Plus, "Fun Stuff" for gift giving and personal enjoyment! **Contact: Debbie Morehouse, proprietor, , 207-832-0855, web:**

**[home.gwi.net/~legacycrafts](http://home.gwi.net/~legacycrafts) , email: [legacycrafts@gwi.net](mailto:legacycrafts@gwi.net).**

**Passage Express Presentation Software, The Jefferson Project, 431 E. 2700 N., North Ogden, UT 84414**

The Jefferson Project officially began business in December 2002 with its popular "Family History CD" -- a software product primarily for families to share photos and important files with one another. The response to it grew so large, however, that a large-scale effort was begun to make it available to everyone who wanted it. In 2005 the new program "Passage Express" was released that offered broader capabilities to a much wider range of users. Today, members of The Jefferson Project team keep busy providing high-quality, easy-to-use software, at affordable prices.

**E-mail [contactus@passageexpress.com](mailto:contactus@passageexpress.com) <http://passageexpress.com/>**

**Piper Publishing LLC, PO Box 42, Easton, CT 06612**

Piper Publishing republishes 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century reference material. Essential local map atlases by F W Beers are available for 8 counties in Massachusetts. Zoom into incredible detail and print for reference. Individual map reproductions also available. Piper also republishes several 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century needle arts manuals - essential for any costume or needle workers library.

**[www.piperpublishing.com](http://www.piperpublishing.com) phone: 203-445-2999 [piperpublishing@earthlink.net](mailto:piperpublishing@earthlink.net)**

**The Irish Ancestral Research Organization (TIARA), , Dept. W, 2120 Commonwealth Ave., Auburndale, MA 02466-1909**

The Irish Ancestral Research Organization is a non-profit organization established to develop and promote the growth, study and exchange of ideas among people interested in Irish genealogical and historical research/education.

**<http://tiara.ie>**

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