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## President's Message for September 2013

Hello everyone,

I am following up on the first item in the email blast that I requested be sent on July 20th. This year there has been a drop in membership renewals and this is the reason for my pleas.

Please, please, please, take a look at your mailing label on this issue of the Quarterly to verify that your membership is current. If it shows the Expiration Date as Feb\_2013 then I hope this is just an oversight. I know it is possible because a couple of years ago I forgot and needed a reminder. It can happen! To ensure that your membership continues, send your name and address along with a check for dues (\$15 for Individuals and \$20 for Families) made out to IGSW to:

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Also include for our Surname Annual any contact information changes and new surnames you are researching.

To all of you that have renewed --- Thank you!



Gary Shea

## NEWS FROM THE WEB

by Mary Kay Kuhfittig

### COUNTY CLARE'S ARCHIVAL COLLECTION

The previous two pages show the County Clare Library's extensive collection of genealogical information that may be accessed online. The site is found at [www.clarelibrary.ie](http://www.clarelibrary.ie)

The Clare Library also has a comprehensive archival collection going back to the early 18th century, which up to now has not been available online. A two-year digitisation is in progress, with plans for a search engine and OCR recognition.

The collection includes marriage settlements, wills, land and lease records and more. To see all that the archival collection covers, go to the main library site ([www.clarelibrary.ie](http://www.clarelibrary.ie)) and click on "archival collection" on the home page.

### COUNTY CAVAN RESOURCES

Cavan County Library's Local Studies department has been busily converting its collection to make it more accessible online. You can find their site at: [cavanlibrary.ie/Default.aspx?StructureID\\_str=1](http://cavanlibrary.ie/Default.aspx?StructureID_str=1) Click on "History Online" found at the left of the screen. You may also try <http://tinyurl.com/ljyr3t4> Here click on "Local Studies," then "History Online."

Items found include The Breifny Antiquarian Society Journal, 1920-1933, the Saunderson Estate Account Book, 1784-1790, the Statistical Survey of Co. Cavan, 1801, *Sketches of Ireland*, 1857, and more, with more to follow.

You can look forward to the Bellamont Estate Rental from Cootehill. This record, dating May 1782 to November 1782 has 339 properties from townlands in Cavan and Monaghan. It lists names of tenants and rent required.

Another exciting addition will be The Farrell Loans Ledger. This lists 6,626 entries for people from Bailieborough and surroundings. Names of borrowers, addresses, and the agreed repayment period. Loans were given from 1839 to 1841, generally between 1 to 5 pounds.

The Farrell Loans Ledger was won at a public auction for 520 euros.

## THE IRISH LAND THAT CROMWELL STOLE

### THE DOWN SURVEY

Trinity College, Dublin, is providing an important new source for Irish genealogists at <[downsurvey.tcd.ie](http://downsurvey.tcd.ie)>

When Oliver Cromwell plundered Irish land in the seventeenth century, taking it from long-time Catholic owners and transferring it to the Protestant ascendancy, a land survey was ordered by Cromwell. The Down Survey, as it was called, resulted in extremely detailed maps covering every inch of Ireland and showing the occupiers of the land. It shows the owners in 1641 when the invasion began and the new Protestant owners in 1670. The site also has a database of 10,000 owners.

Many of the original maps were destroyed in a 1711 fire and more in the 1922 Four Courts fire. William Petty, the head of the survey, had sent copies to his estate in England, but these were captured by French pirates. Fortunately, they ended up in the Bibliotheque Nationale in Paris. More than 2,000 copies were tracked in Dublin, London, Edinburgh, Rome and Paris.

Why was it called the Down Survey? The name came from the measuring chains that were put "down" on the ground.

## IRELAND'S CALENDAR OF WILLS

### AND ADMINISTRATIONS

Most Irish wills before 1922 were destroyed in the Four Courts fire. Beginning in 1858 the state took over administration of probate in place of the Church of Ireland, with the result that will calendars are easy to access from 1858 to 1920. These yearly calendar entries are not the wills themselves, but are summaries, giving the name of the testator, address, occupation, names of beneficiaries, date of death and value of the estate.

The original will calendars are held by the National Archives in large bulky tomes. But the National Archives has now digitised and made them available free at <[genealogy.nationalarchives.ie](http://genealogy.nationalarchives.ie)>

The National Archives has shared these images with <[familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org)> Access, as with everything on familysearch, is free. To search directly go to <[familysearch.org/search/collection/1921305](http://familysearch.org/search/collection/1921305)>

## A HELPFUL TIP

Did you know there's an easy way to enlarge what you view on a computer screen? If you have a PC, hold down the button "control", then the + sign. If a Mac, hold down "command", then +. You may keep enlarging it to your satisfaction. To reduce the size, use the control or command buttons with the minus sign.

## DERRY'S GREAT PARCHMENT BOOK

The *Great Parchment Book* was compiled in 1639 by order of British King Charles I. It is a major survey of Derry estates managed by the City of London, thus presenting a source for the City of London's role in the Protestant colonization of Ulster. King Charles had managed to assume ownership of all of Derry, and appointed two men who worked six months entering copies of contracts for leases of estates of the existing tenants.

The *Great Parchment Book* has long been unavailable. A fire at London's Guildhall caused shriveling and damage to the book. It has now been completely transcribed and has a website <[www.greatparchmentbook.org](http://www.greatparchmentbook.org)> The site is easy to navigate, and has informative articles on the Ulster Plantation and on the history of the book.

## SOURCE FOR MICHIGAN RECORDS

Records from Michigan Archives are available at <[www.seekingmichigan.org](http://www.seekingmichigan.org)>

Records provided include deaths, Civil War information, maps, photos, early documents, WPA property inventories, and much more.

## SCIENTISTS DECODE GENOME OF

## THE GREAT HUNGER'S POTATO PATHOGEN

Dried leaves of an infected potato plant, 150 years old, have been studied by two competing teams. The leaves were found to have intact DNA, which allowed scientists to decode their genome. The infamous *phytophthora infestans* probably arrived at the port of Antwerp, Belgium, then spread throughout much of western Europe. Because Irish peasants depended on the potato for their diet, the failure of the crop beginning in 1845 led to dire consequences. Although they had endured earlier famines, this caused two million to die and another one million to emigrate.

It had been thought that a United States strain was the guilty pathogen, but now scientists conclude that Ireland's strain was entirely unique..

## **AN ANCIENT FIND IN DROGHEDA**

A hollowed-out log boat, thought to be thousands of years old, has been discovered at the banks the Boyne River at the city of Drogheda, County Louth.

Two men working for the Boyne Fishermen's Rescue and Recovery Service were looking for shopping trolleys in the river, which apparently are commonly thrown there.

Very few log boats have been found in the Boyne, and this one differs from previous finds in that it appears to have accomodation for oars.

For now, the boat is being left as it was found, half buried in the embankment. Later this year it will be dug out and there will be an attempt to date it.

Archeologists hope that this discovery will lead to other treasures around Drogheda.

## **CLEANING GRAVESTONES**

<[www.gravestonepreservation.info](http://www.gravestonepreservation.info)> is run by preservation expert, Jonathan Appell. He provides many articles about cleaning, repairing and preserving cemetery monuments. Often someone actually harms a stone with wrong cleaning methods. Jonathan gives information on what not to do as well as what to do. He also has links to companies that sell cleaning products. The specific article on gentle cleaning methods is at <[www.gravestonepreservation.info/articles/cleaning-gravestones-monuments-stone-sculptures](http://www.gravestonepreservation.info/articles/cleaning-gravestones-monuments-stone-sculptures)>

## **INFORMATION ON COUNTY MONAGHAN**

<<http://aharney.us/monaghan>> is a site you will want to check if you have ancestors from Monaghan. The site owner has gathered information over many years, providing history, family names, maps and general genealogy resources.

## **1825 CENSUS FOR LOWER CANADA RELEASED**

Library and Archives Canada has released the 1825 census for Lower Canada. Go to <<http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/index-e.html>> and click on "censuses."

The Province of Lower Canada was a British colony covering the southern portion of today's Quebec and the Labrador region of modern Newfoundland and Labrador. It was ceded to Great Britain by the French after the end of the Seven Years War in 1763. Each census entry shows the name of the head of family, occupation, and number of residents.

## 1842 CANADIAN CENSUS

Library and Archives Canada has announced that the Census of Canada West, 1842, and the Census of Canada East, 1842 are online. In 1841, Upper Canada was renamed Canada West, whereas Lower Canada became Canada East. These two jurisdictions are now known as the provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

The Census of Canada West, 1842 is available at  
<<http://tinyurl.com/qzytcjv>>

The Census of Canada East, 1842 is at: <<http://tinyurl.com/kpsjpc7>>

## THE SECOND VERSION OF THE 1881 CANADIAN CENSUS

Library and Archives Canada is also releasing a new Census of Canada, 1881 database. It covers the seven provinces and one territory, which were British Columbia, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and the Northwest Territories. This second census includes suggestions for corrections made by previous users, and revised district and sub-district information.

This census is found at : <<http://tinyurl.com/md7ifus>>

## THE IRISH IN IOWA

If you are looking for Irish people in Iowa, the former site, irishiniowa.net, has been joined with several other sites into <[www.celticcousins.net](http://www.celticcousins.net)> It includes records such as military, cemeteries, immigration/naturalization, death records, newspapers, and much more. You are invited to send information about your own Iowa people to the site.

## LETTER FROM AN IRISH IMMIGRANT TO WASHINGTON COUNTY, IOWA, 1849

"You wanted to know the best route to take to this country. In the first place, try to get a passage in an American vessel as they are the fastest sailing vessels and the most accommodating seamen. Try to get a passage to Philadelphia, either Baltimore or New York will do, then to Philadelphia and then by Pittsburgh. Then over the Ohio River to the mouth of the Mississippi River. Then to St. Louis. Then to Burlington in Iowa. Beware and don't take a passage by New Orleans as many do for it is not the best way and is far from being as healthy and as agreeable."

## **IRELAND 100 YEARS AGO**

Begun in May of this year, the Century Ireland Project gathers and reports Irish events of 100 years ago. An online historical newspaper is published every two weeks, giving a picture of Irish life with visual, archival and contextual material. This site is located at <[www.rte.ie/centuryireland](http://www.rte.ie/centuryireland)>

## **HAVE YOU CHECKED MOLLIE LYNCH'S BOOK SITE?**

Mollie Lynch is a retired librarian who says she needed a hobby and decided to help people with genealogy. She runs a website called "Genealogy Book Links," which connects to digital books, all free, focusing on American biographies, genealogies and history books.

Now she has over 30,000 links from over 35 sources. She focuses on surnames, directories, vital records, and local area-specific books. There are many small collections here that you might otherwise be unaware of.

The site is found at <<http://genealogybooklinks.com>>

## **SPEAKING OF BOOKS**

Brigham Young University (BYU) has made available its family history books to familysearch.org. They join other collections including the Allen County (Fort Wayne) Library, the Mid-Continent Public Library-Midwest Genealogy Center, and others. Familysearch now has more than 80,000 digitized genealogy and family history publications.

The site is found at: <<http://books/familysearch.org>>

## **FOLLOW CIVIL WAR NEWS**

To note the sesquicentennial of the Civil War, there is a site which gives a brief daily account of the Civil War day by day. It's at: <[civilwardaillygazette.com](http://civilwardaillygazette.com)>

Viewers are invited to offer further information and comments.



## MICHIGAN DEATH RECORDS

A collection of almost one million Michigan death records between 1897 and 1952 are online. The records are searchable by name, location, death and birth year, age at death and the father's name. Use more than one term to focus the search. On the left of the basic search screen are 21 more kinds of Michigan searches available. If you use the advanced search option, the full list appears on the right.

The site is found at: <[seekingmichigan.org/discover/death-records](http://seekingmichigan.org/discover/death-records)> For more avenues to Michigan death records and obituaries, go to: <[deathindexes.com/michigan](http://deathindexes.com/michigan)> Both sites are free.

## MILITARY AND VETERANS BURIAL SITES

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has a website for locating those buried in U.S federal and state military cemeteries. Records give name, name of spouse, branch of service, rank, where served, date of birth and date of death, and information needed to locate the grave at the cemetery. The site also provides a map for the cemetery. Find the site at: <[gravelocator.cem.va.gov](http://gravelocator.cem.va.gov)>

## ROAD SIGNS TO DINGLE

Nine years ago signs leading to the town of Dingle, Co. Kerry were posted only in Irish, leaving many upset, especially those dependant on tourism. The English-speaking tourist could easily get confused seeing a sign with only "An Dangean" posted. A campaign to have both the Irish and English signage has finally paid off, and "Dingle" is back.

## IRISH QUOTE

"Now for our Irish wars: We must supplant those rough rug-headed kerns, Which live like venom where no venom else, but only they have privilege to live" William Shakespeare, Richard II, Act II, Sc 1

## Clare County Library

Clare Genealogy &amp; Family History

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Maureen Comber

## Online Records

- ‡ 1901 Census of Population of County Clare
- ‡ 1901 Census of Population of County Clare - Surname Index
- ‡ 1901 Census of Population of County Clare - List of Surnames
- ‡ 1901 Census of Population of county Clare - Frequency of Surnames
- ‡ 1841 & 1851 Census Search Forms
- ‡ Search the 1911 Census of Population of County Clare (external link)
- ‡ Browse the 1911 Census of Population of County Clare (external link)
- ‡ 1852/1855 Index to Griffith's Valuation for Clare - Surname Index
- ‡ 1852/1855 Index to Griffith's Valuation for Clare - Parish Index
- ‡ 1852/1855 Index to Griffith's Valuation for Clare - List of Surnames
- ‡ 1852/1855 Index to Griffith's Valuation for Clare - Frequency of Surnames
- ‡ 1820s-1840s Index to Tithe Applotment Books - Surname Index
- ‡ 1820s-1840s Index to Tithe Applotment Books - Parish Index
- ‡ 1820s-1840s Index to Tithe Applotment Books - List of Surnames
- ‡ 1820s-1840s Index to Tithe Applotment Books - Frequency of Surnames
- ‡ Combined list of surnames which occur in the 1901 Census of Population of County Clare, the Griffith's Valuation 1855 of County Clare, and the Tithe Applotment Books (1820s-1840s) for County Clare, including the number of occurrences for each surname collected in each source. (3MB file)
- ‡ Names to conjure with: a perspective on Clare surnames by Pat Flynn
- ‡ 1692-1775 Freemen of Ennis
- ‡ 1768 Freeholders of County Clare
- ‡ 1821 List of Freeholders, County Clare
- ‡ 1829 Registry of Freeholders for the County of Clare
- ‡ 1832 Applicants to the Registry of Freeholders, Borough of Ennis
- ‡ 1841 Applicants to the Registry of Freeholders, Co. Clare
- ‡ 1888-1916 Journals: Association for the Preservation of the Memorials of the Dead, Ireland
- ‡ 1636-1703 Books of Survey and Distribution
- ‡ 1659 Census of Clare
- ‡ Pre-1855 Estate Papers in NLI and NAI
- ‡ 1876 Land owners in Clare
- ‡ 1824 Hedge School Teachers in Clare
- ‡ 1935-1985 Index to biographical notices, 'Clare Champion'
- ‡ 1570-1700 Notes on the Sheriffs of County Clare
- ‡ 1577-1892 High Sheriffs of Clare
- ‡ 1583-1886 Clare Members of Parliament
- ‡ 1584-1637 Clare Chancery Pleadings
- ‡ 1661-1893 Clare Justices of the Peace
- ‡ 1732, '84, '99, 1805 Clare Grand Juries
- ‡ 1740/41 Persons named in the Lucas Diary
- ‡ 1740-1783 Converts from Popery
- ‡ 1778 Ennis Volunteers' Minute Book
- ‡ 1798 United Irishmen of North West Clare
- ‡ 1816-1835 Ejectment Books of County Clare
- ‡ 1845 Galway and Ennis Railway Petitioners
- ‡ 1849 Evictions in Kilrush Union
- ‡ 1849 The shipwreck of the 'St John' - survivors and drowned
- ‡ 1850-51 Deaths and Staff in Kilrush and Ennistymon Workhouses
- ‡ 1863 Macnamara Rental
- ‡ 1864-1870 Deaths in the Liscannor area
- ‡ 1866 Census of Kilfenora and Kiltoraght Parishes
- ‡ 1878-1903 Tenants evicted in East Clare
- ‡ 1890s List of tenants on Colonel O'Callaghan's estate, Bodyke

## Directories

- ‡ 1893 Guy's Directory, Clare
- ‡ 1881, Slater's Directory, Ennis & Clarecastle
- ‡ 1880-1 Bassett's Directory, Clare
- ‡ 1875-6 Bassett's Directory, Clare
- ‡ 1870, Slater's Directory, Ennis & Clarecastle
- ‡ 1842, 1863 Hogan's Directory, Kilkee
- ‡ 1846 Slater's Directory, Clare
- ‡ 1814 Leet's Directory, Clare
- ‡ 1824 Pigot's Directory, Clare
- ‡ 1788 Lucas's Directory, Ennis

## Histories of Clare Families

- ‡ The Origins of Heraldry
- ‡ Principal original families of County Clare
- ‡ Learned Families of Thomond
- ‡ The territories of the ancient Irish families in Limerick and Clare
- ‡ The BUTLERS of County Clare
- ‡ Short Study of a Transplanted Family (MACLYSAGHTS)
- ‡ The O'DAVORENS of Cahermacnaughten

## Donated Material

Transcriptions of material from primary source documents and family histories donated to Clare County Library. See the ‡ Clare Past Forum also for donated material directly uploaded by forum members.

- ‡ Births/Baptisms, Marriages, Deaths
- ‡ Census Records
- ‡ Court Reports (including Evictions)
- ‡ Directories
- ‡ Emigration Records
- ‡ Family Histories, Biographies & Memoirs
- ‡ Graveyard Inscriptions
- ‡ Military & Police Records
- ‡ Memorial / Mortuary Cards
- ‡ Registers, Rent-rolls & other Land Records
- ‡ Shipping and Seamen
- ‡ Wills & Probate

- ‡ Clare Past Forum Emigration List Project (1892-1924)

## Research support

- ‡ Clare Past Forum
- ‡ Townland index
- ‡ Civil Parish index
- ‡ Church records
- ‡ Old Territorial Divisions and Land Measures
- ‡ Links to external Genealogical Services
- ‡ Links to external Genealogical Sources
- ‡ Tracing your Family Tree - Tips from Clare County Library
- ‡ Check-list and tips for family historians intending to visit Clare (by Paddy Casey on the Clare Past forum)

- ‡ 1900s Houses and their Occupiers in Ennistymon
- ‡ 1900s Houses and their Occupiers in some townlands around Ennistymon
- ‡ 1900s Houses and their Occupiers in Lahinch
- ‡ 1914-18 North Clare soldiers who died during World War I
- ‡ 1914-18 Kilrush Men in World War I
- ‡ 1921 & 1926 Scariff Rural District Rate Books

### School Registers & Roll Books

- ‡ 1865-1888 Boys' and Girls' School Registers, Tiermaclane National School
  - ‡ 1857-1885; 1882-1926; 1926-1929 CBS Ennistymon School Register
  - ‡ 1863-1975 Lack School, Kilchreest: Pupils, Teachers, Managers
  - ‡ 1873-1960 Pupils, Principals and Monitors, Knockjames NS
  - ‡ 1876-1970 Kilbaha N.S. Roll Books
  - ‡ 1886-1908 (Boys) School Register, 1899-1932 (Girls) School Register, Kilfenora National School
  - ‡ 1864-1880 Register of Infants in Bansha National School
  - ‡ 1864-1922 (Girls) School Register, Kinturk National School
  - ‡ 1871-1896 (Girls) School Register, Kilshanny National School
  - ‡ 1888-1966 Boys' and Girls' School Registers, Ballyea National School
  - ‡ 1898-1952 Ennis National School Registers
  - ‡ 1907-1922 (Boys) School Register, 1906-1922 (Girls) School Register, Lisroe National School
  - ‡ 1908-1966 Pitfield National School Register
- See also ‡ History of Education in Clare

- ‡ Books and other material on Clare genealogy held by Clare County Library

- ‡ Digital Books (Genealogy, History etc)

### Software

- ‡ Genscriber (free program to download for transcribing parish records etc. courtesy of Les Hardy)

## ATTENTION ALL IGSW MEMBERS

Please check the address label on you September Quarterly  
 You are a member of IGSW if you see 1 Feb. 2014  
 You are no longer a member if you see 1 Feb. 2013  
 The complimentary copy is a reminder to send your dues to  
 Membership Chairperson Sr. Sylvia Anne OSF  
 Irish Genealogical Society of Wisconsin  
 PO Box 13766 Wauwatosa WI 53213-0766

Your IGSW Quarterly for September is late not because of the Postal Service but because of the Editor's computer and printer problems that happened at the end of Irish Fest. Things are progressing slowing. We should be in full operation before the December Quarterly is due. You now have ample time to start working on your contribution for the next issue. Thank you for your cooperation.

JM

# Irishmen!

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**I**T is absurd to talk against British Tyranny in Ireland when you join, or let your sons, brothers, or friends join the British Navy and the British Army.

If there were no British Navy and British Army there would be no British Government here to oppress you.

If there were a weak British Navy and British Army, the British Government would not be able to maintain the infamous Union under which your Industries have been ruined, your soil given over to the bullocks, your population cut down one-half, and your taxation increased fivefold.

**There would be a weak British Navy and Army if the Irish did not enlist.**

The Irish are the real fighting element in England's armed forces. Without the Irish England would have been beaten by Napoleon a hundred years ago and by the Boers yesterday.

Don't continue to help England to be strong enough to oppress Ireland.

**O'Connell** said he committed a crime who gave strength to the enemy. The Irishman who enlists in England's armed forces gives strength to the foreigners who rule the country.

Keep out of the British Navy, Army, and the Royal Irish Constabulary. Advise your friends to do so and pass this around.

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## ***Fay and McNally Family History Case Study***

Irish Genealogical Society of Wisconsin program at the Shorewood Library on March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Speaker: Gary Shea

About 1976 I questioned my paternal grandparents and my mother about their ancestors. I penciled in a rudimentary tree, literally on the back of a shoebox, on cardboard. I identified the “Faye” and “McNally” surnames as those of my grandfather’s maternal grandparents. This was a winter weather indoor Sunday afternoon activity and it was my beginning.

In the late 1980’s and early 1990’s, I received copies of handwritten trees on my Shea family from my father. These, created by 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> cousins, he mailed to me and I duly filed them. I freely admit that at the time I had no idea I would do much with them, but knew enough that they were not to be tossed out.

When I inevitably did become taken with genealogy in 1997, I naturally focused on the Shea family. However, a second cousin, Mikki Morrissette, a Shea and a Fay, sent me a detailed Fay Genealogy Report, written by her in 1989. Sessions I had recently attended at the 11<sup>th</sup> MCGS Workshop had an impact on me. I learned “always use more than one source as a proof” and the Rule of Five: at least five different facts must be known and in congruence. All the alluring details of Mikki’s report called out for verification.

Thus there was much to prove about our 3rd-greats Philip Fay and Jane Crawford/Cranford and their 8 children of the townland of Duncollog, Cootehill, Co. Cavan. I feel I was retracing Mikki’s steps. She had included a packet of Shea and Fay newspaper obituaries. These helped as I followed in her tracks. US Censuses, marriage and death records, Griffith’s Valuation, a Tithe Applotment record, and the family’s amazing appearance in the 1821 Irish census, added up to confirmation of the Fay family and their location back to Philip Fay, with the rule of five easily met. The Crawford surname still needs another source.

At this point my toughest brick wall comes in. Philip’s son, Bernard, my ancestor, married Mary Ann McNally in St. Peter, Minnesota, in 1867. Joseph McNally is a witness to the marriage. I have found an abundance of records on Joseph McNally: he served twice in Minnesota regiments in the Civil War, he and his family appear in US and Minnesota Census records in 1860, 1865, 1870 and 1880, and he homesteaded twice, from 1869-1874 in Monogalia County, Minnesota, and from 1876-1881 in Stearns County, Minnesota. And yet I am still speculating that he is Mary Ann McNally’s brother, as there are no other proofs.

NOTES ON TORY HILL AND THIRD WARD TOUR FOR IGSW, June 3, 2013 –  
Carl Baehr

1. Tory Hill

Start near Intermodel Station, 5<sup>th</sup> and St. Paul, south side of street

Geography of the Tory Hill area when Irish started arriving in mid-1830s. A natural hill from Clybourn down to St. Paul between 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> streets was the core of Tory Hill. With further development the neighborhood extended from 4<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> Streets, Clybourn to St. Paul with many Irish on the fringes north and west. Neighborhood changed from Irish to Eastern European between 1900 and 1910. Earliest reference found to “Tory Hill” in print was in January 1863.

2. The Leahey Riot, 6 April 1851.  
2<sup>nd</sup> and St Paul

One block north, SW corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Michigan, was the site of the original St. Gall church, named for an Irish missionary to Switzerland and built for Tory Hill residents and Irish to west and south. Cathedral for Third Ward residents.

Two blocks north, NE corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Wisconsin was the Methodist church which was the site a the Leahey Riot.

Irish Catholics attack Methodist church to prevent Edward Leahey from giving a sermon and lectures. During the Know Nothing era, Irish-born Edward Leahey, so-called former Monk of La Trappe, came to town to talk of the many sins of priests and nuns that he claimed to know from his former life and would tell them to men only for 25 cents per person. Leahey later allowed to give lectures.

3. “Bloody” Third Ward

St. Paul and Water, NW Corner

Development of the Third Ward, origin of the phrase “The Bloody Third Ward,” first reported in 1846.

4. Origin of the Third Ward Fire, 28 October 1892

323 N. Water

Spontaneous combustion in a building at this address caused The Third Ward Fire.

5 Lady Elgin Disaster, 8 September 1860

Site of the Dousman Dock on the Milwaukee River

201 N. Water

The “Lady Elgin” excursionists waited here on 6 September for the steamship that took them to Chicago, on the return trip 300 people died, 240 from Milwaukee, 170 Irish, mostly from the Third Ward. Largest loss of life in Milwaukee history.

6. The Third Ward Fire

Broadway and Chicago

Five die, over 450 buildings burned, leaving more than 2,000 Third Ward residents, mostly Irish, homeless.

7. Lynching of Marshall Clark, 8 September 1861

Buffalo, near Broadway

Third Ward mob hangs Marshall Clark for the murder of Darby Carney. Actual murderer, James Shelton acquitted. Four Third Warders acquitted of lynching Clark.

8. Newhall House Fire, 10 January 1883

Broadway and Michigan, across from the Hilton main entrance

Largest loss of life in a hotel fire in U.S. history when 72 die in fire, a record not eclipsed until 1946. Half of the known dead were Irish and Irish American employees who did not have a fire escape in their part of the hotel. Fire set by an arsonist.

9. The Aftermath of the Third Ward Fire

Water and St. Paul, NW corner

Relief efforts made to help the homeless. Increasing land values in Third Ward, the Fire, the Panic of 1893 and the influx of Italians leads to the demise of the Third Ward as an Irish neighborhood by 1910.

## THE IRISH IN THE CIVIL WAR

The Irish Genealogical Society of Wisconsin program at the Shorewood Library on September 9, 2013

Speaker: Russell Horton

Mr. Horton a Reference and Outreach Archivist at the Wisconsin Veterans Museum in Madison, Wisconsin presented a very informative and interesting lecture on the involvement of the Irish in the Civil War.

His Power Point presentation included information on the famous "Iron Brigade of the West" that was made up of three Wisconsin infantry regiments. A more detailed description of the 17th Wisconsin was given.

The Wisconsin Veterans Museum is located at 30 West Mufflin Street in downtown Madison, Wisconsin. The Research Center is on the third floor and is open Monday - Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

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  - New Look
2. Sign In
  - Access to records, resources, services
3. Create an Account
4. Account Information
  - User Name
  - Password
  - Contact Name
5. Public information
6. FamilySearch Enhancements
  - Fan Chart
  - Photos
  - FamilyTree
  - Search Records
  - Indexing
  - Live Help
7. Free Live Research Assistance
  - Available 8 am to 5 pm
8. Phone Number
  - 1-866-234-2067
9. Other Help Access Links
  - Get Help
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10. Contact Family Search
  - Chat online
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  - Call Center
    - Always Open
    - 1 866-406-18830
11. My Cases
  - Questions addressed directly with FamilySearch
  - View Details
12. Example 1
13. Example 2
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15. You must be signed in to use live help, and see your cases
16. Help Center / What Kind of Help Do you need
  - Product Support
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17. Research Assistance
  - Ask a Specialist
  - Search Research Articles (Ireland)
18. Relevant Articles Found
19. Example "Ireland" Topics
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21. Example
22. Example
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25. Getting Started – Learning Center
26. Learning Center
  - View Rootstech videos
27. What course are you looking for?
  - Place
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  - Format
  - Skill Level
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28. Most Popular Courses and New Courses
29. Ireland Series
30. Indexing
31. Worldwide Effort
  - Total records indexed 1,000,135,481
  - 40,347,392 records indexed this year
  - 133,295 Active volunteers
  - See all projects
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33. Example
34. Example
35. Search Historical Records
36. Types of Searches
  - Wiki
  - Books
  - Catalog
  - Genealogies
  - Records
37. Family History Books
  - Over 80,000 Digitized genealogy and family history publications
  - Family histories,
  - County and local histories
  - Genealogy magazines,
  - How-to books
  - Gazetteers,
  - Medieval histories,
  - Pedigrees



38. Advanced Search
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  - Author
  - Subject
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40. Timm Search Result
  - Title: Migration of the Timms
  - Full Text: Contained "Timm" in text
41. Example:
42. Search for Wisconsin within text
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  - Notes
  - Text in Slovak
  - Link to online record
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49. Stefan Gyuriss Result
50. Parent Search
  - Last name only
  - Time frame
  - Parents names
  - May use wild cards
51. Parent Search Result
52. Add to Source Box
53. My Source Box
  - Click on link to see original record
54. Example of Baptism Record
55. Genealogies
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  - Provided by FamilySearch users
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  - Navigate by clicking name
58. Browse All Published Collections
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  - Indexed digital records with image
  - Indexed Transcription
  - Browse Images
60. Ireland Search
61. Ireland Result
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69. Individual Person Page
70. Fan Chart
  - Printable
  - View your family tree if it is on FamilySearch
  - Search for person within the Family Tree to view their fan chart
71. Photos
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75. Example
76. Example
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## A REVIEW OF IRISH FEST 2013

This years Irish Fest according to all reports was a tremendous success. The weather was perfect with approximately 121,000 people attending during the four days and over 15,000 present at the Mass for Peace and Justice on Sunday morning. 51,200 Pounds of food was collected before the Mass and donated to the Hunger Task force and \$10,000 worth of school supplies were donated to Hope House of Milwaukee.

The revised layout of the Cultural Village worked well and the Genealogy Tent had many new and returning visitors this year. Our three representatives from Ireland along with our many dedicated volunteer helped many searching for their roots as well as sparking an interest in other to do the same.

We want to share with you an interesting experience Volunteer Dr. Kristine Mooney had during one of her shifts at the computer.

A little boy about 9 years old strode up to the genealogy table, looking as Irish as could be: freckled, flaming red hair and broad grin. He pronounced, "I'm all Irish!" and I thought to myself "No kidding." He went on to say proudly that all his family came from Ireland, every one. And he asked if I could look up his name and tell him "where they came from". "Sure", says I, "That's what we do. What is your name?"

"Hoffmann! H O F F M A N N". Oh dear.

I said I would have a look, but the name sounded like it might, possibly, maybe perhaps, be a German name? "No. No," says he. "They are all Irish! All of them. I am sure." Well OK. We will have a look. I enter 'Hoffmann' into Grenham's Irish surname program, a compilation of all the names found in the mid 1800s Griffiths Valuation survey. As I expected, there is no Hoffmann there.

He is crushed.

I tell him we will make him honorary 100% Irish for the day, and he seems to feel a little better. Off he goes. Then he comes running back, "Wait! Wait! Sometimes people don't spell it right. Try it like this: Hoffman, with one N". Rather than explaining Soundex to the little guy, I try that spelling. And what I see next is very, very surprising.

We see one Hoffman household in Belfast, one in Dublin, and one in Cork - now those could be misspellings or travelers or recent arrivals to these port cities. But then there are eight Hoffman households in County Kerry. Eight!! And all of them are in the north central parish of Ballymacelligott. My, my.

Armed with that information, we quickly pull up [irishgenealogy.ie](http://irishgenealogy.ie) where Kerry birth and marriage records can now be searched. Wow. Dozens and dozens of Hoffman records in Ballymacelligott going back to the 1830s!! 334 total including some Dublin records going back to 1730s. Extraordinary. I explain it is like a puzzle, and he can sort out the families, figuring out who the brothers and sisters are, and follow them as they marry and have children of their own in Ballymacelligott. He runs off with the website name circled and a blank family group sheet and instructions to talk with the elders in the family and collect more history. He is happy. I guess he likes puzzles. He definitely likes being Irish.

And I am reminded why I love genealogy. What you find is so unexpected and surprising sometimes.



# Upcoming Programs

**Monday, October 7, 2013 – 7pm**

ICHC – 2133 W Wisconsin Ave - Milwaukee

## A Night of the Round Tables

Come meet with us as we discuss our successes and failures and work together to help solve some of the genealogist's conundrums. There will be tables set up to deal with some of the issues facing us all as we search for our ancestors.

**Monday, November 4, 2013 – 7pm**

Shorewood Public Library – 3920 N Murray Ave – Shorewood

## From a Family Story to a Family Tree

Sue Dolinar will take you on a humorous genealogical journey in the quest for her family history. Or it's all in the surprises!

**Monday, December 2, 2013 – 7pm**

ICHC – 2133 W Wisconsin Ave - Milwaukee

## Our Annual Holiday Party

There will be entertainment, a cash bar, and lots of laughter!

Please bring a treat to share and guests, if you wish.

But be sure to bring your best holiday mood.

Watch for further details.

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Watch *igswonline.com* for further information as to time and place.

IGSW Programs are free and open to the public.

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