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## GETTING STARTED WITH GENEALOGY

Resource Guide and Web/Bibliography

*Heritage Room Web pages <http://www.clarke.public.lib.ga.us/hqdepts/heritage/index.html>*

In the A-CC Library, GR indicates a book is in the Heritage Room only, a call number without the GR means there is a copy shelved on second floor in the non-fiction area; VC (for videocassette) preceding the call no. means the item is filed in the YA-AV area, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor on the Baxter Street side of the building; ONLINE means that the resource is available online. The Heritage Room is a research collection and materials cannot be checked out. Most other materials can be checked out.

\*must read for basic methodology

# buy for your personal library

### Basic Reference Materials

**GR** Bentley, Elizabeth Petty. *The Genealogist's Address Book*, 6th ed. Genealogical Pub. Co., c2009. [Behind desk]  
**929.1**

**Bentley**  
**2009**

**GR** Eichholz, Alice, ed. *Ancestry's Red Book: American State, County & Town Sources*. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., Ancestry Inc., 2004.  
**929.1072**

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**GR** *The Handy Book for Genealogists: the United States of America*, 11th ed.,  
**929.1072** Everton Pubs., 2005. [Behind desk]

**Everton**

**GR** Kemp, Thomas Jay. *International Vital Records Handbook*, 4th ed. Genealogical Publishing Co., c2000. [Behind desk]  
**929.373**

**GR** Meyerink, Kory L. *Printed Sources: a Basic Guide to Published Genealogical Records*, Ancestry, c1998.  
**016.929**

- GR 929.1 Mills** #Mills, Elizabeth Shown. *Evidence! Citation and Analysis for the Family Historian.*, Baltimore: Gen. Pub. Co., c1997.
- GR 907.2 Mills** #Mills, Elizabeth Shown, *Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 2009.
- GR 929.1 Rose** #Rose, Christine. *Genealogical Proof Standard*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. , CA: CR Publications, 2005.
- GR 929.1072 Source** Szucs, Loretto D. & Sandra H. Luebking, *The Source: a Guidebook of American Genealogy*. 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., Ancestry, Inc., 2005.
- GR 911.73** Thorndale, William and William Dollarhide. *Map Guide to the U.S. Federal Censuses, 1790 - 1920*. Genealogical Pub. Co., 1987.

### **Genealogical Standards & Guidelines**

- Standards for Sound Genealogical Research  
[http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref\\_Researching/gssound.pdf](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref_Researching/gssound.pdf)
- Guidelines for Using Records, Repositories, and Libraries  
[http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref\\_Researching/grecords.pdf](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref_Researching/grecords.pdf)
- Standards for Use of Technology In Genealogical Research  
[http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref\\_Researching/gstechnology.pdf](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref_Researching/gstechnology.pdf)
- Standards for Sharing Information with Others  
[http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref\\_Researching/gssharing.pdf](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref_Researching/gssharing.pdf)
- Guidelines for Publishing Web Pages on the Internet  
[http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref\\_Researching/gswebPages.pdf](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref_Researching/gswebPages.pdf)
- Guidelines for Genealogical Self-Improvement and Growth  
[http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref\\_Researching/gselfImprovement.pdf](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/galleries/Ref_Researching/gselfImprovement.pdf)

## "How To" Resources

Unless a GR precedes the call number, these materials are located on 2nd floor on the soccer field side of the building and the videos (VC) are on 1<sup>st</sup> floor in YA-AV Department.

929.1 \*Boy Scouts of America. *Genealogy*. [merit badge guide] B.S.A., 1988

929.1089 Burroughs, Tony. *Black Roots : a Beginner's Guide to Tracing the African American Family Tree*, Fireside Book, c2001.

929.1 Carmack, Sharon DeBartolo. *Organizing Your Family History Search: Efficient & Effective Ways to Gather and Protect Your Genealogical Research*. Betterway Books, c1999.

929.1 \*Croom, Emily Anne *Unpuzzling Your Past: The Best-Selling Basic Guide To Genealogy*, 4th edition. Betterway Books, 2001.

### GR

929.1072 Croom, Emily Anne. *Unpuzzling Your Past Workbook: Essential Forms and Letters for all Genealogists*. Betterway Pubns, ©1996.

### NONFIC

929.1072 Dollarhide  
Dollarhide \*Dollarhide, William. *Getting Started in Genealogy Online*. Genealogical Publishing Co., © 2006.

ONLINE *FamilySearch.org*. "How to Start Your Family History,"©2008, [http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Home/Welcome/frameset\\_information.asp](http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Home/Welcome/frameset_information.asp) Accessed 20 January 2010

### VC

929.1072 *The Genealogist's Video Research Guide*, 10 videos. Part 1, Home Sources, Family Search, Published Histories, Record Keeping; Part 2, Census Records, Probate Records; Part 3, Land Records, Military Records, and Vital Records; Part 4, Compiled sources; Part 5, Passenger Lists & Passports; Part 6, Naturalization Records; Part 7, Federal Land Records and National Archives Maps  
"Research in England and Wales" Part 8, Civil Registration; Part 9, Parish Registers; Part 10, Census and Probate Records.

929.1 #Greenwood, Val D. *The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy*, 3rd ed. Genealogical Publishing Co., c2000.

929.1072 Hatcher, Patricia Law. *Producing a Quality Family History*, Ancestry, Inc., c1996.

**929.1072** Hinckley, Kathleen W. *Locating Lost Family Members & Friends: Modern Genealogical Research Techniques for Locating the People of Your Past and Present*. Betterway Books, c1999.

**ONLINE** *RootsWeb.com*. "RootsWeb's Guide to Tracing Family Trees," © 2010. Ancestry.com. and its subsidiaries..  
<http://rwguide.rootsweb.ancestry.com/lesson1.htm> accessed 20 January 2010. "RootsWeb's Guide to Tracing Family Trees" is written & compiled by professional genealogists, Julia M. Case, Myra Vanderpool Gormley, CG, and Rhonda McClure

**929.1072** Rose, Christine and Kay Germain Ingalls. *The Complete Idiot's Guide to ROSE Genealogy*, 2nd Edition. Alpha; 2005 .

## **GR**

**929.1** Rose, James M. and Alice Eichholz. *Black Genesis: a Resource Book for African-American Genealogy*,. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub. Co., 2003.  
This book supplements *Ancestry's Red Book*

## **Periodicals**

This list is only of current subscriptions. The Heritage Room does not use call numbers for periodicals. Magazines are shelved in alphabetical order by title. We have many more periodicals in the collection that are not on this list, including state genealogical society journals and other useful titles. **PERSI** (*PERiodical Source Index*.) in *HeritageQuestOnline*, "is the largest subject index to genealogical and historical periodical articles in the world. Created by the foundation and department staff of the Genealogy Center of the library here in Fort Wayne, Indiana, PERSI is widely recognized as being a vital source for genealogical researchers.

PERSI is a comprehensive subject index covering genealogy and local history periodicals written in English and French (Canada) since 1800. The time period of the articles ranges from the 1700s to the present. More than 1.8 million index entries from nearly ten thousand titles are represented by this work". Source: Allen county Public Library Web site <http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/genealogy/persi.html>. Accessed 20 January 2010. There are several indexes such as **PERSI** that you will need to learn to use.

*AAHGS News* (bimonthly) and *Journal of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society* (semi-annual) publications of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society. *News* Includes membership information, articles and regular features such as queries, computer interests, preservation news, and "What's Happening". The *Journal* contains research articles and transcriptions of value to those researching African-American ancestors.

*Family Tree Magazine* (bimonthly) – Good basic genealogy magazine, with a pull out research section for different states in each issue. In addition to articles on genealogical techniques and resources, there are software reviews and a section called Living History that

highlights history and heritage events in various areas. . There are several periodicals with the name Family Tree; this one is published by F+W Publications.

*National Genealogical Society Quarterly*. published quarterly by National Genealogical Society, contains scholarly articles detailing research and reviews of materials. Reading this is a great way to build your research skills once you get beyond the beginner level.

*NGS Newsmagazine*. published bimonthly by the National Genealogical Society. This publication is designed for the benefit of NGS members and lay persons. Includes feature articles, queries, and reviews of computer software and articles on how to better use particular programs.

**Lessons** – Classes are essential to progressing in your genealogy. Lessons and classes can be taken at meetings and workshops presented by local, state, regional and national genealogical organizations. Even after reading the materials in the “How To” Section above, you may want to consider taking one or more of these online courses.

#### **Genealogy for Beginners - Online Lessons**

[http://genealogy.about.com/od/make\\_family\\_tree/u/learn.htm](http://genealogy.about.com/od/make_family_tree/u/learn.htm)

Here is a link to the listing at About.com for multiple sites for online classes.

#### **Genealogy Classes**

<http://familytreemaker.genealogy.com/university.html>

Provided by Genealogy.com these courses broken down into individual self-paced lessons can help you build your expertise. These classes are developed by folks knowledgeable about genealogy; most of them teach, write and do research. Take some time and work through these.

#### **Michael’s Favorite Sites for free U.S. Genealogy Lessons**

<http://www.ancestrylessons.com/>

This site has a chart and explanation of ratings of various free sites for online lessons.

#### **National Genealogical Society**

<http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/Courses/Course.cfm?CID=1>

*Introduction to Genealogy* is an online course for those who have done little, if any, research on their families. The cost of the online course is \$35 for NGS members and \$50 for nonmembers. There are 2 other beginning courses that can save you time, money and energy – “Using Census Records in Genealogy” and “Special Census Schedules.” There is also an in-depth home study course that costs more, but it should be undertaken after these and probably after you have done some research.

#### **Treasure Maps – the How-To Genealogy Guide.**

<http://amberskyline.com/treasuremaps/>

Not a slick, polished site and lots of ads, but they have **Free** tutorials available on specific topics including: Deciphering Old Handwriting, How to Do Tombstone Rubbings, Finding the Hidden Treasures in Tombstone Rubbings, and the U.S. Federal Census. Most of these

are really good, but the one on Coats of Arms is not entirely accurate – the info on Heraldry at RootsWeb is much better. Good,useful, basic information.

## **Core Websites**

A search engine search on the internet is **NOT** the place to begin your genealogical research. But, there are many good web sites that can enhance your research once you have finished the basics. The basics include getting pedigree and family group sheets filled out, contacting everyone you know and asking questions and compiling the information you learned, and tracking your ancestors through the census as far as you can. Also, if you plan to use a genealogy software database program, you should select the program or begin thinking about what you want the database to do for you.

Be as cautious with the Internet as you are with other materials and distinguish between **sources** and **tools/clues**.

To help you choose a computer program for genealogy – **Cyndis List Software and Computers** then scroll to **Articles, Comparisons & Reviews** at <http://www.cyndislist.com/software.htm#Articles>. There are number of sites listed that can help you make your decision. Also look at **GenSoftReviews** <http://www.gensoftreviews.com/> which has reviews of numerous programs including international programs and programs on platforms other than PC, Mac, or Linux. There are many international databases in these listings. You can sort by different criteria such as Overall rating or Most reviewed and others.

An article, "Software Test Kitchen," comparing four software programs - Family Tree Maker, Legacy Family Tree, The Master Genealogist, and RootsMagic - appeared in the January 2008 issue of *Family Tree Magazine*. You might want to read this since it is a comparison done by people like you and me who are not computer geeks.

## **American Family Immigration Center**

<http://www.ellislandrecords.org>

This is often referred to as the Ellis Island site. There is information here on those people who came through Ellis Island, but also many others.

**Ancestry Library Edition** - is an extensive collection of databases, records, and advice on genealogical research. All materials may be searched at once (using a basic or advanced search screen), or various databases and indexes may be searched individually. If you are new to genealogy, begin with the "Getting Started" section for useful advice on how to proceed. Ancestry Library Edition is accessible through GALILEO in public and academic libraries in Georgia. You must be in a library or other repository to access this GALILEO database; it does not allow remote access.. To access this database when you are here, begin at the A-CC Library's home page <http://www.clarke.public.lib.ga.us/>. Then, choose the Research and Homework box on the right of the screen, then the GALILEO icon. Select Databases A to Z, choose A, then scroll down to Ancestry Library Edition. You can use Ancestry Library Edition from any internet access computers in the Athens-Clarke County Library, not just the computers in the Heritage Room.

### **Castle Garden**

<http://www.castlegarden.org/>

Castle Garden was the predecessor in New York to Ellis Island and operated from 1830 through 1892 when Ellis Island opened. This database contains information on 12 million immigrants who entered the U.S. in New York from 1820 through 1913, and they are working to add more.

### **Christine's Genealogy Website**

<http://www.ccharity.com/>

"A wealth of African-American resources for genealogy as well as Christine's personal research" Source: Cyndi's List

### **Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the Internet**

<http://www.cyndislist.com/>

Site contains over 270,000 links, of those, more than 259,970 are categorized and cross-referenced in over 180 categories and 10,060+ are [new and uncategorized](#). There are a variety of helpful indexes including a Category Index. This site has won many awards and is very useful to beginners and experts, but can be daunting at first. Start simple with something like the "Cemeteries and Funeral Homes" category and see what links below might be useful to you.

### **Dear Myrtle**

<http://www.dearmyrtle.com>

This site has lessons, a blog, podcasts, a bookshelf, and much more that can assist you. Part of this site is like an advice column, but online instead of in print. Take a look, there is lots to explore here.

### **Family Search**

<http://www.familysearch.org/>

Family Search is provided by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormons). The Mormon Church is an international leader in genealogical research and has the world's largest collection of family history records. Searchable databases at this site include compilations of ancestors, census records, family histories, military records, surnames, family organizations, and vital records.

### **Heritage Quest Online**

Remote access available through GALILEO, which means you can get this from home or anywhere by getting into GALILEO, entering your GALILEO password. HQO consists of several databases as follows: Follow the same directions to get to GALILEO as the directions for AncestryLibrary Edition, except in Databases A to Z choose H.

### CENSUS IMAGES

This has an index to most images along with the full images just like in Ancestry Library Edition. You always want to use the census information as the backbone of your research as it places your people in a place at a set time. That gives you a way to know where to look for other information about them.

## BOOKS

These are full-text books in pdf format on local history, family history and genealogy. Many are very old and now out of print and were never indexed. One of the main tenets of genealogy and family history research is that you have to know the community your ancestor was in. These books should help with that.

## PERSI

**PERSI** stands for PERiodical Source Index and is created by the staff at the Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana. This is an index to locally history and genealogy periodicals dating from the early 1800s. This database can be searched by name for articles that mention people, for places, for how to do particular research methodologies, and for particular publications. You can then locate the full text of the article at a nearby library or order from Allen County Public Library.

[PERSI] “is the largest subject index to genealogical and historical periodical articles in the world. Created by the foundation and department staff of the Genealogy Center of the library here in Fort Wayne, Indiana, PERSI is widely recognized as being a vital source for genealogical researchers.

PERSI is a comprehensive subject index covering genealogy and local history periodicals written in English and French (Canada) since 1800. The time period of the articles ranges from the 1700s to the present. More than 1.8 million index entries from nearly ten thousand titles are represented by this work”. Source: Allen county Public Library Web site <http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/genealogy/persi.html>. Accessed 20 January 2010.

## REVOLUTIONARY WAR RECORDS

This is *Selected Records from Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land-Warrant Application Files (M805)* which on microfilm is 898 rolls. By clicking on Read More About Rev War records, in the database, you will find the notes from the microfilm publication that explain the files, how files were selected, and other related publications.

## FREEDMAN’S BANK

These are the some of Freedman’s Bank and Trust records. Although the banks were begun to serve African American in Reconstruction, there were depositors of other ethnic background. Georgia Genealogical Society Quarterly some time ago, published a list of the Irish immigrants who had accounts at the Freedman’s Bank in Savannah.

*This is a transcribed searchable version of **REGISTERS OF SIGNATURES OF DEPOSITORS IN BRANCHES OF THE FREEDMAN’S SAVINGS AND TRUST COMPANY 1865 – 1874 (M816)** 27 rolls of microfilm . This does not include Indexes to Deposit Ledgers in Branches of the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, 1865-1874. (M817).*

## U.S. SERIAL SET

The *United States Congressional Serial Set*, commonly referred to as the *Serial Set*, began publication with the 15th Congress, 1st Session (1817). HeritageQuest™ Online includes Private Relief Actions, Memorials, and Petitions from the *Serial Set*. The collection also includes content from the *American State Papers*, the predecessor to the *Serial Set*. The documents in the collection are from the years 1789-1969.

The U.S. Congressional Serial Set begins with the 15<sup>th</sup> Congress, 1817. The American State Papers are actually earlier than the Serial Set and consist of 38 vols. These volumes contain **some** of the legislative and executive documents of Congress during the period 1789 to 1838 and are numbered sequentially 01-038. The ASP have 10 subject classes in them: Foreign Affairs, Indian Affairs, Finances, Commerce and Navigation, Military Affairs, Naval Affairs, Post Office Department, Public Lands, Claims, Miscellaneous

## **NCHS (National Center for Health Statistics) -Where To Write for Vital Records**

<http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss.htm>

This site is where you go to find information on how to obtain vital records – birth, death, marriage, divorce – in the United States and its territories.

## **RootsWeb Genealogical Data Cooperative**

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/>

This site has a RootsWeb Surname List (RSL) which is a list or registry of more than 1 million surname entries. There is also information about how to contact the person who submitted the surname. Although much of this site is free, some additional services are available for a fee. World Connect is often mentioned as being one of the most useful of the RootsWeb sites.

## **Unified Newspaper Database**

<http://www.libs.uga.edu/serials/resources.html> click on the "Search the Unified Newspaper Database" link . This is a site from the University of Georgia Libraries. Contains:

- Information on over 4,000 newspaper titles.
- Updated weekly as new issues arrive.
- All Georgia newspapers are listed, plus papers from all over the world.
- Thematic searching, geared to help with popular topics.
- Links to many reference materials and guides, online resources, and archives.

Should you have a question about Georgia newspapers or any newspapers at the University of Georgia, please drop a line to [mainper2@uga.edu](mailto:mainper2@uga.edu) and they will try to answer you as soon as possible.

## **US GENWEB**

<http://usgenweb.com/>

This site is the project of a group of volunteers working together to provide Internet websites for genealogical research in every county and every state of the United States. Site also has

helpful research hints and information about caring for old documents, repairing old books, preserving old photographs, etc.

## Georgia Resources

### GR

**911.758** Bryant, Pat, comp. Shields, Ingrid, rev.. *Georgia Counties: Their Changing Boundaries*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. State Printing Off., 1983.

**929.1758** Davis, Robert Scott, Jr. & Brooke, Ted O. *Georgia Research: A Handbook For Genealogists, Historians, Archivists, Lawyers, Librarians, and Other Researchers*. Ga. Genealogical Society, 2002.

*Georgia Research* contains **Information on these topics and more:**  
**Federal and state sources in Georgia**  
**Sources available for research by time period from 1733 to the present**  
**County by county list of sources available**  
**Appendix**

**975.8072** Davis, Robert Scott, Jr.. *Research in Georgia*. Southern Historical Press, c1981. Although updated by *Georgia Research* (2002) above, this still has useful information on Georgia records and materials available at the Georgia Archives. Just remember, nothing in this book about location of materials is correct.

### GR

**929.3758** Davis, Robert Scott, Jr. *A Researcher's Library of Georgia History, Genealogy and Records Sources*. Southern Historical Press, c 1987 (vol. 1) & 1991 (vol. 2). 2 vols.

## Information at the University of GA (UGA) Libraries

Start with the Subject Guide you can find at <http://guides.libs.uga.edu/subject-guide/57-Genealogy-Research-at-the-UGA-Libraries>. This is a guide to the wealth of materials available in the UGA Libraries and to ways to find these materials. The list of subject headings near the bottom of this page helps you to search the GIL catalog at UGA Libraries. This subject heading list is also useful in searching PINES and other library catalogs that are online. From the main page, which focuses mainly on Georgia resources, you can click on tabs to go to information on how to find Obituaries, Military Records, Newspapers, and Censuses. At the very bottom of the page is a link to "Selected Genealogy Sources in the University of Georgia Libraries".

### **Afro-American Newspapers on Microfilm at UGA [Libraries]**

<http://serials.myweb.uga.edu/afamnews.htm>

This list of the African American newspapers on microfilm at UGA is arranged alphabetically by state (from Alaska to West Virginia) and provides city, newspaper title, UGA Call#, years published, and the years UGA owns.

### **Call Number Table for Newspaper Microfilm**

<http://serials.myweb.uga.edu/callnum.htm>

This lists the call numbers that will be used for newspapers from various geographical areas.

### **Gaps in printed statewide census indexes, as of July 20, 2001**

<http://serials.myweb.uga.edu/indxgaps.htm>

This lists the censuses for which UGA Libraries does **not** have print indexes.

### **Major Printed Indexes for the U.S. Census at the University of Georgia Libraries**

<http://serials.myweb.uga.edu/censindx.htm>

This lists the print indexes for the censuses and gives the Call number and location at the University of Georgia Library. Many of these indexes are shelved on the basement level with the census microfilm.

### **Non-Georgia Newspapers Held in the University of Georgia Libraries**

<http://serials.myweb.uga.edu/choiceng.htm>

This takes you to links where you can search first by domestic or foreign newspapers. Then you can choose location to find what is available. This is a finding aid, not digital images.

## **GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES AND THEIR PERIODICALS**

Please consider **JOINING ONE OR MORE** of these. Dues are nominal and you will meet others who can help you solve your problems and that you can travel with for research trips and workshops. Members of these organizations are not necessarily researching in the area in which the group is focused. You will discover that joining a local group will make genealogy even more fun and will improve your progress.

### **Clarke Oconee Genealogical Society (COGS) -**

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~gacogs/>

Publication: *COGS Quarterly*- Quarterly. Includes announcements and articles to assist those doing genealogical research and some local records. COGS meets monthly presenting speakers on various topics to help build genealogy research skills. Examples from the past include: how to use census records, how to use DNA, internet resources, how to use the neighbors to find your ancestors, etc.

They present an annual Historical and Genealogical EXPO where vendors and publishers are invited to sell books, catalogs are available for supplies to store your materials and mini-workshops are held during the day - All for FREE!. COGS also sponsors several Special Interest Groups, including one for African American research called AAFHRIG (African American Family History Research Interest Group)

### **East Georgia Genealogical Society (EGGS) -**

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~gaeggs/>

Publication: *Georgia Settlers* - quarterly. In each issue, they publish never before published records from several of the 28 counties covered by the society - **Banks, Barrow, Butts, Clarke, Columbia, Elbert, Franklin, Glascock, Greene, Gwinnett, Hancock, Hart, Jackson, Jasper, Lincoln, Madison, McDuffie, Morgan, Newton, Oconee, Oglethorpe, Putnam, Rockdale, Stephens, Taliaferro, Walton, Warren and Wilkes.** This group meets monthly in Winder for a program meeting usually the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday night at the LDS Church.

### **Georgia Genealogical Society - <http://www.gagensociety.org/>**

Publications: *The Scribe* (newsletter), *The Electronic Scribe* (online newsletter), and *Georgia Genealogical Society Quarterly* (journal) - Published qtrly.; Articles, book reviews, brief overview of contents of recent Ga. periodicals, Questions & Answers, Queries, and more. GGS sponsors four program meetings a year – 3 are full day seminar meetings. In the past few years topics have included North Carolina research, South Carolina research, Passenger Arrival records, Naturalization records, repositories for research, African American research, Military records, passports, and much more.

### **National Genealogical Society - <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/>**

Publications: The *NGS NewsMagazine* features articles about genealogy as well as news of the society. Published in January, April, July, and October, it is designed to help beginners and experts. There is information on upcoming genealogical events and conferences, technology, queries, new products, new additions to the NGS Library, and much more. The *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* published since 1912, is the journal of the society and provides in depth articles on how to solve problems, in depth critical book review, and more. It is published March, June, September, and December.