



NEW NHG CEMETERY PROJECT BEGINS

Pittsburgh, PA - The North Hills Genealogists have begun to read cemeteries for the organization's fourth cemetery project. This latest project will preserve information in the cemeteries of Indiana Township and Fox Chapel, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. The cemetery project co-chairs are Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, and Amy Prager. The scope of this project, including the number of graves and cemeteries to be read, is comparable to cemetery projects completed and published by NHG in the past. Powell and Prager recently led cemetery readings on April 27th and May 4th along with a few NHG volunteers.



Left-**McCorkle Cemetery, Indianola Road, Indiana Township** - NHG members Amy Arner (kneeling) and Amy Prager (standing) examine a stone. Spring is the best time to read tombstones in abandoned cemeteries, because foliage has not yet grown. (Photo by Elissa Powell)

On the first day, Elissa Powell, Amy Prager, and Amy Arner visited the following cemeteries: Dorseyville, Blue Run, Pine Creek, Strohm, Walter Chapel, and Lakewood, a modern cemetery which does not need to be read. In addition, they visited the following cemeteries: McCorkle (where they read 13 stones), Mason/Robinson-Reed (read 2 stones), Quinette (read 15 stones), and Lefever (read 11 stones). The search for the location of two other cemeteries began. On May 4th, Elissa Powell, Amy Prager, Amy Arner, Ken Berner, Linda

Casavale, and Gary Schlemmer visited Blue Run Cemetery and read 46 stones. To date, the Cemetery Committee and NHG volunteers have read five cemeteries containing a total of 87 tombstones with six cemeteries remaining to be read.

The next scheduled time to continue reading earmarked cemeteries will be either Saturday, May 31 or Sunday, June 1, weather permitting. If you can volunteer on these dates to assist with the project, please contact Elissa Powell, who is arranging dates and times to meet and read cemeteries for this project at Elissa@PowellGenealogy.com.

Right - **Blue Run Cemetery, Saxonburg Boulevard, Indiana Township** - Amy Prager and Ken Berner, NHG members, thoroughly examine a gravestone. (Photo by Elissa Powell)



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WHO WE ARE NORTH HILLS GENEALOGISTS

We are a group of genealogy enthusiasts who meet on a regular basis to assist one another in establishing our family histories. We meet on the third Tuesday of every month, except December, at the Northland Public Library, 300 Cumberland Road, McCandless Township in the North Hills of Pittsburgh, PA. Tip Time begins at 6:45 P.M., and our general meeting commences at 7:00 P.M. Our meetings are free and open to the public.

We publish a newsletter ten times a year for a nominal membership fee of \$15.00 annually. The subscription year runs from August to June, but anyone wishing to join the North Hills Genealogists mid-year will receive back issues of the newsletter for that membership year. Previous years' newsletters are also available for purchase, each containing helpful hints for beginners and for experienced genealogists.

The North Hills Genealogists Board meets at 7:00 P.M. on the first Tuesday of each month in the Conference Room of the Northland Public Library. The Board meeting is open to all members of the North Hills Genealogists organization. Consider joining us this year!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

My March and April columns contained two installments of the hunt for my great-great-grandfather Richard Williams's gravesite. To recap, he and three of his shipmates were killed in an accident aboard the steamship *Louisiana* on Lake Erie in 1849. After years of searching, my brother and I finally discovered that he was buried in the "village burying ground" in Conneaut, Ohio. Many sources pointed us toward the Conneaut City Cemetery as the "village burying ground." This story picks up as we are leaving Conneaut after another day of fruitless research.

Somewhat discouraged at this point, we chose to head for home and reconsider our next move. On the way out of town, we happened to pass a funeral home, decided to stop in, and talked to a person associated with it. We asked if there were any definitive records of burials at the Conneaut City Cemetery - to which we received an affirmative reply! The Conneaut Department of Health contained those records, and we were told to contact an individual who worked there named Pat Jones. We abruptly cancelled our return plans and headed for the Department of Health.

Pat was extremely helpful and emphatically stated that anyone interred in the City Cemetery was in her record books - whether there was a grave marker or not. The books had been kept since the cemetery was started in the early 1830s, and she was certain they were complete. Disappointingly, they contained no record of our Richard Williams or the other three men killed in the accident. She also expressed skepticism with the idea that the "village burying ground" was the City Cemetery - the first dissenting opinion heard! Her candidate for the location - for a variety of reasons - was the Kingsville Cemetery, a few miles outside of town.

Naturally, we immediately headed for the
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Kingsville Cemetery! It is relatively small, very well kept and easily traversed. There, on the west side of the cemetery, we found four very old, small and nearly identical stones side-by-side. There were no discernible inscriptions on any of them. Could this be the burial spot of Richard and his three shipmates?

Unfortunately, the story stops there...for now. The Kingsville Cemetery has a website with recorded readings, but the four stones above are in the "Surname Unknown" category. Attempts to contact anyone with historical knowledge of the cemetery have not been successful to date. But the search will be continued, and I will keep you apprised of any future finds.

At the beginning of March's column, I wrote that lessons were learned from this search. Here is a summary of those lessons:

- To the fullest extent possible, physically visit every location associated with your search. We could have saved years had we done that first.
- Friday at noon at an in-town, fast food restaurant is a natural gathering spot for local regulars. They might be very eager to discuss your project.
- Don't be misled by what "everybody" says. Look for that one dissenter!
- The local funeral home can be an excellent resource.
- Find the "Pat Jones" of your search area. That is someone who is very knowledgeable, skeptical of common thought, and very eager to help.
- Also, find the "Jim Anthony" of your search area. Even if that person can offer no assistance, it will make the day's search much more delightful!

~Dave

WELSH NATIONALITY ROOM TO OPEN AT PITT'S CATHEDRAL

On Sunday, June 1, 2008, a Dedication Ceremony for the Welsh Nationality Room will be held at the University of Pittsburgh. On that day, the newest Nationality Room will be added to the group of twenty-six others that honor Pittsburgh's ethnic communities. While the Ceremony itself is by invitation only, due to space restrictions, guests may attend an open reception to be held in the Commons of the Cathedral of Learning beginning at 4:00 P.M. The reception will include Welsh refreshments and tours of the Welsh Nationality Room. Please feel free to stop in and visit.

NORTHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY CELEBRATES 40th ANNIVERSARY

(source - <http://www.northlandlibrary.org/>)

The second decade of Northland Public Library was from 1978 - 1987. Here are some key dates and events from that decade of growth and technology.

March 1978 Library is computerized.

June 1978 Registration of patrons for new bar-coded library cards.

6 October 1978 Northland Public Library opens at 300 Cumberland Road with 30,000 square feet and begins using automated computer system ULISYS.

May 1979 Began circulating cassettes.

September 1979 Official volunteer program began and Volunteer Coordinator hired.

September 1980 Books by Mail program.

April 1981 Affiliation with sister library in Japan, Tama-shi.

January 1983 Installed first coin-operated Apple II computer with two disk drives, a color monitor, and a dot matrix printer.

September 1984 Northland Public Library received the Distinguished Service Award from the North Hills Jaycees.

February 1985 Micro Computer Center opens

November 1986 93,000 volumes, accounting is automated and first office computers are added.

May 1987 Compact Disc collection started.

NHG UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Tuesday, 20 May 2008

HIDING BEHIND THEIR SKIRTS: FINDING WOMEN IN RECORDS

Tonight's speaker is a long-time member of the North Hills Genealogists. Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, a western Pennsylvania researcher, is the Professional Genealogy Course Coordinator at the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University. She is a Trustee for the Board for Certification of Genealogists, their Exhibit Booth Coordinator, an instructor at the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy, and a regional and national speaker on such topics as Pennsylvania records, methodology, professional development, and society management. She was a Director for the Association of Professional Genealogists for six years; co-edited a cemetery book series, and appeared on the PBS-TV show "Ancestors 2" in the cemetery episode. She is a past-President of the North Hills Genealogists and of the Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society and a contributing author for many publications. Enjoy May's program focus of female ancestors in honor of Mother's Day .

Tuesday, 17 June 2008

WHERE DID GRANDPA WORK? WHAT DID HE DO?

Brent Morgan's presentation will take a look at industries that may have employed our ancestors. We may not find Grandpa's specific employment record, but we may find information regarding where he worked and what he did to garner a better understanding of his work life, skills, and income level. This month's program focuses upon our male ancestors in honor of Father's Day.

Brent Morgan has been researching since 1983 and became more serious upon retirement in 1998 from Graybar Electric.

Brent is the Genealogist for Western Reserve Society Sons of the American Revolution and presently the Richmond, Virginia, chapter of the

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SAR. He is the present Chairperson of SCWFO (Society of Civil War Families of Ohio), a lineage society of the Ohio Genealogical Society (OGS). He is also a past president of East Cuyahoga Chapter of the OGS, The Genealogical Committee (an auxiliary of the Western Reserve Historical Society), and the ILR (Institute for Learning in Retirement) at Baldwin-Wallace College, Beachwood, Ohio.

The Morgans were McCandless residents in the late 1970s and the early 1990s, but now reside in Hanover County, Virginia, near Richmond where they are close to the Revolutionary War, Civil War, and grandchildren (not in that order!)

Tuesday, 15 July 2008

REFLECTIONS OF A GRASS WIDOW

Butler County author Violet Covert will present a genealogical human interest program based upon her latest book, *Reflections of a Grass Widow*, published by Mechling Bookbindery. This new book by Mrs. Covert is uniquely two books in one. The first part of the book is a novel based on historical facts that correlate with the second half of her book - the original journal of one Pennsylvania grass widow. Sally's journal was written in 1808 and is reprinted in its entirety.

This presentation will trace the journey of Sally from Maytown in Lancaster County, PA to Washington County, PA. From this program you can find out the definition of a grass widow and why these females' stories are so special. After her presentation, Violet will conduct a question and answer session, and copies of *Reflections of a Grass Widow*, released on April 5th at the Butler Genealogical Expo, will be available for purchase.

NEW SITE FOR RESEARCHERS - BRITISH COURT RECORDS

A large source of information about British Court Records can now be found at <http://www.oldbaileyonline.com/>. This site includes transcripts of all court proceedings and can be helpful in finding British ancestors.

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WHERE GENEALOGISTS MEET

Wednesday, May 21 6:00 P.M.

The Beaver County Genealogical Society will hold its monthly meeting at the LDS Church & Family History Center, 114 Church Drive, Monaca, PA. Author Lisa Miles will discuss "Allegheny City - The Land, Structures and People of Pittsburgh's North Side." A society business meeting will precede the program.

Wednesday, May 28 7:00 P.M.

The Cranberry Genealogy Club welcomes Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, speaking about "Beating the Buses: Finding Jacob Bush's Parents" at their May meeting. The Cranberry Genealogy Club will meet in the Cranberry Public Library Conference Room, Cranberry Township Municipal Building on Rochester Road in Cranberry Township, PA. For more information, visit their website at <http://www.cranberrygenealogy.org/>.

Saturday, June 14 10 A.M. - 12 Noon

The June program of the Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society is "Pennsylvania Lineage Societies" and will be presented by Marilyn Cocchiola Holt, Honorary Vice-President of the Genealogical Society of PA and Suzanne M. Johnston, Quarterly Editor of the Western PA Genealogical Society. This program will be held in the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh Lecture Hall, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA in the Oakland Area. Parking is available at the Carnegie Library for \$5.00.

Have you ever considered applying to a lineage society? Are you interested in honoring your earliest Pennsylvania ancestors? This program will explore the formation, requirements, and application for admission into the First Families of PA and the First Families of Western PA. Marilyn Holt and Suzanne Johnston will offer tips and answer questions on these two organizations' special lineage programs during the June WPGS meeting. For more information, go to <http://www.wpgs.org/>.

SPRING CLASSES FROM WPGS

Learn how to research your ancestors with the beginning genealogy series from WPGS. The final two spring classes are offered on Saturday, May 24 at the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh - Oakland, in the 3rd Floor Conference Room at 10:00 A.M. and 1:00 P.M.

The class to be offered at 10:00 A.M. is called "Immigration and Naturalization Records." The 1:00 P.M. class topic is "Genealogy and the Internet." The Carnegie Library is located at 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA. Parking is available near-by for \$5.00. For more information, refer to the WPGS web site at: <http://www.wpgs.org/>.

UPCOMING REGIONAL AND NATIONAL CONFERENCES

21 JUNE 2008

FAYETTE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY SEMINAR, UNIONTOWN, PA

"Come and Dig Your Fayette Roots!" is the theme of this year's one-day seminar at the Uniontown Library, 24 Jefferson Street, Uniontown, PA, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. The cost for this event is \$25, which includes lunch and two well-known guest lecturers, Lisa Alzo and Elissa Scalise Powell, CG. Lisa will present "365 Ways to Discover Your Family History" and "Silent Voices: Telling the Stories of Your Female Ancestors." Elissa will present "What's a Prothonotary? Your Guide to Pennsylvania Court House Records" and "Thinking Outside the Index - Advanced Search Techniques." This seminar is offered for all levels of genealogists. For information and a registration form, go to: <http://fcgspa.org/Seminar.html>.

22-27 JUNE 2008

OHIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 2008 SUMMER WORKSHOP, MANSFIELD, OH

This one-week workshop provides daily sessions and evening programs for all levels of genealogists. Registration is \$265 for OGS
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members and \$295 for non-members. Single day registration is also an option at \$60 for Ohio Genealogical Society members and \$65 for non-members. For detailed information, refer to the web site at: <http://www.ogs.org/workshop/>.

1-3 AUGUST 2008

THE FEDERATION OF EAST EUROPEAN FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETIES' ANNUAL CONFERENCE, PITTSBURGH, PA

"Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania: The East European Magnet" is the theme of the 2008 FEEFHS Conference. This conference will be held at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott August 1-3. Don't miss the chance to attend a national conference so close to home! For more information about registration, go to <http://www.feefhs.org/> and click on the conference link. The deadline for early bird registration is June 1, 2008.

3-6 SEPTEMBER 2008

THE FEDERATION OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES' 2008 CONFERENCE, PHILADELPHIA, PA

Plan to attend the FGS Annual Conference, "Footprints of Family History" in Philadelphia at the Pennsylvania Convention Center from September 3-6. The early bird registration deadline is May 31, 2008 for this conference. For more information and registration details, go to the web site at: <http://www.fgs.org/>, or call for a conference brochure toll-free at (888) FGS-1500.

GENEALOGISTS PUSH FOR OPEN RECORDS - *Formation of the Keeping Genealogical Records Open Workgroup (KGROW)*

WESTMINSTER, COLORADO - The Association of Professional Genealogists (APG) contends that there is no proof that open records significantly contribute to ID theft or terrorism. In a position paper that outlines the case for

open public records, APG asserts that open records are rarely used by identification thieves and maintains that the benefit of open access to records far outweighs any potential abuse. APG has joined forces with other genealogical organizations including the National Genealogical Society (NGS), The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) and the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies (IAJGS) in endorsing the position paper and calling on legislators to keep records open.

"Public records allow genealogists and other professionals such as medical researchers, journalists, historians and academic researchers to do their jobs," explains APG President, Jake Gehring. He urges that "concerned citizens tell their representatives that they want to keep public records open."

A group of professional genealogists within APG formed the Keeping Genealogical Records Open Workgroup (KGROW) in 2007 and prepared the position paper. Melinde Lutz Sanborn, FASG (Fellow, American Society of Genealogists) and member of the committee, says, "Open records and transparency in government are the best protections we have against twenty-first century fraud."

The KGROW committee recommends in their paper that "lawmakers respond to the ID theft problem, not try to prevent a nonexistent problem." Further, they encourage "private companies and government improve their protection of personal data." The Case for Open Public Records position paper is available at <http://apgen.org/publications/press>.

The Association of Professional Genealogists is an independent organization whose worldwide members number over 1,800. The group's principal purpose is to support professional genealogists in all phases of their work: from the amateur genealogist wishing to turn knowledge and skill into a vocation, to the

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experienced professional seeking to exchange ideas with colleagues and to upgrade the profession as a whole.

For more information or to help, contact: Kathleen W. Hinckley, CG, Executive Director, Association of Professional Genealogists, P.O. Box 350998, Westminster, CO 80035-0998 or phone (303) 422-9371, fax (303) 456-8825, or e-mail admin@apgen.org.

EVIDENCE EXPLAINED NAMED "BEST REFERENCE OF 2007"

Press Release

The April 15, 2008, issue of the national trade magazine, *Library Journal*, has selected *Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace*, by Elizabeth Shown Mills, as one of its "Best Reference of 2007" selections. To quote *Library Journal*: "Tracing your family history has become a passion for many people. Mills, an acknowledged expert on archival research, guides you through thousands of different kinds of sources from archives, cemetery records, local and state records, to national government records and web sites. She discusses the fundamentals of analyzing evidence and provides authoritative guidance in citing sources. Every library needs a copy."

Mrs. Mills' 2007 publication, the distillation of years of her own and her colleagues' research experience, has now earned four superlative accolades from the major library media. Besides its April 15, 2008, mention, *Library Journal* initially reviewed Mrs. Mills' work in its November 15, 2007, issue. That lengthy review emphasized that Mrs. Mills' new book, unlike classic citation guides, "focuses instead on nontraditional sources such as militia rolls, frakturs, censuses, and railroad pension files. Recognizing that an increasing amount of those materials is produced and offered online, Mills

also addresses e-newsletters, podcasts, databases, and digital images." *Library Journal's* reviewer concluded that *Evidence Explained* "is an essential resource for family historians; highly recommended for all libraries."

In December, 2007, *Booklist*, the official publication of the American Library Association, published its review of *Evidence Explained*. The review stated "the first two chapters are excellent beginning points for the historical researcher, providing in-depth information on the fundamentals of evidence analysis and of citation." Pointing out that the book contains "more than 1,000 citation models covering print, microfilm, microfiche, Web sites, digital books and journals, DVDs, CDs, audio files, podcasts, and e-zines," *Booklist* concluded its review with the recommendation that *Evidence Explained* "would be an excellent purchase for academic and larger public libraries."

Choice magazine, the official publication of the Association of College and Research Libraries, posted the most recent full review in its March 2008 issue. Zeroing in on the book's value for college libraries and undergraduate students, *Choice* described *Evidence Explained* as "a dense guide to citing and analyzing historical records of all types, especially sources not covered in popular guides such as 'The Chicago Manual of Style'." Stating that "the 14-chapter guide could scarcely be more comprehensive or thorough," *Choice* ends its review with this glowing summary: "Overall, this is a key resource guide for scholars and serious researchers who must rely upon and understand historical evidence. Highly recommended. Upper-level undergraduates and above."

Anyone seeking more information on *Evidence Explained* or its author, can do so at: http://www.genealogical.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&item_number=3843&NLC-GenPointers1.

[Reprinted from Genealogical Publishing Company's newsletter, *Genealogy Pointers*, 4/08/08.]

NEWS FROM FOOTNOTE.COM - VIETNAM MEMORIAL ADDED

Footnote and the National Archives held a press conference in Washington, D.C. on March 26th to unveil a new interactive online Vietnam War Memorial. This Footnote project features the largest photo of The Wall on the Internet (at full size, the photo on Footnote is about 460 feet wide). The project has been several months in the making and provides an interactive experience for finding names on The Wall as well as service record and casualty report information for each soldier listed. Viewers may also upload photos and create tributes connected to any name on The Wall. There is a short video about how one veteran found a fallen friend on The Wall on Footnote at <http://www.footnote.com/thewall>.

NEW WEB SITE FOR WAR OF 1812's ALABAMA RECORDS

Press Release

For those who may be interested in the War of 1812 in Alabama, there is a new website. It not only has information about battle and forts, but also lists burial locations of some of the participants. Search the War of 1812 site at: <http://www.alabamatrailswar1812.com/index>.

AVAILABILITY OF PA VITAL RECORDS STILL UNCERTAIN

(Article idea submitted by Amy Arner)

Progress is being made on the effort to make Pennsylvania vital records more accessible. State Senator Rob Wonderling introduced his vital records access bill in the Senate (SB 1378) on 25 April 2008. The bill calls for making birth records over 100 years old and death records over 50 years old available online. It also calls for a minimal index of deaths over two years old to be available online.

There is a web site dedicated to supporting the

effort to make PA vital records more accessible. The address for this site is: <http://users.rcn.com/timarg/PaHR-Access.htm>.

On this site is a progress report, a link to addresses for state legislators, and sample letters. The group's next focus is to get additional sponsors for the State House version of SB 1378. Please consider looking into this matter and writing letters in support of SB 1378 to your state legislators. Also, please pass on this information to others who would be interested.

INTERESTING BLOG ENTRY

On the web site *Genealogy Bank, The Official Site*, an entry about Philadelphia Death Records was recently posted. If you have ancestors from the Philadelphia area, you can read more about the available death records online at: <http://blog.genealogybank.com/2008/05/philadelphia-death-records-online.html>. This is also an interesting blog with numerous archived entries to read on a variety of genealogical topics.

SHARE SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE NHG PROGRAMS

Submit ideas and suggestions for future North Hills Genealogists' programs to the NHG Board by e-mailing speaker names or topics to INFO@NorthHillsGenealogists.org. Feel free to speak to Mary Dzurichko, Program Chairperson of NHG, at any meeting with your ideas. The monthly *Tip Time* has traditionally been a question and answer session, but members can also present a scenario and gather suggestions for overcoming brickwalls during this time. In the coming summer months, consider bringing a friend with you to the NHG meetings!

**REMEMBER TO VOTE FOR
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2008-2009 Nominees for Officers for the North Hills Genealogists

PRESIDENT

Dave Williams is the current NHG president. He was born in Erie, PA, where his ancestors settled in the 1830s after arriving from North Wales. He and Peggie, his wife of 44 years, have four children. In 2001 after retiring from PPG Industries, Dave and Peggie decided to remain in the Pittsburgh area and currently reside in Pine Township. Dave serves on the Board of Directors of the Welsh Heritage Society, St. David's Society of Pittsburgh, the Carnegie Mellon Pittsburgh Alumni Association, and the Carnegie Delta Upsilon Association. His other interests include travel, distance running, skiing, and learning the Welsh language.

VICE-PRESIDENT

Albert J. Hartman was raised on the farm in Franklin Park his ancestors purchased in the 1850s. He became interested in genealogy while helping a family member who was using a typewriter to keep track of all his aunts' cousins. As he entered the names into a word processor, he thought about expanding and researching his ancestors – and so it began. Al has been a member of NHG for the past three years and is also a member of the Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society. After becoming a member he took a course in Genealogy taught by Elissa Powell at CCAC. He also assisted the Franklin Park Historical Committee with the 2007 printing of "Franklin Park Stories." While interviewing relatives he learned that at the same time he was on an Army tour at Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany, he was less than six miles from relations living in the town of Landstuhl, Germany. Unfortunately, this recent knowledge came a little too late since a letter sent to Landstuhl found that the German relations had moved just a few years before. Al works at Duquesne Light in the IT Department. He also helps his parents on the family farm.

SECRETARY

Kathy White lives in Ross Township with her husband Dennis. They have three children. Kathy is a new member of NHG. She became active with genealogy while assisting her mother with family research in 1992. She is a member of The Morse Society and traces her Morse ancestors back to 1635 in New England. She is currently doing research in Crawford and Venango Counties. Kathy works for the Allegheny County Health Department as a Public Health Nutritionist.

TREASURER

Reed B. Powell is the current treasurer. He has worked in the computer industry since the early 1970s and now works for Impaq, an Internet marketing company in Greentree, where he develops database applications. Reed is the webmaster for the North Hills Genealogists, and also lectures locally and nationally on the use of technology in genealogical research.

BALLOT FOR THE NORTH HILLS GENEALOGISTS OFFICERS FOR 2008-2009

Send your completed ballot to: North Hills Genealogists, P.O. Box 204, Ingomar, PA 15127.

President

Dave Williams

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Kathy White

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Al Hartman

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Tuesday, 17 June 2008

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Speaker: Brent Morgan

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Tuesday, 15 July 2008

REFLECTIONS OF A GRASS WIDOW

Speaker: Violet Covert

This presentation will focus upon the human interest aspect of genealogy through the story of a Pennsylvania grass widow, Sally, in the historical context of her time. Find out how a "grass widow" is defined and why the story of Sally's journey from Lancaster County to Washington County holds our interest still today.

THIS MONTH'S PROGRAM - Tuesday, 20 May 2008

**HIDING BEHIND THEIR SKIRTS:
FINDING WOMEN IN RECORDS**

Speaker: Elissa Scalise Powell, CG

Because they change their names during their lives and because of the historical status of women, finding your ancestresses can be challenging. Learn some of the techniques and unusual records that may contain information on the missing females in your family tree.

