



# WHO are you?

## GENEALOGY ·N·E·W·S·



SEPTEMBER 2018



**All Nationalities! 6PM: Sept.12**  
**...a don't miss program!**

**"Tips for Immigrant Research: late 19th and early 20th Century." Any nationality with**

**Barbara Carroll**

As usual, we meet at our regular time of 4:30pm for chat with each other and surprise programs. Then at 6pm when others join us, we will enjoy an interactive program that will teach us how to make better searches for relatives of all nationalities.

### New date:

**NEHGS Trip POSTPONED to Wednesday, October 24, 2018**

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**Nathan Hale 1755 – 1776**

No one knows exactly what Hale looked like, but just about every kid has heard the story, and most know the quote that is attributed to him:

*"I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country."*

I had occasion to visit one of the schoolhouses where Nathan Hale was a teacher for 30 students – including girls –in East Haddam, Connecticut.

The cia.gov website speaks about Hale: "Since the 19th century, Nathan Hale has been widely viewed as an American hero. He was the first American executed for spying for his country. Statues of him stand in New York City, at Yale University, and at the Central Intelligence Agency's headquarters."

Quotation as found on the CIA website



"When we illuminate the road back to our ancestors, they have a way of reaching out, of manifesting themselves... sometimes even physically."

~ Raquel Cepeda,

*Bird of Paradise: How I Became Latina*

**PRIVACY PLEASE**  
**...you and your DNA**



"DNA testing involves a trade-off: you have to share information with DNA cousins to use your results, and that means accepting some level of risk." << These are some of the words from a recent article in the September issue of **Family Tree Magazine**. Author Judy G. Russell speaks clearly about "the other side or the bad side" (my quotes) of DNA testing for genealogical purposes. And it is very important that you think of future ancestors – your kids and someday grandkids and more down the line....

### Mohr Library Genealogy Group

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, 4:30 Special Program times vary

### Library Hours

Mon – Thurs 9-8 ♦ Friday 9 – 6 ♦ Saturday 9 – 5

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## Upcoming GENEALOGY Programs

◆ **October 10 6PM**

Rhode Island Historical Cemetery Commission

Pegee Malcolm, Chairwoman of the RI Advisory Commission on Historical Cemeteries, and Chairwoman of the Warwick Commission on Historical Cemeteries will speak on what the commissions are about, what they do, and information on the website:

[Rihistoriccemeteries.org](http://Rihistoriccemeteries.org)

◆ **October 24 all day**

New England Historical Genealogical Society (NEHGS) Field Trip

◆ **November 14 5:30PM**

“Genealogy - Separating Fact from Fiction and How the Rhode Island State Archives can Help”

Ashley Selima, *State Archivist & Public Records Administrator* and

Rich Hite, *State Records Coordinator*



## Other Programs of Interest

◆ **October 17, Wednesday, 6:30pm**

Legends & Haunts of RI, Tom D'Agostino

◆ **November 5, Monday, 6:30pm**

History Series: Italy: the City of Rome through the centuries, Prof. Beth Shinn

◆ **November 6, Tuesday, 6:30pm**

Cultural Travel to Italy, the Sweeneys

◆ **November 12 Monday**

Veteran's Day, Library is closed

◆ **November 13, Tuesday, 6:30pm**

History Series: Italy: the Pope and Mussolini in WWII, Prof. Beth Shinn

## Trees by Joyce Kilmer

I think that I shall never see  
A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree whose hungry mouth is prest  
Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;

A tree that looks at God all day,  
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;

A tree that may in Summer wear  
A nest of robins in her hair;

Upon whose bosom snow has lain;  
Who intimately lives with rain.

Poems are made by fools like me,  
But only God can make a tree.



## NEHGS Field Trip Wednesday, October 24



- ◆ The bus is from the Johnston Senior Center
- ◆ The bus will pick everyone up at the library, so you can leave your car in a safe place.
- ◆ Bus Trip is \$15.00 plus an hourly rate of \$15.00/hour divided by the amount of people on the bus.
- ◆ \$15.00 fee is for the tour of NEHGS
- ◆ Leave Johnston about 9:30am, leave Boston NEHGS about 4pm. [TBA]
- ◆ **Bring a snack for yourself for the bus or later!**
- ◆ **Plans:** This is a tour of the facility followed by a short time to look around on your own. We have the added treat of going on the day that there is a **FREE** program from 12 noon to 1pm:  
**“Raising the Dead: finding clues to ancestors from headstones, family plots, and burial records”**  
*presented by David Allen Lambert, Chief Genealogist*

I would like to have definite (almost) decisions on attending by September 19<sup>th</sup>, if at all possible. I will be away from the library from September 20 to October 3.



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