
STATE & REGIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY JOURNALS

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INTRODUCTION:

State genealogical and historical societies have long been on the front lines of local genealogical research. The journals that they produce often contain high-quality genealogies of local families, utilizing a wide variety of local, state, and federal records.

The following list of journals is the result of a broad survey of state and regional genealogy and history organizations. Online links to the publications' web pages have been included, as well as links to the writers' guidelines, if available online. If the writers' guidelines are not available online, note of this has been made. Any writers interested in submitting are encouraged to write to the editor of each journal for a copy of the writers' guidelines.

It is recommended that prospective writers read a few issues of these journals prior to submitting, to get a feel for the tone of each journal.

If you are aware of other high-quality county or state genealogical journals, please email either of the above compilers so that these journals may be added to future editions of this list.

The compilers of this list hope that this will serve as a useful resource for genealogists nationwide.

ALABAMA

Alabama Genealogical Society, Inc.

AGS Magazine

<http://algensoc.org/main/publications.html>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

ARKANSAS

Arkansas Genealogical Society

The Arkansas Family Historian

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

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

CALIFORNIA

California Genealogical Society and Library

California Nugget

<http://www.californiaancestors.org>

<http://blog.californiaancestors.org/search/label/California%20Nugget>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

Southern California Genealogical Society

The Searcher

<http://www.scsgenealogy.com/searcher-contents.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

COLORADO

Colorado Genealogical Society

The Colorado Genealogist

<http://www.cogensoc.us/cologenealogist.html>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines and advertising rates available online.

CONNECTICUT

Connecticut Society of Genealogists

The Connecticut Nutmegger

http://www.csginc.org/csg_publications_nutmegger.php

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

DELAWARE

Delaware Genealogical Society

The Delaware Genealogical Society Journal

<http://delgensoc.org/journal/dgsj.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

FLORIDA

Florida State Genealogical Society

Florida Genealogist

http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~flsgs/pub_floridagenealogist.htm

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

GEORGIA

Georgia Genealogical Society

Georgia Genealogical Society Quarterly

http://www.gagensociety.org/GGSQ_Q&A.htm

◇◇ Writers' guidelines and advertising rates available online.

ILLINOIS

Illinois State Genealogical Society

Illinois State Genealogical Society Quarterly

<http://www.ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=65>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online. "Sources must be referenced in the document to be considered for publication."

St. Clair County Genealogical Society

St. Clair County Genealogical Society Quarterly

<http://www.stclair-ilgs.org/stchome.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

INDIANA

Indiana Genealogical Society

Indiana Genealogist

<http://www.indgensoc.org/publications/quarterly.php>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines: http://www.indgensoc.org/publications/author_guidelines.pdf

"Every statement that is not common knowledge should be accompanied by a source citation." This publication is entirely on line as of 2011.

Indiana Historical Society

The Hoosier Genealogist: Connections [semiannual]

http://www2.indianahistory.org/ihs_press/periodicals.html#thg

◇◇ Writers' guidelines: http://www2.indianahistory.org/ihs_press/guidelines.html

"All submissions should provide endnotes for the sources on which the manuscripts are based."

IOWA

Iowa Genealogical Society

Hawkeye Heritage

<http://iowagenealogy.org/publications/index.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online. Sample issues available online.

KANSAS

Kansas Genealogical Society

The Treesearcher

<http://www.kgs-genlibrary.com/treesearcher.html>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

KENTUCKY

Kentucky Genealogical Society

Bluegrass Roots

<http://www.kygs.org/pubs.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

Kentucky Historical Society

Kentucky Ancestors

<http://history.ky.gov/sub.php?pageid=39§ionid=3>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

LOUISIANA

Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Society

The Louisiana Genealogical Register

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~la-lghs/register.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

MAINE

Maine Genealogical Society

The Maine Genealogist

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~megs/mainegenealogist.html>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.

MARYLAND

Maryland Genealogical Society

Maryland Genealogical Society Journal

<http://www.mdgensoc.org/journal.html>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines and advertising rates available online.

MASSACHUSETTS

Massachusetts Society of Genealogists, Inc.

MASSOG: A Genealogical Magazine for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

<http://www.massog.org/massog.html>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

MINNESOTA

Minnesota Genealogical Society

Minnesota Genealogist

<http://mngs.org/publications.htm#journal>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.

MISSOURI

Missouri State Genealogical Association

Missouri State Genealogical Association Journal

<http://www.mosga.org/journal.shtml>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.

NEBRASKA

Nebraska State Genealogical Society

Nebraska Ancestry

http://www.nesgs.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=55&Itemid=61

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

New Hampshire Society of Genealogists

New Hampshire Genealogical Record

<http://nhsog.org/nhsog/publica.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

NEW JERSEY

Genealogical Society of New Jersey

Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~njgsnj/genmag.html>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico Genealogical Society

The New Mexico Genealogist

<http://www.nmgs.org/geneal-06.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

NEW YORK

The New York Genealogical & Biographical Society

The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record

<http://www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/modules.php?name=Content&pa=showpage&pid=12>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

The New York Researcher

<http://www.newyorkfamilyhistory.org/modules.php?name=Content&pa=showpage&pid=13>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

Central New York Genealogical Society

Tree Talks

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nycnygs/publications.htm>

◇ "Genealogical and historical records printed include those from Surrogate Courts and County Clerks' offices, plus abstracts of church, cemetery and newspaper vital records. Members have supplied many Bible records and day-books of doctors, ministers and store-keepers. *Tree Talks* also contains book reviews of new genealogical publications."

Western New York Genealogical Society (8 counties)

Western New York Genealogical Society Journal

<http://www.wnygs.org/journal.html>

◇ "Records copied from little known primary sources are of prime importance. Outlines or articles should be sent to the Editor for consideration. Articles on individual families generally cannot be published as they are of limited interest to our members."

NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina Genealogical Society

North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal

http://www.ncgenealogy.org/index.php?option=com_docman&Itemid=14

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

OHIO

Ohio Genealogical Society

◇◇ OGS Writing Format and Style Guide

<http://www.ogs.org/publications/index.php>

"Articles must have accepted genealogical documentation. . . . Use footnotes or endnotes for citing the sources of information."

Ohio Genealogical Society Quarterly

<http://www.ogs.org/publications/ogsq.php>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.

Ohio Civil War Genealogy Journal

<http://www.ogs.org/publications/ocwgj.php>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.

OHIO (continued)

Ohio Records and Pioneer Families

<http://www.ogs.org/publications/orpf.php>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.

Ohio Genealogy News

<http://www.ogs.org/publications/ogn.php>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.

PENNSYLVANIA

Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine

<http://www.genpa.org>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society

Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society Quarterly

<http://www.wpgs.org/default.aspx>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

RHODE ISLAND

Rhode Island Genealogical Society

Rhode Island Roots

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

◇◇ Writers' guidelines: <http://www.rigensoc.org/writingforriroots.htm>

“The footnote is central to your argument . . . it is the proof essential to establish the factual basis for your conclusions. Your meticulous attention to detail in footnoting is often an important factor in convincing your reader.”

SOUTH DAKOTA

South Dakota Genealogical Society

South Dakota Genealogical Society Quarterly

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~sdgs/about.html>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.

TEXAS

Texas State Genealogical Society

Stirpes: TSGS Quarterly Publication

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~txsgs/TXSGS-New/Pages/Publications.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

UTAH

Utah Genealogical Association

Crossroads

<http://www.infouga.org/index.php?option=publications>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines and advertising rates available online. "Research or other scholarly articles must include footnotes or endnotes with proper source citation format, following the current *Chicago Manual of Style*."

VERMONT

Genealogical Society of Vermont

Vermont Genealogy

<http://www.genealogyvermont.org/publicat.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

VIRGINIA

Virginia Genealogical Society

Magazine of Virginia Genealogy

<http://www.vgs.org/publications.htm>

◇ No writers' guidelines available online.

WISCONSIN

Wisconsin State Genealogical Society

Wisconsin State Genealogical Society Newsletter

<http://wsgs.wetpaint.com/page/WSGS+Newsletter>

◇◇ Writers' guidelines available online.