



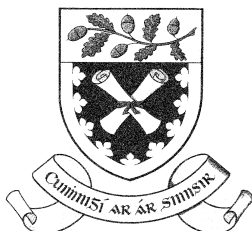
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Representing Ireland Once Again

The Society is Ireland's only non-governmental organisation promoting heraldry and vexillology. Indeed, it could be said that no other organisation in the State is promoting the study of vexillology – which explores the meaning, history and use of flags and emblems down through the centuries. All of our ancestors, whether we like it or not, were either flag wavers or flag followers. This is essentially the social narrative that interests genealogists and family historians. Flags and emblems are hugely significant in the political, military and other aspects of our nation's history and that of her diaspora overseas. Flags can be very emotive symbols of community identity engendering rage, passion, pride and, unfortunately, at times violence. They say much about what we aspire to be as a people or State whilst simultaneously differentiating peoples, groups, movements and States. Since its foundation as a Branch of the Society, *Vexillology Ireland : Brateolaíocht Éireann*, has attracted great interest, especially from overseas. Many of Ireland's diaspora readily appreciate the link between flags and family his-

tory—placing ancestors within a greater national or indeed, international narrative of wars, political or social movements, sporting events and crucially the creation of community and na-



Stanislav Zamyatin, MGSI
Director of Vexillological & Heraldic Services

tional identities. Many families have cherished mementos such as battle flags, badges or emblems, or photographs of family members with banners or flags. The interest in vexillology is growing internationally and therefore, *Vexillology Ireland : Brateolaíocht Éireann* will represent Ireland at this year's *II IHW Conference on Heraldry and Vexillology in Europe* in Cieszyn, Poland, from September 4th to 6th 2014. The invitation to attend came from Alfred Znamierowski - one of the world's leading figures in the promotion and study of vexillology and heraldry. He has pub-

lished several books on the subjects and designed hundreds of coats of arms, flags, banners and seals. Stanislav Zamyatin will represent the organization as he did last August, along with Tom Conlon, in Rotterdam for the *25th International Congress of Vexillology*, at which, the Society was elected to *FIAV—the International Federation of Vexillological Associations*. During the conference in Poland, Stan will give a presentation on Irish heraldry and vexillology. Stan and the Society will have the opportunity, once again, to showcase Ireland to the many delegates from seventeen European countries that will be represented at Cieszyn. Currently Stan is preparing a publication for use by schools, colleges, sporting clubs and local communities on the design, manufacture and use of flags - creating wonderfully vibrant and visible representations of unique local identities and groups. As part of *Bratacha 2014* organised by *Vexillology Ireland*, the 32 flags of the World Cup teams are now proudly flying across the town of Dún Laoghaire. This initiative has been applauded by the local businesses and the residents of Dún Laoghaire.

Heritage Week—Seachtain Oidhreachta



It's that time of year again when we, as a nation, celebrate various aspects of our wonderful and fascinating heritage. Whether it's architecture, archaeology, historical buildings and sites or, as in our case, our ancestral links to place, people and the past. The Director of the Outreach Programme, **Eddie Gahan, MGSI**, (pictured above) has arranged for the Society's Archives and Research Centre at the Carlisle Pier in Dún Laoghaire

to be open for the whole of Heritage Week this year. The Centre, *An Daonchartlann*, will provide free family history research advice to members of the public visiting the Centre. Experienced members of the Society will be on hand to guide visitors through the use of the various resources available for genealogical research. Including the recent launch by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission in the UK of its 'Discover 14-18' website and the CWGC Archives on line, amongst other recent additions like the Indexes to the registers of Irish Births, Marriages and Deaths. Eddie is

seeking volunteers from the membership to assist with his very much expanded schedule this year. The facility will be open from 10.30hrs to 18.00hrs from Saturday August 23rd to Sunday August 31st and, indeed, open to 20.00hrs on Monday 25th, Wednesday 27th and Friday 29th August to facilitate people who may be unable to attend during the day. Eddie says that the experience gained through helping others in their research is very rewarding and most enjoyable. Please join Eddie for Heritage Week by contacting him by e-mail at eddie_gahan_snr@hotmail.com

Ireland, the United Nations and the Congo

'Ireland, the United Nations and the Congo – A military and diplomatic history, 1960-1' by **Michael Kennedy** and **Art Magennis** was published on May 23rd 2014 by **Four Courts Press** (ISBN: 978-1-84682-523-1 : 288pp : illustrated : h/bk €45.00 : Web Price €40.50) and, most certainly, it is an excellent addition to a growing corpus of works on Irish diplomatic history, to which, Dr. Michael Kennedy has been a very significant contributor over many years. This book is based on the previously unseen first-hand account of an Irish cavalry officer, Comdt. Art Magennis, who served with the 35th Irish Battalion in ONUC (Organisation de Nations Unies au Congo) in the southern Congolese province of Katanga. Whilst, Comdt. Magennis provided the detailed account of his time in the Congo and did so from the perspective of a serving soldier, Dr. Kennedy has taken this personal memoir to a completely different level as a basis for a new study of the Irish involvement in United Nations peacekeeping operations. In 1960, the Congo had a population of 13 million Congolese of different tribes, ethnicities and cultures. The European population numbered around 100,000 mainly Belgian settlers. This vast territory of 700,000 square miles gained independence from Belgium on June 30th 1960. Within days of achieving independence the government of Prime Minister Patrice Lumumba was teetering on total collapse. He sought assistance from the Soviet Union triggering a Cold War political response from the West led by US President Eisenhower. Belgium redeployed its forces across its former

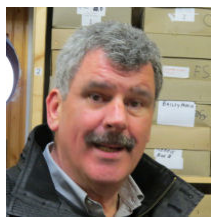
colony to protect the European minority and its many commercial interests. The United Nations quickly intervened to shore up the independence of this new nation and to allow the Belgian army to withdraw. A United Nations Peacekeeping Force was deployed across this huge country. A number of its provinces sought to secede from the Congolese republic, the most significant of which, was the mineral rich southern province of Katanga. The UN was tasked with peacekeeping and, in reality, preventing the break-up of the Congolese state. Irish involvement in the Congo between July 1960 and May 1964 numbered almost 6,200 soldiers in battalions ranging from 464 to 730 personnel of all ranks and commanded by a lieutenant colonel who was, in turn, responsible to the local commander of the sector and onwards to the ONUC Force Commander. Although, this Irish involvement with the UN in the Congo was very significant for a small country like Ireland, most of the popular narrative that surrounds this deployment centres on the ambushing and killing of nine Irish soldiers of an eleven-man patrol of the 33rd Battalion by Baluba tribesmen at Niemba on November 8th 1960 and the public reaction at home and, of course, the funerals of the men. Dr. Kennedy explores the geopolitical and diplomatic areas, into which, the Irish government ventured at the time as a relatively new member of the United Nations. In many ways, this UN involvement was an element of 'nation-building' at home driven by an independent Ireland agenda on a new international stage. It is a story of political naiveté, lack of preparedness,

little understanding of the situation on the ground in post-colonial Africa and, more importantly, the courage and determination of the men who served in Ireland's first UN peacekeeping mission. This book is essential reading for those with relatives who served in the Congo and for the military historian, especially as it is based on a soldier's memoir, however, with now with the enormous benefit of a political and diplomatic context provided by Dr. Kennedy. **Dr. Michael Kennedy** is the executive editor of the Royal Irish Academy's highly recommended *Documents on Irish Foreign Policy* series. He has published widely on modern Irish diplomatic and military history. **Comdt. (ret.) Art Magennis** served with the Irish Defence Forces from 1940 to 1979. He undertook two tours of duty in Congo and was second-in-command of the 35th Battalion's Armoured Car Group in Elisabethville, Katanga, in 1961. **MM**

BOOKS FOR SARAJEVO

The Society, in conjunction with the **Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland** (RSAI) is preparing to send 150 bankers boxes of academic books and journals to the University Library in Sarajevo. The university lost all of its collections in August 1992 in the fire that engulfed the National & University Library during the Bosnian Civil War. The Society is currently endeavouring to source sponsorship for the shipment to Sarajevo. The previous shipment was sponsored by Dún Laoghaire Harbour Company. If you are interested in making a donation towards the expected circa €500 required to cover the costs of shipping these books to Sarajevo, please contact the Society's General Secretary, Michael Merrigan, by e-mail at eolas@familyhistory.ie

An Daonchartlann Foundation (ADF)



Tony O'Hara, MGSi

A meeting of An Daonchartlann Foundation (ADF) was convened by An Cathaoirleach, John Hamrock, on Friday June 20th 2014 to formulate a comprehensive business development plan for the Society. The Society's Director of Sales & Marketing, **Tony O'Hara**, presented various options to the ADF and suggested that further information on the availability of revenue streams, both national and international, should be obtained. An Cathaoirleach presented the meeting with a template for the formulation, funding and implementation of a development plan. Amongst the objectives of the ADF is the securing of a suitable premises for the Society's Archives and

Research Centre (An Daonchartlann); sourcing suitable funding opportunities whether through grants or philanthropy; establishing a sustainable funding model for the Society's many activities and objectives; exploring partnership arrangements which may assist in the securing of a suitable premises or on-going revenue streams; and, very importantly, seeking to avail of the undoubted wealth of professional expertise and experience in a number of areas amongst our own members. Currently the ADT is operating as a sub-committee of the Board with the following members, Pádraic Ingoldsby, (Chair); Tom Conlon, Billy Saunderson, Tony O'Hara, Michael Merrigan and John Hamrock. It is expected that a full business development plan will take some months to research, formulate and present to the full Board for adoption. Members with expertise in finance, philanthropy, EU funding, project development, marketing or other related skills are invited to join the ADF.

If you are interested in assisting the Society's formational of a comprehensive business development plan with a multiannual budget framework, please contact the Chair of the ADF, Pádraic Ingoldsby, or any of the members of the Board. The next meeting of the ADF is scheduled for Tuesday July 15th at 19.30hrs.

CARE FOR YOUR RECORDS

In the course of our research we amass a huge amount of paper and computer records. We love these records, we've worked hard to collect them. Books, photographs, charts, notes, certificates, parish register and census transcripts. Have you made provision for the preservation of your records after you die? Don't let your hard work end up as landfill or your books to be sold off. **PLEASE** make provision in your Will to have them donated to the care of the Society's Archives for future generations of researchers. *Please Will Your Society Well—add that codicil today. Thanks!*

IRISH LIVES REMEMBERED



Ireland's FREE digital e-Magazine *'Irish Lives Remembered Genealogy e-Magazine'* dedicated to helping people trace their Irish Ancestry globally will now be published 'bi-monthly' going forward. The current information packed edition **'July—August'** which features researching your ancestors from **County Tyrone** is available to read or to download for FREE at www.irishlivesremembered.com Explaining the move to a bi-monthly, publisher Eileen Munnely said that 'we believe that moving over to a bi-monthly publication will allow us to free up more time to enhance the current success of Irish Lives Remembered Genealogy e-magazine. Our bi-monthly e-Magazine will have a new look and feel to the publication together with more specialist features and supplements of interest to help our 20,000 dedicated readers globally research their Irish ancestry'. 'We are proud to have played a huge part in 'raising the bar' to pro-

mote Irish genealogy/family history businesses and services in both Ireland and overseas and look forward to 'reaching out' to new readers and advertisers in the near future. She also wanted to thank the many genealogical organisations and businesses in Ireland and abroad for supporting Irish Lives Remembered Genealogy e-Magazine during the past two years and looks forward to working with them in the near future'. More exciting news will be the launch of a 2nd digital publication in the coming weeks which they believe will complement Irish Lives Remembered and will be of interest to their current strong readership. Eileen's business has now changed its name to **Millennium Media** - T/A Irish Lives Remembered Ltd., and she is delighted to now be in a position to offer new services such as: Contract Publishing, Visual Communications & Graphic Design services. Tracing your Irish ancestors? Check out the many interesting articles and research sources on www.irishlivesremembered.com and click on **Back Editions** to read the past 22 issues for FREE.

WEEKEND GENEALOGY COURSES

Weekend genealogy courses operated in conjunction with Ancestor Network Limited are an excellent way to improve your research skills, learn about new sources, manage your files and research, produce professional genealogical reports and much more besides. The Society issues certificates to those who successfully complete the course. For further information please contact John Hamrock on 087.050 5296 or by E-mail on john.hamrock@ancestor.ie

IRELAND'S GENEALOGICAL GAZETTE

All the past issues of this newsletter and its predecessor are available in pdf format to read or to download or to read *free of charge* on the Society's website www.familyhistory.ie

James Scannell Reports...

ASGARD EXHIBITION

On view until September 30th in the Museum of Decorative Arts & History, Collins Barracks, Benburb Street, Dublin 7, during normal opening hours, is a new Permanent Exhibition 'Asgard – The 1914 Howth Gun-running Vessel Conserved'. The yacht Asgard is one of the most iconic items of recent Irish history. From her building in 1905 by the great Norwegian naval architect Colin Archer, to her pivotal role in the 1914 Howth gun-running and her later use as Ireland's first national sail training, the Asgard has had many incarnations. Between 2007 and 2012 a major conservation of this vessel was undertaken at the Museum of Decorative Arts & History, Collins Barracks. Master shipwright and ship conservator led the conservation team which had the aim of preserving her and in the process saving and securing as much as possible of the original material, while also retaining her structural integrity.

MAYO GENEALOGY GROUP

On Saturday July 12th there will be a Drop-in Activity 'Researching your Family History' with the Mayo Genealogy Group

between 11.30hrs—13.00hrs in the Museum of Country Life, Turlough Park, Castlebar, Co. Mayo.

FR. ALEXANDER McCABE

Tim Fanning is researching the life of Fr. Alexander McCabe, rector of the Irish College in Salamanca from 1935 to 1950. He later served in his Kilmore diocese serving as a curate in Maghera and Corlough parishes, parish priest in Rossinver and chaplain to St. Joseph's nursing home in Virginia. Any information about Fr. McCabe would be much appreciated – replies to timgfanning76@gmail.com.

MAYO COMMEMORATES WW1

Mayo Peace Park committee and Mayo County Council will host a special "Mayo Commemoration Day" at the Mayo Peace Park on Sunday 3rd August 2014 starting at 14.30hrs. This event will mark the 100th anniversary of World War One in county Mayo and will be an all embracing ceremony, with the main focus on the 100th anniversary of this conflict and on those from Ireland and from County Mayo who served and died in it. It will be a major ecumenical event, with a significant clerical involvement. All the local

Mayo area Bishops and clergy have invited and there be music & song for a joyful ceremony. Further information is available from info@mayopeacepark.ie - website; www.mayopeacepark.ie

THE GREAT WAR ROADSHOW

This event, presented by Myles Dungan, with expert lectures, will take place on Saturday July 26th in the County Hall, Dún Laoghaire, 12.00hrs—17.00hrs Tickets €10.00 and €8.00 concession. Book at www.paviliontheatre.ie / call 01-231 2929.

HARRY GLEESON

In May, Alan Shatter, T.D. as Minister for Justice, ordered a review of the case of Harry Gleeson who was hanged in 1941 for his neighbor Mary McCarthy, which many always believed was a tragic miscarriage of justice. Kieran Fagan is researching a book in which he will show that Gleeson was innocent of the crime he was convicted of, and is seeking pictures of those who were involved in the trial and any old documents which people may have. Kieran Fagan can be contacted at 31, Seafield Court, Killiney, Co. Dublin or by e-mail at fagan.kieran@gmail.com.

Précis of the June Lecture

The guest speaker on Tuesday June 10th was **Francis M. O'Donnell**, Chancellor, Order of Merit of Clans of Ireland, who delivered an illustrated talk on the 'Clans of Ireland—a case study of the O' Donnell Clan'. Francis explored three principal subjects: (1) The clans' consortium organisation that is "Clans of Ireland"; its background, history and where we are going in its 25th year; and its role and potential in preserving some of the defining characteristics of our Gaelic heritage; (2) The case of the *O'Donnell Clan*, as an example of an early revival and how modern research replaces populist mythology, and helps evolve our understanding of our origins, our identity; and (3) The re-discovery of our heritage, its re-interpretation molding our modern identity, and what it implies for *intangible cultural heritage*; and how this might be better protected in times of rapid change through adherence to the international UNESCO convention for the same, with a national inventory, strategy, and Government commitment. In his treatment of each of these topics, Francis emphasized the heritage value and the cultural attachment Irish people everywhere have to histories of their surnames and especially, to Gaelic surnames – the Clans of Ireland.

He carefully differentiated between the Clan structure of medieval Ireland and those of the Clan / Sept Associations that emerged from the 1970s onwards. However, he stressed that the O'Donnell Clan Association was one of the earliest as it was established in 1954 and that much genealogical research has been undertaken in the interim covering several claimants to head branches of the chiefly families. The "Clans of Ireland" is an umbrella organization set up in 1989 and incorporated in 1990 to authenticate and register Irish clans and historical families, promote their interests, and provide authentic and scholarly information. It is under the patronage of the President of Ireland. *Clans of Ireland* is also accredited by the United Nations as a civil society NGO. It has the legal status of a company limited by guarantee and without share capital. It will mark 25 years in 2015 with a number of new initiatives between now and then to analyze best practice by clans, extend services to clan associations, attract funding, reach out to young people, launch a lecture series, improve the website, issue some publications and hold events marking 25 years. It was a very interesting and wide ranging talk which was followed by a lively Q&A session. For further information on the **Clans of Ireland** organization please check out the following website: www.clansofireland.ie

IRISH DNA ATLAS PROJECT

The Irish DNA Atlas is a collaborative academic research project undertaken by **Dr. Gianpiero Cavalleri** of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) and the Society. The main objectives are (1) to further our knowledge of the population history of Ireland and (2) to help us understand how genes influence health in Ireland. Whilst the scientific data is provided by Dr. Cavalleri's team at the RCSI, the project also has an academic historian, **Dr. Darren McGettigan**, who specialises in Irish medieval history. This academic collaboration ensures that the scientific data provided by the RCSI is interpreted in a manner that properly places it in a historical context based on extant sources and in relation to historical or archaeological published research. Participants are sought from across the island of Ireland and from overseas who can trace each of their eight great-grandparents to the same general area of Ireland. Participants are requested to present a Birth Brief (Pedigree Chart) and to provide a DNA sample (kit provided) for analysis. Participants may be male or female with ancestry from any part of Ireland. If you are interested in participating or have a query about participating, please contact **Séamus O'Reilly**, FGSI by e-mail on Irish.dna@familyhistory.ie Also, check out the project newsletter on the GSI website.

GSI MEMBERSHIP

The Annual Review of the Membership Package was undertaken by the Board of Directors at its meeting on Thursday November 7th 2013. It was agreed under **Res: 13/11/1060** to keep the cost of the Annual Subscription for 2014 for Irish and Overseas Members at €40.00. The Membership Package for 2014 includes the following: Member voting rights; optional second household adult member (18 years or over); Membership Certificate [**Res: 11/09/859**]; right to use GSI post-nominal; copy of the Annual Journal; monthly newsletter by e-mail; use of the Society's Archive; monthly meetings/lectures; special prices of up to 50% off selected Society publications; right to register your own assumed Arms or emblems with the Society free of charge; right to have your Club, School or Institutions assumed Arms or emblems registered with the Society free of charge to a maximum of ten registrations; occasional group projects; Members' internet forum (under construction); genealogical, heraldic and vexillological advice; and the facility to publish your

research in the GSI Journal. Special Membership concessions on products and services obtained, from time to time, by the Society. The Board also agreed to provide a number of concessionary rates at €20.00 for persons under 25 years of age and persons attending recognised genealogy courses etc. This Membership Package shall be applied as and from January 1st 2014 and be subject to annual review, however, existing Membership Packages shall be honored until their annual renewal date.

NOTE: In accordance with **Res: 10/09/785** all Membership Packages fall due for renewal on the anniversary of joining—please check your Membership Certificate.

Apply on-line at www.familyhistory.ie or if you prefer, download the membership application form and send it to:

Mr. Billy Saunderson, MGSI, Director of Finance, "Suzkar", Killiney Avenue, Killiney, Co. Dublin, Ireland.

New Members always welcome!

MEMBERSHIP OF GSI BRANCHES

The Board of Directors has set the Annual Subscription rates for membership (associate) of either *Heraldry Ireland* or *Vexillology Ireland* is €20.00 per annum to include a biannual electronic newsletter and the free registration of Arms in respect of *Heraldry Ireland* and of flags or emblems in respect of *Vexillology Ireland*. Members of the following organisations shall be entitled to a 50% reduction in the Annual Subscription to each (i) Genealogical Society of Ireland; (ii) National Maritime Institute of Ireland and (iii) individual members of Clan/Sept Associations registered with Clans of Ireland and, in the case of *Vexillology Ireland*, individual members of the registered member organisations of FIAV—the International Federation of Vexillological Associations which represents fifty similar organisations in around thirty countries.

For further details on these new GSI branches see the following websites: www.heraldryireland.com or for *Vexillology Ireland* checkout the following website: www.flagsireland.wordpress.com

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND**Board of Directors 2014-2015**

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**DIARY DATES**

Tuesday July 8th & August 12th 2014

Evening Open Meeting

Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute

Cumberland Street, Dún Laoghaire

20.00hrs—22.00hrs

Wednesday July 23rd & August 27th 2014

Morning Open Meeting

Hardy's Bar, Royal Marine Hotel, Dún Laoghaire

10.30hrs—12.30hrs

Contribution €3.00 p.p.

(Coffee/Tea included at Morning Meetings)

'OUT OF THE DARK 1914-1918'

Myles Duncan was the guest speaker for the launch of "*Out of the Dark, 1914 – 1918: South Dubliners who Fell in the Great War*", by **Ken Kinsella**, published by Merrion on Thursday June 26th in the County Hall of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council, County Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire. Also launched was an exhibition "*Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown and the Great War*". The launch of both these items took just two days before the centenary of the assassination of the Austrian Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife in the Bosnian capital of Sarajevo on June 28th 1914 by Gavrilo Princip, a member of the 'Black Hand', an action which precipitated the outbreak of the First World War in August 1914. Books on those from South County Dublin who participated in this conflict are virtually non-existent so this very timely and compelling book records the experiences of Irishmen from South County Dublin who fought and took part in the First World War, while also accounting for the lives of their families who remained at home and the impact that this conflict had on the twenty-one parishes in this area. Principally a social history, the main body of this book is divided into seven chapters that individually present the history of a particular district in South County Dublin with these social histories expanding upon the background of the families subsequently related and providing a fascinating portrait of the lives that the soldiers left behind. The Roll of Honour covers individuals with riveting life stories and tales of anecdotal intrigue; families of interest and wealth are included such as the great merchant families of Dublin at the time e.g. the Dockrells, Findlaters, Lees, Martins and McCormicks. "*Out of the Dark, 1914 – 1918: South Dubliners who Fell in the Great War*" also provides an illuminating history of Ireland's involvement in the First World War generally – how the war and its fighters have been subsequently recognised within Irish society. Areas covered include the reasons for enlistment; the effect of Gallipoli and the Easter Rising; examples of how ex-British servicemen were treated when they returned home to Ireland following the end of this conflict; all is accounted for in this fascinating history that highlights the enduring contentions related to Ireland's involvement in the First World War. The table of contents is as follows:

(1) Tens of thousands of Irishmen volunteer to fight in the Great War; Gallipoli & Easter Rising effects recruiting; The end of the War on 11 November 1918; The early years of the New State; Late 20th century bring a new dawn and a change in attitudes; President of Ireland brings a new dawn and a change in attitudes. (2) History and Roll of Honour – Kilgobbin, Stepside & Barnaculla. (3) History and Roll of Honour – Kilternan & Golden Ball. (4) History and Roll of Honour – Sandymount and Dundrum. (5) History and Roll of Honour – Foxrock, Carrickmines and Dean's Grange. (6) History and Roll of Honour – Cabinteely, Brennanstown and Shankill. (7) History and Roll of Honour – Stillorgan, Newtownpark & Blackrock. (8) History and Roll of Honour – Kingstown; Monkstown; Glashule; Dalkey and Killiney. Ken Kinsella, author of '*Out of the Dark, 1914 – 1918: South Dubliners who Fell in the Great War*', published by Merrion, lives in Kilkenny and is co-author and editor of '*The History of Wayside Celtic F.C.*' (2000) and has written numerous articles on the Great War, published by *Southside People Newspaper*, *Blue Cap Journal*, the *Journal of the Irish Medal Society* and the *Panorama* magazine.

James Scannell

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Members of the Society are entitled to the following discounts on on-line genealogical products. Whilst access to these resources is free to members at *An Daonchartlann*, it is also recommended that members avail of these discounts to have access from their own homes. **Findmypast Ireland** www.findmypast.ie offer a huge 50% discount and the **Irish Newspaper Archives** www.irishnewspaperarchive.com offer an excellent 25% discount to GSI members. The British based **flatcapsandbonnets.com** provide a 20% discount on their range of DVDs. GSI Members get 40% off the first month's subscription for the **Forces War Records** database, which normally costs UK£8.95 for 28 days, for just UK£5.00. To avail of these discounts please contact Barry O'Connor on membership@familyhistory.ie

TRIP TO LISBURN & BELFAST

Eddie Gahan, Director of the GSI Outreach Programme, is organising another trip north on September 25th with a visit to the Linen Museum at Lisburn and the Linen Hall Library in Belfast. There are three options thereafter, (1) PRONI, (2) Titanic Centre or (3) Shopping. The cost of the day trip will be circa €30 per person including coach travel and coffee/tea. Leaving GSI Archives 09.00hrs with one pickup point southside and one northside—back in Dublin circa 22.30hrs. Interested? Please contact Eddie by email on eddie_gahan_snr@hotmail.com

STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

The Society offers a 50% reduction on the standard membership rate for students and young researchers under 25 years of age. Persons taking adult education courses in genealogy can avail of a similar 50% reduction—that's right, for just €20.00. See GSI website.

LECTURE PROGRAMME

The following are the monthly lectures for the next six months. **Tuesday 8th July** – '*National Archives – current services and future plans*' by Gregory O'Connor. **Tuesday 12th August** – TBA; **Tuesday 9th September** '*Irish Genealogy Online: the Digital Revolution*' by Brian Donovan. **Tuesday 14th October** – '*Commonwealth War Graves Records for Ireland*' by Patrick Lynch. **Tuesday 11th November** - '*Loughlinstown Workhouse*' by Liam Clare. **Tuesday 9th December** – TBA. **VENUE: Dún Laoghaire Further Education Institute**, Cumberland St., Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin. Travel directions to the venue are provided on the Society's website www.familyhistory.ie. The programme of monthly lectures is varied to meet the needs of all levels of research experience. **Séamus Moriarty**, **FGSI**, Director, GSI Lecture Programme, is always interested to receive feedback on the lecture programme. Please contact Séamus on Gazette@familyhistory.ie

GRO INDEXES ON-LINE

The Society warmly welcomes and congratulates all involved in getting the indexes to the Registers of Births, Marriages and Deaths uploaded to the genealogy portal www.irishgenealogy.ie. The Society was well represented at the official launch by **Minister Jimmy Deenihan, TD**, at the Royal Irish Academy on Thursday July 3rd 2014. Hopefully, it will not be too long before access to the full information will be available on-line.

TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS

by John Grenham, MA, MAPGI, FIGRS, FGSI

The Society strongly recommends to anyone embarking on their family history quest that one essential piece of kit must be, without doubt, a copy of the latest edition of '*Tracing Your Irish Ancestors*'. Please checkout the website www.gillmacmillan.com Price €22.99 [RRP].

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