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The 'Annual Journal of the Genealogical Society of Ireland Vol. 24, 2023' (JGSI) will be published this month by the JGSI Select Committee chaired by **Laura Price, MGS**, Director of Special Collections, Research & Specialist Groups.

This electronic publication is emailed to all fully paid-up Members and to the Copyright Libraries in Ireland and the UK. The JGSI is also exchanged

with other genealogical and heraldic societies around the world.

Looking through the impressive list of the articles in the JGSI 2023, it is clear that there is an eclectic mix in the research subjects covered.

According to the editor, Laura Price, "many of this year's articles explore the intersection of genealogy with other

topics such as heraldry, DNA, local history, public history, and accessibility of records". This is excellent as it ensures that the JGSI will continue to enjoy as wide a readership as possible.

The JGSI 2023 opens with an address by our President, **Stuart Rosenblatt, PC, FGSI**, who takes the opportunity to congratulate Laura Price on this high quality production.

Amongst the articles published in this issue are:

'Under-reporting of Births, Marriages, and Deaths in the Early Irish Civil Registration System' by Dermot Balson and Dr. James G. Ryan

'The Priest and the Miller: Turmoil in Killedan Parish in 1825' by Aidan Feerick

'Lists of Names from the Chief Secretary's Office

WEEKLY RESEARCH ADVICE

WEDNESDAY at 11.00hrs (UTC+0) (Irish Time) via Zoom. (see top of page 2)

Zoom - Meeting ID: 830 9870 7989

Passcode: 670945

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Registered Papers' by Laura Price

'12 Years of the Irish DNA Atlas – A Perspective' by Dr Edmund Gilbert of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland.

'Presentation of the Rosenblatt Collection to the National Library of Israel' by Stuart Rosenblatt, President of the Society and Dean of the College of Fellows of the Genealogical Society of Ireland.

'The Manor of Kilmainham' by Fiona Fitzsimons, GSI Vice-President and director of Eneclann. Fiona also has a regular piece in 'History Ireland'.

'The Flight of the Girls' by Amb. (ret) Francis M. O'Donnell, GSI Vice-President and author of 'Hidden Legacy—The O'Donnells of Tyrconnell'.

From the GSI Archive—'Two Indentures from the Laois Papers Collection' by Laura Price.

'The Story of the Thomas & Bridget Nolan-Fox Family in America as Told by Catherine Phelan Whittier (1965)' and updated by Gerard Corcoran (2023). Jill McCann of Australia provides another biographical article on 'John Hubert Plunkett'.

'Genealogy and Public History' by David Ryan and 'A Review Article: Place Naming, Identities and Geography' by Dr Gerry O'Reilly of Dublin City University, explore very interesting themes.

'Published Local History – a Much Overlooked Resource for the Genealogist?' by James Scannell

Information on the 'Grant of Arms to Michael Merrigan' and on 'Heraldry Ireland' by Laura Price

A look back ten years to 'Bratacha 2013 Festival of Flags & Emblems' by Michael Merrigan and finally 'From the Archive - Origins of my Family' by Peter Manning, FIGRS. All highly recommended reading.

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DATA PROTECTION

The European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force on **May 25th 2018**. The Board, under *Res: 18/05/1380*, advises Members that the Society holds the following records on its Members (1) Name; (2) Address; (3) Telephone Number; (4) Email Address and (5) the name of the Associate Member, if applicable, and that such records are **only used** for the purpose of contacting Members on Society matters and for the dispatch of the Monthly Newsletter and the Annual Journal and furthermore, that these records are **only held** by the Director of Membership Services and are **inaccessible to all other persons** and that, the Society does not share this information with any other individual or organisation. Records are also held for contractual necessity to deliver paid services.

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GSISON YOUTUBE

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www.YouTube.com/c/
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ON INSTAGRAM

The Society has been expanding its presence across all social media platforms and we're on Instagram! Please checkout this link:

www.instagram.com/
GenSocIreland

MONTHLY MEETINGS

EVENING OPEN MEETING

(via Zoom)

Tuesday 14 November 2023 —20.00hrs

Tuesday 12 December 2023 —20.00hrs

MORNING OPEN MEETING

(via Zoom)

Wednesday 22 November 2023 —11.00hrs

Wednesday 24 January 2024 —11.00hrs

Free of Charge—Donations Welcome!

(Donations via www.familyhistory.ie)

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GDPR & GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

The Icelandic Data Protection Authority rejected a complaint of a data subject who demanded the enforcement of the data subject's right to erasure against a controller's genealogical database.

The DPA decided the controller's processing was justified pursuant to Article 6(1)(f) GDPR and that it was within its rights to refuse the erasure request pursuant to Article 17(3) GDPR.

For the full details on this very interesting case see <https://gdprhub.eu>—**Persónuvernd - Case no. 2021010248** of December 5th 2022.

“ARCHIVE DROP-INS”

The weekly “Drop-Ins” hosted by **Gerard White, MGSI, Director of the GSI Open Meetings**, are hugely popular with our Members around the world.

These informal weekly “Drop-Ins” have been opened up to non-members for the summer period and are designed to allow you to join the Zoom meeting at any time between 11.00hrs and 12.00hrs on Wednesdays.

Previously only the “Drop-In” on the 4th Wednesday was publicly accessible for Members and visitors alike.

For the link to this “Drop-In” meeting see page 1.

Members receive an email from the Director of Membership Services each week with access details.

Members can send in their research query in advance to Archivist@familyhistory.ie

GSI BOARD NEWS

The Board of Directors met on Thursday November 2nd 2023 at 11.00hrs via Zoom. The meeting was chaired by the Cathaoirleach, **John Goggins, MGSI**, and six of the ten members were in attendance.

The General Secretary advised the Board that the statutory Annual Report for the **Charities Regulatory Authority** was duly submitted on October 20th 2023.

Due to technical difficulties the **presidential election** scheduled for the 28th, 29th and 30th October 2023 couldn't be held as planned and therefore, under **Res: 23/11/1779**, the Board agreed to hold the presidential election on 28th, 29th and 30th November 2023 and the result will be published in the December ‘*Gazette*’.

The General Secretary delivered a report on behalf of **Barry O'Connor, FGSI, Director of Membership Services**, advising that no change is proposed to the existing **Membership Package** or Membership Subscription. The Board agreed with this advice and adopted **Res: 23/11/1783** to give effect to the recommendation.

The General Secretary presented draft amendments to the **Constitution of ‘Heraldry Ireland’** to the Board as a “Stage Two Policy Document” and the Board agreed to move to “Stage Three” agreeing the amendments then moved quickly to the final adoption or “Fourth Stage” under **Res: 23/11/1784**. The text of the new Constitution, which brings the concept of **‘intangible cultural heritage’** into the remit of the Society, will be published in the Annual Journal.

Gerard Corcoran, MGSI, Director of Digitisation & Genetic Genealogy, reported on his investigations of various funding opportunities for the digitisation of the Society's manuscripts collection.

The General Secretary, on behalf of **Laura Price, MGSI, Convenor of the JGSI 2023 Select Committee**, advised the Board that the Society's 2023 **Annual Journal** will be published this month (November).

Fiona Tipple, FGSI, Director of Archival Services & Education, advised the Board of the very successful completion of the courses for the Loughlinstown women's group.

Eddie Gahan, FGSI, Director of the Outreach Programme, gave an update on his contacts with the organisers of **Holiday World** and others regarding events in early 2024.

The next Board Meeting will be held on Thursday December 7th 2023 at 11.00hrs via Zoom.

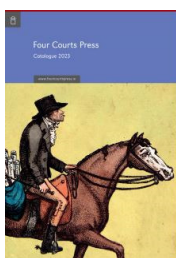
General Secretary

We'll All Stay Connected Each Week via Zoom

“Think Books this Christmas”

We know, we make this important appeal every year and this year will be no exception. This Society is a long-time supporter of Irish publishing houses, bookstores and book sellers and this, in turn, supports research and promotes an awareness, appreciation and knowledge of our history, heritage, culture and native language.

Genealogists and local historians are by their very nature “bookworms” - seeking out the best bookshops and then spending hours browsing the shelves for those well cherished gems filled with new information broadening our research fields or more sharply focusing the trajectory of our quest for illusive ancestors.



For those infected with the “genealogy bug” this is not just a seasonal obsession—we're hooked all year around. Our family members all know that this affliction cannot be cured and that our only relief is to encourage them to “**Think Books this Christmas**”. To be fair to our family members, although we love books, we must admit that we are not necessarily the easiest ones to please when it comes to our reading material, especially when it's non-fiction.

The importance of quality of research, historical or geographical relevance and, of course, extensive bibliographies and lists of sources are criteria readily understood by the genealogist and local historian. This criteria may not be easily apparent to family members choosing books as gifts for the genealogist or family historian in their lives—so let's give them a little help. You could, for example, gently point them in the direction of an exceptionally useful catalogue, suitably marked indicating your personal “wish list” from the range of subjects covered.

Checking out the special offers online is always a very good place to start, for example on www.fourcourtspress.ie. Indeed, for those with an interest in the development of sport in Ireland, maybe the excellent work on soccer by **Conor Curran ‘Soccer and society in Dublin: a history of association football in Ireland’s capital’** (ISBN: 978-1-80151-039-4 : H/bk : 352pp : Price €35.00) or for the Rugby fan in your life, **‘Lansdown FC: a history’** by **Charles Ivar McGrath** (ISBN: 978-1-80151-054-7 : H/bk : 316pp : Price €45.00), could be on your list.

The commemoration of the **‘Decade of Centenaries’** has seen the publication of many exceptionally well-researched works in series on **‘The Irish Revolution 1912-23’** edited by **Mary Ann Lyons** and **Dáithí Ó Corráin** on the events in various counties throughout the country. These volumes are highly recommended for the genealogist and local historian as the research covers events mostly in the living memory of our grandparents and, in many cases, form part of our family lore. Information on the local people mentioned can usually be found in the 1901 or 1911 census returns. For the tumultuous period covered, the release of the 1926 census in 2026 will be of exceptional interest.

Also, of exceptional interest to genealogists and local historians are the works published in the **Maynooth Studies in Local History Series** - see last month's issue of this newsletter. By the way, browsing the information provided on the individual titles in this series can be enormously rewarding as there is no general index to the series.

Finally, the Society urges all of its Members, friends and, of course, readers of this ‘*Gazette*’, to support your local bookstores and Irish publishers this Christmas. Help Irish researchers and authors by buying Irish books this year.

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Irish History, Genealogy, Local History and much more. Checkout the extensive online catalogue for 2023 and the wonderful special offers at www.fourcourtspress.ie—note the “back-in-prints” too!!

FREE WEEKLY RESEARCH ADVICE

Each Wednesday, the Society hosts a free family history research advice session via Zoom. Members of the Society and visitors have the opportunity to discuss their research problems—those proverbial “brick walls” that we all have encountered in our quest for information on our ancestors.

Members of the Society with decades of research experience and some with academic qualifications in historical and genealogical research, are available to answer queries, provide research leads and advice on sources and methodology.

Whether you're only beginning your family history research or have been dabbling in genealogy for years, we all can and do benefit from discussing our research with others. We learn of the available resources and how to access them, especially the free ones, and of course, we all welcome forewarnings of any “pit falls” that could throw us off track or hold up our research for the want of that crucial research tip.

Gerard White, MGSI, Director of the Open

Meetings, and his team of excellent researchers help Members and visitors every week from Ireland and around the world.

This is a **Free Service** provided by the Society to help Members and the general public to successfully trace their Irish family history. So if you have a query check out the link on the front page of this newsletter.

BOB HANNAN, RIP

It is great sadness that we learned of the passing on 21st October 2023 of a good friend of the Society, **Bob Hannan**, senior architect and planner at **Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council**. His legacy is evident in the public realm of the county, especially in Monkstown Village, **Dún Laoghaire Baths** and in the many pace-making projects throughout the area. His passion for the creation of a quality public realm, high standards of design and materials, aesthetic innovation and adaptation, and commitment to public service will be remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing Bob. Our sincerest condolences to Bob's family, friends and DLR colleagues. RIP.

LOUGHLINSTOWN WCI-DLR

In October we were delighted to cooperate with the **Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown** branch of the **Womens' Collective Ireland (WCI)** to present a short beginners' course on Irish genealogy to its members.

WCI-DLR is based in nearby Ennel Court in Loughlinstown and we were able use their excellent facilities (projector, internet access with individual laptops for the participants if required) for the presentations.

The course was given over four weeks, and the presenters were GSI Board Members, **Gerard White, Lua Ó Scolaí** and **Fiona Tipple**.

We concentrated on what we deemed to be the most important basic sources - the 1901 and 1911 censuses, vital records and church records.

Each source was thoroughly described and discussed and participants were initiated into the use of the appropriate websites.

It was a most enjoyable experience (for the participants as well as the speakers, we hope!), and we have been invited back for a repeat performance in February 2024.

In Brief....

GSI MEMBERSHIP

Join on-line at www.familyhistory.ie
Please note that GSI Membership is open to all interested in genealogy and related subjects.

Discounted membership rates available for under 25s and students at recognised genealogy courses. (*proof required*) Full details on the *Membership Package* were published in the November 2022 issue of this newsletter. For back issues of the 'Gazette' please see the Society's website.

Barry O'Connor, FGSI,
Director of Membership Services.
Email: membership@familyhistory.ie

GSI OPEN MEETINGS

Society's Monthly Open Meetings are held via ZOOM to allow the fullest access by Members from Ireland and overseas.

Tuesday November 14th —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - Speaker: Laura Price, MGSI on 'Family and Local History in the Records of the Registry of Deeds'

Wednesday November 22nd —Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

Tuesday December 12th —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - Speaker: Gerard White, MGSI, on 'Patrick Shortt and the Sinking of the *ILVSS Isolda* in 1940'.

Wednesday December 20th —Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

Tuesday January 9th —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - Speaker: James Brady on 'The Sixth Battalion—South Co. Dublin & the War for Independence: 1916-1921'

Wednesday January 24th—Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

Tuesday February 13th —Evening Open Meeting—20.00hrs (Zoom) - Speaker: TBA

Wednesday February 22nd —Morning Open Meeting—11.00hrs (Zoom)—Informal discussion on family history and related matters.

Talks will be posted on YouTube.

ZOOM MEETINGS

Membership Director, **Barry O'Connor, FGSI**, will email Members to log in to Zoom for the two Open Meetings.

The lectures are open to the public and the access details are available on request by email from Membership@Familyhistory.ie

Suggestions on the Monthly Lecture Programme to: eolas@familyhistory.ie

Members may send their research queries in advance for the Morning Open Meeting by email to Archivist@familyhistory.ie

The Lecture Programme is recorded for the GSI YouTube Channel as a free, publicly accessible educational resource. We endeavour to have each lecture up as soon as possible.

IRISH DNA ATLAS

Checkout the short video and the lectures on the *Irish DNA Atlas* project on **YouTube Channel**—www.youtube.com/c/GenealogicalSocietyOfIrelandGSI



www.eneclann.ie



Some of the Archival Collections in An Daonchartlann, Loughlinstown. (Photo: Tom Conlon)

James Scannell Reports...

WICKLOW TOWN BRANCH LIBRARY

Rosemary Raughter will present 'The dread illness, the impact of the 1918-1919 influenza epidemic in County Wicklow' at 19.00hrs on Thurs 16 Nov. in The Mall, Main Street, Wicklow Town. All are welcome - admission is free. Contact Wicklow Library on 0404-67025 or email wicklowlocalstudies@wicklowcoco.ie to book.

BRAY CUALANN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Vincent Delaney will present 'Bray Town, The Sailing Club and the Droleen' at 20.00hrs on Thurs 16 Nov. in the Royal Hotel, Main St., Bray, Co. Wicklow. All welcome - admission €8.00 for non-members.

FOXROCK LOCAL HISTORY CLUB

Professor Fergus D'Arcy will present 'Leopardstown Racecourse Origins' at 20.00hrs on Tues 21 November in Foxrock Parish Pastoral Centre, Foxrock, Co. Dublin. All welcome - Admission is €5.00 for visitors.

THE OLD DUBLIN SOCIETY

Peadar Curran will present 'Letters from America' at 18.00hrs on Wednesday 22 November in The Conference Room, Dublin City Library & Archive, 144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. All are welcome - admission is free and no booking is required. The AGM of the Society will follow this lecture.

CLONDALKIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Dr. Mary Muldowney will present 'The Earl of Drogheda to Tony Gregory: 325 years of Moore Street's History' at 20.00hrs on Mon. 27 Nov. in Áras Chrónáin Irish Cultural Centre, Watery Lane, Clondalkin, Co. Dublin. All welcome - admission i€5.00 for non-members.

RATHMINES, RANELAGH & RATHGAR

Ulta Coen will present 'Glenree Co. Wicklow - barracks, reformatory, military cemetery and more,' at 20.00hrs on Thursday 30 November in Rathmines Town Hall, Rathmines Road, Dublin 6. All welcome - admission is €5.00. Members free / visitors €4.00 - Swan Car Park Evening Rate: €3.00 from 17.00hrs. to Midnight

MILITARY HISTORY SOCIETY

Marcus de la Poer Beresford will present 'Major-General Denis Pack, - Wellington's best brigade commander?' at 20.00hrs on Friday 01 December in Griffith College, South Circular Road, Dublin 8. All are welcome - on Zoom to members only.

KILMACANOGUE HISTORY SOCIETY

Rob Goodbody will present 'The Lead Mines of Ballycorus and Glendalough' at 20.00hrs on Monday 04 December in Kilmacanogue Parish Hall, adjacent to St. Mochoing's R.C. Church, Kilmacanogue, Co. Wicklow. All welcome - admission €5.00 for non-members.

DUN LAOGHAIRE BOROUGH HIST SOC

Eileen Duffy will present 'Champagne, Cocktails and Crêpes Suzette: Wining, dining and dancing in Dún Laoghaire through the ages' at 20.00hrs on Weds 06 Dec. Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire, Co. Dublin. All welcome - admission is €5.00

MOUNT MERRION HIST SOC

Cathal Brughá will present 'Two Grandfathers' at 20.00hrs on Thurs 07 Dec. in The Fitzwilliam Rooms, Mount Merrion Community Centre, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin. Admission is €4.00/Students €2.00

SKERRIES HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Bernie McKenna will present 'The Skerries Primary Schools History Project' at 20.00hrs on Tues 12 Dec. in The Bowling Club, Skerries, Co. Dublin. All welcome.

PUBLICATIONS

'Dun Laoghaire Journal No. 33, 2024' published by the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society - Price €10.00. Articles featured in this journal include 'McGovern Fruit & Vegetable Shop' by Frank McGovern; 'Thomas Monks, Dublin Metropolitan Police' by Mark O'Brien; 'The Essex Prison Hulk' by Colin Scudds; 'Tragedy on the East Pier' by Mary Grogan; 'Ivy Knox Darling' by John McKee; 'Blown to Pieces' by Jean O'Hara; 'Monkstown Dispensary' by Seamus Cannon; 'St Joseph's Bridge Club, Glasthule' by Anna Scudds; 'Some Civil War Events in Dalkey' by James Scannell; 'Pram Springs' by Leo Cullen; 'Dunleary 1775-1820' and 'Dun Leary and Monkstown, 1804' by Vincent Delaney; 'A Short History of the Dun Laoghaire Fire Brigade' by Anne McGrath; 'The Gilberts of Villa Nova' by Brian Smith; 'From Easter 1916 to Hollywood' by Dermot O'Riordan; 'Mountains to the Sea - 50 Years Ago' by Patrick Donnelly, and the Society's visit to Armagh, Louth, and Monaghan recalled by Frances Fletcher. Copies can be obtained at monthly meetings or via the website - www.dunloghairehistorical.com; Dalkey News, Dalkey; Easons & DuBray Books, Dún Laoghaire; Hewett's Monkstown & Eamonn's Bookshop, Sandycove.

'The Irish Sword - The Journal of the Military History Society of Ireland - Vol. XXXIV, Summer 2023, No. 135'. Articles featured in the latest issue of 'The Irish Sword', Hon. Editor Kenneth Ferguson, L.L.B., Ph.D.' include 'Colonel Lewis Hamilton's Swedish widow and the lost manor house at Derrygonnelly, home of the Dunbars and Mongomery's' by Kenneth Ferguson; 'The last Mac William Bourke, 1596-1604' by Benjamin Hazard; 'Baldearg O'Donnell and his Gaelic auxiliary army, 1690-2' by Harman Murtagh; 'Editorial Note: The Austrian theme'; 'To dwell in the Court of Kings - the Catholic Irish [in Austria]' by Christopher Duffy; 'The Loughan Spire: General Richard Dalton's lost Habsburg monument in County Westmeath' by Harman Murtagh; 'Letters from India at the time of the 1st Sikh War (illustrated)' by The Earl of Roden; 'Major-General William Jasper McSweeney; founder and first G.O.C. of the Irish Air Corps (Illustrated); by Patrick McCarthy; and Notes on 'The Shannon Manoeuvres, August 1905' by Anthony Kinsella; 'Robert Dunlop and Austria' by Kenneth Ferguson; 'The Torpedo and an Irish link in the maternal ancestry of the von Trapp family singers' by Kenneth Ferguson, plus 'Book Reviews', 'Obituary to Dr. Christopher Duffy' and 'Proceedings 2022-2023'. Further information on www.mhsi.ie or email: info@mhsi.ie

'History on your doorstep - Vol. 6 - Six stories of Dublin history' published by Dublin City Council. Articles featured in this year's issue include - Forward by the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Daithí de Róiste; 'Breaking Barriers: The Development of Deaf Education in Ireland' by Alvean E. Jones; 'Dolphin's Barn Brickworks' by Catherine Scuffil; 'Responses to the Housing Crisis in late Nineteenth Century Dublin' by Mary Muldowney; 'Homes for Heroes: The Killester Housing Scheme for First World War Veterans' by Cormac Moore; 'The 1923 FAI Cup Final' by James Curry; and 'Following the Hidden Histories Hunt' by Dervilla Roche. Copies, which are free, are available from branches of Dublin City Libraries or from the Dublin City Libraries' website.

James Scannell, FGSI

TRACING YOUR IRISH ANCESTORS

by John Grenham, MA, MAGI, 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 *FIFTH* edition of 'Tracing Your Irish Ancestors'. Please checkout the website www.gillmacmillan.com Price €24.99 [RRP].

PRÉCIS OF THE OCTOBER LECTURE

The Monthly Lecture delivered via Zoom on Tuesday 10th October 2023 was by **Stuart Rosenblatt, PC, FGSI**, *President of the Genealogical Society of Ireland*, on the subject of the *'Irish Jewish Archival History'* and his twenty-two volumes of research and collated material. This "magnum opus" was compiled over nearly twenty-five years of research and now is contained in five complete sets of twenty-two volumes held in the National Library of Ireland, National Archives of Ireland, Irish Jewish Museum, the archives of the Genealogical Society of Ireland and, most recently, the National Library of Israel.



In his very interesting presentation, Stuart revealed how he became interested in family history and who inspired his quest to locate, copy and collate this wonderful resource for the study of the archival history of the Irish Jewish community. The collection now represents approximately 350 years of a Jewish presence in Ireland with most arriving on these shores from Czarist Russia and other parts of eastern Europe during the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

Stuart provided a fascinating overview of the Jewish communities in Ireland, not only in Dublin, but in all the cities and, indeed, in some rural towns also. Most of these communities outside Dublin and Belfast have dwindled considerably in the latter part of the twentieth century as the young people emigrated to areas with larger Jewish communities in Great Britain or the United States. Some, of course, moved to Israel. However, many of the descendants of the Irish Jewish emigrants are totally unaware of their Irish connection. This part of their story would be entirely forgotten over time if it were not for Stuart's *'Irish Jewish Archival History'* collection. Stuart provided examples of the types of information contained in the printed volumes and on the information he has amassed in his database. He welcomes queries and additions to the database to enhance this unique resource. Stuart's website is <https://www.irishjewishroots.com> and email Stuart on: srosenblatt@irishjewishroots.com

The talk will be uploaded to the Society's YouTube Channel (see left panel on page 1)

MEMBERSHIP OF THE SOCIETY—DID YOU KNOW?

- ☞ Did you know that Membership of this Society is open to all with an interest in family history, heraldry, vexillology (study of flags and emblems) and related subjects?
- ☞ Did you know that Membership is open to anyone living in Ireland or overseas and with Irish ancestry or with ancestors from anywhere in the world? All are most welcome.
- ☞ Did you know that Student Membership is also available at 50% off the subscription?
- ☞ Please checkout: www.familyhistory.ie ☞ Email: membership@familyhistory.ie

Christmas & New Year Arrangements

The Board agreed the following arrangements for the Christmas and New Year period.

Weekly Drop-Ins—the last one will be held on Weds. 20 December 2023 and the first one in 2024 will be held via Zoom on Weds. 10 January 2024.

An Daonchartlann – Archive & Research Centre will close at 15.00hrs on Weds. 22 December 2023 and reopen on Weds. 10 January 2024 at 11.00hrs.

The first **Evening Open Meeting** (lecture) of the new year will be held on 9 January 2024 at 20.00hrs.

The first **Board Meeting** of 2024 will be held on Thursday 11 January 2024 at 11.00hrs and, like last

year, the January issue of the *'Gazette'* will be published a week later than usual during the week ending 20 January 2024.

PUBLISHING IRELAND

The Society is a long-time supporter of the Irish book publishers, bookstores and book sellers.

This year, once again, we urge our Members and the readers of the *'Gazette'* to support Irish authors, researchers and publishers when buying those gifts for family and friends this Christmas and during the year.

For Irish publishers see www.publishingireland.com

Checkout the Society's website www.familyhistory.ie

Our Society is a Registered Charity

During the Covid-19 pandemic, many charities in Ireland and overseas found it extremely difficult to operate with much reduced funding streams.

This Society is funded largely by its Membership Fees and the very kind donations received from Members and friends at home and overseas, without which, the Society simply couldn't exist.

The Society is a Registered Charity in Ireland and always considers options for fund raising and grant applications. The possibility of crowdfunding for specific projects is being considered. However, in the

meantime it was decided to appeal to our Members, friends around the world.

Donations can be made via the Society's website or by cheque to the *Genealogical Society of Ireland* and forwarded to the General Secretary: **11, Desmond Avenue, Dún Laoghaire, County Dublin, Ireland, A96 AD76.**

If you have already donated—Many Thanks!



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GENEALOGY HELP CENTRE

An Daonchartlann, the Society's Archive and Research Centre is located at the **DLR Leisure Centre, Loughlinstown, Co. Dublin**.

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