

The Gjenvick-Gjønvik Archives



GG Archives Official Logo

Formed: 1 January 2000

Headquarters: Atlanta (Marietta), Georgia

Major Collections: Ocean Travel, Immigration, Military, Vintage Fashions,

Epicurean, WPA, Library, and Bangor Punta. **Owner/Archivist**: Paul K. GJENVICK, MAS **Director**: Evelyne B. GJENVICK (2018-)

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The GG Archives is a large, privately held, archives of genealogy, military, and other ephemera dating from the mid-1800s through 2000. The site contains over 5,000 pages and 20,000 images in 12 topical areas.

History

Launched on January 1, 2000, the GG Archives offers access to more than 20,000 documents and photographs, including passenger lists, original immigrant passage contracts, steamship brochures, immigration-related documents and much more.

Since 2000, the Gjenvick-Gjønvik Archives or GG Archives has helped **genealogists**, **historians and researchers**, worldwide, provide a more complete **social and cultural context** of their family history, or historical research. Students from the third grade through college have utilized the GG Archives as a primary source in social studies and history classes.

For over 20 years, the GG Archives has provided images and information to researchers, production companies, and other organizations, worldwide. Production companies have utilized our photographs in movies, student film projects and television programs like "Treasure Quest – The Silver Queen" a production of the Discovery Channel about the SS Laconia (1911) of the Cunard Line.

Discover more about what your ancestors experienced in the time they lived by exploring the many collections of the GG Archives. Start exploring the GG Archives today! Enrich your life and your family history.

Our extensive collections of articles, brochures, historical documents, and books represent one of the largest private collections online available **free to the public**. The GG Archives has earned numerous awards since its founding in 2000 by Paul K. Gjenvick, MAS, its archivist, and curator.

Structure

The collections of the GG Archives can generally be categorized in 12 sections: Arts & Entertainment, Biography, Bangor Punta, Epicurean, FAQs, Immigration, Influenza Pandemic 1918-1919, Library, Military, Ocean Travel, Vintage Fashions, WPA, and a Gift Shop.

Collection Emphasis

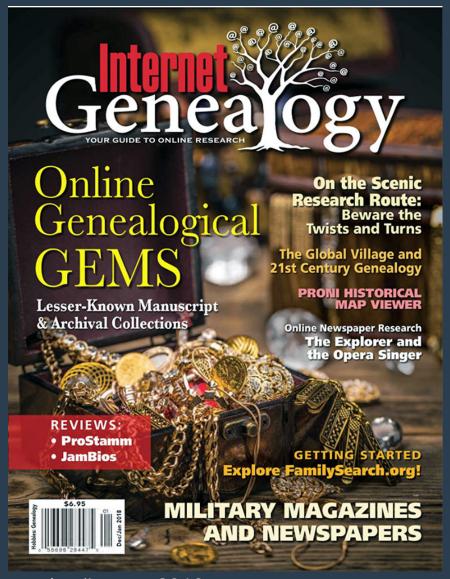
Our emphasis is also our greatest strength -- to provide access to the public of our vast collection of historical ephemera that otherwise might be impossible or unlikely to be found elsewhere on the internet.

The site contains superb examples of many documents used by immigrants and the steamship lines that can be extremely useful for the family or professional genealogist in recording family history or determining the origin of the material you have in your possession.

The GG Archives is the work and passion of one person, Paul K. Gjenvick, a professional archivist. Paul earned a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Minnesota State University and a Masters of Archival Studies from Clayton State University in Georgia where he studied under renowned archivist Richard Pearce-Moses.

Paul's wife, Evelyne, is the newest staff member, joining the GG Archives in 2018 as the director of operations and content researcher/editor. She previously served as a Licensed Customs Broker at Georgia-Pacific. She immigrated to the United States from France during the 1980s, and is fluent in English, French, Vietnamese and Italian.

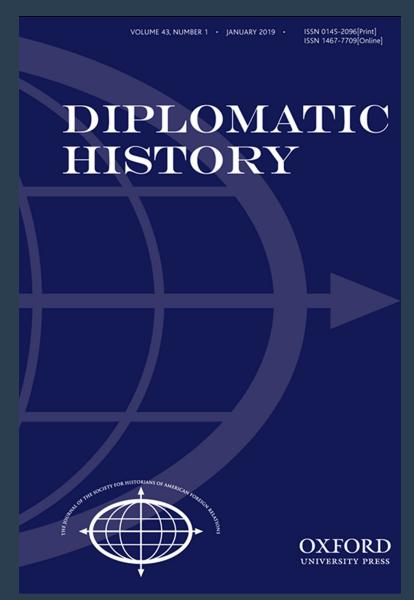
GG Archives in the News



"Net Notes" - December/January 2018

Internet Genealogy looks at websites and related news that are sure to be of interest. In this issue, Diane L. Richard looks at Founders Online and the **Gjenvick-Gjønvik Archives** websites.

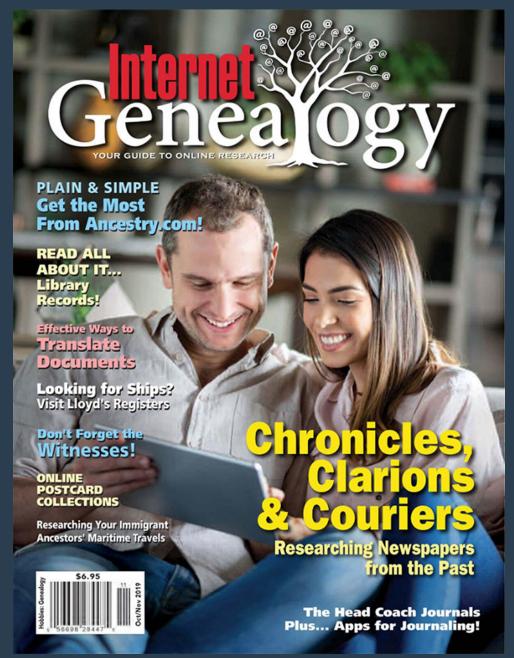
Read the article in Internet Genealogy, Vol. 12, No. 5, December/January 2018, p. 50.



Commercial Travel and College Culture: The 1920s Transatlantic Student Market and the Foundations of Mass Tourism - January 2019

Author Tamson Pietsch discusses the Student Third Class Association (STCA) in 1920s transatlantic travel by college students featuring information from the GG Archives.

Read the article in Diplomatic History, Volume 43, Issue 1, January 2019, Pages 83–106, https://doi.org/10.1093/dh/dhy059

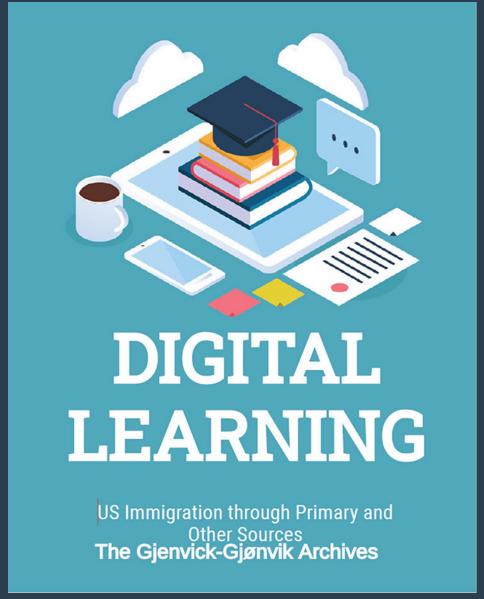


"Our Ancestors at Sea" - October/November 2019

Sue Lisk offers a selection of four websites, including the **GG Archives**, to help illuminate the maritime travels of immigrant ancestors.

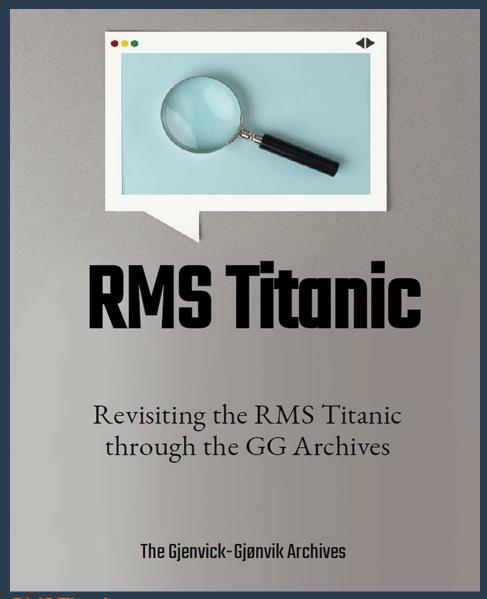
Read the article in Internet Genealogy, Vol. 14, No. 4, October/November 2019, pp. 42-45.

GG Archives Publications



Immigration through Primary and Other Sources

Genealogist, Family Historians, Teachers, and Students: Download our Digital Learning Book by the Gjenvick-Gjønvik Archives. A ready reference you can use to prepare student exercises and learn more about the role ephemera in our immigration history.



Revisiting the RMS Titanic

The White Star liner Titanic, the largest ship ever built, bound from Liverpool for New York, collided with an iceberg, four hundred miles off the shore of Newfoundland, on the night of April 14th, and about four hours later sank in water two miles deep.

Download our PDF Book Revisiting the RMS Titanic for a summary of the materials available at the GG Archives.



Journey Through The Covers, Volume One

Published: ©2015 by the Gjenvick-Gjønvik Archives.

Edited and Compiled by Paul K. Gjenvick, MAS, Archivist.

This is the first volume of high-resolution prints of some of the many beautiful brochures and passenger lists that are part of the extensive holding of the Gjenvick-Gjønvik Archives. Many of these maritime related ephemera dating from the late 1800s through the early 1900s included excellent graphics on their covers.



Voyage To America: Ludvig Kristian Gjønvik, June 1913 **Published**: ©2015 by the Gjenvick-Gjønvik Archives.

Edited and Compiled by Paul K. Gjenvick, MAS, Archivist.

The book describes a young Norwegian's journey from Norway to Boston in June 1913 including documents, photographs, and information about the voyage using the vast resources of the GG Archives. Excellent example for those seeking to publish a similar book for their family.

Articles About the GG Archives

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