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### Doing Great on the Annual Appeal - Thanks to Those Who've Already Donated!

As you can see from our poster, we're very close to raising \$40,000 this year, a new record for us! A total of 115 people have made donations so far. If you haven't given yet, there's still time. We try not to hound you during the year, and we don't do a separate Giving Tuesday plea; we know there are many worthy causes out there but we hope you will put us at the top of your list. There really aren't that many facilities out there that can match our strong collection of materials coupled with our personal touch and willingness to help you with your research. Help us keep going strong!



#### Thanks for giving so generously to our 2024 Annual Appeal!

We are a non-profit 501(c)(3) library. We greatly appreciate donations from the public.

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##### **We've raised \$38,526.66 so far this year!**

*Add your name to the list today.*

##### **Contributors up to \$99**

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This December, Give the Gift of the Godfrey! (and we'll give you a little gift in return)

### Genealogy Club

We will not be having a December Genealogy Club presentation -- see you in January!

Are your loved ones getting to the point in their lives where they have just too much "stuff"? How about giving your favorite genealogist a subscription to the Godfrey for a year? Or, put it on *your* wish list -- ask your family members for a membership, or add another year to your current subscription. This holiday season, go for the gift that's a win for all. Click on the image above to download a form. And, as an added incentive, **we'll extend your membership by six months!**

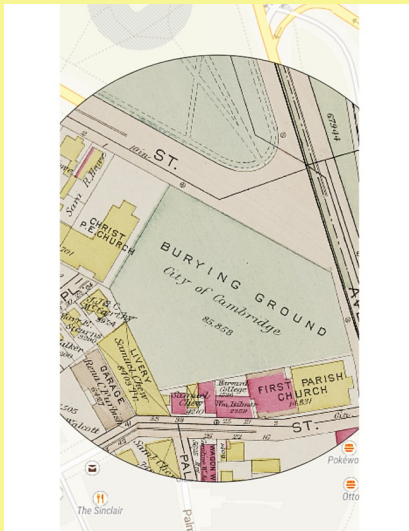
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## New/Newly Catalogued Items for November 2024

Another fairly short list this month, but some nice new titles.

| New/Recatalogued Materials, Godfrey Memorial Library<br>November, 2024 |   |                       |
|--|---|-----------------------|
| Call Number  | Title   | Author                |
| 261.8 SLAUGHT 2023   | Faith In Harbors: Christian Capitalism in the Early American Republic         | Staghter, Joseph P.   |
| 929.2 RIEHLE 1999  | Riehle Family History 1897-1999   | Riehle, Dennis Joseph |
| BIOFILE 929.2 NEWTON 2024  | Sally, Wife of Dudley Newton  | Fiacre, Albert E.     |
| BIOFILE 929.2 RUBY 2024  | Ancestors of Edward Henry Ruby (1879-1920) and Hazel Mary Goodnow (1882-1976) | Fiacre, Albert E.     |
| CONN 6974.91 MIDDLELET v1 2024   | Early Families of Middletown, Connecticut Volume I 1650-1664                  | Bacon, Reginald W.    |
| CONN 6974.91 MIDDLELET v2 2024   | Early Families of Middletown, Connecticut Volume II 1665-1700                 | Bacon, Reginald W.    |
| MASS 974.91 PLYMOUTH MD v72 nos. 1, 2                                  | Mayflower Descendant: A Journal of Pilgrim Genealogy                          |                       |
| N-ENG 016 ACCTBKS FRIDAY v.1,2   | Account Books at the State Historical Societies in New England                | Friday, Paul          |
| N-ENG 016 DIARIES FRIDAY   | Diaries at the State Historical Societies in New England                      | Friday, Paul          |
| N-ENG 016 MILITAR FRIDAY   | Military Manuscripts at the State Historical Societies in New England         | Friday, Paul          |
| N-ENG 016 VRM FRIDAY   | Vital Record Manuscripts at the State Historical Societies in New England     | Friday, Paul          |
| N-ENG 950 NEWHS v.176 no.4   | New England Historical and Genealogical Register                              |                       |
| N-York 366.5AR YEAR BOO 1893   | Year Book of the Society of Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York   |                       |



## Sign Up Now Before Space Runs Out! Webinar Dec. 11, 6 pm (ET) - "Putting Family History on the Map" with Julia Williams

Do you love maps as much as we do? Join Julia Williams, Gallery & Communications Coordinator at the Leventhal Map & Education Center, together with Boston Public Library Research Services to discuss the use of historic

## Need Help Reading Italian Vital Records?

Follow this [link](#) to an excellent blog post by DiAnn Iamarino Ohama about the differences among Italian civil vital records according to time period in the 1800s and up through 1922, and how to know where and what to find in each type.



maps for genealogical research. Julia has experience working with New England Historical Genealogical Society as a genealogist on **10 Million Names**, a project aimed at recovering the names of the estimated ten million men, women, and children of African descent who were enslaved in pre- and post-colonial America. She will also provide a demo of **Atlascope**, which overlays historic and modern maps so you can easily compare past and present.

There is a limit of 500 Zoom attendees, and they were already up to 100 as of the day before Thanksgiving, so sign up soon! If you don't make it, don't worry, they will be posting a copy of the presentation on their YouTube Channel.

[Register Here](#)

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## Problems Accessing MyHeritage

We apologize if you've been having trouble accessing *MyHeritage* through our website. Steve Morse has contacted the tech folks there for us. We had a similar problem last summer when they made some changes on us without letting us know. Rest assured we will continue to contact them until it is fixed. We apologize for any inconvenience in the meantime.

## Welcome to This Month's New Members

Jane Barber (MA)  
Maureen Bartlett (CT)  
Michele Beaudoin (NV)  
Erin Beyer (KS)  
Mary Bowler (CT)  
Kaye Burgess (CT)  
Jack Chapman (CT)  
Nina Gregory (CT)  
Dan Hamilton (MA)  
Danny Hawkes (OR)  
Sarah Malinowski (NY)  
Linnea Maloney (FL)  
Teresa Martin (CT)  
Megan Morris (TX)  
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Charlotte Openshaw (NV)  
Patricia Pelkey (CT)  
Justin Sambor (CT)  
Vicki Schell (FL)  
Marc Strickland (CT)  
Margaret Tuten (GA)  
Cynthia Weatherby (FL)  
Rebecca Wenger (MI)  
Debra Wilmes (CT)

## HOLIDAY HOURS

We will be **closed** on December 24 & 25 (Tuesday and Wednesday) and December 31 and January 1 (also Tuesday and Wednesday).

Wishing You All a Peaceful and Joyous Holiday Season



**Holiday Hours: We will be closed on the following days: Tuesday, December 24th and Wednesday, December 25th and Tuesday December 31st and Wednesday January 1st. We will be open Thursday through Saturday, December 26-28, and reopen on Thursday the 2nd of January to resume regular hours.**

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