# Some benefits of membership in the

# **Ontario Genealogical Society**

**FAMILIES** is the Ontario Genealogical Society's quarterly journal. Issues contain:

- Researched and illustrated genealogical articles
- Previously unpublished reference material
- Queries (members may insert two queries annually without charge)
- Brief family histories
- Book reviews
- Resource information and practical ideas



**eWEEKLY** is the Society's online newsletter. Issues contain:

- Topical news reports
- Notices of upcoming events
- Society updates

### **CONFERENCE**

Each spring the Society's three-day conference is held at a location somewhere in the province.

- International and local speakers on a multitude of topics
- Special Interest Group get-togethers
- Vendor marketplace
- Internet research room
- Reduced registration fee for members

### **BE INFORMED**

OGS keeps its members informed through email announcements, Facebook and a blog, about upcoming events and other timely information of interest to genealogists.

### **ADVOCACY**

By joining the OGS organization, you will help to strengthen its campaigns to maintain and increase accessibility to genealogical and historical documents, and to preserve pioneer cemeteries.

### **OTHER MEMBER BENEFITS**

- Discounts on memberships and conference fees of various societies and online services
- Access to a variety of online scanned documents and other material gathered by the Society's members
- Access to a collection of instructional Webinars and other informative video recordings created by society members and genealogical experts

### **OGS WEB SITE:**

https://ogs.on.ca

### **OGS PROVINCIAL OFFICE:**

Ontario Genealogical Society, 2100 Steeles Avenue West, Unit # 202 Concord, ON L4K 2V1

### **HOW TO JOIN**

You can join OGS online through the website, or print out the membership form and send it to the address above.



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# DURHAM REGION BRANCH



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### **DURHAM REGION BRANCH OGS**

The Durham Region Branch is one of many branches of the Ontario Genealogical Society. Our area covers most of the old Ontario County, as well as parts of old Durham County. While our publications are mainly about this area, our members' interests, meeting topics and collection go beyond Durham Region.

**MEETINGS** are held at 7:30 p. m. on the FIRST Tuesday of each month, with the exception of July and August. Meetings are held via Zoom; some are hybrid meetings with local members attending in person at Northminster United Church in Oshawa.

Visitors are always welcome. Bring a friend!

Check the website for information about speakers, upcoming events, and occasional changes in venue.

### KINDRED SPIRITS

Our newsletter is published quarterly and is received in electronic form. It includes articles of local, historical or genealogical interest. Queries are printed as space allows. Article submissions are always appreciated.



#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Transcriptions of Durham Region cemeteries, as well as various township census indices, are for sale at the Ontario Ancestors Shop: https://ogs.on.ca/shop/



### **OFFICE & RESEARCH LIBRARY**

Our office is in the Northminster United Church, 676 Simcoe St N in Oshawa LIG 4V7. The office houses a large collection of genealogical and historical books and other documents. The office is normally open on the Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m, by appointment; be sure to check our website for changes. It's also open at 6:45 before in-person monthly meetings.

# DNA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

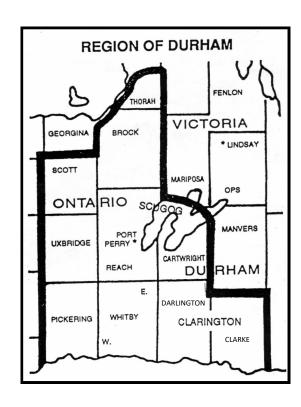
Everyone is welcome at this branch SIG, which meets on the third Wednesday of each month; see the branch website for the time and location of the next meeting. Those attending share their research experiences and information about using DNA test results to further their genealogical research.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

The branch maintains a blog, a Facebook group and a user-contributed surname list. Members are encouraged to contribute.

### **EDUCATION**

In addition to our monthly meetings, from time to time the Branch organizes day-long lecture and workshop days. These are advertised on the Branch website.



# **CONTACT**

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