Detroit Society of Genealogical Research Magazine
Submission Guidelines

GENERAL INFORMATION

• Please limit articles to 6,000 words or less.
• Please note that articles longer than 2000 words may be serialized over a number of issues.
• Please consider sending us copies or scans of original documents along with your article.
• Please do not submit articles that have been published previously, either in print or online.
• Please do not submit an article that you are also submitting to another journal.
• Please include your preferred contact information (email or phone number) in your submission.
• If you are not a DSGR member, you will receive a digital copy of the issue in which your submission is published.
• Books submitted for review will be donated to the Burton Historical Collection of the Detroit Public Library.
• Please Note that the act of submission grants DSGR a perpetual non-exclusive right to publish.

TYPES OF ARTICLES

Our articles usually fall into one of the following categories:

• Immigrant origins with a genealogical summary
• Problem-solving articles with a genealogical summary
• Genealogical accounts of families, especially families for which no genealogy now exists
• Michigan-based researched article on a topic of historic or genealogical interest
• Source material
• Photocopied material that is out of copyright

WRITING GUIDELINES

• Write using Microsoft Word or Apple’s Pages, using 12-point type, with notes in 10-point type, with 1.5-inch side margins. Please do not create your own formatting and styles; do not use any automatic features or indexing.
• Alternately, submit a document in plain text.
• If applicable, try to identify the parents of spouses mentioned in the article.
• Pay attention to double dating, i.e., dates in January through March before 1752. It may be necessary to view the original record (if possible) to determine the correct date.
• Ensure that you have included a citation for each statement of fact that is not common knowledge. Each should be cited to one or more reliable sources. Visit this link at Family Search for more information on using citations.
• Once you have given a full title in a note, use a short title in later notes. Do not use ibid.

Final Notes

Submissions should be sent to editor@dsgr.org

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Don’t want to write a new article, but want to contribute? Consider transcribing records from the Burton Historical Collection at the Detroit Public Library’s main location. We will connect you with our experts who will guide you through the process.