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NEHGS announces the publication of Penelope Stratton and Henry Hoff's *Guide to Genealogical Writing*

How to Write and Publish Your Family History

September 23, 2014—Boston, Massachusetts—New England Historic Genealogical Society in Boston has recently published the *Guide to Genealogical Writing* from NEHGS Publishing Director Penelope L. Stratton and Editor of the *Register* Henry B. Hoff, CG, FASG.

This book is THE guide to genealogical writing for all family historians! Whether readers are new to genealogy or have been researching for years, this improved edition of our bestselling "writing guide" will help all present their findings in writing. Using examples from NEHGS's award-winning publications, our experts show how to write a family history clearly and accurately—from building a genealogical sketch, to adding images, to indexing. An appendix on genealogical style covers alternate spellings of names, when and how to use lineage lines, how to include adopted children and stepchildren, aspects of double dating, and other issues faced by genealogical writers. This update of *Genealogical Writing in the 21st Century* is a must-have for anyone interested in sharing research!

From the preface: "As the country's leading resource for comprehensive family history research, the New England Historic Genealogical Society has a strong interest in encouraging genealogists at all levels not only to research their family histories but also to write and publish them." Among the topics covered: Getting started, Writing in genealogical style, Adding citations, Incorporating narrative, Selecting illustrations, Considering design and layout, Indexing, getting ready to publish, Writing for journals and magazines, Writing short or informal family histories, and Using Microsoft Word for genealogical writing.

Penelope L. Stratton is Publishing Director of the New England Historic Genealogical Society. She oversees the publication of books and periodicals, including books published under the Newbury Street Press imprint and books for the Great Migration Study Project. Prior to joining the NEHGS staff in 2006, Penny worked in both educational and trade book publishing. She has contributed articles to American Ancestors magazine and has given numerous presentations on various aspects of writing and publishing family histories.

Henry B. Hoff, CG, FASG, a member of the NEHGS staff since 1996, is editor of The *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*. Previously he served as editor or consulting editor of The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record. Henry is the author of more than 200 genealogical articles in genealogical periodicals, and is the co-author, editor, or co-editor of several books, including two previous writing guides published by NEHGS.

To order *Guide to Genealogical Writing*, call NEHGS's Sales Department at 888-296-3447, or visit the Society's bookstore website, <http://www.americanancestors.org/store/>.

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