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George Caleb Bingham, “The Jolly Flatboatmen” (1846), National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.
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A PERSONAL JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY

St. Charles has been home to immigrants for generations pioneering the way west. Enjoy your own Journey of Discovery by joining thousands of family historians as they meet on the banks of the Missouri River in St. Charles, 8–11 May 2019. Select from more than 170 lectures and special events listed in this brochure.

Network with experts in the field, learning their techniques and methods. As you mingle with friends with a common interest, ask those questions that are perhaps impeding your own research. Exhibitors will display new products, provide demonstrations in a special area, and endeavor to answer your specific questions.

PRE-REGISTER & SAVE
Discounted, early-bird conference registration runs from 1 December 2018 through 19 March 2019. Fill out the registration form on page fifteen or register online at conference.ngsgenealogy.org/register/. Attendees may also register for tours, meals, and special events until 19 April 2019 (or until events are fully booked). Space is limited for all social events, so register early.

Online registration ends on 19 April 2019. Registrations mailed by USPS postmarked on or before 19 April 2019 are acceptable. On-site conference registration opens Tuesday, 7 May 2019.

CANCELLATION: NGS offers a refund, minus a $50 service fee, until 19 April 2019. No refunds after that date.

CONFERENCE HOTELS
The Embassy Suites, Two Convention Center Plaza, St. Charles, Missouri 63303, is adjacent to the St. Charles Convention Center. Eight other hotels are available with a variety of room rates, all with free parking. The illustration on the back of this brochure shows the location of all the hotels. For the most up-to-date information about hotel rooms, amenities, their cancellation policies, and shuttles, see conference.ngsgenealogy.org/accommodations/.

Attendee Check-in hours

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CONFERENCE VENUE
St. Charles Convention Center, located at One Conference Plaza Center, St. Charles, Missouri 63303, will host most conference events. Other sessions will be in the attached Embassy Suites.

OPENING SESSION — JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY
Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. W101
Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL, will share tidbits about the Journey of Discovery of many people ranging from Marquette to Lewis and Clark, from Winny v. Whitesides to Dred Scott v. Sanford, from ancestors hiding in the pages of the Territorial Papers to clues lurking deep within our DNA. Americans are on their own journeys of discovery to find out who we are—where we come from.

ST. LOUIS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY HOST EVENT
CLAARA OR CLARA? DINING DNA DETECTIVES
Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m. W170 $36
Join us for a fun evening dinner and DNA detective work. In this interactive experience, you will use your DNA and genealogy-sleuthing skills to help us determine which Clara is the mother of your father. No prior DNA experience required! You will enjoy lively instructions, table collaboration, and good old-fashioned genealogy as we work as a team to piece together clues of this engaging case study.

Thursday, 4:15 p.m., Special Session: Robert J. Estes will present DNA: King Arthur’s Mighty Genetic Lightsaber, T251. DNA can be your own modern day personal Excalibur, slicing through roadblocks, slaying myths, and vanquishing brick walls. Here’s how to coax that force into being with you, today and preparing for tomorrow!

NGS RECEPTION AND BANQUET
IF CARVED IN STONE, YOUR EPISTAPH IS ALREADY DISAPPEARING!
Friday, 6:00 p.m. Reception (Cash Bar); 7:00 p.m. Banquet F370, $43
Grand Ballroom B & C
David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA, will entertain us with stories from cemeteries. You haven’t even died yet and already your epitaph is evaporating. For many of our ancestors, the only remaining record with a complete birth and death date may be their tombstone. Daily, these records are at risk of deterioration, vandalism, or another catastrophic event. Our generation can preserve the journey of discovery for future generations by capturing images of these rapidly deteriorating records. We can do this and enjoy the humor of our ancestors along the way!

NGS ANNUAL MEETING
Saturday, 5:15 p.m., S470
Meet the NGS officers and board of directors and hear updates on courses, publications, and more from NGS president, Ben Spratling.

BCG SKILLBUILDING TRACK
Board for Certification of Genealogists® (BCG) will sponsor a four-day Skillbuilding track designed for intermediate to advanced researchers. Presentations include analyzing sources, information, and evidence and case studies for problem solving. This year the sessions will focus on writing. Lectures are open to all conference registrants.

DINING WITH GUEST SPEAKERS
Participating societies and organizations sponsor luncheon speakers. See the conference schedule for details. Purchase meal tickets by using the registration form on page fifteen or go online to conference.ngsgenealogy.org/register. Meal reservations close 19 April 2019.

EXPLORE THE FAMILY HISTORY EXPO
Free and open to the public Wednesday through Saturday, the Exhibit Hall features a family history expo that typically hosts more than eighty exhibitors. Browse the exhibit hall for the latest in software for genealogists, books and periodicals, products and accessories of interest to family historians, demonstrations, book signings, daily drawings, and giveaways.

ENHANCEMENTS FOR 2019
This year the conference will include an African American Seminar and an Irish Seminar on Tuesday. In addition, the conference schedule will include several ethnic topics including African American, English, French, German, Irish, and Scottish lectures. The conference will present eighteen DNA lectures, one every hour.

On Thursday there is a three-hour DNA workshop T210, and on Friday a two-hour paleography workshop F350. Both have a small fee. Space is limited to 25 attendees.
BCG Education Fund Workshop—Putting Skills to Work
8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
This intensive, full day of learning focuses on skills needed by any genealogist and advocates established genealogical standards. Limited to sixty students and geared to intermediate and advanced practitioners, the two in-depth sessions incorporate hands-on exercises and active class discussion. The $110 registration fee includes lunch, class sessions, and syllabi. NGS Conference registration is not required. Space is limited so register online at conference.ngsgenealogy.org/register.
Sponsored by the BCG Education Fund, an independent charitable trust. See http://bcgedfund.org/putting-skills-to-work.
Nancy Peters, CG, CGL, Evidence Analysis: Theory, Practice, and the Real World. Through discussion of case examples and hands-on activities, participants will learn methods for analyzing sources, information, and evidence to solve genealogical problems.
Melissa Johnson, CG, Meeting Standards with Twenty-First Century Research Reports. Discussion and activities will focus on how to report research results in a concise and professional format that meets current standards.

Librarians’ Day
Librarians who work with family history patrons are invited to a pre-conference program at the Convention Center. The program will begin at 9:00 a.m. Space is limited, so register early. Registration closes on 19 April 2019. This is a free event for librarians who serve genealogists.

Your Network of Research Facilities
Learn more about resources, outreach, and services offered by other libraries and archives that may benefit you and your customers. Topics will include federal and state repositories, FamilySearch, and public libraries. This free event for librarians who serve genealogists includes lunch, all sponsored by ProQuest.

John Dougan: State Archives Records: Your Primary Source for Genealogical Research
David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA: FamilySearch is Free and More than Just Records
Ari Wilkins: Destination Public Library
Michael Hall, AG: “Utah Mike” and the Researchers of the “Tomes of NARA”
ProQuest will provide lunch for librarians who pre-register. NGS conference registration is not required. For more information about the speakers and program, visit the website at conference.ngsgenealogy.org/programs/Librariansday/

Seminars
St. Louis Genealogical Society is pleased to offer two special pre-conference events, an African American seminar, and an Irish seminar. The all-day programs, which start promptly at 8:15 a.m., will offer helpful hints and suggestions to enrich your research. All speakers have an extensive genealogical background and their biographies are available in this brochure. The registration fee is $110 for either seminar, includes a special syllabus, five lectures, lunch, and networking opportunities. Conference registration is not required to participate in these events. Further details are available at www.stlgs.org.

African American Seminar
Experts specializing in African American research will conduct this seminar, teaching strategies and methodologies.
Deborah A. Abbott, PhD: Cluster Research: Finding Your Lost Ancestors
LaBrenda Garrett-Nelson, JD, LLM, CG, CGL: Researching African American Ancestors in Federal Records
Timothy N. Pinnick: African American Magazines, Serials, and Other Publications
Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL: Separate but Unequal: Slave Laws and their Records
Ari Wilkins: WPA Slave Narratives

Irish Seminar
Broaden your knowledge of special techniques and unique records utilized by Irish research experts.
John Grenham, FIGRS, FSG: What is an Irish Surname?
John Grenham, FIGRS, FSG: Irish Reverse Genealogy
David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA: Introduction to Irish Law Libraries and their Records
Beth Stahr, CG, MLS: Irish Immigration to the Port of New Orleans: Old Irish, New Irish, and Those Who Traveled to the Interior
John Grenham, FIGRS, FSG: Irish Records of Anglo Irish

Society Showcase
Tuesday 1:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom Foyer
Leisurely browse the local genealogical and historical society tables where you can ask questions, discuss their activities, and purchase publications and memberships. Visit the website for a list of participating societies. See conference.ngsgenealogy.org/society-showcase.
Conference registration is not required to participate in this event.

Tuesday Tours
St. Louis Genealogical Society, the NGS local host, offers tours on Tuesday. All buses depart from the Conference Center and tours have limited space. Conference registration is not required.

Civil War Tour
9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Enjoy two Civil War facilities in St. Louis. The first stop on this guided tour is the Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Park, a former home of the President and his family. St. Louis Genealogical Society will serve lunch at their office before the tour continues to the Civil War Museum, showcasing the border state and its contribution to both Union and Confederate soldiers. Enjoy the facilities, exhibits, and bookstore at each stop. Transportation, entry fees, and lunch included in the $70 fee.

Historic St. Louis Tour
8:45 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Explore St. Louis as you learn its history. Experience Forest Park, established in 1876 and the home of the 1904 World’s Fair. Enjoy lunch at the Anheuser-Busch Biergarten, which provides an opportunity to see the Clydesdales. Other sites include the Old Courthouse, the site of the Dred and Harriet Scott trial, the Gateway Arch, and much more. Transportation and lunch are included in the tour fee of $70.

St Louis County Library
8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Home of the NGS Book Loan Collection, the library is open throughout the conference. Researchers may drive to the library any time or (on Tuesday only) register for the limited bus service. Lunch and transportation included, registration required. Tour fee $25.
## Conference Participants

- Ancestry
- Association of Professional Genealogists (APG)
- BCG Education Fund
- Birdie Monk Holsclaw Memorial Fund
- Board for Certification of Genealogists (BCG)
- BYU Center for Family History and Genealogy
- FamilySearch
- FamilyTree DNA
- Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS)
- Findmypast
- Friends of Missouri State Archives
- Genealogical Institute of Federal Records
- Genealogical Institute of Federal Records Alumni Association (Gen-Fed)
- Genealogical Speakers Guild (GSG)
- Greater Saint Charles Convention and Visitors Bureau
- International Society of Family History Writers & Editors (ISFHWE)

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**MENU**

- Shaved roast beef with cheddar cheese on whole grain bread.
- Homemade potato salad.
- Blondies.
- Coffee, iced tea, and Lemonade.

**COST** $26
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Missouri Historical Society
Missouri State Genealogical Association (MoSGA)
MyHeritage
National Archives Records Administration (NARA), St. Louis
New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS)
New York Genealogical & Biographical Society (NYG&B)
Newspapers.com
Palatines to America (PalAm)
ProQuest Records Preservation and Access Committee (RPAC)
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**Dining DNA Detectives**

Diahan Southard

W170 Join us for a fun evening of DNA detective work. In this interactive experience you will use your DNA and genealogy sleuthing skills to help us determine which Clara is the mother of your father. No prior DNA experience required!

**StLGS Dinner**

5:00 p.m.
Cash Bar

5:30 p.m.
Dinner

Clara or Clara? Dining DNA Detectives

**MENU**

Homemade sweet and tangy coleslaw.
Garden salad with choice of dressing.
Marinated, slow-cooked pulled pork.
Crispy buttermilk fried chicken.
Roasted red new potatoes.
Baked beans.
Cornbread muffins, rolls, and butter.
Chef’s dessert table.

**COST $36**

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<td>You’ve researched facts, you’re ready to write. How do you imagine their</td>
<td>In this interactive forum, current associates share various pathways to</td>
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<td>Palatines to America: The German Immigrant Experience in the 18th Century Germany</td>
<td>Michael D. Lacopo, DVM (CG, CGL)</td>
<td>This presentation provides basic knowledge of the sociology behind the German immigration experience into Pennsylvania and colonial America and first-hand accounts of the journey overseas.</td>
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<td>9:50 a.m.</td>
<td>StLGS: DNA Does Define Us?</td>
<td>Diakan Southard (CG, CGL)</td>
<td>DNA sometimes provides unexpected findings, thus the family is being redefined and often identities are being challenged. How did we end-up in a DNA-centric society?</td>
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<td>10:40 a.m.</td>
<td>GenFed: It Gets Even Better Offline</td>
<td>Thomas W. Jones, PhD (CG, CGL)</td>
<td>Two cases show how online research leads to unique offline sources and serendipitous results. They demonstrate ways to solve genealogical puzzles involving biographies and relationships.</td>
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<td>DNA: King Arthur’s Mighty Genetic Lightsaber</td>
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### Lunches 12:15 p.m.

**LIVE STREAMING**

Indirect Evidence Overturns a Direct Evidence Conclusion: From Hypothesis to Published Article  
**BCG**  
Julie Miller, CG, CGL, FNGS  
T240

Finding Relatives Through DNA When Family Trees Do Not Exist  
**BCG**  
Bernice Bennett  
T242

Researching the German Faithful in New Orleans  
**BCG**  
Beth A. Stahr, CG, MLS  
T243

Working with Documents: Transcription—A Powerful Tool  
**BCG**  
Barbara Vines Little, CG, FNGS, FUGA, FNGS  
T244

The Territorial Papers of the United States and the American State Papers  
**BCG**  
Rick Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA  
T245

Migrating from the Eastern U.S. to Mid-America  
**BCG**  
Carol Whitten  
T246

Rural Research  
**BCG**  
Pamela Boger Sayre, CG, FUGA  
T247

War of 1812 Bounty Land Draws Veterans to Missouri, Arkansas, and Illinois  
**BCG**  
Angela Packer McGhee, CG  
T248

Death Records: Moving from When and Where to How and Why  
**BCG**  
Kimberly Ormsby Nagy, MD  
T249

Deciphering French Records  
**BCG**  
Larry Franke  
T250

### 2:30 p.m.

### 4:15 p.m.

### MENU

**LIVE STREAMING**

Chicken breast, baby swiss cheese, and romaine on wheat wrap. Red bliss potato salad.  
**BCG**  
Lemon bars.  
**BCG**  
Coffee, iced tea, and Lemonade.  
**BCG**  
Cost $26

### 4:15 p.m.

Special Thursday Session  
**BCG**  
DNA: King Arthur’s Mighty Genetic Lightsaber  
Roberta J. Estes  
T251

Let’s talk about how DNA can be your own modern day personal Excalibur, slicing through roadblocks, slaying myths, and vanquishing brick walls. Here’s how to coax that force into being with you today and preparing for tomorrow!
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<td>DNA testing has opened doors for adoptees, foundlings, the donor conceived, and others. What assistance can (and should) genealogists be providing to these individuals?</td>
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<td>Using Newspapers.com to Color Your Family Tree</td>
<td>Newly available records of the Missouri National Guard, 1900–1960, document many aspects of service to the state in peacetime as well as war.</td>
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<td>Family History on Your Smartphone or Tablet</td>
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<td>Discover the National Genealogical Society Book Loan Collection</td>
<td>Who are These Women: A Crowd Sourced World War II Mystery</td>
<td>During the Great Depression around the country, this New Deal program provided work, housing, and training. Hear about the resources available for our CCC ancestors.</td>
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**Friday Schedule—10 May 2019**

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<td>Nancy A. Peters, CG, CGL</td>
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<td>Writing a Conclusion Incorporating DNA Evidence</td>
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<td>Making DNA Matching Simple with LivingDNA</td>
<td>Diahann Southard</td>
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<td>Using Ancestry DNA to Solve Unknown Parentage</td>
<td>Crista Cowan</td>
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<td>Tracing Ancestry in Scotland’s Heritable Land Records</td>
<td>Raymond Naisbit, AG</td>
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<td>The Irish Valuation Office</td>
<td>John Grenham, FIGRS, FGI</td>
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<td>My Uncle Shot a Conductor!: Using Supreme and Appellate Court Records as Genealogical Sources</td>
<td>Kelsey Berryhill</td>
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<td>Hidden Treasures: Tips and Rewards for Researching in Manuscript Collections</td>
<td>Bill Eddleman, PhD</td>
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<td>The Latest Online New York Records</td>
<td>Susan R. Miller</td>
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<td>Finding the First Landowner: Using Family Maps, HistoryGeo.com, and Texas Land Office Surveys</td>
<td>Ruth Ann (Abel) Hager, CG, CGL</td>
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<td>Cheri J. Daniels, MLS</td>
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<td>Irena Kanfer Murray</td>
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<td>Online Family Trees: Avoiding Pitfalls and Maximizing Discoveries</td>
<td>D. Joshua Taylor, MLS</td>
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<td>Family Tree Builder—MyHeritage Free Software to Safely Build, Research, and Showcase your Genealogy</td>
<td>Daniel Horowitz</td>
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<td>Time Travel with Google Earth</td>
<td>Lisa Louise Cooke</td>
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<td>American New Deal: The WPA’s Federal Project Number One</td>
<td>C. Ann Staley, CG, CGL</td>
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<td>Personnel Records of the National Archives at St. Louis</td>
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**Lunch Menu**

Chef salad with fresh lettuce greens, ham, turkey, cheese, tomatoes, and egg. Warm rolls and butter. Double fudge brownies. Coffee, iced tea, and Lemonade.

**Dinner Menu**

Sliced London broil marinated with balsamic vinegar & port wine finished with wild mushroom demi glaze optional, herb roasted potatoes, and seasonal vegetable medley.

House garden salad with choice of two dressings. Warm rolls and butter. Dessert: NY style cheesecake with strawberry or raspberry sauce. Coffee, iced tea, and Lemonade.

**WORKSHOP 2 HOURS**

Paleography Puzzles: Early American Handwriting History & Styles
Rebecca Whitman Koford, CG, CGL
A 2-hour workshop on the evolution and interpretation of American script. Discuss letters and number variations, early abbreviations, and contest. Includes group quizzes and hands-on practice.

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**Saturday Schedule—11 May 2019**

### Lunches 12:15 p.m.
- **Tell Your Ancestor’s Story by Writing, Verifying, Documenting, and Sharing**
  - **Angela Packer McChie, CG**
  - Whether you are documenting your family stories, or pulling the stories out of documents, accurately preserve the details of your ancestor’s lives.
  - **BCG**
  - **Cost** $441

### 2:30 p.m.
- **Methods for Managing Your DNA Match List**
  - **Crista Cowan**
  - Learn about the English probate, burial and other records kept after death.
  - **ALL**
  - **Cost** $442

- **English Records Beyond the Grave**
  - **Raymon Naisbit, AG**
  - Learn about the English probate, burial and other records kept after death.
  - **ALL**
  - **Cost** $443

### 4:00 p.m.
- **Deconstructing the Neighborhood: Using the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps to Understand Communities**
  - **Cheri J. Daniels, MLS**
  - The Sanborn Maps provide a unique picture of community: residents, dwellings, occupations, commerce, and change. Learn how to glean the most information from these treasures.
  - **ALL**
  - **Cost** $445

- **Footprints on the Plains: Researching Your Kansas Ancestor**
  - **Dani Altman-Newell**
  - Whether your ancestor was an explorer, homesteader, Jayhawker, border ruffian, or cowboy, there are a myriad of records available for those researching their Kansas ancestors.
  - **BI**
  - **Cost** $446

### BGC
- **2019: The Year of the Copyright**
  - **Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL**
  - 2019 means changes—good and bad—in copyright law in the US. Learn more about copyright, and cyprowords to avoid, in writing our family histories.
  - **ALL**
  - **Cost** $451

- **New DNA Tools and Features on MyHeritage**
  - **Daniel Horowitz**
  - Learn how MyHeritage integrated its powerful DNA matching technology into its family history offerings! Look at a few exciting case studies.
  - **BI**
  - **Cost** $452

### National Genealogical Society Annual Meeting NGS Members 5:15 p.m.
- **Meeting**
  - **Benjamin B. Spratling, JD**
  - Meet the NGS officers and board of directors and hear updates on courses, publications, and more from NGS president, Benjamin B. Spratling.
  - **ALL**
  - **Cost** $470

### FamilySearch
- **Whoa! Slow Down. Look at a Map**
  - **Jacob Eabanks, MLS**
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- **Help for Southerners in Need: The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands**
  - **Ruth Ann (Abels) Hager, CG, CGL**
  - The Freedmen’s Bureau offered help in Southern states to former slaves and others needing assistance after the Civil War. Do they name your ancestors?
  - **IA**
  - **Cost** $447

- **FamilySearch Collections—Tips and Tricks**
  - **David E. Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA**
  - This session shares tips and tricks to searching record collections in FamilySearch. Learn new techniques for searching the collections, compiled genealogies, and the library catalog.
  - **BI**
  - **Cost** $448

- **Iowa’s State Census: Genealogical Jewels**
  - **Alice Hoyt Veen, CG**
  - During territorial times through 1925, Iowa has regularly counted her people. Each census year is unique; discover the possibilities for your Iowa ancestor.
  - **BI**
  - **Cost** $449

- **From Despair to Cargoes of Hope: WWII’s Displaced Persons**
  - **C. Ann Staley, CG, CGL**
  - Was your ancestor one of the immigrants who entered the United States under the Displaced Persons Act following WWII? Learn about accessing the records.
  - **IA**
  - **Cost** $460

- **Discovering Family Information in US Congressional Records**
  - **Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL**
  - Congressional records contain a vast array of overlooked family information in private claim acts. Access these records in print and online.
  - **ALL**
  - **Cost** $459

- **The Road to Tennessee: Migration Trails from the Revolutionary War to the Mexican War**
  - **Charles Sherrill, MLS**
  - A GIS mapping project shows the migration patterns of 1,500 Revolutionary War veterans. This lecture shows migration trends and paths to and through Tennessee.
  - **I**
  - **Cost** $450

- **Eight Sources to Expand Your Slave Research**
  - **LaDonna Garner**
  - Researching the lives of American slaves can be an onerous task. Consider these eight sources for additional documentation of enslaved people.
  - **I**
  - **Cost** $457

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ADA Americans with Disability Act  
AG Accredited Genealogist  
APG Association of Professional Genealogists  
BCG Board for Certification of Genealogists  
BLM Bureau of Land Management  
BYU Brigham Young University  
CEO Chief Executive Officer  
CG Certified Genealogist  
CGL Certified Genealogical Lecturer  
DVM Doctor of Veterinary Medicine  
FASG Fellow, American Society of Genealogists  
FGS Fellow, New York Genealogical and Biographical Society  
FGS Federation of Genealogical Societies  
FSGS Fellow, Genealogical Society of Ireland  
FSGS Fellow, National Genealogical Society  
FASG Fellow, Utah Genealogical Association  
FVG Fellow, Virginia Genealogical Society  
GenFed Genealogical Institute on Federal Records  
GF Gluten Free  
GIS Geographic Information System  
GEO General Land Office  
GPS Genealogical Proof Standard  
GRIP Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh  
SGS Genealogical Speakers Guild  
IAGS International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies  
ICAPGen International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists  
IGHR Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, University of Georgia  
IGRA Israel Genealogy Research Association  
ISFHWE International Society of Family History Writers and Editors  
JD Juris Doctor  
LLM Master of Law  
MD Medical Doctor  
MLS Master of Library Science  
MBA Master of Business Administration  
MS Master of Science  
MSLS Master of Science in Library Science  
MSL Master of Library Science  
NARA National Archives and Records Administration  
NEHGS New England Historic Genealogical Society  
NGS National Genealogical Society  
NGSQ National Genealogical Society Quarterly  
NRS National Institute for Genealogical Studies  
NYGB New York Genealogical and Biographical Society  
OGS Ohio Genealogical Society  
PalAr Palatines to America  
PBS Public Broadcasting Service  
PPO Prisoner of War  
PDI Doctor of Philosophy  
PRAU Rhode Island General Assembly  
PRAMC IAJGS Public Record Access Monitoring Committee  
ProGen Professional Genealogists Study Group  
ProGen PFS Professional Genealogy Preparation, Practice & Standards  
RPAC Records Preservation and Access Committee  
SLIG Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy  
SLIGS St. Louis Genealogical Society  
VIGR Virginia Institute of Genealogical Research

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☐ Printed Syllabus (for Early Bird Registrants only) $40

☐ Syllabus on USB drive (for Early Bird Registrants only) $5

Pre-Conference Events / Tuesday, 7 May 2019—A separate fee is required for each event listed below which must be purchased by 19 April 2019 and cannot be purchased at the conference. Seating is limited for all events; register early. Details on page 3.

TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2019

☐ Research Trip to St. Louis County Library $25

☐ Civil War Museum & U. S. Grant’s Home Tour $70

☐ Historic St. Louis Tour $70

☐ Irish Seminar $110

☐ African American Seminar $110

☐ BCG Education Fund Workshop $110

☐ Librarians’ Day Free, must pre-register and identify library $0.00

Library name where employed / location:

Special Workshops

THURSDAY, 9 MAY 2019

☐ atDNA Analysis Workshop T210 $30

FRIDAY, 10 MAY 2019

☐ Paleography Puzzles F350 $20

Social Events—A separate fee is required for each event. Purchase tickets by 19 April 2019. Tickets cannot be purchased at the conference. Seating is limited; register early.

WEDNESDAY, 8 MAY 2019

☐ Friends of Missouri State Archives Luncheon W131 $26

☐ APG Luncheon W132 $26

☐ FamilySearch Luncheon W133 $26

☐ SILGS Dinner W160 $36

THURSDAY, 9 MAY 2019

☐ Patelines to America Luncheon T231 $26

☐ SILGS Luncheon T232 $26

☐ Gen-Fed Alumni Luncheon T233 $26

FRIDAY, 10 MAY 2019

☐ GSG-ISFHW Luncheon F331 $26

☐ NYG&B F332 $26

☐ BCG Luncheon F333 $26

☐ NGS Banquet F370 $43

SATURDAY, 11 MAY 2019

☐ NGS Luncheon S431 $26

☐ NEHGS Luncheon S432 $26

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