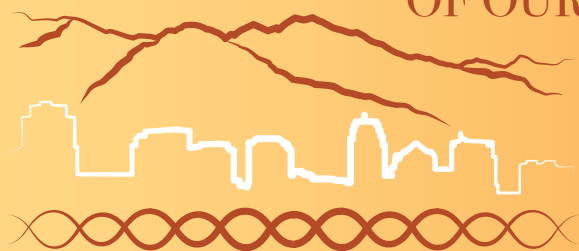


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Join thousands of family historians and genealogists in Salt Lake City, Utah, 20–23 May 2020, for the National Genealogical Society's 42nd Annual Family History Conference. Choose from more than 175 lectures and special programs with a variety of topics to enhance your research techniques and fine-tune your analysis and problem-solving skills.

The conference provides a great opportunity to share your success stories and discuss roadblocks with fellow family history researchers. Sign up for social and pre-conference events. Explore the latest products, online resources, books, and demonstrations at the exhibitors' booths and learn about NGS online courses and publications. Spread the news about the conference to friends, family, and colleagues.

PRE-REGISTER & SAVE

Discounted, early-bird conference registration runs from 1 December 2019 through 17 March 2020. Fill out the registration form on page 15 or register online at conference.ngsgenealogy.org/register/. Attendees may also register for tours, meals, and special events until 17 April 2020 (or until events are fully booked). Space is limited for all social events, so register early.

Online registration ends on 17 April 2020. Registration sent by USPS must be post-marked by 17 April 2020. On-site conference registration opens Tuesday, 19 May 2020, noon to 8:00 p.m.

NGS offers a refund, minus a \$50 service fee, until 17 April 2020. No refunds after 17 April 2020.

Attendee Check-in Hours

Tuesday	12:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	7:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
Thursday	7:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
Friday	7:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
Saturday	7:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

CONFERENCE VENUE

Salt Palace Convention Center, located at 100 South West Temple, will host most conference events.

Parking: public parking at the Salt Palace is currently \$12 per day.

CONFERENCE HOTELS

For services, pricing, and availability at the Hilton Salt Lake City Center, Radisson Hotel Salt Lake City Downtown, and the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel, see conference.ngsgenealogy.org/accommodations/.

GETTING THERE

By Air: The Salt Lake International Airport has several airlines with nonstop flights daily to many cities.

CONFERENCE BLOG

Subscribe to the NGS conference blog at conference.ngsgenealogy.org/blog. The conference blog will provide the latest information about conference events, speakers, exhibitors, research facilities in Utah, and things to do in and around Salt Lake City.

CONFERENCE EVENTS, WEDNESDAY–SATURDAY, 20–23 MAY 2020

OPENING SESSION—FAMILY SECRETS

Wednesday, 8:00 a.m. W101

Dani Shapiro, author of *Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love*, has spent a lifetime writing fiction and memoirs about the corrosive power of secrets within families. She stumbled on a massive secret of her own: her beloved father was not her father. As she writes in *Inheritance*: "I always knew there was a secret. What I didn't know: the secret was me."



Michael Maren

A NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY

The Family History Library will be open extended hours, until 11:00 p.m., Wednesday–Saturday evenings. **Special Activities on Wednesday:** Food trucks nearby will offer affordable food for purchase from Salt Lake City's finest on wheels, during the dinner hours. Activities will include a "punch pass" for prizes, mini-presentations, and access to research professionals. Allow time to walk two blocks to the Family History Library.

UTAH GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION HOST EVENT

Thursday, 6:00 p.m.–9:00 p.m. T264 \$55
Enjoy the talents of former Broadway stars in Echoes of Broadway, an excellent night of entertainment hosted by the Utah Genealogical Association at the Salt Palace Convention Center. This Thursday evening event will begin with a silent auction, allowing time to chat about the stimulating classes attended that day, followed by a scrumptious dinner and the evening's showcase.

NGS RECEPTION AND BANQUET—ECHOES OF THE WOMEN WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE

Friday, 6:00 p.m.
Reception (Cash Bar): 7:00 p.m. F360 \$50
Enjoy dinner and enlightenment as Steffani Raff, an award-winning storyteller, takes us on a journey through the history of women's suffrage.

NGS ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, 5:15 p.m.
Meet the NGS officers and Board of Directors and hear updates on courses, publications, and more from NGS President, Ben Spratling.

BCG SKILLBUILDING TRACK

The Board for Certification of Genealogists® (BCG) will sponsor a four-day skillbuilding track designed for intermediate to advanced researchers. Presentations include analyzing sources, evidence, proving identity, and case studies for problem-solving.

ICAPGEN ACCREDITATION TRACK

The International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists™ (ICAPGen) will sponsor a one-day track highlighting skills that are essential for a strong genealogical foundation. Lectures are open to all who are registered for the conference.

EXPLORE THE FAMILY HISTORY EXPO

Free and open to the public Wednesday through Saturday, the exhibit hall features a family history expo and 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.

SPECIAL PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS, TUESDAY, 19 MAY 2020

BCG EDUCATION FUND WORKSHOP—PUTTING SKILLS TO WORK

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. \$110

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 registration fee includes lunch, class sessions, and syllabi. NGS conference registration not required. Space is limited so register early at conference.ngsgenealogy.org/register. Sponsored by the BCG Education Fund, an independent charitable trust, bcgedfund.org/putting-skills-to-work.

UNDERSTANDING THE RECORDS, UNDERSTANDING THE LAW

Stefani Evans, CG, applies the lens of a social historian to genealogy problems.

Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL, provides expert guidance through the murky territory where law, history, and genealogy come together.

This two-part workshop covers key aspects of legal records critical to genealogy: reading, abstracting, understanding, and properly interpreting them under the laws of their time.

LIBRARIANS' DAY

9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. \$20

ProQuest invites librarians who work with family history patrons to its pre-conference program. Echoes of Our Ancestors—Who Went West will cover a wide range of resources available both online and in other media. Space is limited so register early. Registration closes on 17 April 2020. Lunch and syllabus materials will be provided. Parking is \$12.

Ari Wilkins, Serving Genealogical Researchers at Public Libraries

James K. Jeffrey, Researching the West: Denver Public Library

Alison DePrey Singleton, MLS, Calamity Janes, Cowboys, and Catalog Women: Researching Frontier Men and Women in Newspapers

Michael L. Strauss, AG, Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines: Guarding and Patrolling Our Western Frontier



UNIVERSITY OF UTAH MARRIOTT LIBRARY

TUESDAY TOURS

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. \$30

A visit to the BYU campus in Provo will provide a tour of the facilities and free research time in the database, archive, and library collections. Includes the Center for Family History and Genealogy, the Family History Library within the Harold B. Lee Library, and the L. Tom Perry Special Collections—which contain manuscript collections relevant to the Intermountain West, American Indians, western migration, and Latter-day Saint history/genealogy. A limited number of one-on-one or two-on-one research consultations will be available. Lunch is not included, but there will be a wide range of lunch options in eateries and on-campus cafes.



BYU HAROLD B. LEE LIBRARY

WELFARE SQUARE AND INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDENS

9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. \$40

Learn what The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints does to care for the poor, foster self-reliance, and provide work and service opportunities. Tour Welfare Square's storehouse, cannery, bakery, and dairy. Then visit the International Peace Gardens, which feature native plantings, garden architecture, and statues of world peace leaders. Transportation and box lunch included.



INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDENS

THE UTAH STATE ARCHIVES AND DIVISION OF STATE HISTORY

10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. \$25

Tour the Utah State Archives & Records Service and the Utah Division of State History. Learn how they manage their collections and preserve records and see the interesting records and artifacts they house. Observe the State Archives "robots" in action, visit the Research Room, browse the Rio Gallery Museum, and enjoy lunch at the iconic Rio Grande Café. Transportation included, lunch on your own at the café.



UTAH STATE ARCHIVES

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM AND RED BUTTE GARDEN

11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. \$65

Utah's Natural History Museum is one of the country's finest natural history museums. Explore artifacts highlighting Utah's history, dinosaurs, native peoples, world-famous landscapes, and more. Also visit the Red Butte

Garden, one of the largest botanical gardens in the Intermountain West. It features themed gardens, a children's garden, waterfall and pond, and hiking trails. Admission, transportation, and box lunch included.



NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM AND RED BUTTE GARDEN

CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

Ancestry	Birdie Monk Holsclaw Memorial Fund	Family History Library
Arizona Genealogical Advisory Board	Board for Certification of Genealogists (BCG)	Family Search
Association of Professional Genealogists (APG)	BYU Center for Family History and Genealogy	FamilyTreeDNA
BCG Education Fund		Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS)
		Findmypast

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE—20 MAY 2020

8:00 a.m.	Track	11:00 a.m.	Luncheons 12:15 p.m.
OPENING SESSION Keynote Address Dani Shapiro, author of <i>Inheritance</i> and <i>Family Secrets</i> W101 After a lifetime spent writing fiction and memoirs about the corrosive power of secrets within families, Dani Shapiro stumbled upon a massive family secret of her own: her beloved father was not her father. As she writes in <i>Inheritance</i> : "I always knew there was a secret. What I didn't know: the secret was me." The presentation will delve into Shapiro's own detective story as she discovers a radically different truth than the one she had known, and shines a spotlight on the complex, ethical ramifications of this moment in history, during which science and technology have outpaced the human heart's capacity to contend with what we may discover. Dani Shapiro is the best-selling author of the memoirs <i>Inheritance</i> , <i>Hourglass</i> , <i>Still Writing</i> , <i>Devotion</i> , and <i>Slow Motion</i> , and five novels, and is the host of the forthcoming podcast <i>Family Secrets</i> . She has taught in the writing programs at Columbia, NYU, The New School, and Wesleyan University; she is co-founder of the Sireland Writers Conference in Italy. A contributing editor at <i>Condé Nast Traveler</i> , Dani lives with her family in Litchfield County, Connecticut.	BCG Skillbuilding	Strategies for Resolving Conflicting Evidence <i>Angela McGhie, CG</i> W121 Records often provide information that is inconsistent with other records. The challenge is in resolving these conflicts accurately, and these six strategies can help. IA	New York Genealogical and Biographical Society Luncheon The New York State of Mind: Escapades in the Wild West <i>Pamela Boyer Sayre, CG, FUGA</i> If your ancestors came through NY and then migrated to the American West for new lives, you'll enjoy these tales of ordinary and extraordinary adventurers. W131 Association of Professional Genealogists Luncheon Render Yourself Capable: Lessons for Aspiring Genealogists from a Nineteenth Century Frenchman <i>Paul Woodbury</i> Joseph Ichante engraved the words "Render Yourself Capable" on the wall of his home—an apt description of the preparation necessary to uncover his story. W132 Palatines to America Luncheon Adventures in German Family History Research <i>Roger Minert, PhD, AG</i> Some adventures in German family history research are good. Some are better. All can make us better researchers if we remember them and learn from them. W133 Genealogical Speakers Guild Luncheon The Difference Between "Lectern" and "Podium": Terms of the Trade <i>Jean Wilcox Hibben, PhD</i> Many terms come from the world of public speaking and performing—we'll have some fun with them and maybe learn a little too. W134 Menu House salad and rolls Chicken marinara mozzarella over penne pasta Beverages and dessert \$31
	Heritage	Shamrocks in Cyberspace: Irish Genealogy Databases <i>Michael Brophy</i> W122 Information about our Irish ancestors is exploding on the internet. The best websites for Irish research are explored and analyzed. BI	
	Methodology	Faith, Adventure, and Fortitude: Echoes of the Kingsley Family from Connecticut to California <i>D. Joshua Taylor, MLS</i> W123 Two sought fortune, three followed their faith, and one left a child who sought the spotlight. Through their distinctive echoes, we will discover their past. I	
	Records	Pioneers of Greater Appalachia: Research in the Draper Manuscript Collection <i>Daniel Lilienkamp, JD</i> W124 Were records of your early 19th century pioneer and Appalachian ancestors collected by Lyman Draper? Discover how to find them in this manuscript collection. ALL	
	Migration	How Settlers Guides Can Help Us Understand Our Ancestor's Migration <i>Annette Burke Lyttle</i> W125 Settlers guides have been published since the early days of colonial North America. Learn how these guides can open a window into our ancestors' lives. ALL	
	Women	Celebrating the Vote: 100 Years of Women's Suffrage <i>Gena Philibert-Ortega</i> W126 Utah and other western women won the right to vote before the Nineteenth Amendment. Suffrage, voting, and other related records help reconstruct their lives. I	
	Religion	The Parish Chest Records: Beyond Births, Marriages, and Deaths <i>Daniel Poffenberger, AG</i> W127 In England, the parish was responsible for more than registering baptisms, marriages and burials. Learn about other incredible records found in the parish chest. ALL	
	Writing	Constructing Clear Citations <i>Thomas Wright Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS</i> W128 Citations support research results, making them credible. This session focuses on citations for genealogical research reports and articles. Subtopics include citation content, sequencing, and structure. IA	
	Making Connections	Being a Responsible and Ethical Genealogist in the Twenty-First Century <i>Blaine Bettinger, PhD, JD</i> W129 Genealogists have more ways to share information than ever before. Being responsible stewards of information is critical. Learn ways to ethically and responsibly share information. ALL	
	States	A Pine Post Four Inches Square: Staking a Claim on Mining Records <i>Jen Baldwin</i> W130 The gold rush era resulted in millions of individuals seeking their fortunes in the west. The records they left behind are our treasures today! IA	

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CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS (Continued)

Genealogical Institute of Federal Records Alumni Association (Gen-Fed)	MyHeritage	ProQuest
Genealogical Speakers Guild (GSG)	New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS)	Records Preservation and Access Committee (RPAC)
International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists (ICAPGen)	New York Genealogical & Biographical Society (NYG&B)	Research Ties
	Palatines to America	Utah Genealogical Association (UGA)

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE—20 MAY 2020

2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	Evening
Establishing Identity and Kinship with Military Records <i>Craig Scott, CG, FUGA</i> W141 Using case studies, this lecture focuses on little-used military records that establish identity and kinship. I	Identifying Ancestors Through Advanced Reasoning Skills <i>Warren Bittner, CG</i> W151 Follow several immigrant cases where logic, deduction, and analysis helped solve tough cases. IA	Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.–8:00 p.m. Society Night Come meet representatives of genealogical and historical societies from Utah and nearby states and discover new research resources and publications. Volunteers will be delighted to answer questions about membership opportunities. This event is free and open to the public. 5:30 p.m.–11:00 p.m. A Night at the Library The Family History Library will have several activities to enjoy inside and out. Food trucks nearby will offer affordable food for purchase from Salt Lake City's finest on wheels. Activities will include a "punch pass" for prizes, mini-presentations, and access to research professionals.
In Search of a Home <i>Janette Silverman, DSJS</i> W142 Follow two Jewish families from their early twentieth century US arrival searching for a permanent place to settle, each briefly living in Salt Lake City. BI	Conrad Beidler's Signature <i>James Beidler</i> W152 Conrad Beidler encountered more people than the average Pennsylvania German. As his signature evolves, it can be seen how these contacts changed his script. B	
Elusive Ancestors Never Too Poor to Trace <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA</i> W143 Poor ancestors are a special challenge. Without deeds, wills, marriages, lawsuits, or newspaper accounts, how do we track migrations, identify origins, and find parents? ALL	A Widow, Midwife, and a Nun: A Case Study <i>Suzanne Russo Adams, AG</i> W153 Explore genealogical and historical methods to discover the true identity of Vincenza Picone. Vincenza's life illustrates the need to study history and culture. IA	
"I give and bequeath my slave..." <i>Tony Burroughs, FUGA</i> W144 Understanding the probate process, probate records, and analyzing and processing information in a will listing slaves is essential for slave genealogy. IA	Privacy Concerns vs. Access to Records: Home and Abroad <i>Jan Alpert, FNGS, Jan Meisels Allen, and Frederick E. Moss, JD, LLM.</i> W154 Learn how privacy laws are changing our access to records in the US and European Union. RPAC ALL	
Where Did They Go When They Left Ohio? <i>Laurie Hermance-Moore, AG</i> W145 As the Northwest Territory opened for settlement, many passed through Ohio but eventually moved west. Where did they go and why? BI	Settling Utah: Mormons, Miners, and Migrants <i>Lyn Rasmussen, CG</i> W155 It's been 150 years since the Golden Spike connected the West and East. Learn about how this changed Utah. BI	
Finding American Women's Voices through the Centuries: Letters, Diaries, Journals, Newspapers, and Court Records <i>Jane E. Wilcox</i> W146 Women from the seventeenth through the twentieth centuries are challenging to uncover, but we may hear their voices in the documents that recorded their lives. ALL	Nineteenth Century Women Settlers Confront the Far West <i>Janice Lovelace, PhD</i> W156 Learn more about the lives of white, black, and Asian women ancestors who settled in the far west pre-1900 through letters, diaries, and records. I	
An Important Resource: German Immigrants in American Church Records <i>Kelsee Walker</i> W147 Discover more about American church records kept by Germans and the helpful book series, <i>German Immigrants in American Church Records</i> , in tracing your German ancestors. IA	Resources for Quaker Research in the Family History Library <i>Annette Burke Lyttle</i> W157 The Family History Library has more than 3,000 resources for Quaker research. Learn how to make the most of this collection to find your Quaker ancestors. ALL	
Transcribing Documents: An Essential Skill for Genealogists <i>Julie Miller, CG, CGL, FNGS</i> W148 Transcribing is an important part of the research and analyzing process. Learn how this skill will help solve genealogical problems. BI	Writing, Blogging, and Presenting Compelling Stories <i>Rhonda Lauritzen</i> W158 Learn to craft more compelling family history stories, blog articles, and presentations with storyboard techniques perfected by Hollywood. IA	
Identifying Recent Biological Connections With DNA <i>Angie Bush</i> W149 Learn the techniques and tools that are most effective for helping individuals find their biological and genetic heritage. ALL	Hi, We're Related! Writing to Your DNA Matches and Begging for Spit <i>Michael Lacopo, DVM</i> W159 Do your DNA matches respond to your queries? How do you get strangers on board with your genealogical endeavors by giving you their DNA? ALL	
St. Joe, Independence, and the Missouri Territory <i>Peggy Lauritzen, AG</i> W150 Thousands wound their way to the areas of the western borders of Missouri in search of a better life in the west. What were the major trails? ALL	My New England Research is Done. Or Is It? <i>D. Joshua Taylor, MLS</i> W160 Though your New England pedigree might date to the early 1600s, there is often more work to be done—and mistakes to be corrected. BI	



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BCG Skillbuilding	Who Was Charlotte Fasse Graue of the Principality of Lippe, Germany; Iowa; and Missouri? <i>Pam Eagleson, CG</i> T201 Four items give different surnames for Charlotte Fasse Graue's father. This lecture explains how all are correct. IA	BCG Certification Workshop <i>Stefani Evans, CG; LaBrenda Garrett Nelson, JD, CG, LLM; Rick Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA</i> T211 In this interactive forum, current associates share various pathways to certification and how to begin. IA	
Heritage	Danish Genealogy for Beginners <i>Julie Merrill, AG</i> T202 Learn the best Danish websites to locate Danish parish and census records and read key words and phrases to find your Danish ancestors. BI	Portuguese Ancestors? Online Resources, Research Methodology, and Tips for Success <i>Debbie Gurtler, AG</i> T212 Learn about numerous online resources for researching your Portuguese ancestry along with research methodology and tips to navigate the language. B	Ohana, 'Āiga, Fāmili, Whānau, Fēti'i: A Beginner's Guide to Polynesian Family History <i>Miyamoto Loretta Jensen</i> T222 From researching available records to gathering oral histories, this session will give you the tools necessary to uncover and preserve your Polynesian genealogy. BI
Migration	Finding Migrating Families: Tracing Elusive Ancestors Using Cluster Research <i>Nancy Peters, CG, CGL</i> T203 Are you seeking the origin of a nineteenth century ancestor who moved? Learn six steps for successful cluster research—a proven strategy for solving migration problems. IA	The Impact of Military Bounty Land on Migration <i>Craig Scott, CG, FUGA</i> T213 You serve, the federal government gives you land, sometimes. Then you decide to sell it or move to the west. Did it make a difference? BI	Exodusters: The Exodus of Freedmen to Kansas After the Civil War <i>Annette Burke Lyttle</i> T223 After the Civil War, many freedmen moved to homesteading colonies in Kansas. Learn about this important chapter in the history of American migration. ALL
Methodology	Identifying Slaveholding Ancestors Using DNA Testing: Successful Strategies for African Americans <i>Andre Kearns</i> T204 Learn how to successfully identify slave-owning ancestors with DNA and connect with descendants to reconcile shared history. ALL	Too Many Marys: Solving Identity and Same Name Conundrums <i>Jill Morelli, CG</i> T214 Too many people with the same name? An identity conundrum! We will look at some successful strategies to parse your ancestor out from the others. BI	What If? Learning About DNA Through Case Studies <i>Blaine Bettinger, PhD, JD</i> T224 A series of case studies reflecting some of the most common and interesting DNA scenarios. ALL
Records	Family Search's Secret Weapon: Court Order Books <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG, FNGS, FUGA, FVGS</i> T205 Rich man, poor man, beggar man, thief... all appear on the pages of court order books, the unindexed pages of which can now often be read at home. IA	Québec to France: Using the Programme de Recherche en Démographie Historique (PRDH) <i>Daniel Lilienkamp, JD</i> T215 Learn techniques for utilizing the Répertoire des actes de baptême, mariage, sépulture des recensements du Québec ancien (PRDH) to trace colonial French ancestry. ALL	Tax Records: Getting Our Money's Worth from the Taxes Our Ancestors Paid <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA</i> T225 Tax records are pure gold for the genealogist with great potential to solve our thorniest problems—if we squeeze out all they have to offer. ALL
DNA	Pursuing Pilgrims—Identifying the DNA Signatures of Mayflower Passengers <i>Janine Cloud</i> T206 For decades, genealogists have researched connections to descendants of the Mayflower Pilgrims. This talk explores how DNA testing may be able to help confirm pedigrees. ALL	What's New on Ancestry <i>Crista Cowan</i> T216 Ancestry has released some new and exciting tools and features to help you with your family trees and your DNA. Come learn about them. ALL	Developing a DNA Testing Plan to Break Through Your Brick Walls <i>Kathryn Moore, AG</i> T226 Learn how to identify genetic networks of DNA matches to maximize DNA test results and work through brick walls. ALL
ICAPGen	U.S. Immigration Problems: Finding Your Ancestor's Hometown <i>Marissa Gardner, AG</i> T207 A discussion about the different types of United States records that are most likely to provide the name of the immigrant ancestor's hometown in Europe. IA	The Dynamic Duo for Locality Research: The FamilySearch Catalog and Research Wiki <i>Diana Elder, AG</i> T217 Open a world of possibilities for your research by learning to use the FamilySearch Catalog and Research Wiki. Discover records, research helps, and more. BI	Was Your Irish Immigrant Pushed or Pulled to America? <i>David Rencher, AG, CG, FUGA, FIGRS</i> T227 Learn the historical events and record sources to identify your Irish immigrant's place of origin by understanding what caused their desire or need to move. ALL
Occupations	An Echo in the Forest: Records of the Civilian Conservation Corps, 1933–1942 <i>Pamela Vittorio</i> T208 A wealth of information is contained in the records of the "CCC." Get insight on the sources and where to find them. ALL	The New Deal: Putting Your Ancestors to Work <i>Michael Strauss, AG</i> T218 Out of the New Deal came an abundance of records used by genealogists today as part of the "3-Rs" of Relief, Recovery, and Reform. BI	Mining, Logging, and Fishing: Early Work in the Pacific NW <i>Janice Lovelace, PhD</i> T228 Learn about the work in mines, forests, and waters of the Pacific Northwest and how your ancestors were involved at the turn of the twentieth century. BI
Religion	Help! The Irish Church Records I Need Are Missing <i>David Rencher, AG, CG, FUGA, FIGRS</i> T209 Learn alternate research strategies for tracing ancestral lines when the Irish church records needed were not kept or destroyed. ALL	Researching Members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints <i>Angela Packer McGhie, CG</i> T219 Document the life of your Mormon ancestors with a wide variety of church records including baptism, membership, migration, missionary, pioneer history, and family genealogy records. ALL	Mennonite Research <i>Michael Lacopo, DVM</i> T229 Learn how research techniques and repositories in America and in Europe can help you locate your Mennonite (Anabaptist) ancestors. IA
Miscellaneous	Helen F.M. Leary Distinguished Lecture Peer Review: Good Medicine for Us and Our Profession <i>Harold Henderson, CG</i> T210 Enjoy it or not, we all need to give and receive peer review (AKA feedback). Here's how to make it more useful and less scary. ALL	Southerners in the Northern Midwest <i>Peggy Lauritzen, AG</i> T220 Young southern men and families migrated to the upper Midwest. What was the draw for these families who had lived in the south for generations? ALL	Writing Quality Research Objectives <i>Jill Crandall, AG</i> T230 Learn to be a more effective and efficient researcher by writing quality research objectives to focus your efforts. ALL

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Luncheons 12:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	Workshops and Events
	Using Whole Family Research to Prove a Relationship <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG, FNGS, FUGA, FVGS</i> T241 Learn how researching siblings or collateral relatives can provide the indirect evidence needed when direct-line research leads to dead ends or wrong answers. I	Bricks Without Straw? Careful Collection of Weak Evidence Builds the Case of Leven Green <i>Patti Hobbs, CG</i> T251 Weak evidence is ubiquitous and often suggests an obvious relationship. Combining (or correlating) it with DNA evidence can construct a strong case of identity. IA	8:00 a.m. Advanced Chromosome Mapping Using DNA Painter Workshop \$35 <i>Blaine Bettinger, PhD, JD</i> T261 Using the DNA Painter tools, we will examine advanced methodologies such as inferred chromosome mapping. IA
	The Jewish Records Collection of the Family History Library <i>W. Todd Knowles, AG</i> T242 The Family History Library has an extensive collection of Jewish records. Understanding what is there and how to access is vital to having a successful search. ALL	From Bourbon to Blue Jeans: Bavarian Jews and Their Influence on American Culture <i>Suzanne Kelting Meyers, DO</i> T252 Bavarian Jewish immigration impacted American culture through religion, trades, industry, politics, the military, and the arts. Discover your own connection to these deep-rooted influences. ALL	9:30 a.m. Swedish Research Strategy Workshop \$35 <i>Geoff Morris, AG and Savannah Larson</i> T262 Learn how to approach common problems and tackle them in an efficient way. Elements will include analysis, translation, records, and prioritizing research steps. Workshop to be held at the Family History Library, main floor computer lab. ALL
Board for Certification of Genealogists Exploring Archives All around the Globe <i>David Ouimette, CG, CGL</i> T231 See the variety of places where the best records for family history are found on all continents and on the isles of the sea. T231	Nineteenth and Twentieth Century Dutch Migration Patterns <i>Mary Risseeuw</i> T243 How to recognize and follow the economic and personal pushes that influenced the migration of Dutch immigrants from New York to Washington. ALL	Always Exploring: Italian Migration and Movement <i>Suzanne Russo Adams, AG</i> T253 Italians have a long tradition of exploration. Learn about the largest settlements of Italian migration and movement worldwide. You may discover cousins in different countries. BI	2:30 p.m. Hispanic Research Methodology \$35 <i>Arturo Cuellar, AG</i> T263 Learn the research process to finding ancestors in Mexico, Latin America, and Spain. Basic research guidelines, finding aids, and language helps, along with a case study. Workshop to be held at the Family History Library, main floor computer lab. ALL
International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists Adapting Your Business to the 2020 Client <i>Joseph Shumway, AG</i> T232 In the emerging industry of professional genealogy, explore new and modern ways to connect with the 2020 client while maintaining high genealogical standards. T232	Integration of DNA Evidence to Reach a Genetic Relationship Conclusion <i>Karen Stanbary, CG</i> T244 Blasting through brick-walls, this lecture provides case examples demonstrating how to meet new DNA standards with correlation of genetic and documentary evidence. IA	Conflict Management: Evaluating Evidence of Identity <i>Emily Garber</i> T254 Uncooperative records—those offering conflicting information—must be put in context. A case study shows how to out-smart incorrect information via record and evidence analysis. I	The Family History Library will be open until 11:00 p.m.
Family Search FamilySearch: Connecting Families Past, Present, and Future <i>Stephen Valentine</i> T233 Come learn the latest about what FamilySearch is doing to connect families across the generations and around the world. T233	Claims: A Potpourri of Genealogical Information <i>Craig Scott, CG, FUGA</i> T245 Claims against the federal government come in many flavors. The accounting officers of the U.S. Treasury accounted for all kinds. IA	Exploring American History in UK Newspapers <i>Jen Baldwin</i> T255 The stories of our ancestors were told in newspapers abroad, from major historical events to obituaries. Explore the British Newspaper Archive for North American gems. ALL	Utah Genealogical Association 6:00–9:00 p.m. Evening Off-Broadway Enjoy the talents of former Broadway stars in Echoes of Broadway, an excellent night of entertainment hosted by the Utah Genealogical Association. This Thursday evening event will begin with a silent auction, allowing time to chat about the stimulating classes attended that day, followed by a scrumptious dinner, and the evening's showcase. T264
Menu House salad and rolls Roast turkey breast, mashed potatoes, dressing, and cranberry sauce Beverages and dessert \$31	Techniques for Building Genetic Networks to Find Your Ancestors <i>Angie Bush, MS</i> T246 Learn how to identify genetic networks of DNA matches to maximize test results and work through brick walls. ALL	Cutting Edge DNA—What's So Big About Big Y-DNA Testing? <i>Skip Duett</i> T256 Formerly relegated to ancient haplogroup analysis, learn how this advanced Y-DNA test is moving into genealogical relevant time and being used to develop family clades. A	Menu House salad and rolls Grilled Chicken Calvados with braised apples, toasted pine nuts, and rice pilaf with calvados cream sauce Beverages and dessert \$55
	From Ohio to Missouri: How the Midwest Was Settled <i>Laurie Hermance-Moore, MLS, AG</i> T247 Learn how rivers, canals, and roads had a big impact on Midwest settlement patterns. Many states were not settled from the direction you might think! BI	Discover Your Immigrant Ancestors' Origins Using the Immigrant Ancestors Project <i>Julie Stoddard, AG</i> T257 Utilizing emigration registers from archives throughout Europe, BYU is indexing information about immigrants which is not often found in port registers or naturalization records. ALL	
	Breaker Boys and Spinner Girls: Child Labor Laws and their Records <i>Judy Russell, JD, CG, CGL</i> T248 Understanding the labor laws lets us trace the lives and the records of lives of child laborers in mills, mines, farms, and more. IA	"I've Been Working on the Railroad" Research <i>Danni Altman-Newell</i> T258 Fueling westward expansion, railroads changed America's landscape and history forever. Maps, newspapers, and pension files are among the resources available for learning about railroad ancestors. ALL	
	Parishes, Priests, and Signs of the Sacred: Catholic Church Records <i>Julie Miller, CG, CGL, FNGS</i> T249 This lecture discusses the different types of Catholic Church records available, what you will find in the records, and how to locate them. ALL	Finding Family in Religious Newspapers and Periodicals <i>Lori Thornton, MLS</i> T259 Religious publications often include items about affiliated churches and individuals. Discover their usefulness. ALL	
	You Can't Speak It? You Can Read It! Tools for Foreign Language Documents <i>Daniel Jones, AG</i> T250 Many have ancestors who spoke a foreign language—but no need to be fluent! We'll discuss resources for foreign-language records, and we'll read one together. BI	Post-World War II Refugees: Displaced Persons Camps <i>Ann Staley, CG, CGL</i> T260 After World War II, where were the estimated 2 million displaced persons/refugees to go? How were they to live? A solution—Displaced Persons Camps. IA	




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BCG Skillbuilding	Live Stream May I Please Have Your Permission? Using the Work of Others <i>Judy Russell, JD, CG, CGL</i> F301 Genealogists use other people's work as building blocks in family histories. Learn the rules of using it in a way that's legal, ethical, and smart. IA	Establishing Identity and Proving Relationships: Research Methodologies That Work <i>David Ouimette, CG, CGL</i> F311 Robust research uses tools and methodologies that correlate evidence from a variety of sources to reconstitute ancestors uniquely and place them accurately within their families. IA	Live Stream Turning Witnesses into Evidence <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA</i> F321 Witnesses are not afterthoughts tacked onto the end of documents. They are significant informants—once we learn to hear what their records don't visibly say. IA
Heritage	Using Scandinavian Records When You Don't Know the Language <i>Jill Morelli, CG</i> F302 Don't let the lack of language skills prevent you from accessing Scandinavian records. With a minimal vocabulary, these are the easiest international records to access. I	Live Stream Was ist Das? Little-Used German Resources of the Family History Library <i>Warren Bittner, CG</i> F312 Major portions of the FHL German collection are rarely used. Learn about resources available and how to use them. IA	Proven Research Strategies for Asia <i>Valerie Elkins</i> F322 Learn how to successfully research Asian ancestors. We discuss the records, repositories, archives, laws, languages, and cultures that will affect your research. I
Methodology	Eddie Wenck: The Case of a Little Lost Boy <i>Julie Miller, CG, CGL, FNGS</i> F303 Using a case study, this lecture will demonstrate the importance of using original records and historical context in genealogical research. IA	Ancestry South-Central Accreditation Case Study <i>Michelle Ercanbrack</i> F313 Walk through each twist and turn of the Martin family's tangled tree in Texas, in a South-Central US Accreditation case study. I	Problem Solving Like A Pro: Evidence Analysis, Correlation, and Conflict Resolution <i>Joseph Shumway, AG</i> F323 Learn to notice information gaps, ask the right questions, correlate evidence, and resolve conflicts. IA
Records	BYU Center for Family History Beginning Western U.S. Native American Research: Where are the Records? <i>Forest Emmett</i> F304 This session will demonstrate the volume, value, and location of the many records that exist for Native American groups of the western U.S. BI	Stock Marks Aren't Just Animal Brands—Use Them to Identify People Also <i>Diane Richard</i> F314 Animal identification laws commenced in the colonial years. The resulting records place individuals in time and space, whether small farms in the east or larger western ranches. BI	FamilySearch Starting Mexican Research with Civil Registration and Church Records <i>Lauren Wake</i> F324 Learn how to find your Mexican ancestor's birth, marriage, and death records online through the civil registration and church records offered on FamilySearch and Ancestry. ALL
African American	Digital Library on American Slavery: Accessing Pre-Emancipation Court Petitions <i>Janis Forte</i> F305 This lecture demonstrates how to conduct an exhaustive search using this online database of 1790–1867 southern court and legislative petitions. IA	Freedmen's Bureau Records—A Rich Source for Researching Black and White Ancestors <i>Sharon Gillins</i> F315 Learn how the organization and reporting practices of the Freedmen's Bureau aid in locating information on freedmen, planters, refugees, Bureau personnel, educators, and plantations. BI	The Family History Library for African American Genealogy <i>Tony Burroughs, FUGA</i> F325 A case study illustrating a difficult problem that could only be solved using the unique resources at the Family History Library. IA
Military	Buffalo Soldiers in the Western Frontier <i>Janice Lovelace, PhD</i> F306 Post-Civil War, black soldiers were stationed in the West to assist new settlers. What was life like for these "Buffalo Soldiers"? B	Four Brothers, Four Stories: Discovering Your Ancestor's Union Army Experience <i>Sharon Hoyt, MLIS, CG</i> F316 Learn the stories revealed by Civil War pension files, Compiled Military Service Records, court-martial case files, newspapers, fraternal society records, and more. BI	The War of 1812: Service Records, Pensions, and Bounty Land <i>Rebecca Koford, CG, CGL</i> F326 The War of 1812 offers many resources to researchers. We discuss basic and other records including military service records, pensions, and bounty land. BI
Immigration and Naturalization	European Immigrant Ancestors: Why They Left and How They Got Here 1865–1920 <i>Nancy Loe, MLS</i> F307 Many factors pushed/pulled European ancestors to immigrate voluntarily to the US. Discover familiar and lesser-known migration records for all US ports. ALL	Discovering Your Immigrant's Origins: Digging Deeper <i>Rich Venezia</i> F317 Find your ancestor's foreign origins in some lesser-used record sets—and in doing so, help contextualize their life in the United States. I	Grandpa Was an Alien? Effective Naturalization Records Research <i>Dana Palmer, CG</i> F327 Naturalization records can prove pivotal in finding your ancestor's origins. Learn how to find citizenship papers in the courts and archives. BI
Tech Tips	Solve Research Problems Using Surname Variants and Surname Mapping Tools <i>Terry Koch-Bostic</i> F308 Learn techniques and tools to apply surname variants and surname mapping to locate ancestors in common records and geographic locations when they can't be found. I	Share and Organize with Evernote <i>Lianne Kruger</i> F318 Organize notes created in Evernote. Share these notes with family. Create a table of contents to write a book from all your notes. BI	Facebook's 13,000+ Genealogy & History Links <i>Katherine Willson</i> F328 Using Facebook as a genealogical research tool. ALL
Religion	The Dutch Reformed Churches in America <i>Mary Risseuw</i> F309 History of the churches and the divisions are essential to helping you understand the Dutch immigrants, their settlement choice, and their culture in the US. ALL	So Many Records, So Little Time—Finding Utah Mormon Pioneer Ancestors <i>Carolyn Webber</i> F319 Learn how to trace your ancestors through the multitudes of databases, museums, journal collections, newspapers, church records, and so many more collections. IA	Identifying the Right Ancestor: How to Apply the GPS in Irish Catholic Records <i>Pamela Holland</i> F329 Missing records and confusing parishes may be skewing your search results without you knowing it. Learn how to make confident conclusions about your Irish ancestor. ALL
Resources	NYG&B Navigating New York's 1700s and 1800s Religious Records Collections <i>Susan Miller</i> F310 Church records can substitute for non-extant NY civil vital records. Learn about online and offline collections to navigate the 1700s and 1800s (upstate and downstate). IA	NYG&B Uncharted Waters: Diving into the Holdings of the New York State Archives <i>Jane Wilcox</i> F320 NYSA holds a diverse collection of state governmental records. Learn familiar and obscure resources to help advance your NY research. Includes a finding aid demonstration. IA	NYG&B The Military Tract—New York Revolutionary War Bounty Land <i>Skip Duett</i> F330 New York awarded 1.68 million acres of bounty land in central NY to its Revolutionary War soldiers. Learn how to find your ancestors in these records. IA

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Luncheons 12:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	Workshops and Events
Arizona Genealogical Advisory Board Solving the Hat Box Baby Mystery—A Genealogy Learning Experience <i>Bonnie Belza</i> Learn how the speaker collaborated with a reporter to identify the parents of the Hat Box Baby found Christmas Eve 1931, using DNA and genealogical evidence. F331	Using Cluster Methodology to Solve a Long-Standing Problem <i>Karen Mauer Jones, CG, FGBS, FUGA</i> F341 The Joseph Johnson Chase research problem and solution, though based in upstate New York, illustrates how researching extended family members can solve genealogical puzzles. IA	Live Stream Validating Unsourced Online Information <i>Thomas Wright Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS</i> F351 A case study on identifying a Revolutionary War veteran's children shows how thorough research, including DNA testing, can validate undocumented information. IA	<p>9:30 a.m. Ireland: Discovering Where and How They Lived <i>Craig Foster, AG</i> F361 Ireland is known for difficult research. This workshop will help people understand Irish jurisdictions, as well as key record groups for doing Irish research. Workshop to be held at the Family History Library, main floor computer lab. ALL</p> <p>2:30 p.m. Strategies for Locating German Records <i>Camille Andrus, AG</i> F362 You've discovered the town of origin for your German immigrant ancestor, now what? Learn how to locate records from your immigrant's hometown. Workshop to be held at the Family History Library, main floor computer lab. ALL</p> <p>The Family History Library will be open until 11:00 p.m.</p> <p>NGS Reception & Banquet 6:00 p.m. Cash Bar 7:00 p.m. Banquet Echoes of the Women Who Have Gone Before—Celebrating Women's Suffrage <i>Steffani Raff</i> Enjoy dinner, NGS awards, and be enlightened as Steffani Raff, an award-winning storyteller, takes you on a journey through the history of women's suffrage. F363</p>  <p>Menu House salad and rolls Marinated London Broil, rosemary roasted potatoes, and seasonal vegetables Beverages and dessert \$50</p>
Utah Genealogical Association Success Stories Using DNA <i>Blaine Bettinger, PhD, JD</i> Exciting success stories of brick walls broken down with DNA testing, including the identification of surprise relatives. F332	What You Need to Know Before Researching Hispanic Ancestors <i>Debbie Gurtler, AG</i> F342 This presentation offers the basics on everything you need to know to begin researching your Hispanic ancestors. BI	The "Forgotten" Immigrants: The Swiss to America <i>Michael Lacopo, DVM</i> F352 More than 400,000 Swiss immigrants have come to North America since its settlement. Many of them German-speaking, they were often lumped into "Germans to America." ALL	
Federation of Genealogical Societies Detecting and Disclosing Family Scandals without DNA <i>Thomas Wright Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS</i> Genealogists uncovered family secrets—some entertaining, others tragic—before the genetic-genealogy era. Publishing the findings raises resolvable ethics issues like those we grapple with today. F333	The Man Who Lived as Marcus Folderman <i>Jeanette Shiel, CG</i> F343 Case study that tackles identity issues and resolves conflicting evidence of the German immigrant Folderman family, which results in the discovery of Marcus' true identity. I	Popcorn Daddy: Busting Common Name Brick Walls by Following One Man's Eccentricities Through Time <i>Lisa Reed</i> F353 John Wesley Reed shot a woman by mistake and a mule on purpose. The litigious eccentric ran a popcorn wagon, sued Tulsa, and made news. ALL	
Menu Lone Peak Cobb Salad: turkey breast, tomato, hard cooked egg, and blue cheese served on a bed of mixed greens with balsamic vinaigrette or ranch dressing and rolls Beverages and dessert \$31	Immigrant Letters, Memoirs, and Travel Journals <i>Mary Risseuw</i> F344 Immigrant correspondence is often overlooked as a source for rich, and surprising, family history. Examine the sources and their significance for your own research. ALL	Harvesting Family History in Agricultural Records <i>Cari Taplin, CG</i> F354 Those that tended the food supply are often overlooked as "just farmers." Learn about your farming ancestors and build their stories through rich agricultural records. I	
	Uncovering the Life of a Free Black Virginian through Southern Claims Commission Records <i>Andre Kearns</i> F345 Learn what can be uncovered on the lives of free blacks during the Civil War from researching the Southern Claims Commission applications. ALL	Discovering a Wool Carder, Slaves, and More: Looking for a Piece of Property <i>Deborah A. Abbott, PhD</i> F355 This wool carder has a winding story. As for many of our ancestors, family histories are best told after looking at a complete set of records. ALL	
	The Great War: Researching Your World War I Ancestors <i>Michael Strauss, AG</i> F346 The United States entered the war—fought from 1914 to 1918—on April 6, 1917. This lecture looks at numerous military and civilian records and those lost. BI	Researching Veterans of the Spanish American War <i>David Lambert</i> F356 Learn about local, state, and federal resources for researching your U.S. Spanish American War and Philippine Insurrection veterans. BI	
	Ellis Island of the South: Researching Immigration Records of Galveston, Texas <i>Sharon Gillins</i> F347 Locate and research the records of more than 130,000 immigrants who disembarked in Galveston and those who entered through other southern ports. BI	The New York Gateway: Immigration, Emigration, and Migration <i>Jane Wilcox</i> F357 New York has been the heart of U.S. immigration since the 1600s. Discover the origins of significant immigrant groups and settlers and their migration routes to 1940. ALL	
	Researching Graphically—Expand Your Research with Timelines, Charts, Spreadsheets, and Diagrams <i>Ari Wilkins</i> F348 Think about researching and organizing documents beyond genealogical software. Learn about new ways to visualize and analyze research by creating timelines, charts, spreadsheets, and diagrams. ALL	Transcribe and Take Note—Using Google Docs, Sheets, and Keep for Data Collection <i>Nicole Dyer</i> F358 Google Docs, Google Sheets, and Google Keep all work together to provide excellent solutions for the modern genealogists' research log, note-taking, and transcription needs. I	
	Finding Their Religion: How to Determine an Ancestor's Religious Affiliation <i>Michelle Hubenschmidt</i> F349 This session provides clues to finding the religion of your ancestors and provides fifty plus links to little known sources and obscure or defunct religions. ALL	Online German Church Registers, Duplicates, and Substitutes <i>James M. Beidler</i> F359 No genealogist with German-speaking ancestors avoids using church records, and the good news is that many more of them are coming online in digital form. B	
	Fifty Overlooked Genealogical Resources in Fifty Minutes <i>Diane Richard</i> F350 Many valuable and overlooked databases don't make headline news. Every day new ones are being created. Let's explore some juicy gems. ALL	Apps, Tools, and Techniques for Working with Your DNA Matches <i>Angie Bush, MS</i> F360 Using a combination of third-party applications and features provided by the testing companies, it is possible to make your matches work for you. ALL	

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BCG Skillbuilding	Uncovering Immigrant Origins Through Cluster Research <i>Dana Palmer, CG</i> S401 Following an associated family brought success, even after wading into foreign-language documents. IA	Chasing Opportunity from Bas Rhin to Burlington, Iowa <i>Karen Stanbary, CG</i> S411 A deep dive into documentary records follows an Alsatian immigrant on a journey through three states accompanied by three wives. DNA accurately reconstructs his family. ALL	Defining Hope: Separating Men of the Same Name <i>Rebecca Koford, CG, CGL</i> S421 Six men named William Hope lived in Baltimore and Washington, DC, in the mid-1800s. Discover tools and methods used to separate identities. IA
Heritage	Tesoror! Beginning Italian Research <i>Suzanne Russo Adams, AG</i> S402 Starting the journey to explore your Italian history can be fun and rewarding. Learn how to navigate the records and resources available to trace your roots home. BI	Using Online Scandinavian Church Records <i>Jenny Hansen, AG</i> S412 Recent record digitization for Denmark, Norway, and Sweden puts images of the church records at your fingertips. Learn how to utilize these great tools. BI	Austria, Poland, Russia, or Prussia? Making Sense of Central and East European Historical Geography <i>Joseph Everett, MLS</i> S422 Learn about the historical geography of Central and Eastern Europe and tools and methods for navigating the shifting ancestral landscape through turbulent times. I
Organizing Your Research	Making Molehills out of Mountains: Organizing Your Research Files <i>Cari Taplin, CG</i> S403 Organization allows you to better utilize research time. Learn methods for organizing documents and notes, building a better research log, and time management tips. ALL	Staying Organized: Using Locality Surveys in Genealogical Research <i>Kelsee Walker</i> S413 Different jurisdictions holding different record types can get confusing. Come learn how locality surveys keep you organized and help you perform a reasonably exhaustive search. BI	When it Takes a Village: Applying Cluster and Collateral Research Techniques <i>Emily Garber</i> S423 Learn to muster the resources of your ancestor's community to get around research brick walls. We'll examine a case study using document and DNA evidence. BI
Methodology	Researching Family Artifacts to Solve Brick Walls <i>Pam Eagleson, CG</i> S404 How two brick walls were solved using bible records, letters, and a nineteenth century tintype of a soldier. ALL	Solving Complex Genealogical Problems: The Case of Balthasar Weber <i>Daniel Jones, AG</i> S414 With no record of birth, marriage, or death, he was hiding in plain sight. All it took was a careful analysis of the church records. IA	Drama in the Wills 1790–1866: The Journey of Two Families <i>Sharon Gillins</i> S424 The lives of a black family and a white family are profoundly affected by the dictates of their wills and complex probates over more than 75 years. BI
Records	Researching in A-Files: Where, Why, and How <i>Rich Venezia</i> S405 Alien files, mainly relating to twentieth century immigrant ancestors, hold rich value but can sometimes be hard to research. Discover where and how to find them. A	Records of New York City's Emigrant Savings Bank <i>Katherine Willson</i> S415 The Emigrant Savings Bank was a safe place for immigrants to keep their money, and the records for borrowers and depositors contain detailed genealogical information. ALL	Unsung Immigration Records of NARA: Contextualizing Recent Immigrant Ancestors <i>Rich Venezia</i> S425 The National Archives holds various records that can provide a treasure trove of information on twentieth-century immigrant and alien ancestors who made America their home. IA
Land	Researching Federal Land Records for Western States <i>Angela McGhie, CG</i> S406 Federal land records can be a rich source of genealogical information for early settlers in the West, including homestead records, donation land, and cash sales. ALL	Visualizing A Neighborhood Using Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, Census Records, and City Directories <i>Ari Wilkins</i> S416 Recreating neighborhoods can provide rich and insightful details about an ancestor's life and surroundings. This lecture will demonstrate ways to combine data from multiple sources. B	Using the Online Bureau of Land Management Tract Books <i>Michael John Neill</i> S426 Record organization, search techniques, and entry interpretation for this register of U.S. land claims. I
States	Researching Rural Upstate New York Ancestors <i>Karen Maurer Jones, CG, FGBS, FUGA</i> S407 Upstate and rural research in New York between 1790 and 1850 is challenging. This lecture examines workarounds to compensate for missing records. ALL	Navigating the Unique Texas Land Grant System <i>Diana Elder, AG</i> S417 Your Texas ancestor might have received land from Spain, Mexico, the Republic, or State of Texas. Learn how to locate the records needed in research. IA	Tackling the "Born in Pennsylvania" Problem <i>James Beidler</i> S427 Many researchers will find their research extends to an ancestor said to be "born in Pennsylvania" without additional information. Learn the strategies. B
Out West	Oregon Land Donation Records <i>Lyn Rasmussen, CG</i> S408 Learn the tips and tricks to be successful in finding Oregon Land Donation records. BI	The Overland Trails: Westward Migration in the Nineteenth Century <i>Amber Oldenburg</i> S418 This presentation will discuss why people headed west, the trails used, what the pioneer experience was like, and how to discover the records left behind. ALL	Buried Treasure for the Colonial Southwest (Nueva Espana) <i>Debbie Gurtler, AG</i> S428 This presentation will demonstrate various online sources for northern New Spain where ancestral records may be hiding. BI
Tech Tips	Getting the Most Out of Ancestry <i>Crista Cowan</i> S409 Are you getting the most out of your Ancestry subscription? Come and learn more about the site so you can maximize your time on Ancestry. ALL	MyHeritage Advanced Features and Technologies <i>Daniel Horowitz</i> S419 New innovations from MyHeritage DNA such as Pedigree Tree, Pedigree Map™ and Tree Consistency Checker enable researchers to expand and explore their results. ALL	Tech Tools for Diagramming Complex Relationships in Cluster and DNA Research <i>Nicole Dyer</i> S429 Researchers can solve tough problems by visualizing relationships of extended families, neighborhoods, and DNA matches. Learn how to create custom charts to spot connections. I
Sources	The ABCs of Locating Public School Records for your Ancestors <i>David Lambert</i> S410 Learn how to search for public school records from the eighteenth thru twentieth century. BI	Little School on the Prairie: Nineteenth Century Frontier Teaching <i>Lori Thornton, MLS</i> S420 Learn about frontier teacher lives, educational preparation, nineteenth-century schools and classrooms, educational laws, and records for researching teachers. ALL	Stitching Together Family History: Finding Women in the Textile Arts <i>Ann Staley, CG, CGL</i> S430 Textile arts provided an outlet for women, creating practical and decorative objects and leaving a trail of records. ALL

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Luncheons 12:15 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	Day
Gen-Fed Alumni Luncheon Tactics for Researching in Archives <i>Angela Packer McGhie, CG</i> Stories and examples will demonstrate four tactics for successfully researching at the National Archives and other repositories. S431	Her Sixth Matrimonial Venture: Tracing Women's Multiple Marriages <i>Sharon Hoyt, MLIS, CG</i> S441 Misleading records, surname changes, varying ages, and frequent moves concealed the identity of an extraordinary woman whose beauty mesmerized seven men. IA	Finding Sophia's Family: A Case of Fratricide and Forgotten Identity <i>Nancy Peters, CG, CGL</i> S451 After her husband's murder, Sophia fled with her children, never returning home. Learn methods used to reconstruct this nineteenth-century widow's identity and locate her kin. IA	<p>9:30 a.m. Native American Workshop <i>Lyn Rasmussen, AG</i> S461 This workshop will concentrate on using and understanding Native American records held at the Family History Library. Workshop to be held at the Family History Library, main floor computer lab. ALL</p> <p>2:30 p.m. Reading Italian Records <i>Brandon Baird, AG</i> S462 Come learn how to read through the Italian civil registration records and church records. Remember you don't have to speak it to read it! Workshop to be held at the Family History Library, main floor computer lab. ALL</p> <p>The Family History Library will be open until 11:00 p.m.</p> <p>National Genealogical Society Annual Meeting</p> <p>5:15 p.m. Meet the NGS officers and board of directors and hear updates on courses, publications, and more from NGS president, Ben Spratling. S463</p> 
National Genealogical Society Genealogy Then and Now <i>Val D. Greenwood, AG, FUGA</i> From the first edition of the <i>Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy</i> to the world of today: the transformation of genealogical research. S432	The Last Best West: Settling Canada's Prairie Provinces <i>Kathryn Lake-Hogan</i> S442 Canada's prairies were the last best west for settlement in the New World. Was your ancestor one of the millions of immigrant settlers who came? BI	Rovin', Beguiled, and Wild Cards: Scottish Emigration through the Centuries <i>Amanda Epperson, PhD</i> S452 In this lecture learn about the social and economic conditions that propelled Scots to leave their homeland between 1600 and 1924. Available sources will be mentioned where they exist. BI	
New England Historic Genealogical Society New Resources for Exploring Your Mayflower Ancestry <i>David Lambert</i> Learn about the newest, most essential resources for exploring and verifying your Mayflower lineage. S433	Documenting, Organizing, and Analyzing Plantation Slaves <i>Ari Wilkins</i> S443 Keeping track of hundreds of slaves can be an overwhelming task. This lecture will offer suggestions for organizing and analyzing slave information using spreadsheets. IA	Using OneNote to Organize Your Genealogical Research <i>Kelli Berghmeier</i> S453 Learn tips and techniques of OneNote to organize your genealogical research, notes, research logs, websites, photos, documents, and more. BI	
Menu House salad and rolls Rosemary roasted pork loin, with red wine demiglace and apple sauce, with oven roasted potatoes Beverages and dessert \$31	Criminals, Lunatics, and Witches, Oh My! Finding the Less Than Pleasant in Family History <i>Craig Foster, AG</i> S444 Practically everyone descends from someone with a questionable past. This session looks at records created and where to find them online and on site. BI	The Black Dagger: Solving a One-Hundred-Year-Old "Whose Was It?" Mystery <i>Pamela Vittorio</i> S454 Tracking a dagger's journey over four generations reveals the identity of the Canadian WWI soldier who brought it home and a possible original owner. ALL	
	National Park Websites Surprisingly Offer Excellent Genealogical and Historical Materials <i>Terry Koch-Bostic</i> S445 The National Park Services (NPS) websites offer customized history and often genealogy and biographical information to reflect the site's local history and early population. I	What's in a Name: Name Changes and the Law <i>Judy Russell, JD, CG, CGL</i> S455 Names weren't changed at Ellis Island, but in courts, legislatures, and elsewhere. Learn about the law of name changes and how to find new names. ALL	
	Using Maps of the West to Further Your Genealogical Research <i>Rick Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA</i> S446 Find places in the West using current and historical maps. Integrate maps with other resources to solve genealogical problems. Explore online resources. BI	Yes, They Could Own Land: The Homestead Act and African American Homesteaders <i>Jessica Trotter, MLS</i> S456 Learn about the Homestead Act of 1862, African American families who managed to take advantage of the legislation, and the possible gems in homestead files. BI	
	Midwest Research at 30,000 Feet: A "Flyover" of Differences in Access and Repositories <i>Laurie Hermance-Moore, MLS, AG</i> S447 Although record types are similar across the Midwest, efficient access points and repositories can differ significantly. Learn to quickly get the lay of the land. ALL	Getting Ready for a Research Trip to Virginia <i>Barbara Vines Little, CG, FNGS, FUGA, FVGS</i> S457 Is it available online, through ILL, or only onsite? Do your preparatory work in advance and use your research time in Virginia to the best advantage. ALL	
	Settlers of Indian Territory: Discovering Their Stories in This Unique Place and Time <i>Dianna Elder, AG</i> S448 Learn the push/pull factors that drew settlers to Indian Territory and what records were created that reveal their actions. I	Reconstructing the Asylum: Women of the San Francisco Almshouse <i>Gena Philibert-Ortega</i> S458 Research on the women of the San Francisco Almshouse reveals what records exist to trace female ancestors who lived in asylums and poor farms. IA	
	Mobile Technology for Genealogy <i>Judy Muhn</i> S449 Utilize mobile apps and technology to simplify your research. You don't have to take your notebooks! There are tools on your computer, tablet, and smartphone. BI	Theory of Family Relativity™ & AutoCluster: How They Can Help Us <i>Daniel Horowitz</i> S459 DNA matches and relationships are the core of our research, and revolutionary technologies are able to save us hours by synthesizing billions of data points. ALL	
	Squeezing Every Drop Out of Polish Parish Registers <i>David Ouimette, CG, CGL</i> S450 Learn how to delve into Polish parish registers and discover stories about individuals, families, and communities, including living conditions, lifestyles, relationships, traditions, and social history. ALL	Having No Children...Echoes of Our Relatives with No Known Descendants <i>D. Joshua Taylor, MLS</i> S460 Some of our relatives did not leave direct descendants. Discover why and how to trace their lives (and the incredible discoveries waiting to be found). BI	

CONFERENCE SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Deborah A. Abbott, PhD, professional genealogist specializing in African American research, manuscript collections, and genealogy methodology; instructor at IGHR, SLIG; trustee for OGS; FGS board member.

Suzanne Russo Adams, AG, senior content strategist, FamilySearch. Former APG and UGA board member; ICAPGen Commissioner; author of *Finding Your Italian Ancestors*.

Jan Meisels Allen, chair of the IAJGS PRAMC, represents IAJGS on RPAC, and president of the Jewish Genealogical Society of Conejo Valley and Ventura County, California.

Jan Alpert, FNGS, chair of RPAC, chair of NGS conference committee, NGS board member, and former NGS president.

Danni Altman-Newell is a ProGen graduate and volunteers at the National World War I Museum. She specializes in Great War, fraternal organizations, and Midwest research.

Camille Andrus, AG, works as a German and Slavic research consultant at the Family History Library.

Brandon Baird, AG, works at the Family History Library on the Latin America research team, assisting patrons with French, Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese ancestry.

Jen Baldwin writes, lectures, and consults on a variety of genealogy topics; North American data acquisition manager for Findmypast; and serves on the FGS Board.

James M. Beidler, author of four books; writes “Roots & Branches,” a newspaper column and blog; and is a research-reports editor for Legacy Tree Genealogists.

Bonnie Belza, a genetic genealogy DNA researcher since 2015, teaches DNA Kindergarten classes at the Arizona West Valley Genealogical Society.

Kelli Berghheimer owns Mess on the Desk, a genealogical organization company. She is also the facilitator of Genetics, Genealogy, and You.

Blaine T. Bettinger, PhD, JD, is a genealogy author, blogger, and educator. He has been writing and educating about DNA evidence since 2007.

Warren Bittner, CG, national genealogical lecturer, works for Ancestry ProGenealogists. He specializes in German research and has coordinated courses for IGHR, SLIG, and GRIP.

Michael Brophy, professional genealogical researcher, heir-search specialist; featured on the Irish TV series *Dead Money*; and conducted research for *Who Do You Think You Are*.

Tony Burroughs, FUGA, author of *Black Roots* and guest expert on PBS, BBC, Discovery Channel, the History Channel, and *Who Do You Think You Are?*

Angie Bush, MS, is a senior genealogist with Ancestry ProGenealogists in Salt Lake City and region one director for NGS.

Janine Cloud manages FamilyTreeDNA’s Group Projects team and works closely with the FTDNA Y haplotree specialists and haplogroup project administrators.

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Jill N. Crandell, AG, assistant professor at BYU; director of the BYU Center for Family

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Arturo Cuellar, AG, works in the Family History Library as a Latin America Research Specialist.

Skip Duett is a member of the NYG&B Family History Advisory Committee and speaks on New York and DNA topics.

Phil Dunn, AG, British Senior Research Consultant at the Family History Library; accredited in England, Ireland, and Scotland research.

Nicole Dyer, professional genealogist with a BA in history. Teacher, lecturer, author, and creator of the “Research Like a Pro” Genealogy Podcast and FamilyLocket.

Pam Stone Eagleson, CG, researcher, writer, educator; winner of the 2004 NGS Family History Writing Contest; member of APG, NGS, and many regional genealogical societies.

Diana Elder, AG, professional genealogist, presentation specialist for ICAPGen, author of *Research Like a Pro: A Genealogist’s Guide*, podcast host, and online course instructor.

Valerie Elkins is a professional genealogist, international speaker, and published writer. Valerie has served on numerous genealogy boards and blogs about genealogy.

Forrest Emmett, BA in family history from BYU; interned with the FamilySearch CGO office, performing an in-depth study on records for the Shoshone nations.

Amanda Epperson, PhD, teaches history and genealogy courses and has recently published her first book, *The Family Tree Scottish Genealogy Guide*.

Michelle Ercanbrack is a senior family historian at Ancestry and is a researcher for *Long Lost Family* and *My Family Secrets Revealed*.

Stefani Evans, CG, of Las Vegas, Nevada, applies the lens of a social historian to genealogy problems.

Joseph B. Everett, MLS, family and local history librarian at BYU, with twenty-five years of genealogy experience, and specializes in US immigration, Germanic, and Slavic research.

Janis Minor Forte, writer, lecturer, presenter at the NGS, OGS, RootsTech, FGS, and local conferences, holds a master’s degree from the University of Chicago.

Craig Foster, AG, is a published author and British research specialist at the Family History Library. He is accredited in Ireland and Scotland research.

Emily H. Garber, MA, with Boston University certificate in genealogical research, specializes in Jewish genealogy, methodology, and community research. She speaks, blogs, and writes about research.

Marissa Gardner, AG, graduate of the BYU Family History program and professional genealogist with more than fourteen years’ experience. Her passion is tracing immigrant ancestor origins.

LaBrenda Garrett-Nelson, JD, LLM, CG, CGL, is a trustee of the BCG; she lectures and writes about African American families in the South.

Sharon Gillins, researching for more than twenty-five and lecturing for twelve. She emphasizes using underutilized record sources to research nineteenth century southern life.

Val D. Greenwood, AG, FUGA, author of *The Researcher’s Guide to American Genealogy*; former

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Debbie Gurtler, AG, works at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Her research expertise includes Latin America, Southern Europe, and the US.

Jenny Hansen, AG, graduated from BYU in family history and genealogy. She is a professional researcher, accredited in Danish research.

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Laurie Hermance-Moore, MLS, AG, owner of Heritage Bridge, creates history-driven experiences for clients with midwestern roots; She lectures on Midwest history, records, and creative ways to search.

Jean Wilcox Hibben, PhD, is a national speaker and writer. President of Southern California Chapter of APG, she cohosts podcasts on social history.

Patti Hobbs, CG, is an instructor specializing in several geographical regions as well as in identifying distant ancestry with DNA and documentary sources.

Kathryn Lake Hogan specializes in helping find Canadian ancestors; host of the weekly webinar series, *Genealogy with a Canadian Twist*.

Pamela Guye Holland is a professional genealogist and specializes in Irish research and genetic genealogy. She lectures, serves on various boards, and works for NEHGS.

Daniel Horowitz is a genealogy expert at MyHeritage; liaison with genealogy societies, bloggers, and media; and lecturer worldwide. Dedicated to genealogy since 1986.

Sharon Hoyt, MLIS, CG, is a genealogy researcher, lecturer, and writer, and a winner of the NGS and Minnesota Genealogical Society Family History Writing Contests.

Michelle Hubenschmidt, historian, researcher, genealogist, educator, and constitutional scholar. Thirty-years’ experience, with expertise in the American Founding and Early Republic eras.

James K. Jeffrey is the Special Collections Librarian for Genealogy in the Western History & Genealogy Department, Denver Public Library and the 2004 Filby Award winner.

Miyamoto Loretta Jensen is a BYU graduate and professional researcher; specializing in Polynesian family history and genealogy.

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Karen Mauer Jones, CG, FGBS, FUGA, author, lecturer, professional genealogist, and former editor of *NYG&B Record*. She served on the boards of APG and FGS.

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Andre Kearns, a genealogist since 2006, who shares his research as a public speaker and blogger at *Andre Kearns—Blogging on Race, Culture, History and Genealogy*.

CONFERENCE SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES *(Continued)*

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Terry Koch-Bostic, professional genealogist and lecturer who specializes in New York, Irish, and Civil War records. Contributing author to *New York Family History Research Guide and Gazetteer*.

Rebecca Whitman Koford, CG, CGL, focuses on Maryland and military records at the National Archives in D.C. She is administrator of the ProGen Study Groups.

Lianne Kruger has taught computer software courses since 1982. She loves amalgamating her teaching and computer skills with genealogy knowledge and experience to help others.

Michael D. Lacopo, DVM, is a professional genealogist based in Indiana. Researching since 1980, his expertise includes genetic genealogy, Pennsylvania German research, and social history.

David Lambert, chief genealogist at NEHGS since 1993. He is an international speaker and author of genealogy and military history.

Savannah Larson, Nordic Research Specialist at the Family History Library, specializing in Swedish genealogy, fluent in the language.

Peggy Lauritzen, AG, FOGS, conference speaker, Family History Center director; columnist for *Reminisce Magazine*, recipient of the Laura G. Prescott Award for Exemplary Service in Genealogy.

Rhonda Lauritzen, speaker and professional biographer specializing in placemaking and oral history. She is the founder of Evalogue. Life and served as a college vice president.

ABBREVIATIONS

AG	Accredited Genealogist
APG	Association of Professional Genealogists
ASG	American Society of Genealogists
BBC	British Broadcasting Company
BCG	Board for Certification of Genealogists
BYU	Brigham Young University
CG	Certified Genealogist
CGL	Certified Genealogical Lecturer
CGO	Chief Genealogical Officer
DO	Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
DSJS	Doctor of Science in Jewish Studies
DVM	Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
FASG	Fellow, American Society of Genealogists
FGBS	Fellow, New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
FGS	Federation of Genealogical Societies
FIGRS	Fellow, Irish Genealogical Research Society
FNGS	Fellow, National Genealogical Society
FOGS	Fellow, Ohio Genealogical Society
FUGA	Fellow, Utah Genealogical Society
FVGS	Fellow, Virginia Genealogical Society
Gen-Fed	Genealogical Institute on Federal Records
GPS	Genealogical Proof Standard
GSG	Genealogical Speakers Guild
GRIP	Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh
IAJGS	The International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies
IAJGS PRAMC	The International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies Public Records Access Monitoring Committee

Daniel R. Lilienkamp, JD, reference specialist at History & Genealogy, St. Louis County Library, lectures on the US frontier, African American, Quebec, German, Alsace-Lorraine, and Swiss research.

Barbara Vines Little, CG, FNGS, FUGA, FVGS, former NGS president; Virginia track course coordinator SLIG 2020; editor of the NGS Research in the States series and the *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*.

Nancy E. Loe, MLS, genealogy librarian and archivist, specializes in finding unusual resources, developing research skills, and organizing family records in presentations, e-books, and websites.

Janice Lovelace, PhD, twenty-five years of experience researching family history, presents nationally on a variety of topics including ethnic groups and health research.

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Julie Miller, CG, CGL, FNGS, professional researcher, speaker, and writer; NGS Conference Committee; former NGS Education Manager and NARA—Denver volunteer; articles in the *NGSQ* and *NGS Magazine*.

Susan R. Miller is NYG&B’s Director of Programs; *New York Researcher* editor; a man-

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Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA, pioneer in problem-solving methodology, past editor of *NGSQ*, past-president of ASG and BCG, and author-editor of *Evidence Explained* and *Professional Genealogy: Preparation, Practice & Standards*.

Roger P. Minert, PhD, AG, professional genealogist for over forty years; has produced numerous publications related to German family history research and is a popular lecturer.

Kathryn Moore, AG, is a genealogy instructor and full-time research manager for Ancestry ProGenealogists specializing in immigration, Midwest states, genetic genealogy, and unknown parentage research.

Jill Morelli, CG, lectures about her Midwestern, northern German, and Scandinavian ancestors nationwide with a focus on intermediate and advanced methodologies and unique record sets.

Frederick E. Moss, JD, LLM, is legal advisor for FGS, represents FGS on RPAC, former law school associate dean and Colonel (retired) Judge Advocate General Corps.

Geoff Morris, AG, member of the Nordic reference team at the Family History Library and co-founder of *The Swedish Genealogy Guide*.

Judy Nimer Muhn, conference speaker, specializes in French-Canadian, Acadian, Native American and Michigan research. Owner of Lineage Journeys, conducts research for clients.

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ICAPGen	International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists
IGHR	Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, University of Georgia
MLIS	Master of Library and Information Science
MLS	Master of Library Science
NARA	National Archives and Records Administration
NEHGS	New England Historic Genealogical Society
NIGS	National Institute of Genealogical Studies
NGS	National Genealogical Society
NGSQ	<i>National Genealogical Society Quarterly</i>
NYG&B	New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
OGS	Ohio Genealogical Society
PBS	Public Broadcasting Service
ProGen	Professional Genealogists Study Group
RPAC	Records Preservation and Access Committee
SLIG	Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy
TEDx	Technology, Entertainment, and Design talks in local communities
UGA	Utah Genealogical Association

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CONFERENCE SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES (Continued)

grant backgrounds and creating genealogical instructional methods.

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David Ouimette, CG, CGL, BCG trustee, manages Content Strategy at FamilySearch, has researched in over fifty countries across all continents, and authored *Finding Your Irish Ancestors*.

Dana Palmer, CG, teacher, lecturer, author, and professional genealogist. Expertise in midwestern research (specifically Ohio), publishing family books, photo editing, and lineage societies.

Nancy A. Peters, CG, CGL, is a researcher, writer, editor, and lecturer specializing in problem solving; co-editor of NGSQ; BCG trustee; and institute instructor.

Dan Poffenberger, AG, British Isles research manager at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, specializes in English research.

Steffani Raff, award-winning storyteller, winning the Storytelling World Award in 2016 for *The Ravenous Gown: And 14 More Tales about Real Beauty*.

Lyn Rasmussen, AG, BYU graduate, works as a United States research specialist at the Family History Library.

Lisa Reed, a genealogist for thirty years, teaches speech at Texas A&M-Commerce while she is writing her dissertation on “pen-ny emigrant” guides.

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Diane Richard, genealogy researcher since 1987 and professional since 2004. Focuses on southern, African American, and lineage research. Genealogy journal editor, author, and lecturer.

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Rick Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA, former president BCG. Expertise in National Archives, Irish research, land records, government, federal land law, military, and urban research. Teaches at national institutes.

Craig R. Scott, CG, FUGA, researcher and genealogical educator for over thirty years, who specializes in NARA military records, problem solving, and publishing.

Dani Shapiro, best-selling author of the memoirs *Inheritance*, *Hourglass*, *Still Writing*, *Devotion*, and *Slow Motion*, host of podcast *Family Secrets*.

Jeanette Shiel, CG, degree in history, minor in film studies. With over twenty years of family history research experience, she enjoys teaching, lecturing, and writing.

Joseph Shumway, AG, professional for sixteen years, works with Ancestry ProGenealogists. Recognized for his work on *Who Do You Think You Are?* with thirteen guest appearances.

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C. Ann Staley, CG, CGL, educator; consultant; co-leader Ann-Mar Genealogy Trips; faculty, NIGS; GSG vice president; author of articles for *NGS Magazine* and co-author of *NGS Research in the States, Florida*.

Karen Stanbary, CG, BCG Trustee; lecturer, institute coordinator, and author; received the NGSQ Award for Excellence; and is an author in *Advanced Genetic Genealogy*.

Julie Stoddard, AG, Master of Science in Genealogical Studies with thesis on DNA, professional genealogist, serves on the ICAPGen committee, authors the *BestSteps* genealogy blog.

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Lori Thornton, MLS, author of *NGS Research in Mississippi*, specializes in southern research and religious records. She speaks on library and genealogical topics.

Jessica Trotter, MLS, is a researcher, blogger, and archivist working in public libraries. Her research focuses on African American, Midwest, Canadian, British Isles, and early American research.

Stephen Valentine, senior vice president of FamilySearch International, Director of Outreach, Strategic Partnerships, and the Family History Library.

Rich Venezia is a veteran of both *Genealogy Roadshow’s* research team and *TEDx Pittsburgh* (2017). He lives in Pittsburgh and specializes in twentieth-century immigration research.

Pamela Vittorio is an Associate Professor in NYC and a professional genealogist. She frequently lectures on historical and genealogical topics associated with North American canals.

Lauren Wake holds a BA in Family History and Genealogy from BYU and works as a Latin American Research Specialist at the Family History Library.

Kelsee Walker holds a BA in Family History and Genealogy from BYU, specializing in German and English research. She now works as a research contractor in Kansas.

Carolyn Webber, *DNA Ancestry Detective*, loves to solve mysteries and make family connections; passionate about sharing genealogical and genetic skills with others.

Jane E. Wilcox, author of the forthcoming *NY State Archives Guidebook* and member of NYG&B’s Family History Advisory Committee.

Ari Wilkins is a genealogy professional and staff member at Dallas Public Library. Researching for the past twenty years, she specializes in African American research.

Katherine Willson, lecturer at regional and national events; president of Michigan Genealogical Council and Virtual Genealogical Association; APG board; FGS 2019 Conference Publicity Chair.

Paul Woodbury works as a DNA Team Lead at Legacy Tree Genealogists where he specializes in genetic genealogy as well as French research.

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NGS Member / Full Registration (Four Days, 20–23 May) **TOTAL**

Early Bird (online or postmarked by 17 March 2020) **\$215** \$

Regular Registration (after 17 March 2020) **\$250** \$

Non-Member / Full Registration (Four Days, 20–23 May)

Early Bird (online or postmarked by 17 March 2020) **\$250** \$

Regular Registration (after 17 March 2020) **\$285** \$

Single Day Registration (Per Day)

Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Early Bird (online or postmarked by 17 March 2020) **\$115** (per day) \$

Regular Registration (after 17 March 2020) **\$125** (per day) \$

Conference Syllabus—All conference registrants will receive the conference syllabus by email one week prior to the conference. The printed and USB versions of the syllabus can be picked up at the conference at attendee check-in.

Printed Syllabus (for Early Bird Registrants only) **\$40** \$

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

Pre-Conference Events / Tuesday, 19 May 2020—A separate fee is required for each event listed below which must be purchased by 17 April 2020 and cannot be purchased at the conference. Seating is limited for all events; register early. Details on page 3.

TUESDAY, 19 MAY 2020

BYU Tour **\$30** \$

Natural History Museum and Red Butte Garden **\$65** \$

Utah State Archives and Division of State History **\$25** \$

Welfare Square and International Peace Gardens **\$40** \$

BCG Education Fund Workshop **\$110** \$

Librarians’ Day, **must identify library** **\$20** \$
Library name where employed / location:

Special Workshops

THURSDAY, 21 MAY 2020

Chromosome Mapping Workshop **T 261** **\$35** \$

Scandinavian Workshop **T 262** **\$35** \$

Hispanic Workshop **T 263** **\$35** \$

FRIDAY, 22 MAY 2020

Irish Workshop **F 361** **\$35** \$

German Workshop **F 362** **\$35** \$

SATURDAY, 23 MAY 2020

Native American Workshop **S 461** **\$35** \$

Italian Workshop **S 462** **\$35** \$

Social Events—A separate fee is required for each event. Purchase tickets by 17 April 2020. Tickets cannot be purchased at the conference. Seating is limited; register early.

WEDNESDAY, 20 MAY 2020

NYG&B Luncheon **W 131** **\$31** \$

APG Luncheon **W 132** **\$31** \$

Palatines to America Luncheon **W 133** **\$31** \$

GSG Luncheon **W 134** **\$31** \$

THURSDAY, 21 MAY 2020

BCG Luncheon **T 231** **\$31** \$

ICAPGen Luncheon **T 232** **\$31** \$

FamilySearch Luncheon **T 233** **\$31** \$

UGA Host Event **T 264** **\$55** \$

FRIDAY, 22 MAY 2020

AzGAB Luncheon **F 331** **\$31** \$

UGA Luncheon **F 332** **\$31** \$

FGS Luncheon **F 333** **\$31** \$

NGS Banquet **F 363** **\$50** \$

SATURDAY, 23 MAY 2020

Gen-Fed Alumni Luncheon **S 431** **\$31** \$

NGS Luncheon **S 432** **\$31** \$

NEHGS Luncheon **S 433** **\$31** \$

TOTAL PAYMENT DUE **\$**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Registrants with special needs should notify NGS in writing as outlined in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), at 6400 Arlington Blvd., Suite 810, Falls Church, Virginia 22042-2318 or e-mail registration@ngsgenealogy.org, by 2 April 2020.

Scooters and wheelchairs are available to rent through the Salt Palace business office. Those interested must make reservations in advance. Check the NGS website for details. See conference. ngsgenealogy.org/mobility-assistance/.

MEALS

Special meals are available upon request by marking the Special Meal box on page 15.

NGS CONFERENCE MOBILE APP

The NGS Conference Mobile App works with your smart phone, iPad, or tablet and includes the program, speaker bios, syllabus material, facility floor plan, and announcements. Watch for the email to download the app a few weeks before the conference.

PLAYBACK NOW RECORDING AND LIVE STREAMING

Playback Now will record lectures as permitted by the speakers. Audio recordings will be available to order onsite at the conference and at playbackngs.com. NGS will also be live streaming ten lectures, five on Thursday and five on Friday, with additional opportunities for post-conference viewing. Details will be available in the Spring of 2020.



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