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Recently Published

Curt Witcher Interviews

Curt Witcher, manager of the Historical Genealogy Department at the Allen County Public Library, was interviewed on "This Week in America," hosted by Ric Bratton. This library has the largest genealogy collection of any public library. Included in the collection are the largest collection of genealogy periodicals found anywhere. These are indexed in PERSI and copies can be ordered from the library. A video of the interview is available online at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=OkBegNVby-4&sdig=1. In the interview, Mr. Witcher talks about the many services available to genealogists at the library.

Software of Interest

MacFamilyTree Releases Version 5

MacFamilyTree has been acquired by Synium Software GmbH, a German company. The company has made some improvements and changes which will soon be released as version 5. The entire program has been rewritten for version 5 to include the following features in the new release:

- A graphical user interface (GUI) that is individually configurable to your needs
- Integration of Core Data technology from Apple which makes it easy to sift through huge databases, such as data about tens of thousands of individuals, plus digitized photographic images, sound files and movies

For more information, go to: www.synium.de/macfamilytree/prview.html

Of Interest

NARA to Relocate Kansas City Regional Office

The Central Plains Regional Office of the National Archives will be relocated near Union Station in Kansas City. The record collections located there will be more convenient to public transportation and downtown hotels. The current NARA location is a 25 minute drive south from Kansas City.

Genealogist Records Submitted by Volunteer

We hear of united efforts of volunteers gathering, recording and posting of genealogical records to make them available for others. However, one random act of genealogical kindness may have set a record for the massive effort required from a single person. Recently, Cynthia Daigle uploaded a compiled cemetery listing for Moses Baptist Cemetery, Lafourche Parish, Louisiana to make it available on the USGenWeb Archives. What is amazing is that the listing has 1,000,569 files which, if printed, would require about eight million pages. The material is now searchable on the Internet at www.rootsweb.com/~usgenweb

Genealogy Events

The events listed here are some of the major events that may be of interest to our members who may be traveling, vacationing,

live nearby, or who may want to attend a special event.

Genealogy Cruise

Legacy Family Tree is sponsoring a genealogy cruise to the Hawaiian Islands on September 19 to October 1. The cruise departs from Vancouver, British Columbia with overnights in Honolulu and Maui. The featured speaker is Dick Eastman. For more information, go to: http://legacyfamilytree.com/CruiseInfo_2007.asp

Minnesota Seminar

The Minnesota Genealogical Society will hold their annual seminar on September 20 at St. Paul Minnesota. John Philip Coletta will be the featured speaker. For more information, go to: <http://mngs.org/>

California Seminar

The Jurupa Family History Center will host a seminar on September 22 at Riverside, California. Barbara Renick is featured as keynote speaker. A large list of sessions will be held, taught by many speakers. For more information, go to: http://roz.heapsclan.com/html/jurupa_fh_seminar.html

Maine Conference

The Maine Genealogical Society will host a conference on September 22 at Bangor, Maine. Featured speakers will be George G. Morgan and Maureen A. Taylor, well known speakers and authors. A research room and personal consultations are available with Maureen Taylor. For more information, go to: www.maineroots.org

England Course

The Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies will offer a course for beginners on September 23 at Canterbury, Kent, England. The course, "How to Trace Your Family History," will include family records, birth, marriage and death certificates, censuses and compiling pedigrees. For more information, go to:

www.ihgs.ac.uk/courses/day_and_residential_details_20075.php

Maryland Seminar

The Maryland Genealogical Society will hold their Fall Seminar on September 23-24 at the Hilton at Columbia, Maryland. Paul Blake & Maggie Loughran, British genealogists will present lectures and hands-on workshops for all levels of researcher skills. For more information, go to:

www.mdgensoc.org

Illinois Presentation

The Sulzer Regional Library, part of Chicago Public Library, will host a presentation by Tony Burroughs on September 24 at Chicago, Illinois. Tony Burroughs is an internationally known genealogist, author, teacher and lecturer. He will present an overview of genealogy and discuss valuable research methods. For more information, e-mail: kamoore@chipublib.org

Illinois Polish Conference

The Polish Genealogical Society of America will hold their Annual Conference on September 28-30 at Schaumburg, Illinois. For more information, go to:

www.pgsa.org/

Illinois Lecture

The Fox Valley Genealogical Society will host a lecture on September 29 at Naperville,

Illinois. Pamela Boyer Porter will discuss *Maps & Migration: Investigating Your Ancestors*.

For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~ilfvgs/index.htm

Washington Conference

The Seattle Genealogical Society will hold a seminar on September 29 at Seattle, Washington. Henry Z. "Hank" Jones is the featured speaker and he will discuss:

- When the Sources Are Wrong
- Tracing Origins of 18th Century Palatines and Other Emigrants
- Family Tradition: How to Separate Fact From Fiction
- How Psychic Roots became "An Unsolved Mystery"

For more information, go to:

www.rootsweb.com/~waseags/

Illinois British Conference

The British Interest Group of Wisconsin and Illinois will hold a British Isles Conference on September 29 at Rockford, Illinois. Sherry Irvine will be the featured speaker. For more information, e-mail:

pgleich@sbcglobal.net

Ohio Conference

The Cuyahoga County Council of Genealogical Organizations (CCGO) and Cuyahoga West Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society (OGS) will host a conference on September 29 at Westlake, Ohio. The speaker will be Curt Witcher. For more information, e-mail: cuyahogawest@att.net

Nevada Conference

The Clark County Nevada Genealogical Society will host a seminar on September 29 at Las Vegas, Nevada. The featured speaker is: Michael John Neill.

For more information, e-mail: CCNGS@cox.net

Florida Seminar

The Amelia Island Genealogical Society will host a seminar on September 29 at Fernandina Beach, Florida. George G. Morgan is the featured speaker and will discuss:

- Genealogy Orienteering: Using maps to Find the Right Place
- State-Land States & Federal-Land States: Researching Land Records
- The Genealogist as CSI (Crime Scene Investigator)
- Planning a Very Successful Research Trip

For more information, go to:

www.aigensoc.org

Ohio Class

The Genealogical Institute sponsored by the Genealogical Committee, an auxiliary of the Western Reserve Historical Society Library will sponsor a class on September 29 at Cleveland, Ohio. The class will cover getting organized, charts and forms, interviewing, gathering information, source citation, a brief Introduction to U. S. Federal Census, selected Web sites, and the WRHS Library. For more information, go to: www.wrhs.org

Pennsylvania Genealogy Day

The State Library of Pennsylvania will host a genealogy day on September 29 at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. This free event will include exhibits and information sessions to help genealogists with their research. In an exhibit area, local societies can share their information. For more information, go to:

www.pde.state.pa.us

Michigan Seminar

The Van Buren Regional Genealogical Society will host a seminar on September 29 at Lawrence, Michigan. Topics and speakers include:

- *Church Records : the Ties That Bind*", by Shirley J. Hodges
- *Citing Sources : the Roadmap of Your Genealogy*, by Toni I. Benson
- *Land Records 101*, by Sue Sanders
- *Immigration : the journey to America*, by Shirley J. Hodges
- *Looking Under Every Rock: Lesser-Known Sources That Yield Results*, by Toni I. Benson.

For more information, e-mail: tbenson@vbdl.org

Florida Meeting

The Manasota Genealogical Society will hold a meeting on October 3 at West Bradenton, Florida. The featured speaker is Barbara Schultz who will discuss "Jamestowne Virginia – It's History & People and also Researching Jamestowne for Early Settlers." For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~flmgs/

Iowa Conference

The Iowa Genealogical Society will hold a conference on October 4 at Marshalltown, Iowa. The speaker will be Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak. For more information, go to: www.iowagenealogy.org/

Minnesota Workshop

A Family History Workshop sponsored by The Heritage Education Commission, an organization at Minnesota State University Moorhead will be held on October 6 at Moorhead, Minnesota. For more information,

go to: www.mnstate.edu/heritage/

Ohio Conference

The Ohio Genealogical Society will host on October 6 at Shelby, Ohio. Dr. George K. Schweitzer will discuss: Civil War genealogy Cherokee research Rivers to Trails to Roads to Canals to Trains, and more A reception will follow at the OGS Library. For more information, go to: www.ogs.org

Maryland Conference

The Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society will host a conference on October 6 at Hagerstown, Maryland. John Philip Colletta will be the featured speaker. He will discuss Lesser Used Federal Records, The Germanic French, Researching Alsatian and Lorrainian Families, How to Assemble and Write a Genealogical Work that Is Both a Readable Document and a Readable Story, and Discovering the Real Stories of Your Immigrant Ancestors. For more information, go to: www.magsgen.com/fallmeeting.html

Utah British Institute

The International Society of British Genealogy and Family History will host the annual British Institute on October 8-12 at Salt Lake City, Utah. This is a week-long course of study about researching for your ancestors from the British Isles. Classes are conducted in the mornings covering genealogical resources, methodology and skill improvement. Research time is available each afternoon at the Family History Library. For more information, go to: www.isbgfh.org/institute.htm

Utah Wales Workshop

In conjunction with the British Institute, there is a one day workshop, *Basic Wales Research*, on October 12 at Salt Lake City, Utah. The featured speaker is Darris Williams. For registration or more information, go to: www.isbgfh.org

Missouri Lecture

The St. Louis Genealogy Society will hold its annual speaker series on October 13 at St. Louis, Missouri. The speakers include Adrian Williams, Group Administrator of the Williams Family DNA Study at Family Tree DNA. For more information, go to: www.stlgs.org

Ohio Italian Seminar

A conference about Italian genealogy will be held by the Western Reserve Historical Society on October 13 at Cleveland, Ohio. John Phillip Colletta will discuss: Passenger Lists, Naturalization Records, Italian Research, Discovering Your Ancestor's Stories. For more information, go to: www.wrhs.org

Ohio Palatine Conference

The Palatines to America, Ohio Chapter, will host a seminar on October 13 at Zoar, Ohio. Featured speakers are Amy Johnson Crow, Joanne McCue, and Steve Shonk. There is an optional tour of Zoar Village after the lectures. For more information, visit: www.oh-palam.org/seminar.php.

Pennsylvania Lecture

The Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society will host a lecture on October 13 at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Debbie Kapp will discuss *Ancestry Library Edition: Search Smarter, Not Harder*. The Ancestry Library

Edition database collection is available free through Allegheny County libraries that are affiliated with the Electronic Information Network. For more information, go to: www.wpgs.org

Ireland Research Trip

The 2007 Celtic Quest Research Trip is a 7-day genealogy research visit for experienced and serious genealogists. The group will go to Dublin & Belfast, Ireland, on October 13-18. The trip includes accommodation, daily Irish breakfast, lectures and professional onsite research assistance. For more information, go to: www.celticquest.net/

Virginia Genealogy Fair

The Botetourt Genealogy Club will hold a Genealogy Fair on October 14 at Fincastle, Virginia. For more information, e-mail: doreatr@rbnet.com

Michigan Seminar

The Michigan Genealogical Council will hold a seminar on October 15-17 at Midland, Michigan. There will be tours of Midland County Historical Society facilities, 32 sessions with 16 speakers, 30 vendors and societies, and a banquet and lunches with speakers. For more information, e-mail: faeae@chartermi.net

Wisconsin Conference

The Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International (CGSI) will hold their Genealogical/Cultural Conference on October 18-20 at Madison, Wisconsin. Dr. Lenka Matušiková, Archivist at the National Archives in Prague, Czech Republic, will be the featured speaker. The conference will include workshops, tours, networking, products, and entertainment. The program will be of interest to

those with families of Czech, Bohemian, Moravian, Slovak, German, Hungarian, Jewish, Rusyn, and Silesian origin. For more information, go to: www.cgisi.org

Arkansas Seminar

The Arkansas Genealogical Society will hold a seminar on October 19-20 at Little Rock, Arkansas. The featured speakers are Carolyn Earle Billingsley and Sharon Tate Moody. For more information, go to: www.agsgenealogy.org.

Oklahoma Retreat

Genealogy in the Woods is a genealogical and family history retreat held on October 19-21 at Sky Ranch at Cave Springs, Oklahoma. For more information, go to: www.gregathcompany.com/workshop/2007/

California Seminar

The Chino Valley Family History and Genealogy Seminar will be held on October 20 at Chino Hills, California. For more information, go to: www.portals-of-the-mind.com

Illinois Conference

The Illinois State Genealogical Society will hold a conference on October 20 at Elmhurst, Illinois. The featured speakers are: Tony Burroughs, Shirley Gage Hodges, David McDonald, Kathy O'Leary, Dan Niemiec, and Matt Rutherford. For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~ilsgs/

Vermont Meeting

The Genealogical Society of Vermont will hold their fall meeting on October 20 at Barre, Vermont. The speakers include Joann Nichols discussing *Other*

Free Persons as Heads of Households in the Vermont 1791 Census, and Brad Hadley discussing *Putting our Cemetery Database Online*. The Vermont Historical Society Library will be open for use of both books and manuscripts. Also the VHS Bookstore will be open. For more information, go to: www.genealogyvermont.org

New York Conference

The Heritage Hunters of Saratoga County New York will hold a conference on October 20 at Saratoga Springs, New York. The speaker, Michael John Neill, will present four workshops:

- newspaper research
- court records
- problem solving applied to genealogy
- preparing for your genealogical research trip using your computer

For more information, e-mail: melfrejo@aol.com

Indiana Seminar

The Tri-State Genealogical Society will hold their Fall Seminar on October 20 at Evansville Indiana. Lloyd Hosman will be the featured speaker, with topics including newspaper research, census research and Indiana research. There will be vendors, free help tables and door prizes. For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~intsgs/seminar.html

Arizona Lecture

The Family History Society of Arizona will present a lecture, *Keys to Unlocking Your Past*, by Tricia Malone Williams on October 20 at Phoenix, Arizona. For more information, go to www.fhsa.org

California Seminar

The Ventura County Genealogical Society will host an all-day seminar on October 20 at Ventura, California. Linda Jonas is the featured speaker and will discuss: Colonial America Isn't the US: Understanding Colonial America; Colonial American Research; Finding Origins of Your Colonial Ancestors; and When the Colonial Paper Trail Runs Out. For more information, go to:

www.rootsweb.com/~cavcgs/

Connecticut Seminar

The Connecticut society of Genealogists will host a seminar on October 20 at North Haven, Connecticut. The featured speakers will be Ed Strickland, a CSG Board Member, Leslie Albrecht Huber, and Michael Spellmon-Director of Colonial & Indian Research. For more information, go to:

www.csginc.org/csg_view_event.php?event=37

Massachusetts Conference

The Afro-American Historical & Genealogical Society will hold their national conference on October 25 at Boston, Massachusetts. For more information, go to: www.aahgs-ne.org/

Texas Seminar

The Van Zandt County Genealogical Society will host a seminar on October 27 at Canton, Texas. The featured speaker is Trevia Wooster Beverly of Houston, Texas who will speak on:

- Daffodils and Cedar Trees: Finding and Researching Old Towns and Cemeteries
- Finding and Researching the Old Homestead
- Faith of Our Fathers: Finding Your Ancestors in the Church Records

- Where, Oh Where Can She Be?: Finding the Silent Women in Your Ancestral Line

For more information, go to:

www.rootsweb.com/~txvzcg/vzgs.htm

Washington Conference

The Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society will host a seminar on October 27 at Tacoma, Washington. Barbara Vines Little is a certified genealogist from Virginia and president of the National Genealogical Society, and is the featured speaker. The topics include:

- Teasing the Silent Woman from the Shadows of History
- Granny Possum's Pointers
- An Overview of Colonial Virginia Records.
- Documentation: A Formula for Every Day

For more information, go to:

www.rootsweb.com/%7Eawatpcgs/seminar.htm

Louisiana Workshop

The Southwest Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Library, Libraries Southwest, and Southwest Louisiana Genealogical Society, Inc. will host a seminar on October 27 at Lake Charles, Louisiana. The featured speakers include John A. Sellers, Richard Hooverson, and Bennett Greenspan. After Hours research will be held at the Southwest Louisiana Genealogical and Historical Library on Friday Evening. For more information, e-mail: shirley@calcasieu.lib.la.us

Minnesota Conference

The Irish Genealogy Society International will host a conference on October 27 at Coon Rapids Minnesota. Twenty-four classes will be offered on a variety of topics. For

more information, go to:

www.irishgenealogical.org/IGSI/Annual_Conference.asp

Wisconsin Seminar

The Wisconsin State Genealogical Society will host a seminar on October 27 at Wausau, Wisconsin. J. Mark Lowe, CG will present four lectures including:

- Cheap Land on the Prairie (or That's What the Railroad Man Said)
- Land Barons or Dirt Farmers: Finding Land Transactions
- My Ancestor, the Farmer: Shaping a Profile for Your Rural Ancestor
- Locating Civil War Ancestors

For more information, go to:

www.wsgs.org

Illinois Czech Slovak Meeting

The Czech Slovak Americans Genealogy Society of Illinois will hold a meeting on October 27 at LaGrange, Illinois. The Prague Committee of the Chicago Sister Cities organization will provide the speakers. For more information, go to:

www.csagsi.org

Virginia Genealogy Fair

The Fairfax Genealogical Society will hold a Genealogy Fair on October 27 at Dunn Loring Virginia. Christine Rose will speak on Unusual Sources, Problem Solving, and Transcribing and Abstracting. For more information, go to:

www.fxgs.org

Indiana Workshop

The Elkhart County Genealogical Society will hold their annual Genealogy Workshop on October 27 at Bristol, Indiana. The featured speaker will be Shirley Gage Hodges, and her topics will include "Maps, Gazetteers, and Directories",

"Church Records", "Newspapers: A Valuable Research Tool", and "The Internet: Blessings and Curses". For more information, e-mail: sue.dufour@gmail.com

Florida Seminar

The Bay County Genealogical Society will host an all-day seminar called *Ancestor Hunting Demystified* on October 27 at Panama City, Florida. Ann Staley, CG, is the featured speaker. For more information, go to: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flbcgs/seminar/>

Missouri Workshop

The St. Charles County Genealogical Society will host a workshop on October 27 at Cottleville, Missouri. Michael John Neill, M.S., will be the featured speaker. For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~mosccgs/

Utah Research Tour

The New England Historic Genealogical Society will host a research tour to Salt Lake City for a week of intensive research at the Family History Library on October 28 to November 4. Attendees will be assisted by NEHGS staff members and outside consultants. Included in this special program are NEHGS and Family History Library orientations, a computer lab, one-on-one research consultations, special lectures, and group meals. NEHGS staff include Christopher C. Child, online genealogist David Allen Lambert, and Rhonda R. McClure, as well as outside consultants Jerome E. Anderson and Maryan Egan-Baker. For more information, go to: www.newenglandancestors.org/education/main/saltlake2007_main.asp

Genealogy Cruise

Wholly Genes, Inc. is sponsoring a genealogy conference aboard a cruise ship sailing from Ft. Lauderdale with stops at St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles; St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands; and Princess Cays, Bahamas. The dates are October to November 13. The speakers include: John Grenham, John Titford, Dick Eastman, Hank Jones, Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak, Cyndi Howells, Sandra Hewlett, Robert Charles Anderson, Marsha Hoffman Rising, Tony Burroughs, Bob Velke, John Cardinal, Lee Hoffman, Kent Riggins, Phil DeSilva and Barbara Grempler. For more information, go to: www.whollygenes.com/Merchant2/merchant.mvc?screen=CRUISE

Virginia Conference

The Virginia Genealogical Society will host a conference on November 2 at Roanoke, Virginia. The speakers include Mary B. Kegley, nationally known author and speaker on southwestern Virginia, Craig R. Scott, CG, President and CEO of Heritage Books, Inc. and author and editor of many publications, and Laura S. Wickstead, Librarian of the Virginia Room of Roanoke Public Libraries. Vendors of books, software, forms and other material will be available. For more information, go to: www.vgs.org/events.htm

Illinois Workshop

The Lake County Genealogical Society will host a workshop called *Finding Traces, Here and Abroad* on November 3 at Round Lake Beach, Illinois. The featured speakers are Larry O. Jensen, Everett L. Butler, Edmund Iwanski, and Grace DuMelle. For more information, go to:

www.rootsweb.com/~illcgs/works_hops.htm.

Michigan Lecture

The Livonia Civic Center Library & Western Wayne County Genealogical Society will host a lecture on November 3 at Livonia, Michigan. The speaker is Pamela Boyer Porter, a Certified Genealogist and Certified Genealogical Lecturer, co-author of *Online Roots: How to Discover Your Family's History and Heritage with the Power of the Internet* and *Research in Missouri*, FGS FORUM's Digitools columnist, a former board member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, and past editor of the Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly. For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~miwwcgs/

Maryland Seminar

The Maryland Genealogical Society will hold their fall seminar on November 3 at Baltimore, Maryland. Claire Bettag, CG, CGL, will present "Assumptions in Genealogical Research: Your Own Worst Enemy", and "National Archives Records and Information at Your Fingertips." Patricia O'Brien Shawker, CG, author of the National Genealogical Society's publication, "Research in Maryland," will present "The Old Line State: Research at the Maryland State Archives" and "Maryland Online". For more information, go to: www.mdgensoc.org

California Conference

The San Mateo County Genealogical Society will hold a seminar on November 3 at San Mateo, California. Christine Rose will discuss "Addicted to Courthouses," "County and Other Local Land Records," "Military Records For Problem

Solving" and "Using Little Known and Neglected Sources: A Potpourri." For more information, go to: www.smcgs.org

Texas Conference

The Texas State Genealogical Society will hold its 47th Annual Conference on November 9 at Tyler, Texas. The speakers are George G. Morgan and Drew Smith. For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~txsgs

Utah ICAPGen Conference

The ICAPGen Family History Conference will be held on November 9-10 at Provo, Utah. Instructors include faculty of BYU, professional researchers, and other experts in genealogical and family history research. Whether you are a professional genealogist, or you would like to become one, this conference is for you. Workshops will cover advanced research techniques, advice on improving your genealogical business, information on preparing for the Accreditation examination, and some of the latest tools that have become available. For more information, go to: www.icapgen.org

Toronto, Canada Scottish Workshop

The Toronto Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society and the Canadiana Department of the North York Central Library will host a one-day workshop on Scottish family history research on November 10 at Toronto. For more information, go to: www.torontofamilyhistory.org

Texas Workshop

The Austin Genealogical Society will host a seminar on November 10 at Austin, Texas. Suzanne S. Bettac is the featured speakers and will discuss "Naturalization" and "Immigration". For more

information, go to: www.austintxgensoc.org/calendar.php

RootsMagic Cruise

RootsMagic will host a genealogy cruise on November 11-19. The ship will depart from Port Canaveral, Florida, and will sail to Cococay in the Bahamas, then on to St. Thomas and St. Maarten. Many nationally known speakers will give lectures on a variety of genealogy topics. For more information, go to: www.rootsmagiccruise.com/

Utah Library Retreat

My Ancestors Found will host a Salt Lake Family History Library Retreat on November 26-30 at Salt Lake City, Utah. There will be assisted library research and classes across the street at the Plaza Hotel. For more information, go to: www.myancestorsfound.com/events/upcoming_events.php?event_id=26

2008 Events

California Seminar

The Lake Havasu Genealogical Society will host a seminar on January 26 at Lake Havasu City, California. Jean Wilcox Hibben is the featured speaker and will discuss:

- Bringing your Civil War Ancestor Back to Life: Songs & Stories of the War of Rebellion
- Get Along Little Dogie: Songs & Stories of Men and Women who Tamed the West
- Clue to Clue: Tracking a Family over Time & Miles
- Researching German Records When You Live in America and Don't speak German.

For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~azlhgs/

California Seminar

The San Luis Obispo County Genealogical Society will hold a seminar on February 2 at San Luis Obispo, California. Speakers include Dick Eastman, genealogy newsletter publisher; Geoff Rasmussen, Genealogist for Legacy Family Tree; and Max Blankfeld, expert in using DNA to trace your ancestry. For more information, go to: www.kcbx.net/~slogen/08seminar.html

Utah Jamboree

My Ancestors Found and the Washington County PAF User's Group will hold the Genealogy & Family Heritage Jamboree on February 8-9 at St. George, Utah. There will be more than 100 classes by speakers from all over the United States. Vendors will be there to show the latest genealogy products. For more information, go to: www.myancestorsfound.com/

Illinois Seminar

The DuPage County Genealogical Society will host a conference on February 23 at St. Charles, Illinois. The featured speakers are Jana Sloan Broglin and Elissa Scalise Powell. Three session tracks covering twelve topics will be presented. The topics include migration and immigration, Ohio and Pennsylvania records, WWI-WWII records at the National Archives, using maps in your research, putting new twists on old data, organizing for better productivity, and researching on a tight budget. Several exhibitors and vendors have been invited. For more information, go to: www.dcgcs.org

NGS Salt Lake Research Trip

The National Genealogical Society will host their ninth annual research trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City on February 24 to March 2, 2008. The trip will be led by Dereka Smith, the former librarian of the National Genealogical Society and by Shirley Langdon Wilcox, the upcoming president of the Virginia Genealogical Society. For more information, go to: www.ngsgenealogy.org/edutrips/atlake.cfm

Florida Seminar

The Tallahassee Genealogical Society will host a seminar on March 1 at Tallahassee, Florida. Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak will discuss:

- Trace Your Roots with DNA
- Beyond Y-DNA: Your Genetic Genealogy Options
- Cases That Made My Brain Hurt
- Reverse Genealogy: Techniques for Finding Your Lost Loved Ones

- Remembering Our Ancestors
For more information, go to: www.talgen.org

Connecticut Lecture

The Connecticut Society of Genealogists will host a lecture by Janet Pestey on Irish research on March 15 at New Haven Connecticut. For more information, go to: www.csginc.org/csg_view_event.php?event=52

Utah Jamboree

The Genealogy & Family Heritage Jamboree will be held on March 22 at Logan, Utah. The event will feature more than 36 classes and 20 vendors and exhibitors. For more information, go to: www.myancestorsfound.com

Canada Event

GENE-O-RAMA will be held by the Ottawa Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society, in partnership with the Ottawa Public Library on March 28-29 at Ottawa Canada. For more information, go to: <http://ogsottawa.on.ca/geneorama/>

Ohio Conference

The Ohio Genealogical Society will host their annual conference on April 17-19 at Cincinnati, Ohio. Watch the society Web site for further information: www.ogs.org/

California Seminar

Rhonda McClure will present an all-day seminar on 26 April 2008 at Santa Rosa, California. For more information, go to: www.rootsweb.com/~cascgs/mcc lure.htm

Kansas Conference

The Topeka Genealogical Society will hold its 2008 Conference, *From Traditional Methods to Cutting Edge Science*, on April 26 at Topeka, Kansas. Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak is the featured speaker. For more information, contact Nora Patton Taylor at: npattontaylor@topekachamber.org

NGS 2008 Conference

The National Genealogy Society (NGS) will hold their 2008 conference on May 14-17 2008 at Kansas City, Missouri. For more information, go to: www.ngsgenealogy.org

FGS 2008 Conference

The Federation of Genealogy Societies will hold their 2008 conference on September 3-6 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. For more information, go to: www.fgs.org/2008conf/FGS-2008.htm

2009 Events

Australian Conference

The Australasian Genealogical Congress is held once every three years and will be held on January 16-20 at Auckland, New Zealand. It attracts more than 1000 delegates from around the world, with for four days of genealogical conference sessions, lectures and exhibits. Watch the Web site for date, place and program: www.affho.org/

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