



Genealogical Forum of Oregon Naturalization Records for Genealogists

Half-day Seminar with Connie Lenzen, CG

The United States is a nation of immigrants. Many of those immigrants decided to give up allegiance to their mother country and become a United States citizen by going through the naturalization process.

At a minimum, naturalization records give the name of the alien and the name of the country where he held his former citizenship. They may provide information about the date and place of birth of an immigrant ancestor and his date and port of arrival in the United States. They may provide other personal and genealogical information.

Finding an ancestor's naturalization records is a daunting task. Attend this workshop to learn how to find them. There will be time after lunch to ask questions and learn about the resources available at the GFO library.

Connie is certified by the Board for Certification of Genealogists and is a past president of that organization. She has served as a National Genealogical Society Director (NGS). She authored the NGS Research in the States guide, "Research in Oregon," and has written articles for the National Genealogical Society Quarterly. She authored the "Twentieth-Century Research" course for the National Institute of Genealogical Studies (NIGS).

Connie is a former GFO president and is currently on the GFO's Education Committee. She is vice-president of the Oregon Catholic Historical Society, and on the Outreach Committee for the Board for Certification of Genealogists.

Saturday
23 August 2014
10 a.m.–2 p.m.
GFO Library

Limited to 50 attendees

No lunch provided
Brown bags welcome
Cafes nearby

Coffee, tea, and snacks included

The library will be open for research after the seminar.

Event Schedule

9:45–10:00 a.m.	Registration
10:00–12.15 a.m.	1st Session
12.15 a.m.–1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00–2:00 p.m.	2nd Session

For information on this class, send email to info@gfo.org

Connie Lenzen Half-day Seminar ~ Sign-Up Form ~ 23 August 2014

Members: ___ \$20 received by 8/16/14 ___ \$25 received after 8/16/14 ___ \$30 at the door

Non-Members: ___ \$25 received by 8/16/14 ___ \$30 received after 8/16/14 ___ \$35 at the door

Total \$ _____ Payment enclosed Paid online at PayPal.com using the email address payments@gfo.org

Name _____ Member No. _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip+4 _____

Please make check payable to "Genealogical Forum of Oregon" or "GFO."

Attn: Half-day Seminar, GFO, 2505 SE 11th Ave, Ste B18, Portland OR 97202-1061

503-963-1932

<http://www.gfo.org>

info@gfo.org



GFO FALL SEMINAR 2014

We welcome ...

JUDY G. RUSSELL, JD. CG, CGL



SATURDAY
25 OCTOBER 2014
9 AM - 4 PM
MILWAUKIE ELKS LODGE

~Workshop on Sunday, 26 Oct 2014 at the GFO Library~
Limited to 40 attendees!

Seminar Topics

~ “Don’t Forget the Ladies”— A Genealogist’s Guide to Women and the Law

~ Polls, Personalty and Property—Making Sense of Tax Lists

~ How Old Did He Have To Be....?

~ Facts, Photos and Fair Use: Copyright Law for Genealogists



Workshop Topic

~ No Vitals? No Problem! - Building a Family Through Circumstantial Evidence

See Judy’s webpage for complete descriptions of the topics:

[The Legal Genealogist’s Lecture Topics](#)

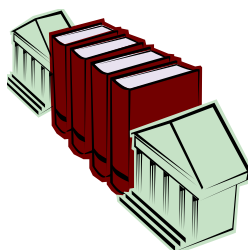
SEMINAR FEATURES:

- ◆ *Nationally Known Speaker*
- ◆ *Book Vendor*
- ◆ *Genealogical Treasures*
- ◆ *GFO Surplus Book Sale*
- Raffles*

Genealogical Forum of Oregon Fall Seminar 2014

~ Seminar Event Schedule ~

- 8:00 am Registration opens
- 9:00 am Opening remarks
- 9:15 am Session 1
- 10:15 am Morning break
- 10:45 am Session 2
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:15 pm Announcements
- 1:30 pm Session 3
- 2:30 pm Break and Treasures
Raffle items claimed
- 3:00 pm Session 4



ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

Judy G. Russell JD is a genealogist with a law degree, and her purpose at *The Legal Genealogist* (her blog) is, in part, to help folks understand the often arcane and even impenetrable legal concepts and terminology that are so very important to those of us studying family history. Without understanding the context in which events took place and records were created, we miss so much of both the significance and the flavor of what happened. She has spent the last decade learning her trade as a genealogist, and holds credentials as a Certified GenealogistSM and Certified Genealogical LecturerSM from the Board for Certification of Genealogists® where she currently serves as a member of the Board of Trustees. She's a member of the [National Genealogical Society](#), the [Association of Professional Genealogists](#), and, among others, the state genealogical societies of [New Jersey](#), [North Carolina](#), [Virginia](#), [Texas](#) and [Illinois](#). She is privileged now to serve on the faculty at Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR), at the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy (SLIG), at the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP), and at Boston University's Center for Professional Education. See her blog at: [The Legal Genealogist](#)

Seminar Site

SATURDAY 25 Oct 2014

Milwaukie Elks Lodge

13121 SE McLoughlin Blvd., Milwaukie, Oregon

Situated on the west side of McLoughlin Blvd., Oregon Hwy 99E, 1/2 mile south of the town of Milwaukie.

Located between SE Park Avenue (traffic light to the north) and the Bomber (restaurant to the south). Look for Milwaukie Elks Lodge sign. Free parking available.

Workshop Site

SUNDAY 26 Oct 2014

**Genealogical Forum of Oregon
2505 SE 11th Ave Ste B-18
Portland OR 97202-1061**

Telephone 503-963-1932 Website: www.gfo.org
Email questions to seminar@gfo.org

Lunch

Buffet lunch in the Elks Dining Room with payment of \$12- Includes pot roast, vegetables and salads.

Coffee, hot tea and juices are included.

No lunch available for those who register after 18 Oct 2014.

Breaks

Snacks and beverages (listed above) are included with admission and are available during breaks as well as lunch.

Refund Policy

For cancellations received after 18 Oct 2014, refunds will be made in the amount of the registration fee less a \$10.00 cancellation fee.

Lunch fees are non-refundable if canceled after 18 Oct 2014.

Judy G. Russell JD - Fall Seminar Sign-up Form - 25 October 2014 and/or 26 October 2014

Name _____ Member # _____

Email for confirmation _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

City, State & Zip _____

25 Oct 14 Seminar - MEMBERS: { } \$43 received by **Oct. 18th** { } \$48 received after **Oct. 18th (no lunch)**

NON-MEMBERS: { } \$48 received by **Oct. 18th** { } \$53 received after **Oct. 18th (no lunch)**

LUNCH: { } \$12 must be received by **Oct. 18th** **SYLLABUS:** { } \$3 for Paper Copy - EMAIL FREE

26 Oct 14 Workshop - MEMBERS: { } \$25 rec'd by **Oct. 18th** **NON-MEMBERS:** { } \$30 rec'd by **Oct. 18th**

TOTAL : \$ _____ Payment enclosed Paid online at PayPal using email address payments@gfo.org

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Questions? Email seminar@gfo.org

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The Forum Insider

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Member Appreciation Picnic



Join us for an informal gathering of GFO members to socialize and enjoy good food. This is a family-friendly place, kids are welcome. There's a large open field suitable for games, so bring your gear. A horseshoe pit is available, but bring horseshoes, none are provided. A shelter will keep the elements at bay — rain or sun.

We're providing hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, iced tea, and lemonade. Plates and utensils will also be provided. Please bring a dish to share. We'd welcome a small donation to help defray the expenses (\$3 per person suggested).

Grillers wanted. If you can help organize, set up, or clean up, please let us know. Setup starts at 1:00 p.m.

*** Update ***

We need an RSVP with the number attending and the preference for hamburgers or hot dogs. Please send email to picnic@gfo.org with the information, or call the Forum office at 503-963-1932.

Alcohol is not allowed at the picnic site, so please bring only non-alcoholic drinks if you want your own.

Details

Sunday, August 17 2014

Setup begins at 1:00 p.m.

**Food cooked/served from
2:00–4:00 p.m.**

Socializing and play till 5:00 p.m.



Family picnic at Annan River, Queensland, about 1890-1900. Collection of John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland. Photographer unknown.

Milwaukie Elks
13121 SE McLoughlin Blvd.
Milwaukie, Oregon

Situated on the west side of McLoughlin Blvd., Oregon Hwy 99E, 1/2 mile south of the town of Milwaukie. Look for the Milwaukie Elks Lodge sign. Go right (north) through the driveway toward the new parking structure being built by MAX. The driveway along that fence curves left down to the lower level. Look for the big white shelter and fenced grill building. Park along the east side of the driveway in a small parking lot, or along the west side of the road, head in, facing the covered facilities.



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Free Monthly Program

Third Saturday of each month at 2 p.m. with an interesting speaker.

Library Hours

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday

9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Wednesday

9:30 to 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday

9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sunday

12 noon to 5 p.m.

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Submissions to the *Insider*: Send comments, corrections, news, short success stories, and announcements to Jackie Olson, editor, at insider@gfo.org or leave messages at the GFO desk, 503-963-1932. Provide submissions by the 7th of the month for inclusion in the following month's issue.

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Member Appreciation Picnic

Sunday, August 17, 2014
1 p.m to all day (see flyer for details ~ Milwaukie Elks

Half-day Seminar ~ Connie Lenzen

Saturday, August 23, 2014
Naturalization Records for Genealogists
10 a.m.-12 p.m. ~ GFO Library

Monthly Program ~ September

Saturday, September 20, 2014
Time and topic TBA

Fall Seminar ~ October

Saturday, October 25, 2014
9 a.m.-4 p.m.
See flyer for details



Donations for the Treasures Raffle

As we begin planning for our Fall Seminar in October, we would like to ask you to search your closet or desk for a gently used item that we can raffle at the seminar.

Suggestions include genealogically related books, household decorations, carry bags, and computer items. Leave the item(s) at the library reception desk with a note that it's a seminar treasures donation.

Tickets are sold for \$1 each or 6 for \$5, and are placed in separate paper sacks for each prize so you win only something you want. Thank you.



Genealogical Council of Oregon (GCO) Summer Genealogy Fest

August 2, 2014

- Featuring: Thomas W. Jones , Ph.D, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS, FUGA
- Planning "Reasonably Exhaustive" Research
 - Can a Complex Research Problem be Solved Solely Online?
 - Debunking Misleading Records
 - Will Your Family History Have Lasting Value?
 - Papers and other classes.

Co-Hosts: Genealogical Council of Oregon (GCO) and Oregon Association of Professional Genealogists (OR APG)
Lane Community College, Center for Meeting and Learning,
4000 East 30th Avenue, Eugene, Oregon 97405

Details and Registration: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orgco2/>



GFO Hall of Fame

The GFO is proud to announce two Hall of Fame awards for 2014.



Jeanette Kefsky Hopkins

Jeanette has been a member of the GFO since August 31, 1990. Since then she has accumulated the following very significant accomplishments:

- *Past GFO Treasurer for six years;
- *Co-Chair of the GFO Spring and Fall Seminars for seven years;
- *Served on the Budget Committee for seven years;
- *Served on the Endowment Committee for several years;
- *Chaired the original and subsequent GFO Annual Appeal drives;
- *Served on the Relocation Committee for our move to the Ford Building;
- *Serves on the Education Committee;
- *Serves as coordinator for the Hall of Fame Committee;
- *Develops brochures and special events flyers for many events;
- *Established the PayPal account for the GFO.org website;
- *Is the current GFO Vice-President;
- *Is an outstanding analyst, problem solver, and solution provider for all aspects of the society;
- *And provides leadership to every assignment and volunteer activity.



Larry Sullivan

Larry volunteered to take over the Webmaster position about seven years ago when the original webmaster stepped down.

He has turned the site into one that has been recognized as one of the best genealogical sites in the U.S., receiving Family Tree Magazine's award for Best State Genealogy Website for the last three years. He has also optimized it for mobile use and provided links to many other websites, making our site a valuable online research resource.

He continues to monitor and upgrade the site, recently redesigning the home page and many of the landing pages. He continually responds quickly to requests for changes to the site by board members and committee chairs.

Larry also served many years on the Endowment Fund Committee providing solid financial skills.

In addition to his webmaster duties, he never turns down a request to provide classes about our website.

We are fortunate to have Larry as a member of the GFO working quietly in the background and making a huge impact on the face of the GFO.



GFO Website Updated

June 28, 2014, was the 100th anniversary of the assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria. So I have been trying to add more WWI resources to the website. Long ago we put up an index for draft registrations. This anniversary is a good time to add a little more.

The May *Insider* mentioned a few newspaper articles that I put onto the website. Two of these were about Service Flags that schools, churches, and other organizations created during WWI. The flags had a star for each member that had “joined the colors.” Articles often listed the soldiers that were represented. Now there are nearly 60 of these articles and they have their own index page with a search box. More articles will be added as time allows.

The American Battle Monuments Commission has an excellent website that details all the overseas burials of soldiers. I was able to extract information on the 226 Oregon soldiers of WWI that were buried overseas. We now have an index that provides links directly to each soldier’s page on the ABMC site.

I found two files on the ORGenWeb. These Death Rolls list all(?) the Oregonians that died in WWI. These files are not on our site, so our search engine won’t find the names. You have to click the links and search the files yourself.

There are links to stories about two soldiers. First is Edward Christopher Allworth who earned the Medal of Honor. He was the only Oregonian so honored during WWI. The second soldier is Howard Verne Ramsey. He died in 2007 and is believed to be the

last U.S. combat veteran of WWI. And guess what? He was an Oregonian!

How do you get to all this WWI stuff? From the home page click on “*Useful Links*,” from any other page, click on the “Links” tab, then click the “Oregon” tab. On the page of research links for Oregon, click on “WWI” at the top of the page and you’re there.

And that’s not all. Our ever-busy team of volunteers finished another project. The library has several books with mini-biographies of Oregonians. An index of over 12,000 names has been created to help you find biographies the easy way. If you find one that interests you and you can’t come into the library, then our research staff will copy it and send it your way (for a small fee, of course).

Larry Sullivan, Webmaster



Young men registering for military conscription, New York City, June 5, 1917. Source: George Grantham Bain collection, Library of Congress. Accessed Wikimedia Commons.)

Disaster Response Preparation Committee

The GFO Board approved the creation of a Disaster Response Preparation Committee in May. The Oregon Heritage Council MentorCorps had volunteered to assist the GFO to develop procedures and policies relating to disaster planning and response, assessing collection needs, caring for photographs and audio collections, and planning for Collections Care Grants.

The Committee has been meeting to respond to requests from the Mentors to develop materials that will be needed in the future.

The Committee and Mentors have been working

on various aspects of a Disaster Response Plan. After completion of the plan, we will be looking for volunteers who will receive training to deal with after effects of a potential disaster. If you are interested in assisting in the future, please send your name and contact information to volunteer@gfo.org; in the subject line, write “Disaster Volunteer”.

Watch for updates as the project continues.

If you have questions, please contact Jane McGarvin, Disaster Response Preparation Committee Chair, by emailing info@gfo.org or by leaving a message at the library..

Jane McGarvin



Garden Tour

Susan Bates opened her splendid garden to GFO members for a tour last month. On a beautiful day, Susan (in red shirt) shows the visitors through a variety of garden scenes.

Photos by Nanci Remington and April Ober



NARA Digital Holdings to be Added to Wikimedia Commons

From National Archives and Records Administration: Starting in July 2011, the US National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) undertook a major contribution of tens of thousands of files to Commons.

NARA is an independent agency of the United States government charged with preserving and documenting government and historical records and with increasing public access to those documents, which comprise the National Archives. This project organized Commons' efforts to accept and deal with such a large contribution of files. NARA's blog on

the topic, including the full plan: <http://blogs.archives.gov/online-public-access/>

Dick Eastman has two blog entries on the move: <http://blog.eogn.com/2014/07/03/update-us-national-archives-will-upload-all-its-holdings-to-wikipedia/>.

Other comments: Free Government Information <http://freegovinfo.info/node/8849> and <http://blogs.archives.gov/online-public-access/?p=8502>

If you'd like to see what NARA currently has in Wikimedia, go to http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Main_Page. In the search, include National Archives and Records Administration in your search terms, or begin browsing at http://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/Category:National_Archives_and_Records_Administration

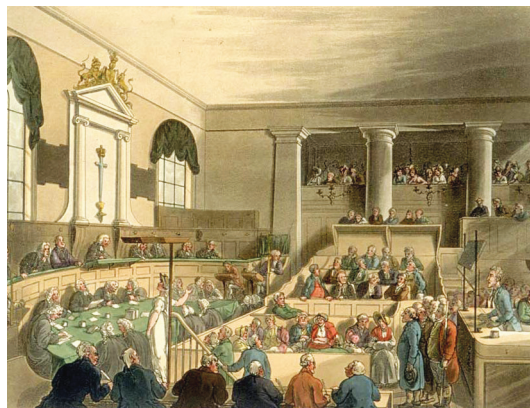


The Proceedings of the Old Bailey, 1674-1913

<http://www.oldbaileyonline.org/>

Many of us at some point in the study of family history will discover a member whose record includes a brush with the law and justice system. Mine was a 19th-century ancestor sentenced for fraud and perjury to 2-1/2 years of hard labor and “the loss forever of the trust of the community.” The latter sentence followed him through his life and may have been the harsher of the two.

The punishment of crime has changed dramatically over the years. The Old Bailey Proceedings Online Project, with records reaching back to the 17th century is a remarkable collection documenting not just the course of changing law, but the lives of those sentenced and their families. The collection holds nearly 200,000 transcribed surviving records of trials, sentencing, and other proceedings. It is available online, free, and contains not just abbreviated notations of court events but the complete words at trial and sentencing, forming a deeper look into the social aspects of crime and punishment.



A trial at the Old Bailey in London as drawn by Thomas Rowlandson and Augustus Pugin for Ackermann's "Microcosm of London" (1808-11). PD-1923. Accessed Wikimedia Commons.

The crimes prosecuted at the Central Criminal Court, covering London and Middlesex county, were felonies; misdemeanors were handled in lower courts. The date range is 1674–1913, a period of immense social change as reflected in the changing punishments. Some sentences we would find abhorrent today, such as burning of the hand or whipping

were phased out. Death sentences that had been imposed for seemingly small offenses were also gradually removed. (The notes mention that many of the sentences were altered or reduced in later proceedings.) A second collection, the Ordinary’s (Chaplain’s) Accounts, narrates stories of prisoners executed at Tyburn. They develop the lives and fates of the prisoners in more personal detail, amounting to oral histories.

For genealogists, the records may hold clues to an ancestor’s arrival in the Americas. One common punishment for serious crime was of transportation to one of the empire’s colonies, for either a length of years or life. Some of our ancestors may have found themselves sailing to America to start over, while others went to Australia, India, or Africa. The goal of transportation, like the death penalty, was to deter others from crime. More likely it was a simple, inexpensive way to remove a criminal from the community.

The archive is well organized with original images and their transcriptions, and allows for varied searches by name, crime, proceeding type, and year, etc.

There are extensive notes on crime and sentencing definitions, the history of London and its criminal courts, and even the option to run statistics on the files. Browsing the proceedings and narratives is a fascinating look at crime and society in one of the largest cities of the times.

Jackie Olson



Genealogical Research Forms

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Research_Forms

Forms can organize your research, document and catalog findings and resources, and chart progress and future paths. Census worksheets, correspondence logs, family groups, pedigrees, and research abstracts, calendars, source abstracts, and timelines are some of the more common. There are many sites that have free,

downloadable forms. One that provides links to several sites’ offerings is FamilySearch.org. Links to:

- FamilySearch
- Archives.com
- Ancestry.com
- GenealogyBank
- Using Censuses to Track Ancestors
- Cyndi’s List
- The Bailey’s Free Genealogy Forms
- Family Tree Magazine



Volunteer Opportunities

The GFO runs on volunteer power. Large and small jobs, all hours, we can use your help. One benefit of working with project leaders is the chance to learn genealogy at a deeper level while assisting GFO.

∞ *Membership Chair*

This crucial role focuses on member recruitment and retention. A committee is in place to process memberships and mailings, and a volunteer to do data entry is being sought. Contact Laurel Smith at president@gfo.org.

∞ *Endowment Committee*

The committee that manages the GFO Endowment Fund is seeking one new member for a one-year term. The committee meets only four times a year. Whether your background or interests lie in investing or fund-raising, or you just want to help, contact Laurel Smith at president@gfo.org.

∞ *Writer for the In Memoriam column*

We are looking for someone to submit short obituaries of GFO members to our *Bulletin* editor to be included in the “In Memoriam” column. The information is supplied by other sources and/or persons. Your responsibility is to write a paragraph about the deceased member. The *Bulletin* is published quarterly. Please contact the editor at Bulletin@gfo.org.

∞ *Data entry*

Need detail-oriented person with data entry experience to help 1–3 hours a week processing membership applications. Please contact Marj Enneking at membership@gfo.org.

∞ *Book sales - several volunteers*

This is an ongoing project, once a week or once a month but day and time are up to you and may fluctuate. Training is provided, procedural “cheat sheets” are available. Once trained, volunteers may work independently on their own schedule. Basic computer skills are all that is needed. Contact Helen Smith (booksales@gfo.org or 503-963-1932).

∞ *Manuscripts: Volunteer scanners needed!*

Scan personal papers and manuscripts donated over the years, to make these collections available to researchers. Once trained, volunteers can work independently to process an entire collection or choose one step, such as organizing or scanning. Contact Nanci Remington at manuscripts@gfo.org.

∞ *Print shop*

An additional person for backup in the print shop to help print brochures, letters, the *Bulletin*, the *Insider*, etc., when Loretta Welsh and Jim Morrow are not available. Contact Loretta at publisher@gfo.org.

∞ *Research Assistants/Receptionists*

Volunteers are needed to fill critical spots to keep the library open. Some are experienced researchers, some do reception work, some fill both roles. We must have at least two volunteers on duty (minimum — one researcher and one receptionist) for each shift. Options can be one shift per week, every other week, or per month. Shifts are 9:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. or 1:00–5:00 p.m.. Contact Cathy Lauer at volunteer@gfo.org.

∞ *Book cataloging*

Enter newly donated and already classified books into the new catalog to reduce our huge backlog. We can’t share them with our membership until they’re in the catalog. We will train you. The perk is being first to see the interesting books coming into the library. You can set your own hours; as little or as much time as you are able to give is a wonderful contribution to the library. Use the computer in the work room, or we can set up your laptop so you can work anywhere in the library. Contact Sarah Holmes: cataloging@gfo.org.

∞ *Data extraction*

If you would like to help with data extraction projects, please contact Loretta Welsh. She is usually at the library on Wednesdays, or leave a message with reception at 503-963-1932 or email dataextraction@gfo.org.

1. *Historic Columbian Cemetery extraction project*

The GFO has been working on the records of the Historic Columbian Cemetery. Proofreaders are needed for the extracted records.

2. *Ongoing data extraction projects*

A number of projects can use help. These require use of Excel or Open Office for the worksheets.

- Work at the GFO on Multnomah County Marriages, books of newspaper clippings, and books of Oregon biographies.
- Work at home from scanned images of Portland birth ledgers, scrapbooks, obituaries, church cards, or newspaper clippings.

3. *Scanning*

We have boxes of items that must be scanned so our volunteers at home can do the data extraction. Scanning is easy and training is provided.



Interest Group Meeting Times and Contacts

All meetings at GFO Library

Laurel's DNA Workshop

August 10, 1–4 p.m. 23andme and Spreadsheets

August 24, 1–4 p.m. FTDNA and Spreadsheets

Lisa's DNA Workshops

August 20, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. GEDcoms and websites

August 27, 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Ahnentafel and X-chromosome inheritance

British Group News

September 27 1–3 p.m.

The speaker will be Duane Funk, and the topic will be on different calendars of the past "Do you really know what day it is?"

Join our regular members for the meeting if you have ancestors from England, Scotland or Wales. The Brick Wall discussion will follow the day's presentation.

Duane Funk will lead the group come September when Lyleth Winther steps back to have more time for her research.



Blueberries on branch
Source: Jim Clark.
Accessed Wikimedia Commons.)



Swedish American Genealogist

http://collections.carli.illinois.edu/cdm4/index_aug_sag.php?CISOROOT=/aug_sag

Back issues of this periodical are available free at Swedish American Genealogist (Augustana College) website. The quarterly issues cover Swedish American biography, genealogy, and personal history. Issues available are from 1981–2007. Current issues and subscriptions at <https://www.augustana.edu/general-information/swenson-center-/swedish-american-genealogist>

Research Stories

Every one of you has a story to tell: of great successes, and small ones; of step-by-step slogging, and of brick walls the size of Hadrian's. We want to inspire and give ideas to other genealogists by adding those stories to the GFO newsletter. Whether it's a favorite technique, an unexpected find, a resource, or a person who helped your search, consider writing it up for the *Insider*.

The format is simple: Write in an informal style, up to 350 words (fewer if you want to include a photo) and submit to insider@gfo.org. The item should not have been published previously. If you'd like to see examples, the May 2014 newsletter has two of them. If we select it, we may edit for clarity and space.

British

4th Saturdays of Sept, Jan, Mar, May; 1–3 p.m.

Lyleth Winther
lylethw@gmail.com

Computer

3rd Saturdays of Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct; 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Daphne Garrison
degarrison@gmail.com

DNA

4th Saturdays of Jan, Apr, July, Oct; 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Emily Aulicino
aulicino@hevanet.com

Family Tree Maker

3rd Sundays except Dec; 1–3 p.m.
No meetings in July and August.

Laurel Smith
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Stephen Morgan

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Genealogy Books

2nd Saturdays monthly;
11:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m.

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German

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Illinois and Its Neighbors

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3rd Saturdays of Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, Nov; 12–2 p.m.

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GFO Calendar

August

Mon 8/4 **Free to Non-Members**

Sun 8/10 1–4 p.m. Laurel’s DNA Workshop ~
23andme and Spreadsheets

Tues 8/12 6–8 p.m. Board meeting

Sun 8/17 2–4 p.m. **Member Appreciation Picnic**

Wed 8/20 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Lisa’s DNA Workshop ~
GEDcoms

Sat 8/23 10 a.m.–2 p.m. **Half-day Seminar:**
Connie Lenzen, Naturalization
Records for Genealogists

Sun 8/24 1–4 p.m. Laurel’s DNA Workshop ~
FTDNA and Spreadsheets

Wed 8/27 1–4 p.m. Lisa’s DNA Workshop ~
X-Chromosome Inheritance and
Ahnentafels

September

Mon 9/1 **Labor Day holiday—Library
closed**

Sat 9/6 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Virginia Group
1–3 p.m. German Group

Tues 9/9 6–8 p.m. Board meeting

Wed 9/10 7–8 p.m. Genealogy Book Group

Sat 9/13 9:30–11:30 a.m. Illinois Group
1–3 p.m. Writers’ Forum

Sat 9/20 12–2 p.m. Irish Group
2–4 p.m. Monthly Program ~ TBA

Sun 9/21 1–3 p.m. Family Tree Maker Group

Sat 9/27 9:30–11:30 a.m. DNA Group
1–3 p.m. British Group

October

Sat 10/4 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Virginia Group
1–3 p.m. German Group

Mon 10/6 **Free to Non-Members**

Sat 10/11 9:30–11:30 a.m. Illinois Group
1–3 p.m. Writers’ Forum

Tues 10/14 6–8 p.m. Board meeting

Sat 10/18 2–4 p.m. Monthly Program ~ TBA

Fri 10/24 TBA Half-Day Workshop with
Judy Russell ~ TBA

Sat 10/25 TBA Fall Seminar with Judy Russell
~ TBA