

## Eighth New England Regional Genealogical Conference

March 31 - April 3, 2005

*NEW ENGLAND CROSSROADS*

See our website: [www.nergc.org](http://www.nergc.org)

**EARLY REGISTRATION**

**Date has passed! Still a bargain at \$125 for entire conference.**






**~~\$99.00 FOR THE ENTIRE CONFERENCE~~**

*Holiday Inn By the Bay, 88 Spring Street, Portland, Maine*

The Holiday Inn by the Bay is completely booked for overnight rooms. Please refer to the NERGC eZine on the NERGC website for an update on nearby, affordable alternatives. <http://www.nergc.org/e-zine.htm>

### Thursday Afternoon


31 March 2005

Track	1:30 - 2:30 pm	2:45 - 3:45 pm	4:00 - 5:00 pm
 Genealogy 101	T-1 Forms, Forms, and More Forms <i>Marcia Melnyk</i>	T-6 Getting the MOST from Census Records <i>Walter V. Hickey</i> [NARA]	T-10 Genealogy Research in the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century <i>John Konvalinka, CGRS, CGL</i>
 Photography Workshop*	T-2 Photography Workshop Identifying and Preserving Family Photographs <i>David Mishkin and Maureen Taylor, M.A.</i>		
 New England Research	T-3 Making Boston the Hub for Your New England Research <i>Ruth Quigley Wellner</i> [CMGS]	T-7 Tracking Seafaring Ancestors <i>John Battick Ph.D.</i> [MGS]	T-11 Researching Your Maine Ancestors <i>Patricia Odiorne</i> [MasSoG]
 Ethnic Genealogy	T-4 Roger Williams and the Native Americans in 17th-Century New England <i>John McNiff</i> [RIGS]	T-8 The 1704 French & Indian Raid on Deerfield: Tracking Descendants of Captives & Captors <i>Jeanne Gendreau Carley</i> [CCGS]	T-12 French Canadian History and How it Fits into Genealogical Research <i>Patricia Vigeant Locke</i> [AFGS]
 Technology	T-5 Maximizing Computer Tools for Genealogy <i>Emery &amp; Jane Roth</i>	T-9 De-Mystifying Computer File Formats & Document Exchange <i>Emery &amp; Jane Roth</i>	T-13 Gadgets for the Genealogist on the Go <i>Beau Sharbrough</i>

\* Pre-registration REQUIRED. Space limited. Bring an old photo.




### Thursday Evening

31 March 2005

5:00-7:00 pm	6:00-7:30 pm	7:30 pm
 Society Fair & Social Hour Cash Bar Societies from all over New England will be in attendance, offering information about their specialties. Meet and greet!	EXHIBIT HALL OPENING  Exhibitors from across the U.S. and Canada will offer genealogical products and services. Be there when the ribbon is cut for the best selection!	Ethnic/Interest Groups  Special interest groups will hold mini-gatherings for anyone interested in a wide range of topics. Check <a href="http://www.nergc.org">www.nergc.org</a> for an informal list of these great get-togethers!

Friday, 1 April 2005






OPENING SESSION 8:00 - 8:20 am

Track	8:30 - 9:30 am	10:00 - 11:00 am
 Beyond Basic Federal Records	F-16 They Came From Canada: Finding Your Ancestors in Canadian Border Crossing Records <i>Jean Nudd</i> [NARA]	F-21 U.S. Military Census: 1900, 1910 and 1920 <i>George Sermuksnis</i> [NARA]
 Ethnic Genealogy	F-17 An Introduction to the Vast Resources Available on <i>JewishGen.org</i> <i>Michael Marx</i> [JGSGB]	F-22 David Trombly of Ludlow, Massachusetts: Was He English or French? <i>Marcel Jussaume</i> [ACGS]
 Libraries & Records	F-18 The Identity Crisis: Right Name, Wrong Man? Wrong Name, Right Man? <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG</i>	F-23 Genealogical Resources and Services at the Connecticut State Library <i>Richard Clarke Roberts</i> [DFAW]
 DNA	F-19 Verifying and Establishing Family Connections through Genetic Genealogy <i>Diahan Southard</i> [Relative Genetics]	F-24 The Power of DNA: Discovering Lost and Hidden Relationships <i>Ugo A. Perego, M.S.</i> [Sorenson]
 Technology	F-20 Make Your Point with PowerPoint <i>Laura G. Prescott</i>	F-25 Evaluating Web Sites <i>Cyndi Howells</i>

11:00 - Noon Unopposed Exhibitor Time








Noon - 1:30 pm See registration detail for luncheon options.

Track	1:45 - 2:45 pm	3:15 - 4:15 pm	4:45 - 5:45 pm
 Beyond Basic Federal Records	F-26 Settled Accounts: The New England Experience in Federal Records <i>Craig Scott, CGRS</i>	F-31 Research in Washington, D.C., From Home! <i>Sandra MacLean Clunies, CG</i>	F-36 Beyond the Census: Local History in Federal Records <i>Horace H. Waters</i> [NARA]
 Ethnic Genealogy	F-27 Scots For Sale: The Fate of the Scottish War Prisoners in Seventeenth-Century New England <i>Diane Rapaport</i>	F-32 Abenaki Indians: Early Contact and Migratory Patterns <i>Sherry L. Gould, MSHS</i> [NHSOG]	F-37 The Six Phases of African American Genealogy <i>Tony Burroughs, FUGA</i>
 Libraries & Records	F-28 Maine Historical Society Resources Inhouse and Online <i>Kathy Bolduc Amoroso</i> [MHS]	F-33 What's in Your Courthouse Closet? <i>Helen A. Shaw, M.A.</i>	F-38 Using City Directories as Sources <i>William Copeley</i>
 DNA	F-29 Uncovering Your Roots With DNA <i>Bennett Greenspan</i> [Family Tree DNA]	F-34 DNA Solution to Assumed Identity Mystery, a Case Study <i>Mary Ann Boyle, CGRS</i>	F-39 Beyond Y- and mtDNA <i>Robert Charles Anderson, FASG</i>
 Technology	F-30 Avoiding Tangles in the World Wide Web - Beyond Google: Successful Searching Techniques <i>John Konvalinka, CGRS, CGL</i>	F-35 Fixing Family Photos: You Can Do It <i>Beau Sharbrough</i>	F-40 Using the Internet for Irish Genealogy <i>Dennis Ahern</i> [TIARA]

Saturday, 2 April 2005

OPENING SESSION 8:00 - 8:20 am

Track	8:30 - 9:30 am	10:00 - 11:00 am
 New England Research	S-41 Genealogical Research at Vermont Libraries <i>Paul A. Carnahan</i> [GSV]	S-46 King Philip's Indian War in New England <i>Michael Tougias</i> [SSGS]
 Writing & Publishing	S-42 Lights, Camera, Action! Using Video to Enhance Your Family History <i>Donna Moughty</i>	S-47 Writing in Register Style: Concise, Precise and Flexible <i>Helen Schatvet Ullmann, CG, FASG</i>
 Ethnic Genealogy	S-43 Basics of Polish-American Genealogical <i>Jonathan D. Shea</i> [PGS of CT & NE]	S-48 The World of Pomp and Candace Spring: 1770-1810, Portsmouth, N.H. <i>Valerie Cunningham</i>
 Skills & Methodology	S-44 Finding Females: Wives, Mothers, Daughters, Sisters & Paramours <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG</i>	S-49 You Know You Descend From Them, But Can You Prove It? <i>Ann S. Lainhart</i> [MSMD]
 Technology	S-45 Blogging for Genealogists <i>Dick Eastman</i> [NEHGS]	S-50 Planting Your Family Tree Online <i>Cyndi Howells</i>



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 New England Research	S-51 Connecticut's Barbour Collection: More (and Less) than Meets the Eye <i>Harlan Jessup</i> [CT Ancestry]	S-56 Organizations of Our Ancestors <i>Joyce S. Pendery, CG</i> [FGS]	S-61 The Sociology of Cemeteries <i>Helen A. Shaw, M.A.</i>
 Writing & Publishing	S-52 You've Dug 'em Up, Now What? The Account of a Winning Entry in the NGS Family History Writing Contest <i>Pam Eagleson</i>	S-57 Putting Ink on Paper: Getting Your Genealogical Material Published <i>Craig Scott, CGRS</i>	S-62 Telling Your Family Story: Heritage Scrapbooks to DVDs <i>Maureen A. Taylor, M.A.</i>
 Ethnic Genealogy	S-53 Successful Immigrant Research Strategies <i>Marcia Melnyk</i>	S-58 Using Early Maps in Canadian Maritimes Research <i>George F. Sanborn Jr., FASG, FSA Scot</i>	S-63 <i>Greffes des Notaires</i> : The Goldmine in Quebec's Notarial Records <i>Michael Leclerc</i> [NEHGS]
 Skills & Methodology	S-54 Genealogical Organization: Yourself, Your Ancestors, and All Those Collaterals <i>Sandra Goodwin</i>	S-59 Keeping Track of Your Research <i>Sandra MacLean Chunies, CG</i> [CSG]	S-64 Dissecting a Document: Transcribing vs. Abstracting <i>Marcia Melnyk</i>
 Technology	S-55 The Digital Office <i>Tony Burroughs, FUGA</i>	S-60 Searching the Ellis Island Database <i>Donna Moughty</i> [CPGC]	S-65 The Internet for Genealogy: Setting Straight the Myths and Misconceptions <i>Cyndi Howells</i>

## ***SUNDAY 3 April 2005***



S-66 Henry Cooke, presents “In the Spirit of 1776: A Divine Service with Reverend William Emerson of Concord.” This lively recreation of a Revolutionary War era Congregational sermon will be conducted in costume and depicts the grandfather of Ralph Waldo Emerson preaching ... to us! Rev. William Emerson gave this sermon to the militia muster of Middlesex County just one month prior to the outbreak of hostilities at Lexington and Concord. In it he exhorts the officers and men to do their duty, traces the course of history that had led them to this place, and prayed for peace with the admonition "let every single step we take in this most intricate affair be upon the defensive."

### ***SPECIAL DINING EVENTS***

In addition to our usual luncheon fare, NERGC will offer special luncheons on Friday and Saturday, each hosted by one of our featured speakers. Space is extremely limited, so register early. This is an opportunity to have an exceptional meal in a relaxed setting – no lectures, just good conversation! See selections on the Registration page. *Pre-registration Required.*

#### ***FRIDAY EVENING***



6:00-7:00 pm Social Hour, Cash Bar



7:00 pm BANQUET: Turkey Dinner or Grilled Salmon  
*Elizabeth Shown Mills* Discovering “Forgotten People”:  
The story behind *Isle of Canes*

*Pre-registration Required*

Best selling author, Elizabeth Shown Mills will share some of her wonderful experiences in writing and promoting this exceptional historical novel, *Isle of Canes*, the true story of a multi-racial family you’ve never read about in high school history books.



#### ***SATURDAY EVENING***

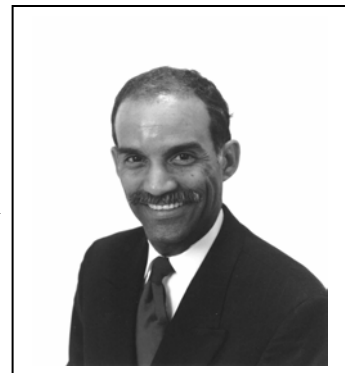


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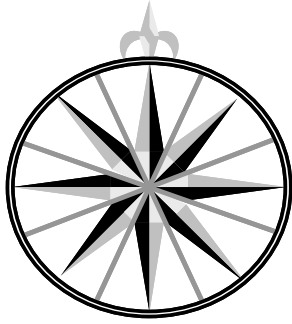
7:00 pm BANQUET: New York Sirloin Strip or Vegetarian  
*Tony Burroughs* “Becoming A Better Genealogist”  
*Pre-registration Required.*

Meet a few genealogists who are not having much luck, and think they have hit a brick wall. But with a little bit of guidance, each one can become a better genealogist



### ***SPECIAL EVENTS***

**ANCESTORS ROAD SHOW** Got a thorny problem that just refuses to be solved? Ask an expert! Bring a concise statement of your toughest problem and spend 15 minutes with a skilled genealogist and explore ways to find the answer. Free to attendees on Friday and Saturday.



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*Help us plan:* Would you prefer a CD Syllabus? Yes No

Please circle sessions you plan to attend. You are not obligated to attend the sessions marked, but your help in planning is appreciated.

Please print name as it should appear on your name tag.

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If you have e-mail, you will be notified of receipt of your registration via e-mail. Otherwise you will receive a post card.

THURSDAY: T1 T2 T3 T4 T5 T6 T7 T8 T9  
T10 T11 T12 T13

FRIDAY: F16 F17 F18 F19 F20 F21 F22 F23  
F24 F25 F26 F27 F28 F29 F30 F31 F32  
F33 F34 F35 F36 F37 F38 F39 F40

SATURDAY: S41 S42 S43 S44 S45 S46 S47  
S48 S49 S50 S51 S52 S53 S54 S55 S56 S57  
S58 S59 S60 S61 S62 S63 S64 S65

SUNDAY MORNING Special Session: S66

Please make check or Money Order to: **NERGC 2005**

Mail Registration Fee and completed Registration Form to:

**Gratia D. Mahony, NERGC Registration** 75 Franklin Street, Douglas MA 01516-2334

Registrants with special meal requirements and/or special needs as outlined in the Americans with Disabilities Act must detail those requirements in writing to NERGC by 15 March 2005. **Cancellations** postmarked before 15 March 2005 will be subject to a \$15.00 processing fee. Sorry, **absolutely no refunds after 15 March 2005**. Registrations mailed after that date are considered **Walk-ins** and may encounter difficulty registering for meals, receiving a printed syllabus, etc.

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**Genealogical Queries.** The Conference is pleased to continue the popular **Query Column** in the Syllabus, providing participants an opportunity to reach hundreds of people who may be researching the same names. The cost is \$5 per query, up to 50 words, or three queries (max. 50 words each query) for \$10. Entries must be postmarked by 31 January 2005. Please enclose check payable to NERGC Queries.

You DO NOT have to attend the conference to submit queries.  
**TYPE/PRINT each** query on a separate 8.5" X 11" paper,  
and MAIL TO THE QUERIES ADDRESS ON THE OTHER SIDE.

The preferred format uses standard abbreviations, date written as 27 July 1927 (counted as one word), location of event shown before date, and known information stated **before** the question is asked. Editor reserves the right to edit for space and/or clarity, without changing thought.

Registration	Postmarked BEFORE 3/1/2005	Postmarked AFTER 3/1/2005
Full Conference	N/A	\$125 @ _____
Thursday Only	N/A	\$85 @ _____
Friday Only	N/A	\$85 @ _____
Saturday Only	N/A	\$85 @ _____
Thursday Photo Workshop \$ 25 fee includes entire workshop, bring an old photograph @ _____		
<p><b>Meals Noon to 1:30 pm Both Friday and Saturday we offer a regular luncheon at the hotel. In addition, there will be four premium luncheons each day, each hosted by one of our very popular speakers. No lectures, just a pleasant setting and relaxed atmosphere for conversation and a great meal.</b></p>		
<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>Luncheon (still available) \$22 @ _____</b>		<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>Luncheon (still available) \$22 @ _____</b>
Luncheon with Elizabeth Shown Mills \$30.00 @ _____		Luncheon with Cyndi Howells \$30.00 @ _____
Luncheon with Tony Burroughs \$30.00 @ _____		Luncheon with Taylor \$30.00 @ _____
Luncheon with Marcia Melnyk \$30.00 @ _____		Luncheon with Hickey \$30.00 @ _____
Luncheon with Walter Hickey \$30.00 @ _____		
<p><b>Banquets - 7:00 pm</b>  <i>You must pre-register and choose your dinner selection for the evening banquets.</i></p>		
Friday Banquet [ ] (Turkey) [ ] (Salmon) [ ] (vegetarian) \$32 @ _____		
Saturday Banquet [ ] (Sirloin) [ ] (vegetarian) \$32 @ _____		
<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____</b>		

**All special lunches hosted by speakers are now SOLD OUT! Regular luncheon and banquet space available until 3/25.**

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**Query deadline has passed.**

**NERGC QUERIES – MAIL ENTRIES AND CHECKS TO:**  
 Query Column  
 40 Round Hill Road  
 Wethersfield CT 06109-2519

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 Or visit NERGC web site at [www.NERGC.org](http://www.NERGC.org)