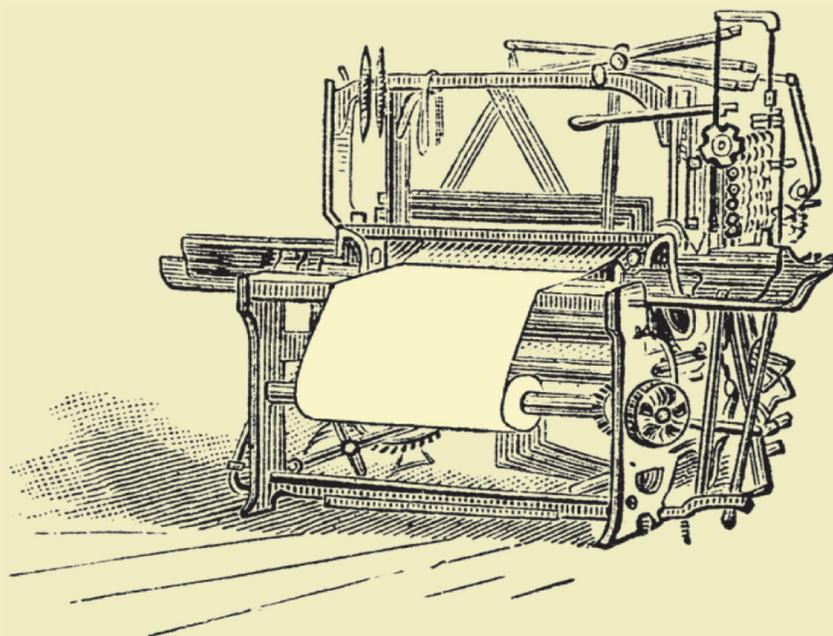


12TH NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL GENEALOGICAL CONFERENCE



-WOVEN IN HISTORY- **THE FABRIC OF NEW ENGLAND** **RADISSON HOTEL** **MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE** **17-21 APRIL 2013**

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WOVEN IN HISTORY: THE FABRIC OF NEW ENGLAND

The New England Regional Genealogical Consortium, Inc. (NERGC) invites you to join us at our twelfth genealogical conference – Woven in History: The Fabric of New England – in Manchester, New Hampshire. NERGC 2013 will help attendees “explore”:

- The mysteries their ancestors wove as they traveled throughout New England and beyond;
- Ethnic genealogy of all types;
- New approaches to discovering their ancestors’ worlds through directories, maps, atlases, gazetteers, and online imagery;
- Systematic approaches for finding and utilizing record sources (such as civil, religious, cemetery, military, newspapers, etc);
- The wealth of information available in New England’s repositories;
- New ways to plan and prepare for a successful research trip, including resources close to home;
- General genealogical skills and techniques;
- Family history writing and publishing.

NERGC 2013 will help bring together genealogists and family historians from a variety of backgrounds. Whether you are just beginning the search for your family, are already an advanced researcher, or perhaps even a professional genealogist, the NERGC 2013 conference will provide you with an ideal opportunity to advance your knowledge and research skills. In addition to the wealth of knowledge shared by expert genealogists, there will be opportunities to explore the

exhibit hall and to find additional new connections at the Society Fair, Special Interest Groups, and Ancestors Road Show – and plenty of opportunities to meet hundreds of other attendees at the Conference who share your love for genealogy.

Watch our Facebook page, E-zine, Blog, and website (<http://www.NERGC.org>) for developing information.

CONFERENCE FACILITIES AND TRAVEL INFORMATION

The Twelfth New England Regional Genealogical conference is being held at the Radisson Hotel Manchester Downtown, ideally situated just 1 hour north of Boston; 1 hour west of Portsmouth; 2 hours north of Providence; 2.5 hours north of Springfield and Hartford; and 3 hours south of Burlington.

The Radisson Manchester Downtown offers complimentary Manchester-Boston Regional Airport (MHT) shuttle service. Hotel services and amenities include business services, a fitness center, an indoor pool, whirlpool, sauna and pets are allowed.

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Wireless internet included. Use the name of our organization to secure the discounted rate when you make your reservations.

Parking \$10.00 per night or \$5.25 per day (until midnight) without in and out privileges for commuters.

Check-in 3:00 P.M. Check-out 11:00 A.M.

SOCIETY FAIR

On Thursday April 18 from 5:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. inside the Exhibit Hall genealogical, historical, and family societies from all over New England will provide information about their organizations. The Society Fair is open to the public at no cost.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

The enthusiasm continues to grow for these informal mini-gatherings which will be held on Friday evening, April 19, at 7:30 P.M. on a wide range of topics. These get-togethers provide a great opportunity to meet conference participants and speakers with similar interests. Check the conference blog or <http://www.NERGC.org> for more information.

ANCESTORS ROAD SHOW

Are you just beginning and don’t know where to start? Do you need help reading and analyzing an old document? Have you hit that proverbial brick wall? Having someone with experience and expertise analyze your work might provide you with a new perspective to help you continue your research. This is your chance to consult with a professional genealogist. Twenty-minute Road Show consultations are free for Conference attendees and will run Friday and Saturday. Appointments can be made by e-mail starting March 2013, or in person during the conference subject to availability. Information on consultants and scheduling will be posted on <http://www.NERGC.org>.

EXHIBIT HALL

From booksellers to local genealogical societies, they will all be in the exhibit hall, anxious to talk to you and help in any way they can. The exhibit hall will be open to the public during the normal exhibit hall hours. The Grand Opening of the Exhibit Hall will be Thursday April 18 at 6:00 P.M. NERGC offers unopposed exhibitors hours during each day of the conference

so attendees will not have to choose between attending lectures and visiting the vendors. The exhibit hall will be open Friday, April 19 from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. and on Saturday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. There will also be door prize drawings in the Exhibit Hall. Each conference attendee will receive tickets in their registration packets that they can deposit at the vendors' booths.

CONFERENCE BLOG

Keep up-to-date with breaking news about the many special events and conference activities that are planned. Find out more information about the lectures, speakers, exhibitors, hotel, research facilities, and the City of Manchester. Check out the blog to get the most out of the conference: <http://www.nergc.blogspot.com>

JOIN NERGC ON FACEBOOK

Thinking about attending NERGC? Join the pre-conference excitement on Facebook. First you must be a registered user of Facebook (<http://www.Facebook.com>). Registering for a Facebook page is free. View the NERGC page at <https://www.facebook.com/#!/NERGC>. Get to know other attendees, check out the photos from past conferences and write on the NERGC 'wall'. Don't miss out on the excitement.

CONFERENCE E-ZINE

The conference E-zine, a digital newsletter, which provides information and updates about the Twelfth New England Regional Conference will be sent periodically to all those on our E-zine email list. If you would like to receive the E-zine, please provide your e-mail address on the registration form. Back issues of the E-zine are posted on the NERGC webpage at: <http://www.nergc.org/2013/ezine>

VOLUNTEERS

If you can give us one or more hours of your time volunteering during the conference please contact Christine Bard at barde@comcast.net. If you are attending and have a spouse or friend along for the ride, please ask if they will volunteer. Remember this is a low-cost conference and volunteers keep it that way.

WE VALUE THE INPUT OF OUR PARTICIPANTS

We solicit input from each conference participant. Once compiled and distributed, your input helps make each NERGC conference the best yet! Learn more about NERGC's participant-centered approach by subscribing to the E-zine.

SUNDAY MORNING CLOSING

We will continue with a complimentary continental breakfast on Sunday morning for those staying Saturday evening. We want to make this a special thank-you for attending the conference. We will be asking if you are planning on staying for this breakfast in order to plan numbers. This is a wonderful opportunity to relax before going back home.

GENEALOGICAL QUERIES

The Twelfth New England Regional Conference is pleased to continue the popular Query Column, providing participants an opportunity to reach hundreds of people who may be researching the same names. The cost remains at \$5.00 per query or \$10.00 for three. (Maximum of 50 words per query). You do not need to attend the conference to submit a query. Type or print each query on a separate 8.5x11 sheet of paper. The preferred format uses standard abbreviations and the date written as 27 July 1927 (counted as one word). Show birth, death, marriage in that order, with event location shown before date and all known information stated before the question is asked. Editor reserves the

right to edit for space and/or clarity, without changing thought. Remember to include your contact information.

SAMPLE QUERY:

JONES, Mehetable, b. Hartford CT abt 1790, m Middletown, CT 23 Mar 1823 to BUSHNELL, John b. Hartford OR Wethersfield, CT c 1785 Need bdt, par of John. Janet Johnson; 50 Round Tree Road Mashpee, MA 02649 or JJ@aol.com

Entries must be postmarked by 2 January 2013. Please enclose a check payable to NERGC Queries and mail to: Query Column, 40 Round Hill Road, Wethersfield, CT 06109-2510. For additional information e-mail Janet Wallace at snowdon40@aol.com or visit the NERGC website at <http://www.NERGC.org>.

MUSEUM TOURS

Wednesday, 17 April
Lowell, Massachusetts

Visit the Boott Cotton Mills Museum and Mill Girls and Immigrants Exhibit and then tour the New England Quilt Museum.

Join us on this very informative tour. The bus will leave the Radisson Hotel at 9:00 A.M. and leave Lowell at 4:00 P.M., arriving back in Manchester by 5:00 P.M., The cost of this program is \$35.00/person which covers transportation and admission to the New England Quilt Museum, the Boott Mills and the Mill Girls exhibits. Lunch is on your own. Lowell was the site of the first textile mills in this country. Learn about the lives of these immigrants who worked in these mills.

EXTENDED RESEARCH HOURS

The American-Canadian Genealogical Society in Manchester will open their library for special tours and research opportunities. Detailed information will be listed in the E-zine and on the NERGC web page.

FEATURED SPEAKERS



Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD

Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD, is the author of two of the best-selling books in genealogy. *Forensic Genealogy* has been widely recognized for its innovative forensic science approach to genealogical research. *DNA & Genealogy* was commissioned by Family Tree DNA for its Second Conference on Genetic Genealogy in November 2005, and has been praised by readers as “the ideal handbook for anyone starting out in genealogy using the DNA tools available” and “the book to get for someone starting or running a surname project.”

Colleen consults with television and documentary production companies on *Forensic Genealogy* and *DNA & Genealogy*. She has been featured on NPR’s Talk of the Nation radio program (July 2005), and has written cover articles for *Internet Genealogy* (June 2006), *Family Tree Magazine* (April 2006) and *Family Chronicle* (October 2005). Colleen writes a regular column for *Ancestry* magazine. In Colleen’s day job she is a recognized expert in high resolution optical measurement techniques, with years of experience working for NASA and the National Science Foundation. In her two books, Colleen shows that you don’t have to be a rocket scientist to get the most from your genealogical materials.



Stephen Morse, PhD

Stephen Morse, PhD, is the creator of the One-Step website for which he’s received both the Lifetime Achievement and

the Outstanding Contribution Award from the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies, the Award of Merit from the National Genealogical Society, the first-ever Excellence Award from the Association of Professional Genealogists, and two awards from Polish genealogical societies.

In his other life Morse is a computer professional with a doctorate degree in electrical engineering. He has held various research, development, and teaching positions, authored numerous technical papers and written four textbooks, and he holds four patents. He’s best known as the architect of the Intel 8086 (the granddaddy of today’s Pentium processor), which sparked the PC revolution 30 years ago.

**WEDNESDAY, 17 APRIL
LIBRARIANS’ AND TEACHERS’ DAY**

NERGC’s fourth Librarians’ and Teachers’ Day will be held on Wednesday, 17 April 2013 at the Radisson Hotel Manchester. The day will be devoted to showing attendees how genealogy can enhance curricula, attract new patrons, and highlight collections. Librarians’ and Teachers’ Day provides the opportunity for professionals to learn how genealogy can serve them in their dual roles as curators of their unique collections and as ambassadors of genealogy resources for their schools and libraries. All librarians and teachers who work with family history patrons or genealogy-related research materials will benefit from this special event. The cost is \$40.00 per person and includes lunch compliments of ProQuest.

8:45 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.

Registration and Welcome

9:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

Getting Patrons Started in Genealogy

Christine Sharbrough, MSLIS, CG

For those librarians who are not genealogists, dealing with patrons researching their family history can be an exercise in frustration. Come and learn what genealogists want, how to use your facility to their best advantage, getting to know what you have, and getting patrons started in their research from the true beginner to the seasoned researcher.

10:45 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

Creating Digital Collections for Genealogists

D. Joshua Taylor

Digital collections have become a key resource for those tracing their family history. Explore how to make the most of existing digital collections and how to select records, search methods, and technologies that are ideal for genealogists.

12:00 NOON - 1:45 P.M.

Lunch, Courtesy of ProQuest

ProQuest Information and Learning

William Forsyth

2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Tracing Your Immigrant Ancestors

Lisa Algo

Tracking down your immigrant ancestors can often be a daunting task. This session will show you tips and tricks for locating and searching passenger lists and other key immigration documents both on and offline to help you trace your roots.

3:15 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.

What Genealogists Wish Librarians Knew

Marianne B. Marcussen

When genealogists ask librarians for assistance, they may find friendly, helpful staff, or they may encounter something less welcoming. Here are some suggestions for making the experience satisfactory for everyone.

WEDNESDAY, 17 APRIL TECH DAY

NERGC's first Tech Day will be held on Wednesday 17 April 2013 at the Manchester Radisson. This event is focused on demonstrations of intermediate and advanced technology that is both helpful and timesaving during genealogical research and writing. Tech Day provides the opportunity for genealogists to review items that are focused on a technically oriented audience and might not otherwise be included in a general conference trying to reach a broad audience. The cost is \$40.00 per person for four seminars, a lunchtime presentation, and full lunch compliments of FindMyPast.com.

8:45 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.

Registration and Welcome

9:30 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

Deep Linking and Deeper Linking: How I Get the Most Out of Existing Search Applications

Stephen P. Morse, PhD

Deep linking provides a means of optimizing the information extracted from existing third-party websites in general, and from search applications in particular. Various means of deep linking are introduced such as URL editing, using search forms, and placing a man in the middle. Then the tables are turned and methods of blocking others from deep linking to

your website are described. The legalities of deep linking are also discussed.

10:45 A.M. - 11:45 A.M.

Publish Your Genealogy Online

Laura G. Prescott

Discover the options for publishing your genealogy online. Explore choices you can make for appearance, access, costs, and privacy. Learn simple, attractive solutions to show off your research.

12:00 NOON - 1:45 P.M.

Lunch, Courtesy of findmypast.com

What's Coming to findmypast.com

D. Joshua Taylor

2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Phonetic Matching: An Alternative to Soundex with Fewer False Hits

Stephen P. Morse, PhD

Searching for names in large databases containing spelling variations has always been a problem. One solution, known as soundex, is to encode each name into a number such that names that sound alike will encode to the same number. The search would then be based on finding matching numbers, which results in finding all names that sound like the target name. The "sounds-alike" criteria used in soundex is based on the spelling, with no regard to how the name might be pronounced in a particular language. The phonetic encoding described here incorporates rules for determining the language based on the spelling of the name, along with pronunciation rules for the common languages. This has the advantage of eliminating matches that might appear to "sound alike" under the pure spelling criteria of soundex but are phonetically quite unrelated.

3:15 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.

Sharing Genealogy in the 21st Century: Wikis, Blogs, Twitter, and More

D. Joshua Taylor

Over the past few years, social networking has become a foundation for genealogists – yet the full potential of many tools remain untapped. Discover potential strategies for using wiki-based technologies and cloud computing to share and preserve family history in the 21st century, including resources for sharing digital objects (including video, audio, and interactive resources) to wider audiences.

8:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.	Track	12:15 P.M. - 1:15 P.M.
<p>Genealogy from A to Z <i>with Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, CGL</i></p> <p>This 3-hour workshop introduces beginners and others to genealogy terms and techniques. Using one family through all the census years from 1930 to 1790 as a springboard to other records, the attendees begin to understand the interconnectivity of various records. Good genealogical methods and practices of moving one generation at a time back into the past from the known to the unknown will be demonstrated throughout. Practical advice is given on where to find records and how to interpret them in their historical context. Warnings against common mistakes that create brick walls will also be discussed.</p> <p>Workshop is limited to a maximum of 50 people and requires advance registration. Cost of the workshop is \$40.</p> <p>T-101</p>	<p>Ethnic Genealogy</p>	<p>Jewish Calendar Demystified <i>Stephen P. Morse, PhD</i> T-104 The Jewish calendar is both a solar and lunar calendar, with the months being synchronized to the moon and years to the sun. As such, the rules governing the calendar can be a bit daunting. This talk presents the calendar in an easy-to-understand fashion.</p>
<p>9:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.</p>	<p>Skillbuilding</p>	<p>Not Just the Facts Ma'am, Give Me the Big Picture <i>Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD</i> T-105 Individual facts only give bits of a story. But for best results, it is critical to knit those facts into what we call "information." Knowing where to look for facts is only the first step; knowing how to look at them is the key to success.</p>
<p>First Timers Session <i>Pauline Cusson</i></p> <p>A session specifically designed for first-time conference attendees. Learn how to get the most out of the conference experience. Open to all.</p> <p>T-102</p>	<p>Working with Records</p>	<p>Special Schedules of the US Census: Embroidery on your Family Tapestry <i>Nora Galvin</i> T-106 Mortality, agriculture, industry and social-statistics special schedules offer us details about 19th century inhabitants of the US. These records provide richness and depth to the tapestry of our family histories.</p>
<p>Land Records & Deeds</p>	<p>On Mountain or Prairie: Treasures in Federal Land Records <i>F. Warren Bittner, CG</i> T-107 Follow a farmer in Kansas who does not appear to own land. Learn how to find federal land case files and see the treasures they contain.</p>	<p>Organizing and Dating Your Old Photographs <i>Marian Pierre-Louis</i> T-108 Learn what to do with all those boxes of old photographs. Understand what you have and how old it is by learning to identify the type of photo it is. Discover other clues that help identify photos such as hairstyles, clothing and props in the photos.</p>
<p>Photographs</p>	<p>Researching Women</p>	<p>Spinsters and Widows: Gender Loyalty Within Families <i>Laura G. Prescott</i> T-109 Your female ancestors had few public rights, but often wielded an unspoken power in deeds, wills, and personal accounts. Probe the records to discover elusive females in 19th-century America.</p>
<p>Opening Session</p> <p>Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Carol Bosworth, Pauline Cusson and Gerry Savard</i> NERGC Conference Tri-Chairs</p> <p>Millhand Migrations to 19th Century Lawrence and Lowell <i>Sandra MacLean Clinies, CG</i></p> <p>Genealogical and historical research of some of the thousands of mill workers arriving before the Civil War. Their lasting legacy, now woven into the fabric of New England, remains to be visited and valued today.</p> <p>T-103</p>	<p>Native American</p>	<p>Oyster River Settlement and the Native Peoples <i>Jayne A. Jordan</i> T-110 Take a trip back to the encampments at Oyster River area prior to European settlement concluding with the uprising at Oyster River in 1694. Explore who the settlers were and the industries that brought them.</p>

1:45 P.M. - 2:45 P.M.

3:15 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.

5:15 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

WORKSHOP

Griffith's Valuation: Gateway to Irish Research

Mary Ellen Grogan

T-111

Irish land records are key to successful Irish research. This workshop will focus on the Tithes Applotment and Valuation series; explaining their content, use and links to other genealogical records.

Fee \$30. Advanced registration is required and space is limited.

What Exactly is a "Reasonably Exhaustive" Search?

Laura Murphy DeGrazia, CG

T-112

The Genealogical Proof Standard requires that research be "reasonably exhaustive." But just what does that mean? This talk will focus on the underpinnings of this important concept.

Complex Evidence: What It Is, How it Works, Why it Matters?

F. Warren Bittner, CG

T-118

The goal of genealogy is to establish identity and prove relationships; complex evidence is the only way to do this. Follow a case study demonstrating the use of complex evidence.

Genealogy and Public Records: Today and Tomorrow

Joseph V. Camposeo, CMC

T-113

Participants will learn what trends and changes can be expected in the future regarding the transformation of access and use of public records.

Access to Records for Genealogists: An Open Forum

Massachusetts Genealogical Council Representatives

T-119

A panel of experts will examine ways in which all genealogists can educate themselves on threats to open access to records, and will explore legislative processes at both the state and national levels.

Finding African Americans in Land Records

Marian Pierre-Louis

T-114

Land records hold a wealth of information on African Americans for both those who owned land and those who didn't. This talk will surprise you by demonstrating what you can find.

Solving Genealogy Problems Using Deeds

Carol Prescott McCoy, PhD

T-120

Deeds are a powerful resource, especially when probate and vital records are not available. Become familiar with the structure of deeds and how they can uncover relationships, reveal migration patterns, and provide clues to people's lives.

Photographic Treasures: Bringing your Research into Focus

Michael L. Strauss, AG

T-115

Make your ancestors come alive - research their photographic history. Discover the history of photography and where to find these great sources of genealogical materials and information.

You Will Never Look at Your Old Photos the Same Way Again!

Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD

T-121

Step into the 21st century with your photo identification! If you think you have squeezed every drop of information from your photos, guess again. If you attend this talk, you will never look at your old photos the same way again!

Grandmothers, Mothers and Daughters: Researching Your Female Lines

Lisa A. Alzo

T-116

Learn the basics and more for finding those elusive females in your family tree!

Catching Threads—Reading the Genealogy in Homemade Artifacts

Lisa McKinney

T-122

Sewn into heirloom quilts and other homemade articles are many clues that women have left about our family histories. Let's unravel these names, dates and places!

Massachusetts Native American Research

David Allen Lambert

T-117

This lecture will cover primary and secondary sources used to research the Massachusetts Punkapoag Tribal genealogy from the 17th century to the 21st century. Discussion of tribal guardianship records, and their uses to create a tribal census when there is not one.

POSTER SESSIONS

T-123

Beneath the Surface: Innovative Approaches to Studying a Cemetery

Melinde Lutz Byrne, FASG

Creating a Research Plan from a Single Document

Nora Galvin

Preserving Connecticut's Cemeteries-- Digitally

Ed Laput

Society Fair & Social Hour

Cash Bar

Societies from all over New England will be in attendance offering information about their specialities. Meet and Greet!

T-124

6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Opening of Exhibit Hall

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.

T-125

Track	8:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.	10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.	11:00 A.M. - 12:00 NOON
<p>Skills & Methodology</p>	<p>WORKSHOP</p> <p>Evidence Analysis <i>Barbara J. Mathews, CG</i> F-201 Maybe the evidence you need to break a brickwall is already on your desk, but you haven't recognized it yet! Learn the terminology used to evaluate genealogical records. Analyze specific cases, from straightforward evidence to complex, indirect, and conflicting evidence.</p> <p>Fee \$30. Advanced registration is required and space is limited.</p>		<p>Unopposed Exhibitor Time</p>
<p>Occupations</p>	<p>Workers Unite! Workplace Clues to Place of Origin <i>Susan Steele</i> F-202 An ancestor's occupation can reveal more than work skills. Applications for fraternal insurance will be used as a jumping off point to explore connections such as birthplace, migration trail, residence, social and religious group membership.</p>	<p>Why Genealogists Should Care About Carvers <i>Marian Pierre-Louis</i> F-208 Taking the time to identify a carver may lead you to your ancestors' place of origin or their family. This talk examines specific examples of carvers acting as the link between family members.</p>	
<p>DNA, Genetics & Family Health</p>	<p>Genograms – Weaving Together Our Common Threads <i>Edwin W. Strickland II</i> F-203 The examination of a family or community often reveals common threads which don't fit on the standard genealogy forms. Applying the concepts of the genogram often reveals a larger pattern which can help guide further research.</p>	<p>The Secrets of Abraham Lincoln's DNA <i>Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD</i> F-209 This talk will discuss how we are addressing issues we encountered in trying to obtain a sample of Lincoln's genome to DNA test and the fascinating secrets that we have so far unlocked about Abraham Lincoln's DNA.</p>	<p>12:00 NOON - 1:30 P.M.</p>
<p>Online Research</p>	<p>One-Step Webpages: A Potpourri of Genealogical Search Tools <i>Stephen P. Morse, PhD</i> F-204 Over the years the One-Step website has evolved and today includes about 200 web-based tools. This presentation will describe the range of tools available and give the highlights of each one.</p>	<p>Researching Your Ancestors Using books.google.com <i>Raymond Cassidy</i> F-210 This lecture will demonstrate the use of the Google "Books" website. How to do an advanced search, refining your search, how to use the results, downloading a book, and how to find 'no preview' books will be discussed.</p>	<p>Luncheon</p> <p>Sponsored by: Massachusetts Genealogical Council</p> <p>Jousting With the Gatekeepers <i>Laura Prescott</i></p>
<p>New England Research</p>	<p>Quabbin: A History and Explorers Guide <i>Michael Tongias</i> F-205 Attendees will be taken on a journey through the history of Quabbin Reservoir (MA). How the town citizens were compensated, how the towns were dismantled, where the people went, and research techniques will be discussed.</p>	<p>A Rural New Hampshire Barter/Cash System in the Mid-19th Century <i>Richard L. Kimball, PhD</i> F-211 An original journal of accounts, well kept by Ebenezer Marden Jr. b.1817, involves 30+ individuals over 36 years and shows the fascinating economic interactions of a neighborhood in Chester, NH.</p>	<p>As genealogists, we encounter ignorance and ridiculous interpretations of the laws regarding our rights to access records. This is a light-hearted look at the serious challenges we face in educating the gatekeepers and ourselves.</p>
<p>Military Research</p>	<p>Loyalist Migrations Leaving & Returning to the States <i>Chief Paul Bunnell, UE</i> F-206 American Loyalist lecture on their hardships of fleeing home, becoming refugees and new settlers in a new land, and returning to the United States; locations and records.</p>	<p>Researching Your French and Indian War Ancestor in New England <i>Craig R. Scott, CG</i> F-212 How to properly research a French and Indian War ancestor in New England.</p>	<p>Choice of: Chicken with Mushroom Bordelaise Sauce - \$26.00 Baked Scrod with Ritz Cracker Crumbs - \$27.00 Vegetarian – Penne with roasted vegetables, tomato basil cream sauce - \$26.00 Includes coffee/tea, salad, desert</p>
<p>Expanding Your Knowledge Base</p>	<p>Not Every Record is On-Line! <i>Jean Nudd</i> F-207 Many researchers don't look beyond what they can find on the Internet. Jean will give us some examples of records not on-line that can provide useful family details.</p>	<p>Like Grandma Used to Make: Researching Ancestral Foodways <i>Christine Crawford-Oppenheimer</i> F-213 Learn about sources for investigating foods of ancestral countries, regions, and states, and get ideas for projects to use the information.</p>	<p>F-214</p>

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<p>Should You Believe Your Eyes? Sizing Up Sources and Information <i>Laura Murphy DeGrazia, CG</i> F-215 Effective analysis includes evaluation of reliability and credibility. Learn to assess sources and information as you develop evidence.</p>		<p>Overcoming Spelling Problems and Unlocking the Power of Names <i>David Onimette, CG</i> F-222 Names are the most powerful means of identifying ancestors and their origins. This presentation shows how to overcome name-spelling problems and discover the hidden potential of your family names.</p>		<p>Finding the Only Child's Niece <i>Debra Braverman</i> F-228 Sometimes when conducting research it becomes evident that what we know to be true is not. What resources and research techniques can be used to prove or disprove initial "facts"?</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Special Interest Groups</p> <p>Special interest groups will hold gatherings on a wide range of topics. Check http://www.nergc.org for a list of the groups.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">F-235</p>	
<p>On the Job: Ancestors Who Worked in the Public Sector <i>Margaret R. Sullivan</i> F-216 From biographical information and ID photos to tales of heroism and scandal, public employment records offer detail on your ancestor's life, family, and times. And don't forget the pension!</p>		<p>Digging Up the Dirt on Your Farmer <i>Lori Thornton</i> F-223 Discover ways to make your ancestral farmer come to life by exploring a wide range of records that enable you to dig deeper into his life.</p>		<p>Indentured Servants in the New England Colonies <i>Jayne A. Jordan</i> F-229 This lecture discusses the reasons for indentured servitude. Who was involved, what were the benefits and the terms of contracts? Where to find their records today.</p>			
<p>Genealogy Beyond the Y Chromosome: Autosomes Exposed <i>Stephen P. Morse, PhD</i> F-217 Classical genetic genealogy deals with the Y chromosome and the mitochondrial DNA. Recent advances in genetic genealogy make it possible to trace all lineages by testing the autosomes.</p>		<p>DNA Identification of Missing-Identity Children from the Holocaust <i>Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD</i> F-224 Come hear personal stories of Child Survivors, and hear how autosomal DNA testing has given them new hope in their decades-long search for their birth identities.</p>		<p>Quebec to New England: Weaving Genealogy and Genetics <i>Muriel Chabot Normand</i> F-230 French-Canadian immigrants to this country brought more than their language, religion, and culture. They carried their genes. Thirty genetic disorders are at unusually high prevalence in Quebec.</p>			
<p>loc.gov: Using Our Nation's Library Online <i>Laura G. Prescott</i> F-218 Explore maps, diaries, books, manuscripts, photos, and many more treasures from our nation's history, all within our nation's library, the Library of Congress, via its website at loc.gov.</p>		<p>Getting the Most Out of JewishGen.org <i>Meredith Hoffman</i> F-225 Explore the many valuable tools on jewishgen.org with abundant real-life examples. Learn about the vast variety of additional resources and how best to use them.</p>		<p>One-Step Webpages: A Hodgepodge of Lesser-Known Gems <i>Stephen P. Morse, PhD</i> F-231 This talk describes those gems that you might not otherwise be aware of. They range from problems with genealogical searches to problems with identity theft to problems with DNA.</p>			
<p>Town Meeting Records of Connecticut and Rhode Island during the American Revolution <i>Jolene Mullen</i> F-219 Everyday life and the stress of war – it's all in the town meeting records. Learn who is named and why, where the records are now and how to access them.</p>		<p>Broken Threads: Labor in Rhode Island in the 1920s <i>Shellee A. Morehead, PhD</i> F-226 Mill work was difficult and much of the labor force was from immigrant communities. The mill strikes of 1922 in Natick, Rhode Island were a microcosm of what was happening in mill towns all over New England.</p>		<p>An Acadian Family's Story Through Six Generations Following Deportation <i>Richard L. Kimball, PhD</i> F-232 Acadian family deported 1755 Nova Scotia to Massachusetts continues maritime life over six generations including privateer, captain, merchant-seamen, boat-builders and fishermen.</p>			
<p>Doughboys: Researching your World War I Ancestors <i>Michael L. Strauss, AG</i> F-220 Researching your WWI ancestors has become harder since the 1973 fire in St. Louis, MO. By examining other sources, finding your military ancestor can be done effectively.</p>		<p>Researching Your War of 1812 Veteran in Federal Publications and Documents <i>Connie Reik, MSL</i> F-227 Enhance your research and understanding of the war, by learning which publications list officers and discuss the war in general. Learn how to find these publications in libraries and online.</p>		<p>In Broadcloth & Brogans: How to Research Your Civil War Ancestor at the National Archives <i>Bruce D. Frail</i> F-233 <i>Laurie L. Pratt</i> Using a case study (Pvt. Elbridge G. Towle, 4th New Hampshire Infantry) we will weave together the life of a Civil War soldier.</p>			
<p>WORKSHOP</p> <p>Reading Old Documents <i>Michael J. Leclerc</i> F-221 Learn how to read handwriting of earlier eras so you can read and understand original records of your ancestors. Samples of sixteenth, seventeenth, and eighteenth-century documents will be presented.</p> <p>Fee \$30. Advanced registration is required and space is limited.</p>				<p>POSTER SESSIONS F-234</p> <p>Beneath the Surface: Innovative Approaches to Studying a Cemetery <i>Melinda Lutz Byrne, FASG</i></p> <p>Creating a Research Plan from a Single Document <i>Nora Galvin</i></p> <p>Preserving Connecticut's Cemeteries-- Digitally <i>Ed Laput</i></p>			

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Skills & Methodology	Grandpa Did What?! Dealing with Family Skeletons and Stories <i>Christine Cranford-Oppenheimer S-301</i> Learn about types of surprising information researchers may find, why such information can be useful, and how to deal with such finds.	Eating an Elephant: Managing Large Projects <i>Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, CGL S-309</i> Facing a large project is not so intimidating with good planning, the right tools, and thoughtful analysis. Organizational tips will be given.	Unopposed Exhibitor Time
New England Research	Broad Bay: The German Settlement of Maine <i>Helen A. Shaw, CG S-302</i> In the mid-18th century, Samuel Waldo invited German farmers and craftsmen to settle on his patent. These hardy folk survived to forge a strong community which is still evident today.	Family History Resources in the Vermont State Archives <i>Scott Reilly S-310</i> This talk will not only illuminate existing genealogical sources in the Vermont State Archives, but it also will discuss current projects underway to improve access to archival public records.	
Cemeteries	WORKSHOP Cemetery Workshop <i>Donna E. Walcott, PhD S-303</i> Participants will spend the morning in an old Burying Ground identifying gravestone safety, materials, and designs to assist in recognizing when the stone was placed, or could this gravestone be a replacement? Fee \$30. Advanced registration is required and space is limited. Participants are responsible for getting to the cemetery on their own.		
Records & Sources	The Goldmine in Québec's Notarial Records <i>Michael J. Leclerc S-304</i> Whether French or not, residents of Quebec used notaries for all kinds of contract law. Learn the types of records kept by notaries, their genealogical value, and how to access them.	Unique and Out of Print Resources at the Godfrey Memorial Library <i>Beth Mariotti S-311</i> This presentation highlights unique and out of print resources available onsite and online at the Godfrey Memorial Library.	12:00 NOON - 1:30 P.M.
DNA & Technology	The Unknown Child on the Titanic – Identified! – Identified? <i>Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD S-305</i> Controversy over identification of the unknown child on the Titanic has warranted new DNA tests. Come hear what further testing resolved about the identity of the unknown child on the Titanic.	Genealogical Uses for QR Codes <i>Thomas MacEntee S-312</i> Would you use a scanner on a gravestone to look up an ancestor's life story? Would you look to a bar code on a document to download its source citation? All these applications are possible due to developing QR code technologies.	Luncheon Sponsored by: New England Chapter of the Association for Professional Genealogists This luncheon hosted by the NEAPG provides attendees the opportunity to converse with others about a focused genealogical topic during lunch. Each table and topic will be moderated by a NEAPG member. Topics and table numbers will be available on the NERGC website prior to the conference, and also on-site at the conference. Seating at each table is first come first served. Choice of: Taste of New England Grilled Chicken Salad - \$26 Vegetarian – Taste of New England without Chicken - \$24 Includes coffee/tea, desert <i>S-316</i>
Ethnic Genealogy & Immigration	My Grandfather Came From Poison <i>Meredith Hoffman S-306</i> A comprehensive step-by-step review of using JewishGen.org's Given Names Databases, Avotaynu's Consolidated Jewish Surname Index, and the JewishGen Gazetteer.	Immigration Records at the National Archives <i>Jean Nudd S-313</i> One of the most frequent requests at the National Archives concerns finding immigrant ancestors. Jean will take us through the types of records available and how to find them.	
Writing & Publishing	Getting Ink on Paper: Publishing Your Genealogical Material in a Digital Age <i>Craig R. Scott, CG S-307</i> A primer on getting your genealogical material into print.	Documents to Narrative: Writing to Engage your Reader <i>F. Warren Bittner, CG S-314</i> Learn tricks of good writing and how to turn a dry document into an interesting family story.	
New York & Points West	But She Died in Upstate New York in the 1850s—How Can I Identify Her Parents? <i>David Ouimette, CG S-308</i> This case study shows how to solve a family history problem by applying sound research principles and practices.	Spanning the Great New York Abyss: Connecting Generations When No Vital Records Exist <i>Laura Murphy DeGrazia, CG S-315</i> Pre-1880 vital records are unavailable for most of New York state. Learn about research strategies and alternative sources that will help locate and link your ancestors.	

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New Hampshire Society of Genealogists	Forensic Genealogy: CSI Meets Roots <i>Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD S-317</i> Who? What? When? Where? Are these the words of a genealogist researching a family tree or a forensic scientist solving a mystery? You will arrive a genealogist, you will leave a forensic genealogist.	New England Historic Genealogical Society	Researching a Community <i>David Allen Lambert S-325</i> A case study in twenty years of researching a New England community, from the Native American community to late 19th century immigrants.	Cape Cod Genealogical Society	A Search for Soule: Breaking Down a Brick Wall <i>David S. Martin, PhD S-332</i> Traditional genealogical sources failed to link the Sisson surname and Mayflower passenger George Soule. Discovery of an original diary, with expert interpretation of numerals, established documentation.	Social Hour Cash Bar <i>S-340</i>	
	A State Treasure: The New Hampshire Historical Society <i>Diane Gravel, CG S-318</i> Explore the Society's unique collection of church records, diaries, family papers, cemetery inscriptions, and more! Learn techniques for using the online catalog to prepare for an on-site visit.		Introduction to Rhode Island Genealogy <i>Cherry Fletcher Bamberg, EASG S-326</i> Worried when your colonial ancestor steps across the border into Rhode Island? Come learn the basics of how to follow him or her into the wilds of the Ocean State.		Exploring Your Pioneer Valley Heritage <i>Dwight E. Fitch S-333</i> A Historical Study of the Massachusetts Connecticut River's Valley Development with an example of Phelps, Sheldon, Wright and Stebbins family genealogies.		
	A Prosopography of a Cemetery <i>Jolene Mullen S-319</i> Learn to weave various resources with an alphabetical interment list to reconstruct family units and perhaps even find some maiden names in a country cemetery.		The Sociology of Cemeteries <i>Helen A. Shan, CG S-327</i> People are buried in a particular cemetery for a reason. Discovering that reason will lead to a better understanding of your relatives.		The Symbolism on New England Gravestones: 17th century to Present <i>Donna E. Walcott, PhD S-334</i> The winged skull, the winged angel, the weeping willow and urn, what do these symbols on your ancestor's gravestone mean?		
1940 Census: Chronicling the Great Depression into World War II <i>Michael Brophy S-320</i> Find how the census was taken, how the information gathered can benefit your research, and what research strategies to use to find your recent ancestors.	Focus on Guardianship Records <i>Marian Pierre-Louis S-328</i> Guardianship records - what they are, where you can find them and why it so important to use them in genealogical research.	My Grandmother was a Fascist: Alien Registration Files and Italian Immigrant Communities <i>Shellee A. Morehead, PhD S-335</i> Alien Registration Files can provide rich information on our immigrant ancestors. This lecture describes the Smith Act, where to find A-files and what treasures you might find.					
Demystifying Digitizing: Scanning Photos for Family History <i>Kathy Amoroso S-321</i> Part of weaving a complete family history is the images that tell the story. With today's technology, to share or publish these images you need to get them into a digital form.	Using Google Earth to Create Family History Maps <i>Rick Wetmore S-329</i> An interactive presentation to demonstrate the use of Google Earth to create, visualize and share family history maps.	Google For Genealogists <i>Thomas MacEntee S-336</i> Most genealogists are only using 10% or less of the resources behind Google when it comes to research. Learn about the other 90% and how these Google components can be leveraged for better search results.	Banquet Sponsored by: New England Historic Genealogical Society The Cold Case Unit <i>Milli Knudsen</i> Adventures of a forensic genealogist. Choice of: Honey Glazed Salmon with Mango Citrus Salsa - \$39				
They Came for the Gold and Stayed: An Introduction to Chinese-American Genealogy <i>Alice S. Kane S-322</i> Chinese immigration from southeastern China to the United States during the 19th and early 20th centuries.	Polish Traditions, Customs, and Superstitions <i>Aleksandra Kasprzak S-330</i> Learn about Polish traditions, customs, and superstitions, such as why Grandma blessed the loaf of bread, how to protect a baby from evil spells, the reason for common first names, and more.	Weavers, Woolsorters and More Oh My!! Assisted Immigration to the United States <i>Janis P. Duffy S-337</i> Scores of our ancestors were relocated from their homeland to the United States by Companies that needed skilled workers to work in their factories.					
WORKSHOP Baker's Dozen Steps to Writing Research Reports <i>Elisa Scalise Powell, CG, CGL S-323</i> This workshop walks the participants through the steps necessary to create research reports before, during, and after the data-gathering stage. The workshop will actively engage the participants at each stage through exercises. Fee \$30. Advanced registration is required and space is limited.		Creating a Family Tapestry: Writing A Family Narrative <i>Pam Stone Eagleson, CG S-338</i> This lecture will look at how to take all the research you've collected and weave it into a story by placing your ancestors within the historical context of their times.		Beef Tenderloin & Chicken Duo - \$46 Vegetarian – Vegetable Lasagna - \$36 Includes coffee/tea, salad, desert <i>S-341</i>			
Weaving Together New York's Metro Area <i>Linda McMeniman, PhD S-324</i> <i>Jill E. Martin, JD</i> An overview of NYC and suburban metro area on-line sources for local records, including vital records, newspapers, directories, court, and property records.	Leaving New England: What One Family's Arc of Migration Can Teach Us All <i>Barbara J. Mathews, CG S-331</i> Why did they go West? One (large) family's experiences and the letters they wrote home tell us a lot about internal American migration.	POSTER SESSIONS S-339 Beneath the Surface: Innovative Approaches to Studying a Cemetery <i>Melinde Lutz Byrne, EASG</i> Creating a Research Plan from a Single Document <i>Nora Galvin</i> Preserving Connecticut's Cemeteries-- Digitally <i>Ed Laput</i>					

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Melinde Lutz Byrne, FASG, a native of Cleveland, Ohio, Melinde holds degrees and certificates in anthropology, library science, and archival management. She is president of the American Society of Genealogists. She did serials acquisitions for Harvard's Tozzer Anthropological Library and has been a self-employed genealogist since 1976. She has been a forensic genealogist since 1986. [Poster Sessions]

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Talk of the Nation radio program (July 2005), and has written cover articles for *Internet Genealogy* (June 2006), *Family Tree Magazine* (April 2006) and *Family Chronicle* (October 2005). Colleen writes a regular column for *Ancestry* magazine. In Colleen's day job she is a recognized expert in high resolution optical measurement techniques, with years of experience working for NASA and the National Science Foundation. In her two books, Colleen shows that you don't have to be a rocket scientist to get the most from your genealogical materials. [T-105, T-121, F-209, F-224, S-305, S-317]

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Mary Ellen Grogan is a professional genealogist living in Boston who specializes in Massachusetts and Irish genealogical and historical records. Mary Ellen first researched in Dublin archives in 1984. (Her Reader's Card for the National Library of Ireland is number 151.) She has both participated in and led research tours in Ireland. A teacher by nature, Mary Ellen enjoys sharing her knowledge and giving others the opportunity to be successful in their research. [T-111]

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