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18TH NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL GENEALOGICAL CONFERENCE



New Englanders – Here, There and Everywhere

71 SESSIONS - 3 WORKSHOPS – 5 MEALS
LARGE EXHIBIT HALL - SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS
ANCESTOR RESEARCH CONSULTATIONS
SOCIETY FAIR - LIBRARY, ARCHIVE, & MUSEUM SHOWCASE

OCTOBER 29 – NOVEMBER 1
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2025 Conference Committees

Societies who participate in the organizing of a conference each complete a committee task, thus dividing the large job into smaller pieces.

Committee/Position	Responsible Organization
Conference Chairs	Carol Bosworth, Seema Kenney, Diane Laferriere
ADA Requirements	Dr. Pamela Roberts accessibility-2025@nergc.org
Ancestors Research Consultations	New England Chapter of APG (NEAPG)
Evaluation – Full Conference	Massachusetts Genealogical Council (MGC)
Evaluations – On-Site	Maine Genealogical Society (MGS)
Exhibit Hall	South Shore Genealogical Society (SSGS)
E-Zine	Connecticut Society of Genealogists (CSG)
Hospitality	New Hampshire Society of Genealogists (NHSOG)
Libraries/Archives/Museums	French Canadian Genealogy Society of CT (FCGSC)
Meals	American French Genealogical Society (AFGS)
Newsletter	Genealogy Society of Vermont (GSV)
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Queries	Falmouth Genealogical Society (FGS)
Registration	American Canadian Genealogical Society (ACGS)
Signage	Massachusetts Society of Genealogists (MSOG)
Society Fair	French Canadian Genealogy Society of CT (FCGSC)
Special Interests	Descendants of the Founders of Ancient Windsor (DFAW)
Sponsorships	Handled by the Conference Chairs
Syllabus	The Irish Ancestral Research Association (TIARA)
Tote Bags	Jewish Genealogy Society of Greater Boston (JGSGB)
Tour	Cape Cod Genealogy Society (CCGS)
Volunteers	Connecticut Ancestry Society (CAS)
Webmaster	American Canadian Genealogical Society (ACGS)

SPECIAL THANKS TO:

Essex Society of Genealogists for their donation towards our Flash Drives, Friday's Banquet, and other conference expenses. They are a member of the consortium and opted to participate only financially this year.

Please contact any officer or participating society if your organization would like to participate in our 2027 event. We always welcome more hands to complete all the work!

New Englanders – Here, There and Everywhere

NERGC - The New England Regional Genealogical Consortium, Inc. invites you to join us at our eighteenth genealogical conference — *New Englanders – Here, There and Everywhere*.

NERGC 2025 will 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 a professional genealogist, the 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 time to explore the exhibit hall and make new connections at the Society Fair, Special Interest Groups, and Ancestors Research Consultations — and plenty of opportunities to meet hundreds of other attendees who share your love for genealogy.

Remember to register early as space is limited. Many will want to explore the 71 sessions covering:

- Searching Resources
- DNA
- Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Newspapers
- Migration within USA
- Mayflower Research
- Witchcraft
- Adoption
- Endogamy
- Land Records
- Legal Implications
- Church Records
- Military Records
- Writing Down Your Genealogical Story
- Social History
- Photographs

And the sessions focusing on the following ethnic research:

- Irish
- French-Canadian
- African-American
- Jewish

OUR FEATURED SPEAKERS:



Annette Burke Lytle

Speaks on a variety of genealogical topics to groups around the world and loves helping people uncover and share their family stories.



Diahan Southard

Has helped people use DNA to explore their roots for over 20 years. She is a pioneer in DNA education for genealogy.



Cari Taplin

A Certified Genealogist,® Cari has served in a variety of volunteer and leadership positions focuses on Midwestern and Great Lakes states research.

CONFERENCE E-ZINE

Follow our E-zines to keep up to date on the planning and the excitement of this conference. They are sent periodically to all those on our mailing list. If you're not already receiving them and would like to do so, go to <https://nergc.org/e-zines/>, enter your email address, last name, and first name in the form on the right side of the screen, and hit the "Sign Up" button. Back issues of the E-zine are also posted on the E-zine page.

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:

<https://nergc.org/blog/>.

HOTEL

DoubleTree by Hilton

NERGC 2025 has arranged for a block of rooms at the conference hotel. Our block covers Tuesday-Saturday nights but you can have the conference rate for three days before or after as well. Rooms include complimentary wireless internet. Reservations can be made by calling 603-625-1000 through September 28 and identifying as part of the NERGC group. Check in begins at 3 p.m. and check out ends at 11 a.m. Parking for hotel guests is \$14 per day if validated in the registration area. Daytime parking fee will be \$7.00 per vehicle. **Reservation deadline is September 28.**

We will explore options at other hotels as our block of rooms fills up.

EXHIBIT HALL

Be sure to visit the Exhibit Hall, located in the Armory; vendors will offer a variety of products and services.

Browse through books, speak with DNA companies and discover organizations and resources that will help with your research.

The Exhibit Hall will be open each of the three conference days, giving you time to explore between sessions and during the ample unopposed time. The Exhibit Hall is also open to the public at no charge.

For more information, visit the website - <http://www.nergc.org>.

LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES AND MUSEUMS SHOWCASE

Libraries, archives and museums with special collections of interest to genealogists and researchers will promote their organizations at this NERGC showcase on Friday, October 31 and Saturday, November 1 from 10:00-3:00. One table, two chairs, and signage will be provided at no cost for each organization. In addition, NERGC will promote confirmed organizations in newsletters and the on-line E-Zine. Organizations can sign-up for one of the two dates. Conference attendees- put this event into your to-do list!

Information:

LAMShowcase@NERGC.org

SPECIAL MEAL, MOBILITY, HEARING, & VISION NEEDS

Now is the time. NERGC's ADA and Access Team is ready to share details you may need to accurately evaluate ways to allow you comfort and full participation in all sessions, workshops, exhibits, tours, meals with speakers, and social networking opportunities. These include mobility through parking, onsite

space, and indoor space transitions; options available to meet your special dietary needs; and focus, hearing, visual and cognitive communication needs. This year we are also putting into place a peanut allergy and sensitivity to fragrances alert policy to ask the assistance and kindness of all attendees to be alert to your needs.

Pam Roberts, an ADA and Community Inclusion volunteer, will help you or will assign another access volunteer to respond to your requests. Several accommodations will require planning ahead for the physical set up of rooms, access to hearing assistance as possible, seating during sessions or at meals, and our team will work with other teams to assure an accessible spot to sit for registration check-in and a location where you will find a volunteer as well as a phone number onsite for you to notify us of a need for help or delivery of a personally reserved scooter at your cost.

Direct your inquiry to accessibility-2025@nergc.org, our monitored "group" dedicated to your questions, or email drpampt@gmail.com to request a personal consultation to discuss your needs. Send your questions by email to set up an accessible audio call or to request a video call or printable reference or picture in our access files for your use.

With the anticipation that there may be a LONGER than usual need to keep Early Bird Registration open closer to the opening day, we are setting a deadline of **July 1** as the time when we can guarantee meeting your needs based on the scooter vendor and our need to work ahead of time with AV set up. Unfortunately, while we want to

be the "accessible to ALL" conference model for genealogy, keeping up the reputation we have achieved, we cannot guarantee access to an accessible hotel block room or to special AV needs UNLESS we know by July 1. Please use the Early Bird registration and work with us before July 1 to give you the best possible chance for us to meet your needs.

Registration will include a spot to share your needs securely, and our team will monitor that and be in touch within a week or so of your registration confirmation to work on your personal plan for access and possibility to fully participate. And if you find yourself in need of an accommodation sometime during the conference, we can assist in a caring and respectful way.

Unfortunately, while we want to be an "accessible to ALL" conference, keeping up the reputation we have achieved, we may not be able to meet your needs unless you use the Early Bird registration and work with us before July 1. We will monitor your request and begin plans to develop your individual access plan within ten days of your Early Bird registration. So, reach out with any questions you may have. We wish to assist you. WE VALUE YOU!

GENEALOGICAL QUERIES

A Query Board will be set up in the lobby area of the conference center. Following your online registration, you will have the opportunity to submit your query for display at the conference. If you are interested, please indicate a contact method and say, 'ok to post'. Those with permission granted will be posted on our website after the conference.

For even more exposure, visit our website shop and purchase a Query in the Syllabus, which is distributed to every conference registrant.

The preferred format uses standard abbreviations and the date written as 27 July 1927. Show birth, death, marriage in that order, with event location shown before date and all known information stated before the question is asked. 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 <address> or <email>.

ANCESTOR RESEARCH CONSULTATIONS

Are you seeking expert guidance for your family history research? We're offering exclusive 20-minute consultations with professional genealogists who can help reinvigorate your research journey. Whether you're just beginning and need direction, struggling to decipher historical documents, or facing a

challenging research roadblock, our experts can provide fresh perspectives and strategic advice. These valuable one-on-one sessions are available to registered conference attendees, with a limit of one consultation per person. For details about specialist expertise areas, available time slots, and registration instructions, please visit www.NERGC.org. Keep an eye on our E-zines for additional topics and updates about this opportunity to enhance your genealogical research skills.

CONFERENCE POLICIES

- **Cancellation Policy** - Cancellations postmarked before 1 October 2025 and are subject to a \$30.00 processing fee. No refunds are available after 1 October 2025.
- **Bounced Check** – any payment by check that does not clear will be assessed a fee of \$40 to cover our bank's fees.
- **Syllabus** - [A link to the electronic syllabus](#), which includes conference information as well as handouts for the general conference sessions, will be sent to all registrants approximately one week before the conference.
- **Terms and Conditions** - Presentations and Syllabus are copyrighted. Photographing, taping, creating slide screenshots, and creating derivative works (including print forms) are forbidden without the author's written permission.

CONFERENCE COURTESIES REMINDER:

- Please do not use any recording devices during the lectures.
- Please do not block lecture room doorways, and do not hold conversations in doorways during sessions.
- Please arrive before each lecture starts to be assured of a seat and to prevent distracting others.
- Please silence all electronic devices during lecture sessions and events.
- You agree not to allow any other person to participate in your place.

HEALTH AND SAFETY - We're committed to delivering the engaging in-person educational and networking experience that attendees have valued at previous NERGC conferences. We recognize that individuals have varying approaches to addressing current health challenges. For those with peanut allergies, we will work with the venue to ensure appropriate food options and labeling. Additionally, we ask attendees to minimize the use of strong fragrances and perfumes out of consideration for those with sensitivities. Our team will maintain close communication with the venue and local officials to monitor any health considerations relevant to our area, and we will provide specific guidelines as necessary.

PRE-CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES:

WEDNESDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2025

Join us early to experience additional camaraderie and networking. Although these events each have a registration fee, full conference registration is NOT required for the following events: (See Registration Form for Pricing)

GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH OVERVIEW-- BUS TOURS

On Wednesday, October 29, 2025 – Choose between two Bus Tours that will be available for all who are interested in learning about several genealogical research facilities and places of interest in southern New Hampshire. Both tours will depart from the DoubleTree Hotel at 10:00 a.m. and return by 3:00 p.m.

Tour One – Manchester: will include stops at: The American-Canadian Genealogical Society, The Millyard Museum (about the history of manufacturing in the Manchester region), Dutch-treat lunch at the Millyard Museum Cafeteria, then the Manchester Historic Association Research Center and, if time, also the Manchester City Library.

Tour Two – Concord: will include the New Hampshire State Library, Dutch-treat lunch at the Concord State House Cafeteria (across the street from the library), then the New Hampshire State Archives, and, if time, also the New Hampshire Historical Association (across the street from the New Hampshire State Library).

You can return to any of these locations later to further explore on your own.

Accessibility: Tours may require the ability to climb bus steps and moderate walking between and within facilities.

Cost: \$40 per person, which covers transportation and admission to the facilities. Lunch is not included in this price.

To Register: Go to the NERGC Conference Registration page. You don't need to register for the Conference to sign up for one of the tours.

Registration Deadline: **September 14, 2025.** Space is limited, early registration recommended

Cancellation: Tours require a minimum of 25 participants; full refund will be issued if cancelled.

Questions? Contact: Tours@NERGC.org and include which tour your inquiry concerns.

SPECIAL RESEARCH TRACKS (\$90 EACH)

These tracks offer four one-hour sessions on a common theme. The goal is to provide more in-depth education on a theme than what you might find within the regular conference. This year's options are pulled from various genealogical institutes held outside of New England during the year. Please see the next page for more details on these four Special Research Tracks.

LUNCH – Chicken Saltimbocca with wild rice and roasted root vegetables followed by New York Style Cheesecake. (Included with track registration.)

MORE DETAILS ON THE WEDNESDAY PRE-CONFERENCE RESEARCH TRACKS:

8:00-9:30	Check-in for the Special Research Tracks			
9:00	Opening Welcome for Each Special Research Track			
	Women & Children First with Judy G. Russell	Transportation Nation with Pamela Vittorio	Military Research at NARA with Michael Strauss	Advanced Study of Death with Gena Philibert-Ortega
9:15-10:15	School Days: Children in and out of the Classrooms	Manifests & Destinations: In Their Footsteps	Introduction to the Records of the National Archives	A Survey of American Cemeteries
10:30-11:30	On the Dole: Poor Relief, Mother's Pensions and Welfare	If You Build It: On Their Trail (to the Civil War)	The Draft and the Selective Service System	Obituaries and More: Death in the Newspaper
11:30-1:00	Luncheon Break – Chicken Saltimbocca with wild rice and broccoli florets followed by New York Style Cheesecake.			
1:15-2:15	Extra! Extra! Read All About It! Women and Children in the Newspapers	Gateway to the West: Inland Waterways (1825-1900) "Canal Mania"	Military Service Records and Personnel Files	Taking an In-depth Look: Analyzing Tombstones
2:30-3:30	Keeping the Home Fires Burning: Women and Children in Manuscripts	All Points West: The Iron Horse-- Development of the Railways and Internal Improvement	Military Pensions and Claim Files	What About the Poor?: Unmarked Burials

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

3:45-4:30	Check-in Opens for Pre-Conference Workshops				
4:30-6:30	Eva Holmes, CG, AG: Cracking Tough Cases with the Genealogical Proof Standard	Jill Morelli: Write As You Research & Solve Tough Problems	Nora Galvin: Prove it! Arguing Conclusions without Direct Evidence	Allyson Maughan: I Spy – Photo Discovery Workshop	Cari Taplin: Using Google's My Maps as a Research Tool

Conference Check-in Will be Open from 3-7p.m.

Conference Dates to Remember

July 1	ADA Assistance Deadline		Oct 1	Cancellation Deadline
Sept 13	Early Bird Deadline		Oct 17	Close of Online Registration
Sept 25	Printed Syllabus Deadline		Oct 20	Last day to receive mailed registrations
Sept 28	Doubletree Deadline		Oct 23	Look for Digital Syllabus in your email
Sept 30	Meal Deadline		Oct 29-Nov 1	Conference in Manchester, NH

MORE DETAILS ON THE WEDNESDAY TWO HOUR WORKSHOPS (\$30 EACH)

In addition to offering workshops that overlap with the conference schedule, we've scheduled some as Pre-Conference Activities on Wednesday. Arrive early for the conference, or stay after one of the Special Research Tracks and enjoy two hours of hands-on information about:

Cracking Tough Cases with the Genealogical Proof Standard with Eva Holmes, CG, AG

Are you ready to take your research to the next level? The Genealogical Proof Standard helps genealogists solve difficult problems and ensure their work will stand the test of time. In this interactive workshop sponsored by the BCG Education Fund, you'll learn the five key elements of the Genealogical Proof Standard and practice applying them with hands-on exercises.

Write As You Research & Solve Tough Problems with Jill Morelli

Got a Brick wall? Write As You Research! May provide a methodology for solving it. Writing our genealogical problems accumulates all known information in one place, aids us in identifying gaps and overlaps and provides a written report for future readers. We know we should write more, and this workshop provides a format for all your genealogical problem-solving.

Prove it! Arguing Conclusions without Direct Evidence with Nora Galvin

What can you do when records do not clearly and directly state the answer to your research question? Put together a body of indirect evidence that adds up to proof. In this workshop we will review published proofs and work on writing up your own case. Bring your project notes and evidence and any writing already done.

I Spy – Photo Discovery Workshop with Allyson Maughan

Many family photo collections have pictures with no writing on the back. In this workshop, we will review these untagged photos. Participants will bring five to ten photos from their own collection. They will use their detective skills to find information about their photos between the examples given by the presenter.

Using Google's MyMaps as a Research Tool with Cari Taplin

Google's MyMaps allows users to create custom maps making it a fantastic and easy-to-use research and analysis tool, and making it a great way to present your research to family and friends. This workshop provides an overview of My Maps, examples of how it can be useful for genealogy, and walks participants through creating their own custom maps.

**Learn more about NERGC & our 2025 Conference
at any of these on-line locations:**

www.NERGC.org

[Facebook](#)

Twitter (X) @NERGC2025

THURSDAY, 30 OCTOBER

Arriving or waking early on Thursday? Join in a two-hour morning workshop and learn **Writing for Publication – Right Now!** This will be offered from 8-10 a.m. on Thursday Morning (T-101) and presented by Eva Holmes, CG, AG.

Many researchers want to share their work or preserve it for posterity but are overwhelmed by the process. This workshop will use writing exercises to get people started and give them enthusiasm to finish. Do you want to publish a family story but aren't sure where to start? Learn how you can craft work readers can't resist. We will discuss the essentials of writing and publishing for both periodicals and book-length projects. You will leave with ideas, outlines, and techniques to keep you going until you finish. Come prepared to write!

The full conference kicks off at **10:00 a.m. on Thursday morning** with a greeting from the planning committee followed by a presentation from **Annette Burke Lyttle:**

How Advertising Caused Ancestors to Migrate. (T-102)

Business owners, land speculators, and communities wishing to grow all turned to various forms of advertising to entice people to migrate west. This presentation will examine how newspaper advertising, pamphlets, gazetteers, and books were aimed at prospective migrants from the eastern parts of the U.S. and prospective immigrants from Europe to get them to come and work, buy land, and settle in these sparsely-populated frontier areas. We'll look at what kinds of messages these ads used in order to make hard work and pioneer living seem attractive.

The Exhibit Hall will open at 11:30 a.m. and remain open until 5 p.m.

Thursday's luncheon is sponsored by **Family Tree Magazine** and features **Sarah Dixwell Brown** as she describes her journey to tell the story of her 7th great grandfather. John Dixwell was born in the north of England, but he spent the last decades of his life in New Haven, Connecticut, living under an assumed name, for he was a fugitive from justice as one of the signers of Charles the First's death warrant, in 1649. He was indeed "*Here, There and Everywhere*," as a reluctant immigrant to New England (T-120)

(Attendance at this presentation is only available with the purchase of the associated meal.)

Luncheon choice is Pan-Seared Chicken Breast or Spinach Florentine Ravioli. Both come with rice pilaf, vegetable medley, orchard salad, rolls & butter, and coffee & assorted teas with Strawberry Trifle for dessert.

Following the afternoon presentations, attend the **Society Fair 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

- Genealogical, Historical, and Family Societies from all over New England will provide information about their organizations. The Society Fair will be held in the Pemigewasset Room and is open to the public at no cost. (Information: SocietyFair@NERGC.org)

AFTERNOON SESSIONS THURSDAY, 30 OCTOBER

Track	1:45-3:15	3:45-5:15
DNA Workshop	T-103 (\$) (Ends at 3:45) <i>Try Your Hand at Genetic Genealogy</i> Working in pairs or small groups, you will get a chance to take a DNA case step-by-step to learn exactly how to explore your autosomal DNA match list and make family connections. Workshop style: seating should be configured to allow for collaborative work. No computers or internet access required. Diahan Southard	
Discoveries	See workshop option above that ends at 3:45.	T-104 (I) <i>A Connecticut Yankee in the King's Rangers</i> Pamela J. Vittorio
Artificial Intelligence (AI)	T-105 (G) <i>The Robot Genealogist: Separating Fact From Fiction</i> Judy G. Russell	T-106 (I) <i>NotebookLM for the Genealogist</i> Robert Cameron Weir
Lineage Societies	T-107 (I) NEAPG <i>Navigating Mayflower Silver Books: A Genealogists' Guide</i> Bonnie Wade Mucia	T-108 (N) <i>Do you want to Join a Lineage Society?</i> Philip Johnson
History of Enslavement	T-109 (N) NEHGS <i>Organize a Place-Based Case Study on Enslaved Persons</i> Anjelica Oswald	T-110 (N) NEHGS <i>Introduction to the 10 Million Names Project</i> Danielle Rose
Here, There, and Everywhere	T-111 (N) <i>To Indian Territory and Back Again; a Case Study of a New England Family</i> Sara E. Campbell	T-112 (A) Following Ancestral Migrations: Three Case Studies Annette Burke Lyttle
Discoveries	T-113 (N) <i>Genealogical Sidequests and Treasures Discovered</i> Cari Taplin	These three end-of-day sessions are reserved for 3 Special Interest Group (SIG). Close out the day with a relaxing conversation with genealogists interested in a similar research location or genealogical problem to be solved.
Cite Your Sources!	T-115 (N) CCGS <i>Easily Creating Reference Citations</i> Michael J. Leclerc	
DNA	T-117 (I) <i>Visual Phasing: Using Siblings to Identify Grandparent DNA</i> Randy Whited	

5:30-7:30	Society Fair in the Pemigewasset Room! Genealogical, Historical, and Family Societies from New England will provide information about their organizations on Thursday evening, October 30, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. This free event which is open to the public, provides the opportunity for societies who have not contracted for space in the Exhibit Hall to display their information. Please plan on visiting these wonderful resources. Information: SocietyFair@NERGC.org
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MORNING SESSIONS FRIDAY, 31 OCTOBER
CONFERENCE CHECK-IN WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00-4:00
EXHIBIT HALL WILL BE OPEN FROM 8:00-5:00

Track	8:00-9:30	9:45-11:15	<p>Friday's luncheon (F-220) is sponsored by Massachusetts Genealogical Council With a Presentation by David Allen Lambert <i>What Time Is It On Your Genealogical Clock?</i></p> <p>This meal choice is: Roasted Stuffed Pork Tenderloin or Potato Crusted Cod. Both meals come with Caesar Salad, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Rolls & Butter, Coffee & Tea and include Triple Chocolate Mousse Tort for dessert.</p> <p>Attendance at this presentation is only available with the purchase of the associated meal.</p>
New England States	F-201 (I) <i>Adoption Research in New England: History, Genealogy, Legacy</i> Michael Brophy	F-202 (I) <i>Rhode Island State Census for Genealogists</i> Diane Boumenot	
Getting Started	F-203 (N) <i>You Can Do Genealogy Without Breaking the Bank</i> Sara E. Campbell	F-204 (I) GSV <i>French-Canadian Names Lost in Vermont</i> Michael Dwyer	
DNA	F-205 (N) <i>Solving Maternal Surname Mysteries with DNA</i> Kate Penney Howard	F-206 (I) <i>Eight Ways Your DNA Test Impacts Family History</i> Diahan Southard	
Migration	F-207 (A) <i>The Law, Common to Uncommon</i> Judy G. Russell	F-208 (E) <i>Entering the Old Northwest Territory</i> Peggy Lauritzen	
Church Records	F-209 (I) <i>Uncovering Pre-1900 New England Church Records for Genealogy</i> Bonnie Wade Mucia	F-210 (I) <i>U.S. Church Records: Congregationalists, Catholics and More</i> Sunny Jane Morton	
Writing	F-211 (G) <i>Just Do It! Self-Publishing Your Family History</i> Jill Morelli	F-212 (G) <i>Writing a Compelling Family History</i> Jenifer Kahn Bakkala	
Finding Solutions	F-213 (I) CAS <i>Online Newspapers: How Your Family Stories Went Viral</i> Janeen Bjork	F-214 (G) <i>Solving your Picture Problems</i> Allyson Maughan	
Ethnic	F-215 (A) <i>Irish Famine Migration to Bangor, Maine: 1845-1900</i> Mary-Alice Wildasin	F-216 (I) JGSGB <i>Genealogy with a Yiddish Accent</i> Carol Clingan	

Speakers were asked to state the audience level they associate with the proposed presentation. You'll find these in the upper right corner of the boxes in the schedule section of this brochure. We defined the levels as:

- (N) Novice – Someone new to this topic, ethnicity, or record type
- (I) Intermediate – Someone with some experience in this topic, ethnicity, or record type
- (A) Advanced – Someone with general experience in this topic, ethnicity, or record type
- (E) Experienced – Someone with widespread experience in this topic, ethnicity, or record type
- (G) General Interest – Informational and not related to research experience

AFTERNOON SESSIONS FRIDAY, 31 OCTOBER
EXHIBIT HALL WILL BE OPEN FROM 8:00-5:00

Track	1:45-3:15	3:45-5:15
New England States	F-221 (N) Godfrey <i>Tried and True Published Resources for Early Connecticut Research</i> Al Fiacre	F-222 (I) MSG <i>Maine and the Maritime: Finding Seafarers and Shipbuilders</i> Eva Holmes, CG, AG
Next Steps	F-223 (I) <i>Using Ancestry's Databases Beyond Search</i> Cari Taplin	F-224 (N) <i>New England Probate Research</i> Michael Brophy
Social History	F-225 (I) <i>Using Social History to Color Your Ancestors' Stories</i> Jenifer Kahn Bakkala	F-226 (N) <i>How the Mills Changed Everything</i> Diane Boumenot
Migration	F-227 (N) <i>Locating Places Where Our Ancestors Lived and Worked</i> Karen A. Fortin	F-228 (I) <i>How Settlers' Guides Can Help Us Understand our Ancestors' Lives</i> Annette Burke Lyttle
Church Records	F-229 (I) ACGS <i>Catholic Records: Storehouses of Culture, Places of Memory</i> Margaret R. Fortier	<p>These four end-of-day sessions are reserved for 4 Special Interest Group (SIG). Close out the day with a relaxing conversation with genealogists interested in a similar research location or genealogical problem to be solved.</p>
New England States	F-231 (I) <i>Hey, New England-NYC Has Your Records!</i> Susan Jaycox	
Writing	F-233 (A) <i>Citing Sources: A Crucial Part of Genealogical Writing</i> Nora Galvin	
CCC	F-235 (G) <i>Roosevelt's Tree Army: Understanding the Civilian Conservation Corps</i> Michael L. Strauss	

Pro-Gen meet-up in the Contoocook room between the last session and banquet.

Friday's Banquet (**F-240**) is sponsored by **Essex Society of Genealogists** & features **Diahan Southard** presenting "**How DNA Influences Our Identity**" Served meal choices are Grilled Chicken Champignon and Roasted Vegetable Wellington, both preceded by Elm Street Salad, and include rolls & butter, coffee & tea, and the Chef's selection of accompaniments. All followed by Warm Apple Tart for dessert.

Optional Costumes Encouraged for a special Halloween Event.

Attendance at this presentation is only available with the purchase of the associated meal.

MORNING SESSIONS SATURDAY, 1 NOVEMBER
CONFERENCE CHECK-IN WILL BE OPEN FROM 7:00-3:00
EXHIBIT HALL WILL BE OPEN FROM 8:00-5:00

Track	8:00-9:30	9:45-11:15	<p>Saturday's luncheon, (S-320) is sponsored by Massachusetts Society of Genealogists and features Kelli Jo Bergheimer <i>Genealogy Intertwined with Gratitude</i></p> <p>Menu choices are Burgundy Braised Short Ribs and Asiago-Crusted Atlantic Salmon both accompanied by Mashed Potatoes and Broccoli and preceded by a Baby Spinach Salad. Meal will include rolls & butter as well as coffee & tea. Dessert is Classic Red Velvet Cake.</p> <p>Attendance at this presentation is only available with the purchase of the associated meal.</p>
French-Canadian	S-301 (I) <i>Land Records: An Underutilized Genealogical Resource</i> Jonathan W. Stevens	S-302 (I) FCGSC <i>French-Canadian Volunteers in the American Revolution: From Soldier to Refugee to Citizen</i> Marianne Roy LeGrow, Ph.D	
Military History	S-303 (I) AFGS <i>From Soldiers to Settlers: The Carignan-Salières Regiment</i> Peter Gagné	S-304 (I) NEHGS <i>Locating Revolutionary War Veterans in your Family Tree</i> David Allen Lambert	
DNA	S-305 (G) <i>Is There Endogamy in my New England Family Tree?</i> Diahan Southard	S-306 (I) <i>How DNA Can Answer Family History Questions in 2025</i> Diahan Southard	
Emigration & Travel	S-307 (G) SSGS <i>Leaving Liverpool</i> Seema Kenney	S-308 (G) <i>America's Turnpikes, Rivers, and Canals</i> Peggy Lauritzen	
Next Steps	S-309 (I) <i>Tax Tracks: Navigating Federal Tax Records for Genealogical Research</i> Michael Brophy	S-310 (I) <i>Relicts and Widow's Weeds: 1790 Widows in Massachusetts</i> B.J. Jamieson	
New England States	S-311 (N) NHSOG <i>Witchcraft and Memory in New Hampshire</i> Tricia Peone	S-312 (I) <i>New Hampshire to 1776: Understanding the Colonial Era</i> Robert Cameron Weir	
Tools & Tips	S-313 (N) <i>Emerging Digital Tools for Optimizing Your Genealogy Research</i> Claire Smith	S-314 (A) <i>Think you know the Census? There's More!</i> Annette Burke Lyttle	
Fan Club	S-315 (G) <i>Who Lived Next Door? Using the FAN Club in your Research</i> Cari Taplin	S-316 (N) CMGS <i>How to find Info on your Railroad Ancestor</i> Philip Johnson	

SEE THE REGISTRATION WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS ON ALL THE PRESENTATIONS.

AFTERNOON SESSIONS SATURDAY, 1 NOVEMBER
EXHIBIT HALL WILL BE OPEN FROM 8:00-5:00

Track	1:45-3:15	3:45-5:15
Next Steps	S-321 (G) MGC <i>Locating your Ancestors in the Salem Witchcraft Trials</i> David Allen Lambert	S-322 (I) <i>Writing for Genealogy Magazines and Journals</i> Annette Burke Lyttle
Military	S-323 (I) <i>WWI and WW II Military Service Research</i> Randy Whited	S-324 (I) <i>The Nuts and Bolts of Military Pension Research</i> Craig R. Scott
Social History	S-325 (G) MSOG <i>World War II Letters from a Young Soldier</i> Seema Kenney	S-326 (I) DFAW <i>Who was the Fictional Lew Strickland of Cold Spring?</i> Edwin Strickland
Emigration & Travel	S-327 (G) CSG <i>From CT to Where?! Finding Family</i> Catherine “Casey” Zahn	S-328 (N) <i>Low Bridge, Everybody Down! The Erie Canal and New England Migration</i> Robert Cameron Weir
Organization	S-329 (N) <i>Using Lists to Find Proof</i> Cari Taplin	S-330 (N) TIARA <i>Where Were They From? Finding Irish Immigrant Origins</i> Pamela Guye Holland
New England States	S-331 (G) FGS <i>When Your Birth Certificate and DNA Don't Jive</i> Peter J. Boni	S-332 (N) NEHGS <i>Finding Enslaved African American Ancestors in New England</i> Danielle Rose
Tools and Tips	S-333 (N) <i>Accessing & Using FamilySearch Image-Only Records</i> Jill Morelli	S-334 (I) <i>A Genealogist's Guide to Lesser-Known Research Tools</i> Claire Smith
Productivity Workshop	S-335(G) (\$) (Ends at 3:45) <i>Search Like a Librarian</i> Using guided interactive research, learn how librarians maximize their search skills to find relevant information. B.J. Jamieson	
Productivity	See workshop option above that ends at 3:45.	S-336 (N) <i>Leverage Technology: Amplify Research with Apps and Tools</i> Kate Penney Howard
<p>Saturday's Banquet (S-340) is sponsored by Connecticut Society of Genealogists and features Cari Taplin presenting “How Potty Training Helped My Genealogy” Served meal of Pan Roasted Statler Chicken Breast or Roasted Butternut Squash Ravioli preceded by a Wedge Salad and served with Chef's choice of accompaniments. Meal includes rolls & butter as well as coffee & tea. Dessert is Triple Chocolate Mousse Tort.</p> <p>Attendance at this presentation is only available with the purchase of the associated meal.</p>		

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Please circle your choices. Shaded boxes are an extra cost. **Circle one number per row, as each is a time slot:**

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Saturday – November 1							
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Registration Choices	Before Sept 14	Sept 14 -Oct 17	Cost
Full Registration	\$200	\$230	
Single Day Registration	\$90	\$90	
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Women & Children First – Russell	\$90	\$90
Transportation Nation – Vittorio	\$90	\$90
Military at NARA – Strauss	\$90	\$90
Advanced Study of Death - Ortega	\$90	\$90
Workshop <i>Cracking Tough Cases</i> (30 max)		\$30
Workshop <i>Write as You Research</i> (50 max)		\$30
Workshop <i>Prove It!</i> (50 max)		\$30
Workshop <i>Photo Discovery</i> (50 max)		\$30
Workshop <i>Google's My Maps</i> (50 max)		\$30
Tour 1-Manchester (by Sept. 14) (min of 25)		\$40
Tour 2-Concord (by Sept. 14) (min of 25)		\$40

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These workshops are a maximum of 50 attendees		
<i>How to Get Your Research into a Publication</i> Thurs a.m.	\$25	
<i>Try Your Hand at Genetic Genealogy</i> Thurs p.m.	\$25	
<i>Search Like a Librarian</i> Sat p.m.	\$25	

Syllabus:	Printed Copy	By Sept 25	\$30	
	Flash Drive	By Sept 25	\$9	

Meal Choices - Order Before Sept 30	Cost
Thursday Luncheon (T-120 Brown)	
Pan-Seared Chicken Breast	\$48
Spinach Florentine Ravioli	\$48
Friday Luncheon (F-220 Lambert)	
Roasted Stuffed Pork Tenderloin	\$48
Potato Crusted Cod	\$48
Friday Banquet (F-240 Diahan Southard)	
Grilled Chicken Champignon	\$60
Roasted Vegetable Wellington	\$60
Saturday Luncheon (S-320 Bergheimer)	
Braised Short Ribs	\$50
Asiago-Crusted Atlantic Salmon	\$50
Saturday Banquet (S-340 Cari Taplin)	
Pan Roasted Chicken Breast	\$62
Butternut Squash Ravioli	\$62
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- Mayflower Research
- Witchcraft
- Adoption
- Endogamy
- Land Records
- Legal Implications
- Church Records
- Military Records
- Writing Down Your Genealogical Story
- Social History
- Photographs

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- African-American
- Jewish