

**DuPage County (IL) Genealogical Society
21th Annual Conference
"Heart to Heart"**

Saturday February 15, 1996

National-Louis University in Wheaton, IL.

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National-Louis University is located at 200 S. Naperville Road, Wheaton, IL

Program



German Topics

Time	Title	Presentation
9:00AM	<i>How to Research the German Connection (1A)</i>	Function of the Max Kade Institute; geography of Germany; how to make the connection; sources Patricia Reaves
10:30AM	<i>Pommeranians to America (2A)</i>	History/culture of Pommeranians from early tribal days to settlement in America; Pommeranian sources LeRoy Boehlke
1:30PM	<i>The Detective Engaging in Research (3A)</i>	Writing to Germany; deciphering German names and the script in old German documents Patricia Reaves
2:45PM	<i>Germans to America (4A)</i>	History and culture of Germanic tribes to American settlement; resources in America LeRoy Boehlke

Beginning Topics

Time	Title	Presentation
9:00AM	<i>Where Do I Begin? (1C)</i>	Using home sources; contacting relatives; utilizing basic forms Jeff Bockman
10:30AM	<i>Making Sense of the Census (2C)</i>	Accessing and using the soundex system and census schedules Jeff Bockman

Methodology Topics

Time	Title	Presentation
9:00AM	<i>Resources in the Midwest (1B)</i>	Sources for locating U.S. ancestors and relatives Joy Reisinger
1:30PM	<i>Do You Really Want to Do Your Research Twice? (3B)</i>	How to properly document your work Joy Reisinger
1:30PM	<i>Preserving Family Records (3C)</i>	How to care for old books, documents, newspapers & photos Donald Jackanicz
2:45PM	<i>Missing/Misplaced Records (4B)</i>	Finding unusual substitutes in unusual places when the normal sources come up dry Joy Reisinger



Computer Topics

Time	Title	Presentation
10:30AM	<i>Computer Software Faceoff (2B)</i>	Comparing/contrasting popular genealogical software packages Panel
2:45PM	<i>Weaving Your Genealogy into the World Wide Web (4C)</i>	Searching the Web; creating Web Pages from your GEDCOM file; linking up within the Web David Beckwith

A 10 station computer lab was available for hands-on experience with software.

Speakers

David L. Beckwith is a self-employed computer software developer. Having presented a very popular session on scanning at last year's Workshop, he returns to bring attendees the latest scoop on the World Wide Web.

For the past eight years, **Jeffrey A. Bockman** has been applying his engineering, management and computer background to analytical problem solving and to the record organization so necessary for genealogical research. Chairman of the DCGS Education Committee, Jeff takes an active role in teaching Beginning Genealogy Classes and Seminars.

A descendant of the original pioneers who settled Freistadt, WI in 1839, **LeRoy Boehlke** has written several books on the settlement of Freistadt and about Pommerania and Germany. He is the editor of the *Pommerascher Verein Freistadt* newsletter.

Donald W. Jackanicz, Assistant Director of the National Archives - Great Lakes Region, is uniquely qualified in the area of document preservation. His presentation, *Preserving Your Family Records*, is an adaptation of his half-day workshop given at the Archives.

Patricia Reaves, a native of Hamburg, Germany has been a teacher of German in secondary schools for ten years. Patricia was the Genealogy Consultant for the Max Kade Institute of German Studies and has spoken at several workshops throughout the Midwest.

A well-known professional genealogist and lecturer at the National level, **Joy Reisinger** is a writer and publisher of several books and periodicals and an expert on Canadian research. Her three sessions on methodology will convey practical hints drawn from her vast experience.