

**DuPage County (IL) Genealogical Society
28th Annual Conference**

Saturday February 28, 2004

**Hilton Garden Inn
St. Charles, Illinois**

The Hilton Garden Inn, 4070 East Main Street, St. Charles, IL is located on the north side of North Avenue (Rte. 64) across the street from the Pheasant Run Resort, two miles west of IL Rt. 59 and just east of the DuPage/Kane county line.

Program

Time	Title/Speaker	Presentation
9:00 AM (1A)	<i>German-American Roots in the U.S.</i> Patricia Reaves	Learn the common surnames found and which cemeteries were favored by these immigrants. Information to be found in church records and at LDS will also be covered.
9:00 AM (1B)	<i>Scottish Emigration to North America: Before, During and After the Rebellions</i> Paul Milner	Discover the reasons for emigration from Scotland to the U.S. and Canada and how it influenced events on both sides of the Atlantic.
9:00 AM (1C)	<i>Traditional vs. Computer Based Genealogical Research: Not "Either/Or" but "Both"</i> John Konvalinka	Gives examples of the many ways that computer-based research can be used in conjunction with traditional repository research.
10:30 AM (2A)	<i>Mapping the Journey</i> Patricia Reaves	Explore maps, boat information, and passenger lists. The Pennsylvania Dutch (Deutsch) will be discussed.
10:30 AM (2B)	<i>Irish Emigrants to North America: Before, During and After the Famine</i> Paul Milner	Identify the routes taken and the reasons for the emigration from Ireland to the U.S. and Canada before, during, and after the famine. Learn how this movement affects your research.
10:30 AM (2C)	<i>Finding Living Relatives (Using Traditional and Computer Based Genealogical Sources)</i> John Konvalinka	Uses presentation materials and case studies to demonstrate the effective use of computer-based resources in addition to traditional research in locating/contacting living relatives.
11:45 AM	<i>Luncheon and Browsing</i>	Luncheon and time to visit the vendors.
1:15 PM	<i>Genealogical Research in Germany</i>	Discover German sources, historic records, and find out about laws governing vital records.

(3A)	Patricia Reaves	
1:15 PM (3B)	<i>Finding Your English Ancestors: The Big Four</i> Paul Milner	Examines available indexes, how to access and interpret the four primary record groups for English research: civil records, census, church records, and probate.
1:15 PM (3C)	<i>Making Your Case Using the Genealogical Proof Standard</i> John Konvalinka	Reviews the history and components of the Genealogical Proof Standard and how they are applied in real life examples.
2:45 PM (4A)	<i>Organizing Your Research</i> Patricia Reaves	Learn how to deal with paper records, photographs, and family trees. Internet information will be provided.
2:45 PM (4B)	<i>Internet Tools & Sites for British Isles Research</i> Paul Milner	Establish a systematic methodology for finding the answers you need for your British Isles research using the internet. Available tools are discussed.
2:45 PM (4C)	<i>Avoiding Tangles in the World Wide Web - Beyond Google: Successful Searching Techniques</i> John Konvalinka	Learn about various search engines and successful ways of searching the Internet beyond search engines.

Speakers

John Konvalinka is a professional genealogist and has been actively involved in genealogy for 25 years. He is particularly interested in the effective use of computers and the Internet in supporting (not replacing) traditional genealogical research. He has worked extensively in the British Library, the Library of Congress, the New York Public Library and other major genealogical libraries in the U.S.

Paul Milner is a professional genealogist and lecturer. He is a native of Northern England and has specialized in British Isles genealogical research for the past 22 years. Paul is co-author with Linda Jonas of *A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your English Ancestors* (2000) and *A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your Scottish Ancestors* (2002). He is currently the book review editor for the FGS FORUM.

Patricia Reaves was born in Hamburg, Germany and came to the United States at the age of eleven. She has worked as a genealogical consultant, researcher, and professional translator for the Max Kade Institute for German-American Studies at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, WI. For the last fifteen years Patricia has taught German and English as a Second Language at Riverside/Brookfield High School.