

McHenry County IL
Genealogical Society
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Summer Genealogy
Conference

Live Presentations
via Zoom

Saturday, July 10, 2021

9 am – 3:00 pm

Register by mail or
online at

www.mcigs.org/conference



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Programs: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

This Conference will be presented **live via Zoom**.

Session attendance is limited. Registrants are encouraged to log into their preferred sessions early.

The **syllabus** link, and **instructions** on using Zoom will be emailed to each registrant 2 weeks prior to the conference.

Program links will be emailed to attendees on July 9, 2021.

Each registrant will be entered into the drawing for one of our fabulous door prizes.

Register online today at:

www.mcigs.org/conference, or mail in your check with the attached registration form.

For further information, email Claudia Conroy at registration@mcigs.org or visit our web site: www.mcigs.org for additional details.

About Our Speakers: “The Genealogy Squad”

George G. Morgan, President of Aha! Seminars, Inc. George is a master in working with and understanding all types of genealogical record types in the U.S., Canada, the United Kingdom, and Australia. He is the author of fourteen landmark genealogy books and a highly popular speaker at national and international genealogical conferences. He has presented all across the United States at national, state, and local conferences. He is co-host with partner Drew Smith of the Genealogy Guys Podcast, the longest-running genealogy podcast, enjoyed by thousands of listeners around the world.



Drew Smith, has been a librarian in the Academic Services department at the University of South Florida (USF) Tampa Library since 2007. In 1996, Drew founded the mailing list GENEALIB for genealogy librarians, and continues to administer it for more than 1,100 subscribers. He is also the administrator for the RootsMagic mailing list, and an administrator for numerous genealogy-related groups on Facebook. Drew regularly speaks at conferences and meetings of national, state, and local genealogy societies, especially on topics linking genealogy and technology.

Cyndi Ingle, Cyndi Ingle is the creator and innovator behind the award-winning and globally recognized CyndisList.com, a free categorized list of more than 337,000 links for genealogical research. In its 23 years online Cyndi's List has consistently remained in the top tiers for genealogical research tools online. It helps millions of visitors worldwide and has been featured in the media and diverse publications, including ABC News, NBC News, the BBC, National Public Radio, USA Today, Time, Newsweek, Parade Magazine, People Magazine, Wired, Ancestry Magazine, Family Tree Magazine, Family Chronicle, and Internet Genealogy magazines.



Cari Taplin is a native of Wood County, Ohio but now lives in Longmont, Colorado. Cari holds the Certified Genealogist® credential and has served in a wide variety of volunteer and leadership positions for state, local, and national societies. She currently serves as the Secretary for the Association for Professional Genealogists (APG) and as the President of the Lone Star Chapter of APG. As the owner of GenealogyPANTS, she provides speaking services. Cari currently works for Ancestry ProGenealogists.

Panel Discussion

The “Genealogy Squad will answer questions submitted by attendees via “chat” during the 1:30 pm break on general genealogy topics as time permits.

Conference Program

More detailed session descriptions may be found at www.mcigs.org

9:00	<i>New Ways to Research Our Roots</i> This session takes the attendees from our beginnings to the future of genealogical research, and it concentrates on the products, services, technology, and initiatives that are advancing our research each day. <i>Before You Test: DNA Basics You Need to Know</i> Avoid wasting time and money by learning how DNA is inherited, which type of DNA test to take, and exactly what you can expect to get as a result. <i>Cyndi's List in Practice</i> Using specific examples for beginners, as well as more advanced researchers, we will explore the site and point out how to make the most of the categories and the links found within. <i>Using Timelines and Tables to Analyze Your Research</i> In-depth and difficult research tasks create large amounts of data to compare and analyze. Discover analysis methods using tables and timelines to solve problems.	George G. Morgan	1A
		Drew Smith	1B
		Cyndi Ingle	1C
		Cari Taplin	1D
10:00	Break (30 minutes)		
10:30	<i>Bring 'Em Back to Life: Developing an Ancestor Profile</i> This seminar presents a methodology and a structured model for taking the details you collect about your ancestor and creating a biographical profile. <i>Introduction to GEDmatch</i> GEDmatch is a free website that allows uploading raw DNA data from DNA testing companies so that the test data can be compared with data from tests taken at different companies. It also provides tools that may not be available at the original testing company. This presentation will focus on the basics of using GEDmatch to match relatives. <i>Evaluating Websites, Databases, and Online Records</i> Learn how to delve into web sites, their contents, and online datasets to determine the original source of the materials, and how to evaluate the material you find there. <i>PERSibilities: Better Research with ACPL's Periodical Source Index</i> This lecture will give the audience a look into Allen County Public Library's PERSI, its history and partnership with Find My Past, tips and techniques for getting the most out of this valuable genealogical resource, and how societies can get involved.	George G. Morgan	2A
		Drew Smith	2B
		Cyndi Ingle	2C
		Cari Taplin	2D
11:30	Lunch (1 hour)		
12:30	<i>Colonial and Early American Land Records</i> This seminar presents an introduction to land records from earliest colonial times and how they were transferred or sold from the monarch to the people over more than two centuries. <i>Using FamilySearch.org to Find Genealogical Records</i> Over the past few years, FamilySearch.org has become one of the largest online repositories of genealogical records. Learn how to search and browse, how to save and share results, and how to get help with the available resources. <i>The Path to Digital Libraries and Archives</i> We will discuss methods for locating them and, once found, methods for using them to answer specific research questions. <i>Piece by Piece, Page by Page: An Approach to Writing</i> In this program, Cari Taplin will share some of the tips and strategies she uses in her writing to help you get started on your own.	George G. Morgan	3A
		Drew Smith	3B
		Cyndi Ingle	3C
		Cari Taplin	3D
1:30	Break (30 minutes) Submit Questions via Chat Attendees should use this time to submit their questions for the Panel Discussion that begins at 2:00 pm.		
2:00	<i>Panel Discussion</i> During this session all four members of the Genealogy Squad Facebook group will answer selected questions submitted by attendees during the 1:30 pm break as time permits.	All Presenters	4A

CIRCLE EACH SESSION YOU WISH TO

ATTEND

Session One (9:00 am)	1A	1B	1C	1D
Session Two (10:30 am)	2A	2B	2C	2D
Session Three (1:00 pm)	3A	3B	3C	3D
Session Four (2:30 pm)	4A			

Non-Member registration

\$25.00

Join MCIGS (join today & attend for free)

\$20.00

MCIGS Member registration

FREE

Amount Enclosed

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Due to this being a virtual conference, a VALID EMAIL is required.

Sorry, No Refunds

Mail Registration Form with your payment to:
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