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**FAMILY HISTORY AND
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Midwestern Roots 2010: Family History and Genealogy Conference

Migration Then and Now

Come explore “Migration Then and Now” at the Midwestern Roots 2010: Family History and Genealogy Conference presented by the Indiana Historical Society at the Indianapolis Marriott East.

Sessions based on the conference theme will help you locate records that will open the pathways your ancestors blazed. Learn about the many types of resources that can answer questions about your family’s history in different places over time, and discover how these resources have “migrated” to new technology.

Expand your research base with the help of national and regional experts including John Phillip Colletta, Kandie Adkinson, Roberta Estes, Thomas D. Hamm, Shamele Jordon, George G. Morgan, David E. Rencher, Loretto “Lou” Szucs and others. Indiana Poet Laureate Norbert Krapf, the conference banquet speaker, will explain how he has used genealogical fact to inspire his poetry.

A number of pre-conference activities will be offered on Aug. 5. Sign up for a writing workshop, computer lab, genealogy library assistant workshop and an evening panel discussion on migration. The panel discussion will take place at the Indianapolis–Marion County Public Library Central Library and will include authors and historians June Alexander and James Bergquist, who will share their insight on the migration experience.

Indianapolis is just a short trip from many midwestern metropolitan areas. The conference center is conveniently located off I-465 with free parking and two hotels in order to fit your budget. Multiple registration options are available so that you can plan on attending all three days or just the one day that fits your hectic schedule.



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Come Early and Research

There are a number of genealogical research facilities located in the Indianapolis area, ranging from county libraries and area museums to national organizations. A complete list of research facilities has been compiled for your convenience. The list may be found on the conference Web site, or call (317) 233-5659 to request a list of facilities and contact information.

The Indiana State Archives is offering resource orientation sessions on Thursday, Aug. 5 at 10 a.m. or 2 p.m. There is no cost for these sessions, but reservations are required. To make a reservation, call (317) 591-5222.

All conference attendees are invited to visit the *Indiana Experience* at the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center. One free admission is available with each paid conference registration.

Migration: Myths and Realities

Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library Central Library

One Library Square, 40 E. St. Clair St.

Aug. 5, 2010

7 p.m.; \$15, \$10 IHS members

FREE to those staying at a host hotel

Two authors and historians of immigration, June Alexander and James Bergquist, will discuss myths and realities of the migration process and the immigrant experience. Alexander, Bergquist and the audience will explore the implications of these issues for family history. Among the issues are common perceptions and misconceptions about the dynamics of the migration process, the motives for immigrants leaving the old country, settlement patterns and ongoing mobility, close-knit immigrant communities, upward social mobility and “success,” and the fundamental differences between modern-day and past movements.

Alexander is retired from the University of Cincinnati and author of *Daily Life in Immigrant America, 1870–1920*. Bergquist is an emeritus professor of history at Villanova University and author of *Daily Life in Immigrant America, 1820–1870*. The moderator for the discussion will be John A. Herbst, president and CEO of the Indiana Historical Society.

There will be a reception following the program. Parking will be available in the library’s underground lot at \$3 for up to six hours.

Pre-Conference Activities – Thursday, Aug. 5, 2010

3 to 8 p.m. Registration and packet pick-up at the Indianapolis Marriott East

FREE admission to the *Indiana Experience* **Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center** **450 West Ohio Street** **10 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

With each paid conference registration you will receive a complimentary pass to visit the *Indiana Experience*. Join us for a fun-filled day of activities including Destination Indiana, You Are There, Fortune History Lab, Basile History Market and the William H. Smith Memorial Library. You will be able to park at the History Center at no charge when using your complimentary pass or attending a pre-conference workshop.

Computer Labs

Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center **450 West Ohio Street**

Participants will have a live connection to the Internet and should have a basic knowledge of Internet Explorer. The labs will be presented by Shamele Jordon. Seating is limited to 20 participants per lab.

Getting the Most Out of Genealogy Online

10 a.m. to noon; \$40, \$30 IHS members

This hands-on workshop will explore the full online research cycle, which includes understanding browser basics, surfing major genealogical Web sites, executing effective searches, tracking research and organizing computer files.

Getting the Most Out of African-American Genealogy Online

1 to 3 p.m.; \$40, \$30 IHS members

This hands-on workshop will explore the full online research cycle, focusing on African-American genealogy. Topics include understanding browser basics, surfing major genealogical Web sites, executing effective searches, tracking research and organizing computer files.

Genealogy Resources Library Workshop

Indiana State Library **140 N. Senate Ave.**

9 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.; \$10, FREE with conference registration

This workshop is designed especially for frontline library workers and volunteers who answer questions from genealogy patrons. Seating is limited.

Sessions include “All about the Census: Becoming an Expert” and “Genealogy Orienteering: Using Maps to find the Right Place” with George Morgan, “Locating Naturalization Records in Indiana” with Alan January, and “Researching Manuscript Collections” with Mark Vopelak. Lunch on your own. Workshop concludes with a tour of the Indiana State Library.

Preparing Your Family History for Publication: A Writing Workshop

Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center **450 West Ohio Street**

10 to 11:30 a.m. or 1 to 2:30 p.m.; \$25, \$20 IHS members

In this workshop, M. Teresa Baer, managing editor, IHS Press Family History Publications, will focus on communicating effectively. Baer will discuss what history is and how it is written, different purposes and audiences for family historians, and how to ensure integrity in conclusions drawn from various types of evidence. The workshop will also cover writing basics, such as organization, documentation and clarity.

Along with the registration form and fees, each participant should submit a short outline and a sample page or two from a family history writing project. These pieces may be for self-publication or professional publication. At the end of the session, Baer will meet one-on-one with each participant to comment on his or her writing sample and answer individual questions. Seating is limited to six participants per session.

Writing Lives: A Primer on Biography

Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center **450 West Ohio Street**

10 to 11 a.m. or 1 to 2 p.m.; \$25, \$20 IHS members

Award-winning Indiana author and historian Ray E. Boomhower will offer tips and suggestions on writing a biography, including how to select a subject, organize material and conduct archival research. Boomhower, the author of numerous biographies on Hoosier notables, will also delve into the history of writing biographies as well as discussing possible avenues of publication for potential authors and the ins and outs of promoting a book. Seating is limited to 10 participants per session.

Introduction to Genealogical Research at the Indianapolis Marion County Public Library Central Library

IMCPL Central Library, Indianapolis Special Collections Room **6th Floor, One Library Square, 40 E. St. Clair St.**

4:30 to 5:30 p.m.; FREE

This program will give an overview of materials available in the open reference, online and Indianapolis-Special Collections Room at the Central Library. Participants who are researching Indianapolis and Marion County will find this session useful. Some sources covered will include city directories, newspapers, county histories and local yearbooks. Parking will be available in the library's underground lot at \$3 for up to six hours.

Friday, Aug. 6, 2010		10:30 to 11:30 a.m.	LUNCH
7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Registration 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Exhibit Hall 8:45 a.m. Welcome	Immigration and Migration	The Dynamics of Immigrant Communities, 1820-1870 <i>James M. Bergquist F-2</i> An exploration of the complexities of immigrant life in its widely varying configurations. Locating an individual within these complexities can sometimes pose a challenge. We will consider “what makes a community,” both harmony and conflict within the immigrant community, the waxing and waning of communities, immigrant mobility into and out of the ethnic communities, and the role of the community in continuing patterns of migration.	Lunches will be available 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Take a break from the sessions, visit with your friends and experience the Exhibit Hall.
9 to 10 a.m.			
OPENING SESSION			
Erie Canal Genealogy: The Peopling of Upstate New York and the Old Northwest <i>John Phillip Colletta F-1</i> Triumph of American ingenuity and wonder of the world, the Erie Canal changed the lives of millions of our ancestors from Maine to Minnesota. Construction began in 1817, and the finished canal opened in 1825. How might your ancestors have worked for, on or along the “Big Ditch”? How might they have used “Clinton’s Folly” in their own activities? This lecture explains the construction and history of the canal, explores the hundreds of livelihoods it engendered and illustrates its far-reaching influence on America and Americans, particularly those residing in the Great Lakes states.	Ethnic History	African-American Genealogy: I’ve Traced My Family Back to 1870, Now What? <i>Shamele Jordon F-3</i> Researching African-American ancestors pre-1870 presents unique challenges. Learn sources and techniques to locate ancestors during the Reconstruction and slavery eras.	Menu Summer Salad Buffet Cookie or Brownie Coffee, Iced Tea
	Methodology	What’s New in Family History <i>Loretto Szucs F-4</i> With ever-changing technology and record availability and access, this presentation is designed to bring you up-to-date on the latest developments that impact your family history research.	
	Technology and DNA	DNA and Genealogy <i>Roberta Estes F-5</i> Learn how DNA can be used for genealogical research. You’ll learn how DNA testing works for both males and females. We’ll make science understandable, and by the end of this lecture, you’ll be putting together your own genealogical DNA test plan. Bring your pedigree chart along for quick reference.	
EVENING PROGRAM			
6 to 7 p.m. Reception, Cash Bar 7 p.m. Banquet Menu California Spring Mix Salad, Pork Loin Medallions, Mashed Red Skin Potatoes, Chef’s Choice Vegetable, Roll, Dessert, Coffee and Iced Tea	Turning Roots into Story Poems and Memoirs <i>Norbert Krapf F-18</i> Indiana Poet Laureate Norbert Krapf will talk about his practice of turning genealogical facts and details from local and family histories into narrative poems. That is, he will talk about using the imagination to turn historical facts into poems that tell stories about people, often set in the past. He will read examples of such poems from his collections <i>Bloodroot: Indiana Poems</i> and <i>Blue-Eyed Grass: Poems of Germany</i> , as well as passages from his prose memoir, <i>The Ripest Moments: A Southern Indiana Childhood</i> . <i>Bloodroot</i> and <i>Ripest Moments</i> were finalists for Best Books of Indiana 2009, the first time an author was a finalist in two categories.		

1 to 2 p.m.	2:30 to 3:30 p.m.	4 to 5 p.m.
<p>Daily Life of Immigrant America: 1870-1920: The Immigrants' Perspective <i>June G. Alexander</i> F-6 This session will offer a glimpse into the life of immigrants in both urban and rural areas of the Midwest. It will juxtapose popular notions about immigrant communities with realities of everyday life covering migration and settlement patterns, ongoing immigrant mobility and how personal ties fueled migration and influenced daily life then and genealogical research today.</p>	<p>U.S. Passenger Arrival Records 1820-1954 <i>John Philip Colletta</i> F-10 This lecture assumes that the audience already has a knowledge of the basics of finding an immigrant ancestor's arrival record. It focuses on more difficult cases, when the usual methodology does not work. It explores solutions to problems arising from these issues: name of passenger, date of arrival, name of ship, port of arrival, missing passenger lists, port of departure, illegible index cards and more.</p>	<p>Push and Pull: The Reasons for Migration <i>George G. Morgan</i> F-14 The earliest humans from earliest times migrated from place to place seeking survival and sustenance. Our more recent ancestors also moved around. What made your ancestors leave their homes and move hundreds or thousands of miles? What drew them to a specific place to settle? This session examines some of the reasons why it is important to become a student of history, geography and sociology in order to trace your ancestors' movements.</p>
<p>New York, Castle Garden and Ellis Island: The Roles They Played in Your Family History <i>Loretto Szucs</i> F-7 It is estimated that 100 million Americans can trace their family's arrival to the Port of New York. Whether or not your family came through this port or one of the other immigration stations, many leads can be found in the history of New York arrival records.</p>	<p>Exploring the World of German America <i>James M. Bergquist</i> F-11 Many different people called themselves German Americans, but they all had greatly different stories. We will talk about recovering some of these stories and look at the complicated institutional structure of German America, considering its inner conflicts, cultural life, thriving press and educational institutions. German Americans often defined themselves in ways other than German ethnicity: provincial origins, religion, etc. In what way and how fast did assimilation occur?</p>	<p>Slavic Immigrants in the Midwest: Tracing Their Roots <i>June G. Alexander</i> F-15 This session will highlight the "Slavic" migration to the Midwest. The focus will be on the problems that Slavic immigrants pose for family history researchers. The session will identify different kinds of records that contain data on Slavic immigrants. Attention will be given to the type of information researchers can expect to find in various sources, the difficulties of gleaning accurate data and obstacles to gaining access to it.</p>
<p>Genealogy Orienteering: Using Maps to Find the Right Places <i>George G. Morgan</i> F-8 Understanding geographical history – how boundaries and jurisdictions have changed – helps determine who created what documents and where these materials reside. This seminar presents and discusses a simple yet efficient methodology to help you use maps to effectively locate the right place to conduct your research.</p>	<p>Three Million Names and Counting: The Indiana Digital Archives <i>Vicki Casteel and Andrew Frohberg</i> F-12 The Indiana State Archives recently went online with millions of indexed records perfect for genealogists and researchers. Learn about building a digital archives using the databases created by Friends of the Indiana State Archives' volunteers. Also hear about the ISA volunteer program and online collections.</p> <p>Sponsored by the Friends of the Indiana State Archives</p>	<p>Framing the Problem for Overseas Research <i>David E. Rencher</i> F-16 This session focuses on helping the participants identify specific objectives for successful overseas research. Failure to focus the research often leads to discouraging results from the "trip of a lifetime." Learn how to focus on key objectives to obtain maximum results for your investment of time and money.</p>
<p>Opportunities for Collaboration – A Win/Win Proposition <i>David E. Rencher</i> F-9 FamilySearch provides a developing suite of products that will open numerous opportunities for collaboration. This ecosystem of applications, coupled with third parties, will open the world's records to historians and other academics, researchers, writers and biographers. Opportunities to participate at every level will unleash collaborative opportunities for people of all disciplines to contribute at their level of expertise.</p>	<p>Googling Great Grandmother: Using the Internet to Trace Your Roots <i>Shamele Jordon</i> F-13 Have you ever googled your ancestors online? Use the right Internet search techniques and you may find a treasure. Learn tips to find, evaluate and organize genealogical information on the Internet.</p>	<p>All About Autosomal DNA Testing—What Can It Do For Me? <i>Roberta Estes</i> F-17 Have you heard about autosomal DNA testing where you can discover, among other things, the percentage of your ethnic heritage? Did you know there are five different tests and they provide you with different information? Would you like to see examples of the results? Come find out if this type of testing will answer your genealogy questions, if the tests are reliable and how to use these tests most effectively.</p>

Saturday, Aug. 7, 2010		10:30 to 11:30 a.m.	LUNCH
8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Exhibit Hall 8:45 a.m. Welcome	Immigration and Migration	Introduction to U.S. Immigration Records <i>George G. Morgan S-20</i> Learn immigration record history and methods for locating ancestors. Topics include: ships' arrivals from the 1600s to 1820; customs passenger lists and processes from 1820 to 1891; new processes under the Immigration Bureau from 1891 to 1954; and about forms, indexes and finding aids.	Lunches will be available 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Take a break from the sessions, visit with your friends and experience the Exhibit Hall.
9 to 10 a.m.			
OPENING SESSION	Methodology	An Introduction to Using American Church Records for Genealogy <i>Thomas D. Hamm S-22</i> This is an overview of the types of records created by the major American denominations before 1900, with an emphasis on records useful for genealogical purposes.	
The Digitization of the World's Historically Significant Records <i>David E. Rencher S-19</i> FamilySearch, Ancestry.com, footnote.com, ProQuest and many others are digitizing records at an amazing pace. Digitization takes record preservation and access to a whole new level, but at what rate will it accelerate access to the records needed by historians and other disciplines? Will the records be adequately preserved? A candid look at the issues and challenges the new technologies of the Information Age have brought to bear on records of historical significance.			

(317) 232-1882 Early registration deadline is July 16, 2010.

1 to 2 p.m.	2:30 to 3:30 p.m.	4 to 5 p.m.
<p>Cumberland Gap Migrations <i>Roberta Estes S-24</i> Who were the pioneers who settled in the Cumberland Gap area? Where did they come from? Who stayed and who used the Gap as a gateway to the West? What does the DNA of the members of the Cumberland Gap group tell us about those hearty pioneers, where they came from and who they really were? Join us on our journey along the Wilderness Road to discover their history.</p>	<p>The U.S. Naturalization Process and Documents, 1790-1954 <i>George G. Morgan S-28</i> Becoming a United States citizen was an important step in the enculturation of immigrants. While the documents and the basic process have changed little over the centuries, a number of variations in the rules make tracing naturalizations challenging. Learn methods for narrowing your search for your ancestors' citizenship papers.</p>	<p>They Became American: Finding Ancestral Origins <i>Loretto Szucs S-32</i> Critical clues may be found in a naturalization record, a photograph, in an archive or even in someone's attic. This presentation focuses on some fascinating sources for finding more precise information on your ancestors' origins.</p>
<p>Researching United States Colored Troops <i>Shamele Jordon S-25</i> More than 100,000 African-American men served in the Union army. One of these soldiers may have been your ancestor or relative. Learn how to locate and analyze service records, pension records and other Civil War records.</p>	<p>German Genealogical Research Without a Passport <i>Charles Hessler S-29</i> This session will show you how to locate German hometowns using family records, newspapers and other library resources, civil records, church records, Internet resources and by contacting other researchers both in the United States and Germany. Research in German records after town of origin is known with the use of Family History Library microfilm and primary and secondary sources online and elsewhere.</p>	<p>Freedmen's Bureau Research Strategies <i>Shamele Jordon S-33</i> The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, commonly known as the Freedmen's Bureau, existed from 1865 to 1872. Learn strategies to help you search for ancestors in the field office records and learn about the life of your ancestor during reconstruction.</p>
<p>Your Ancestors' World Revealed! Using 19th-Century Newspapers for Family History <i>John Phillip Colletta S-26</i> Newspapers contain much more than birth, marriage and death notices. Perhaps no other single source provides a more thorough picture of your ancestors' immediate world. This lecture examines advertisements, judicial calendars and decisions, legal notices, social (gossip) columns, estate settlements, real estate transfers, local elections, officials, boards, organizations, clubs and more.</p>	<p>Kentucky Land Patents: History, Components and Series <i>Kandie Adkinson S-30</i> Researchers will learn the fundamentals of Kentucky land appropriation. Topics to be discussed include military warrants and the location of the military district, corn and cabin claims, selected legislative acts and the significance of treasury warrants. Research tips and the value of tax list research will also be discussed.</p>	<p>Family Tree of Churches: Why Understanding Religious History Can Make a Difference in Family History <i>Thomas D. Hamm S-34</i> An overview of the tangles of American religious history and how those controversies and conflicts have implications for genealogists.</p>
<p>Getting the Most Out of Ancestry.com <i>Loretto Szucs S-27</i> With billions of records online and ever-improving technology to dig into sources, this presentation is designed to help you make the most of your personal or library subscription to Ancestry.com.</p>	<p>Effective Use of the Family History Library <i>David E. Rencher S-31</i> The Family History Library Catalog has many hidden secrets. Learn how the material is organized to get the most from the catalog. Determine which search engines are the most effective for the specific information you are seeking.</p>	<p>Patent Research on the Kentucky Land Office Web Site <i>Kandie Adkinson S-35</i> Where's the site, what's new, and may I print a copy? Learn how to access land patent databases and print imaged documents on the Kentucky Secretary of State's Land Office Web site.</p>

Speakers' Biographical Information

Kandie Adkinson, administrative supervisor, Land Office Division, Kentucky Secretary of State's Office, is a native of Mercer County, Ky. Adkinson was employed by the Kentucky Historical Society for more than six years, researching, laminating and microfilming Kentucky Land Grant Records. In July 1984, Adkinson accepted employment with the Secretary of State's Land Office. Her primary duties consist of researching and copying land records; she is also involved in the development of the Web site.

June G. Alexander, who was on the faculty of the Russian and East European Studies Program at the University of Cincinnati, has now retired. She is the author of *Daily Life in Immigrant America, 1870–1920* (2007, rev. ed. 2009); *Ethnic Pride, American Patriotism: Slovaks and Other New Immigrants in the Interwar Era* (2004); and *The Immigrant Church and Community: Pittsburgh's Slovak Catholics and Lutherans, 1880–1915* (1987). Author of more than a dozen scholarly articles on the migration process and immigrant experience, her publications include numerous professional reviews and entries for scholarly volumes. Since receiving her doctorate from the University of Minnesota in 1980, Alexander has held executive positions in several professional organizations, most notably the Immigration and Ethnic History Society. Until her retirement in 2009, she was on the editorial board of the *Journal of American Ethnic History*.

M. Teresa Baer, managing editor of IHS Press Family History Publications, edits *The Hoosier Genealogist: Connections* and books on migration and ethnic history. With a master's degree in comparative history (Indiana University), Baer has written articles and book chapters on numerous historical and genealogical topics and compiled and edited the multi-award winning book, *Finding Indiana Ancestors: A Guide to Historical Research* (2007).

James M. Bergquist is an emeritus professor of history at Villanova University. He received a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Notre Dame and his master's degree and doctorate from Northwestern University. He has researched and published widely on immigration history, and especially on German Americans. His latest publication is *Daily Life in Immigrant America, 1820–1870* (2nd ed., 2009).

Ray E. Boomhower is senior editor for the IHS Press, where he is responsible for the publication of the IHS's quarterly popular history magazine, *Traces of Indiana and Midwestern History*. His previous books have included biographies of author and Civil War general Lew

Wallace, famed Hoosier war correspondent Ernie Pyle, suffragette and peace activist May Wright Sewall, World War II photographer John A. Bushemi, U.S. Navy ace Alex Vraciu and astronaut Gus Grissom. In 1998, Boomhower received the Hoosier Historian award from the IHS. His "Indiana History" column appears monthly in *Senior Life*.

Vicki Casteel has been an archivist with the Indiana State Archives for 13 years. She creates and manages the databases volunteers use to index the collections, which are later transferred to the digital archives. She is working to update the Archive's Web site and increase awareness and access to the Archive's many valuable collections.

John Philip Colletta taught workshops at the National Archives and courses for the Smithsonian Institution for 21 years. Today, he lectures nationally and teaches occasional courses at local universities. Colletta is a faculty member of the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University and the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy. His publications include numerous articles, two manuals — *They Came in Ships: A Guide to Finding Your Immigrant Ancestor's Arrival Record* (1993) and *Finding Italian Roots: The Complete Guide for American* (1993) — and one murder mystery, *Only a Few Bones: A True Account of the Rolling Fork Tragedy and Its Aftermath* (2000). Colletta has appeared frequently on podcasts, local and national radio and television and is featured in the PBS series *Ancestors*. His doctorate in Medieval French is from The Catholic University of America.

Roberta J. Estes founded DNAeXplain in 2004, following a successful 25-year career as president of Information Access Strategies Inc. Estes is a professional scientist and business owner and has been a genealogist since 1978. Her specialty is southern colonial records, primarily in Virginia, Tennessee and North Carolina. Records of Native Americans, African Americans and other indentured individuals are of particular interest. The speaker's mixed heritage has allowed her to participate in every aspect of DNA testing for genealogy, revealing unexpected surprises.

Estes was one of the early DNA surname administrators and pioneer adopters of DNA analysis for genealogy. She manages more than 20 surname projects including the large regional Cumberland Gap Y-line and mtDNA projects with more than 1,000 participants each. Estes founded the Lost Colony Genealogy and DNA Research group in 2007. She also performs a significant amount of both genealogical and DNA research and analysis pertaining to both surname projects and individual clients' test results.

Andrew Frohberg is currently a graduate student at Indiana University–Purdue University at Indianapolis pursuing a dual master’s degree in public history and library science. Frohberg has previously worked as an intern for Ball State Archives and Special Collections and the Indiana State Archives. He is expected to graduate in December.

Thomas D. Hamm is a native of New Castle, Ind., and received his doctorate in history from Indiana University in 1985. Since 1987, he has been archivist and professor of history at Earlham College. He is the author of many books and articles on Quaker and religious history.

John A. Herbst, IHS president and CEO since 2006, started his career as a high school history teacher in Paterson, N.J. For the next 10 years, he served successively as a curator at the Paterson Museum, education director at The New Jersey Historical Society and first executive director of the new American Labor Museum. From 1986 to 1997, Herbst led the Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania through unprecedented growth, heading up a \$55 million community investment to create the Senator John Heinz Pittsburgh Regional History Center. For five years, Herbst was the president of Conner Prairie, where he added new time periods to the historic areas and implemented major changes in the visitor experience. Herbst served two years as the president and CEO of the Indiana State Museum. He has been an officer and board member of many national, state and regional professional organizations.

Charles Hessler holds history degrees from Indiana University and Stanford University and a law degree from Indiana University. He is a retired attorney and has done genealogical research for nearly 40 years. Hessler volunteers at the Indiana State Archives and the Fishers Family History Center.

Alan January is director of patron services at the Indiana State Archives. He holds a doctorate in American history from the University of Iowa. Since 1997, he has directed the State Archives’ Naturalization Indexing Project, working with staff and volunteers to index naturalization records transferred by clerks of court in 69 counties in Indiana.

Shamele Jordon is a researcher, lecturer and podcaster. Her biographical highlights include researcher for the PBS series *Oprah’s Roots: An African American Lives Special* and *African American Lives II*, former president of the African American Genealogy Group in Philadelphia, Pa., and lecturer at the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research in Birmingham, Ala.

Norbert Krapf, Indiana Poet Laureate, taught at Long Island University for 34 years before moving to Indianapolis in 2004. Since his return to Indiana, he has published five books and released a CD with Indiana University jazz pianist and composer Monika Herzig. Earlier, he edited a book of pioneer German journals and letters from his native southern Indiana.

George G. Morgan is an internationally recognized genealogy expert, author and lecturer. He is the prolific author of eight books and hundreds of magazine, journal and online articles in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia and Singapore. His two most recent books are *How to Do Everything: Genealogy* (2nd ed., 2009) and *The Official Guide to Ancestry.com* (2nd ed., 2008). He is the vice president of membership services of the Federation of Genealogical Societies and director of the Florida Genealogical Society in Tampa. He is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists and more than a dozen societies in the United States and United Kingdom.

David E. Rencher is employed by the Family History Department in Salt Lake City as the chief genealogical officer for FamilySearch. A professional genealogist since 1977, he was accredited in Ireland research in 1981. Rencher graduated from Brigham Young University in 1980 with a bachelor’s degree in family and local history. He is the Irish course coordinator and instructor for the Samford University Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research in Birmingham, Ala. He is a past president of the Federation of Genealogical Societies and the Utah Genealogical Association (UGA) and a Fellow of the UGA.

Loretto Dennis Szucs is vice president of community relations at Ancestry.com and a board member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, for which she was founding secretary. She has served on advisory boards for the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation, the Illinois State Archives and the Cook County (Ill.) Circuit Court Archives, as well as governing boards of several genealogical societies.

Szucs’s books include: *The Source: A Guidebook to American Genealogy*, editions 2 and 3 co-edited with Sandra Luebking (1997 and 2006); *They Became Americans* (1997); and *Ellis Island: Tracing Your Family Through America’s Gateway* (2000). Szucs coauthored with Sandra Luebking *The Archives: A Guide to the National Archives Field Branches* (1988) and with Matt Wright *Finding Answers in U.S. Census Records* (2001). Recent awards include the Silver Tray from the Utah Genealogical Society (2008) and the Professional Achievement Award from the Association of Professional Genealogists (2009).



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Hotel Accommodations

As a guest of the Indianapolis Marriott East or La Quinta Inn you may attend the Thursday evening panel discussion, “Migration: Myths and Realities,” at no charge. When making your reservations with the hotel, please indicate your association with Midwestern Roots. To guarantee the special room rates, hotel reservations must be made by July 14, 2010.

Indianapolis Marriott East, 7202 E. 21st St. Call (317) 352-1231 or (800) 228-9290 to receive the special \$104 room rate. La Quinta Inn, 7304 E. 21st St. Call (317) 359-1021 to receive the special \$72 room rate.

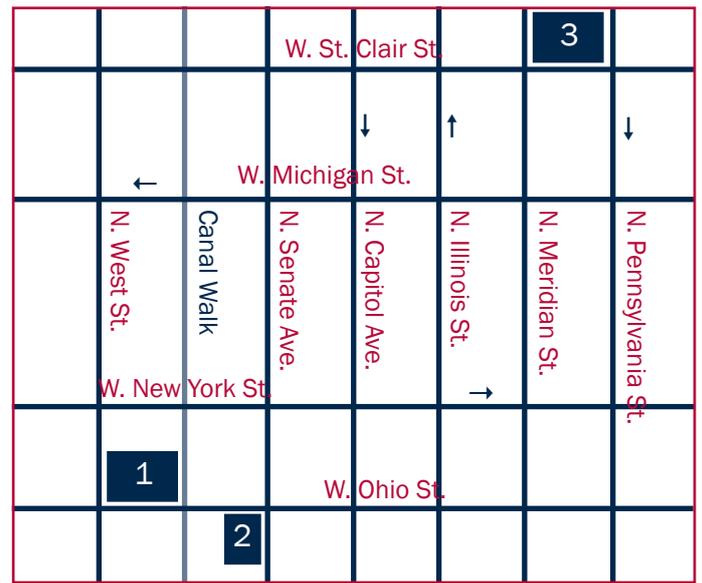
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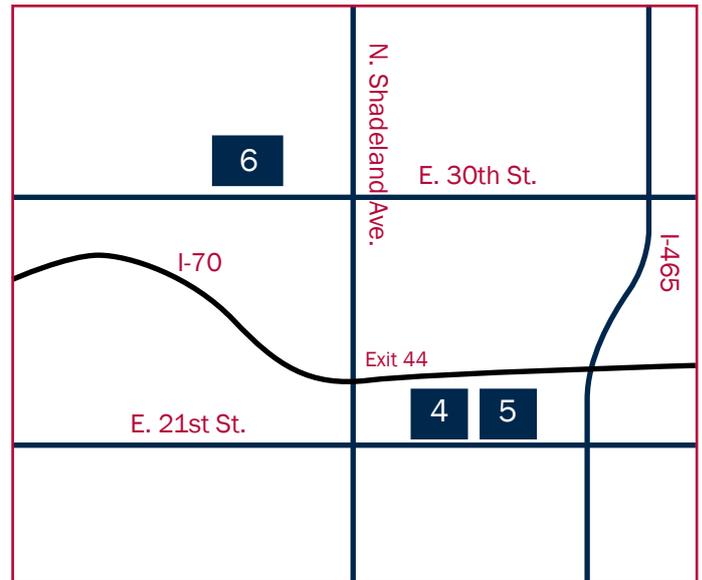
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Downtown Indianapolis



Indianapolis East Side – I-465 and Shadeland



1. Indiana Historical Society

Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center
450 West Ohio Street

2. Indiana State Library

Genealogy Division
315 W. Ohio St.

3. Indianapolis Marion County Public Library Central Library

40 E. St. Clair St.

4. Indianapolis Marriott East

7202 E. 21st St.

5. La Quinta Inn

7304 E. 21st St.

6. Indiana State Archives

6400 E. 30th St.

Midwestern Roots 2010: Registration Form and Conference Fees

Preregistration for the conference is encouraged as seating is limited. Cancellations received after the early registration deadline of July 16, 2010, cannot be refunded. Please call (317) 232-1882, return the registration form, or go to www.indianahistory.org/midwesternroots to reserve your space. After the early registration deadline, please call to confirm availability before sending your registration. A confirmation and directions will be provided.

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Friday

9 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	1 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4 p.m.	6 p.m.
F-1	F-2	F-6	F-10	F-14	F-18
	F-3	F-7	F-11	F-15	
	F-4	F-8	F-12	F-16	
	F-5	F-9	F-13	F-17	

Saturday

9 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	1 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4 p.m.
S-19	S-20	S-24	S-28	S-32
	S-21	S-25	S-29	S-33
	S-22	S-26	S-30	S-34
	S-23	S-27	S-31	S-35

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Senior \$40	Benefactor \$250
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Payment method:

- Check (payable to the Indiana Historical Society)
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Credit card number _____ Exp. date _____

Signature _____

Send registration form and payment to:

Indiana Historical Society
 Midwestern Roots 2010
 Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center
 450 West Ohio Street
 Indianapolis, IN 46202-3269

Please print or type in black ink. Use a separate form for each person. This form may be duplicated.

Name as it should appear on name badge (include surnames researching if desired) _____

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Member prices apply to Indiana Historical Society members.

Pre-Conference Activities – Thursday, Aug. 5, 2010

Migration: Myths and Realities \$15 _____ \$10 member _____
 \$5 student _____

FREE to registrants staying at Marriott East or La Quinta Inn. FREE _____

Getting The Most Out of Genealogy Online \$40 _____ \$30 member _____

Getting The Most Out of African-American Genealogy Online \$40 _____ \$30 member _____

Genealogy Resources Library Workshop \$10 _____
 FREE to those registered for the conference FREE _____
 Employed by or volunteer at _____

Preparing Your Family History for Publication \$25 _____ \$20 member _____
 10 a.m. _____ or 1 p.m. _____

Writing Lives: A Primer on Biography \$25 _____ \$20 member _____
 10 a.m. _____ or 1 p.m. _____

Introduction to Genealogical Research at the IMCPL Central Library FREE _____

Conference Registration—Friday, Aug. 6, and Saturday, Aug. 7, 2010

Friday and Saturday registration \$150 _____ \$125 member _____
 \$75 student (must be younger than 23 and have a current student ID) _____
 (includes lunches, but not Friday evening banquet and presentation)

Friday Only registration \$90 _____ \$75 member _____
 \$45 student (must be younger than 23 and have a current student ID) _____
 (includes lunch, but not Friday evening banquet and presentation)

Friday Evening Banquet and Presentation \$35 _____
 No conference registration required.
 Check here to order vegetarian option. Order before July 16. Yes _____

Saturday Only registration \$90 _____ \$75 member _____
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 (includes lunch)

Late Registration – postmarked after July 16, 2010, and walk-ins

Friday and Saturday registration \$180 _____
 (includes lunches, but not Friday evening banquet and presentation)

Friday Only registration \$105 _____
 (includes lunch, but not Friday evening banquet and presentation)

Friday Evening Banquet and Presentation \$35 _____
 No conference registration required.

Saturday Only registration \$105 _____
 (includes lunch)

Printed Syllabus—Conference syllabus CD included FREE with registration.
 A printed copy can be purchased for an additional \$10. \$10 _____

Indiana Historical Society membership \$ _____
 See membership levels in sidebar.

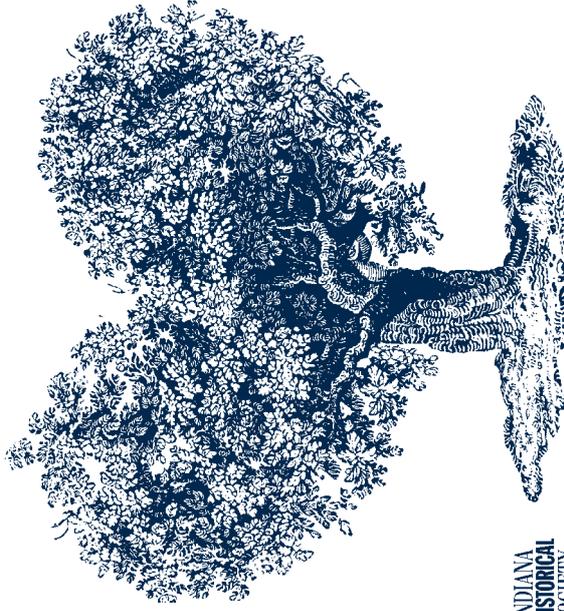
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