



Registration

2023 Heartland Family History Conference

Hosted by the Topeka (Kansas) Genealogical Society

HYBRID EVENT – Attend in person, or virtually!



Featured Speaker: Peggy Clemens Lauritzen, AG, FOGS

Peggy Clemens Lauritzen has an amazing ability to bring laughter into the lives of her audience members. Having grown up with parents that were deeply involved in genealogy takes her love of family history to a new level. One of her favorite photos is a picture of her mother on her way to a church picnic, then on to an afternoon of cemetery transcribing. It was taken just four days before Peggy was born! Listening to the stories from bygone years, touching the fabrics from quilts, dresses, blessing gowns, and bonnets all have added to the admiration of previous generations.

Peggy is a frequent lecturer at many local societies in Ohio, as well as Family History seminars. She has presented at Brigham Young University, and ICAPGen, and taught Continuing Education classes at several community colleges and The Ohio State University. One of her proudest moments was achieving the credentials that qualified her to be an Accredited Genealogist, a credential she has maintained for twenty-two years, for it polished her research skills.

She is a featured columnist in Reminisce magazine, has written several Legacy QuickGuides, and has filmed as an instructor for Ancestry Academy. In 2018, she was honored to be awarded Fellow of the Ohio Genealogical Society, and received the Laura G. Prescott Award for Exemplary Service to Professional Genealogy. She is a former researcher at Ancestry ProGenealogists.



CONFERENCE LOCATION:

Maner Conference Center & Hotel Topeka at City Center
1717 SW Topeka Blvd.
Topeka, Kansas 66612

HYBRID FORMAT – ATTEND IN PERSON, OR ONLINE!

Now you can participate from anywhere! Choose the option that best fits your schedule, learning style, and travel budget!

VIRTUAL – ATTEND ONLINE ONLY

- Access to download a digital version of the conference syllabus
- Live broadcast (via Zoom) of 4 lectures by Featured Speaker Peggy Lauritzen on Saturday, with ability to participate in the Q&A sessions
- On-demand access to view recordings of all conference presentations (featured speaker, breakout sessions, bonus sessions) for a period of 60 days following Conference start

***ATTEND IN PERSON – (Get the best value for your registration fee!)
Everything listed above for Virtual attendance, Plus:***

- Opportunities to interact with all presenters
- Lunches included on both Friday and Saturday
- Convenient lodging available at Conference hotel attached to Conference Center
- Access to the Exhibit Hall - browse and shop 'til you drop!
- Eligible to win from a great assortment of Door Prizes!
- Friday afternoon "Mix & Mingle" social hour
- Lots of time for networking & socializing
- Combine your trip with some research time at our local repositories

CONFERENCE HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

Enjoy the convenience and networking opportunities of staying on-site at the Conference Hotel! A limited number of rooms have been reserved at a special Conference Rate at the Hotel Topeka at City Center, which adjoins the Maner Conference Center. Rooms rates will be \$98/night for single or double rooms (plus applicable taxes & fees). To reserve rooms, call the hotel at (785) 431-7200 and ask for the Heartland Family History Conference room block. To make a reservation online, go to:



<https://reservations.travelclick.com/13576?groupID=3609650>

FRIDAY SCHEDULE - In-person Participants

8:00 – 9:00 am	Registration, Mingling, Exhibit Hall open Visit Exhibitors
9:00 – 9:30 am	Welcome & Announcements
9:30 – 10:30am	BREAKOUT SESSION 1 - Choose one 1) Tax Records: A Wealth of Information (Jenkins) - <i>Shawnee Room</i> 2) The War at Home: Life on the WWI Home Front (Langel) – <i>Pioneer Room</i> 3) State Collections (published and unpublished) – An Untapped Gold Mine (Day) – <i>River Room</i>
10:30-11:00 am	Break, Browse Exhibitors
11:00 -12:00 noon	BREAKOUT SESSION 2 - Choose one 1) Extra! Extra! Find Your Family in the Newspaper! (Cochran) – <i>Shawnee Room</i> 2) The Scenic Route: Resolving Cases with Cluster & Collateral Research (Eubanks) - <i>Pioneer Room</i> 3) Using Manuscript Collections (Day) - <i>River Room</i>
12:00 - 1:30pm	Networking Luncheon, Exhibit Hall open
1:30-2:30 pm	BREAKOUT SESSION 3 - Choose one 1) Where There's a Will..... (Cochran) - <i>Shawnee Room</i> 2) Beyond the Document – Extracting Evidence from Context (Eubanks) - <i>Pioneer Room</i> 3) Leveraging Language Tools for Your Genealogical Brick Wall (Doolos) - <i>River Room</i>
2:30 – 3:00 pm	Break, Browse Exhibitors
3:00 – 4:00 pm	BREAKOUT SESSION 4 - Choose one 1) What's in a Name? (Cochran) - <i>Shawnee Room</i> 2) Genealogical Implications of Changing Boundaries (Eubanks) - <i>Pioneer Room</i> 3) Language Tools: Methodologies for Language-Based Resources (Doolos) - <i>River Room</i>
4:30 – 6:00pm	Informal Mix and Mingle gathering, in the Hotel Atrium and Bar area.

Note: Admission to all breakout sessions will be on a first-come, first-seated basis. Doors to sessions will be closed when meeting rooms fill to capacity. Plan to arrive early for sessions you especially want to hear. All sessions will also be recorded and available for on-demand viewing from June 9 – July 26th, 2023.

FRIDAY SCHEDULE - Virtual Participants

Virtual participants will have access to recordings of all breakout sessions (shown above) and bonus sessions (shown below) for on-demand viewing from June 9 – July 26th, 2023. View any sessions of your choosing.

BONUS SESSIONS – Recorded for on-demand viewing between June 9 and July 26, 2023

- *Connect, Communicate and Collaborate – Nontraditional Strategies for Researching Family History*, by Cindy Cruz
- *Shopping for Ancestors in City Directories*, by Cindy Cruz
- *Pioneers of Greater Appalachia: Research in the Draper Manuscripts*, by Jacob Eubanks
- *Genealogical Research in the Kansas State Archives*, by Lauren Gray
- *Journaling for Genealogists*, by Julia Langel
- *Periodicals: Finding the Hidden Gems*, by Barbara LaClair
- *Using Internet Archive in Genealogical Research*, by Barbara LaClair
- *Native American Records at the National Archives*, by Barbara LaClair
- *Lure Your Ancestor out of the National Register*, by Michelle Spencer
- *Research Your Ancestor's Brick & Mortar*, by Michelle Spencer

For more detail on speakers and presentation descriptions, please see our conference website, <https://heartlandfhc.org>

SATURDAY SCHEDULE – In-person participants
Featured Speaker- Peggy Clemens Lauritzen, CG, FOGS

(All sessions will take place in the Shawnee Room and will be simultaneously broadcast to virtual participants)

8:00 – 9:00 am	Registration, Mingling, Exhibit Hall open
9:00 – 9:30 am	Welcome and Announcements
9:30 – 10:30 am	<i>Homespun and Calico: Researching the Lives of Our Foremothers</i>
10:30 – 11:00am	Break, Browse Exhibitors
11:00am – 12:00noon	<i>FamilySearch and Your British Research</i>
12:00 – 1:30pm	Networking Luncheon – Exhibit Hall Open
1:30am – 2:30 pm	<i>Following the Money Using Tax Records</i>
2:30 – 3:00 pm	Break, Browse Exhibitors
3:00 -3:15 pm	Announce Door Prize and Raffle Winners
3:15 – 4:15 pm	<i>Treasures in Township Records</i>

SATURDAY SCHEDULE – Virtual participants
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All presentations will be simultaneously broadcast live to virtual participants

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES IN TOPEKA OR NEARBY

The Topeka Genealogical Society Memorial Library, 2717 SE Indiana Ave. Special Conference hours: open Wednesday June 7, 1-4pm; Thursday June 8, 10am – 5pm. Closed on Friday and Saturday during the Conference. More than 11,000 books and 700 periodical titles representing all states. 785-233-5762, www.tgstopeka.org. Library catalog online.

The Kansas Historical Society Center for Historical Research/ State Archives, 6425 SW 6th Street. Hours Open by appointment: 9am – 12pm or 1-4pm Wed-Fri; Last Saturday of the Month 9am – noon. Resources include state and local Kansas government records, newspaper collection, state censuses, county histories and biographies, historic photographs and maps. 785-272-8681, ext 117, www.kshs.org

Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library, 1515 SW 10th Street. Hours: Monday-Friday 9 am-9 pm, Saturday 9 am-6 pm, and Sunday 12 noon-9 pm. Genealogy and local history collection, located in Topeka Room on 2nd floor. 785-580-4400, www.tscpl.org

Museum of the Kansas National Guard –The museum has a wide variety of print, document and multimedia sources for doing research on the Kansas National Guard, including unit rosters, soldier records, photographs, movies and personal accounts. 1255 SE Airport Drive. Open Mon-Sat, 10am – 4pm. (785) 862-1020. <http://www.kansasguardmuseum.org/>

Midwest Genealogy Center - One of the top 10 Genealogy Research Centers in the U.S is just a short drive away! 3440 S Lee's Summit Rd, Independence, MO. Open Mon-Sat 10am-8pm, Sun 1-8pm. (816) 252-7228. <https://www.mymcpl.org/genealogy>

2023 HEARTLAND FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

A **separate form is needed for each conference registrant**; feel free to make additional copies of this page.

All in-person registrations include lunches on both days, choice of 4 live breakout sessions on Friday, 4 live presentations on Saturday by the Featured speaker, admission to the exhibitor area, and networking opportunities.

Virtual Registrations include access live broadcasts of 4 presentations by the Featured speaker on Saturday, and on-demand access to participant's choice of recorded breakout sessions on Friday.

All Conference Registrants will be provided with access to a downloadable digital syllabus (includes all speaker handouts). Optional printed copies of the conference syllabus may be pre-purchased for an additional fee (advance orders only). All registrants will have access to recordings of all conference sessions for on-demand viewing between June 9 and July 26, 2023.

<p style="text-align: center;">One person per registration form, please</p> <p>Name _____ (as you want it to appear on your badge)</p> <p>Address _____</p> <p>City _____ State _____ Zip _____</p> <p>Phone (_____) _____</p> <p>E-Mail _____</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">REGISTRATION PAYMENT</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;">EARLY REGISTRATION RATES</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><u>In-Person Attendance, Full Conference</u> TGS Member = \$100 Non-member = \$120</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;"><u>Virtual Attendance Only</u> TGS Member = \$75 Non-member = \$85</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="padding: 5px;">If postmarked after April 30, 2023 - Add \$20</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="padding: 5px;">Printed Syllabus = \$25.00 (Optional – must be ordered by May 15, 2023)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	REGISTRATION PAYMENT	Amount	EARLY REGISTRATION RATES		<u>In-Person Attendance, Full Conference</u> TGS Member = \$100 Non-member = \$120		<u>Virtual Attendance Only</u> TGS Member = \$75 Non-member = \$85		If postmarked after April 30, 2023 - Add \$20		Printed Syllabus = \$25.00 (Optional – must be ordered by May 15, 2023)	
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<p>Name(s) of joining member(s)</p> <p>1. _____</p> <p>2. _____</p>	<p>TGS Membership</p> <p>____ Individual membership = \$30</p> <p>____ Joint membership = \$40 (2 individuals at same address)</p> <p>____ Student membership = \$10 (25 years or younger)</p>												
<p>Contribute the Conference Scholarship Fund (optional). Funds will be used to assist individuals who would like to attend, but are unable to pay the registration costs.</p>	<p>Scholarship Donation Amount (optional)</p>												
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<p>DIETARY RESTRICTIONS OR NEED FOR SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS? (for in-person attendees only) Please note here:</p>													
<p>Advance registration closes on June 1, 2023. All mailed registrations must be received by that date. If space permits, walk-in registrations will be accepted at the event. Mail printed registration form and payment to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Heartland Family History Conference c/o Topeka Genealogical Society PO Box 4048 Topeka, KS 66604-4048</p>													

NOTE: Conference Registration fees are non-refundable unless the Conference must be cancelled by the Topeka Genealogical Society due to pandemic conditions or other circumstances beyond our control. In that case, all registration fees will be refunded, minus a \$5 processing fee.



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