Planning is well underway for the 2014 Illinois State Genealogical Society (ISGS) Conference. Scheduled for October 24 and 25, the conference will be held in O’Fallon, Illinois. 

The official site will be The Regency Conference Center, an upscale venue located 15 minutes east of St. Louis, which is attached to the Hilton Garden Inn O’Fallon. The site offers over 20,000 square feet to flexible banquet and meeting space. Conference speakers include:

• J. Mark Lowe, CG, FUGA - A fulltime professional researcher and educator.
• Tony Burroughs, FUGA - A founder and CEO of The Center for Black Genealogy.
• Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL - NGS Education Manager and research trip leader for Washington, D.c. and Fort Wayne, Indiana.
• LaDonna Garner, M.A., CG - A consultant in Southeast Missouri with emphasis on historic preservation.
• Gwyneth Podeschi - Reference Librarian in the Printed and Published Department of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library.

Activities will include presentations, breakout sessions, a vendor and society showcase, reception and dinner with speaker, ISGS annual meeting and awards, a plated lunch, Friday evening banquet, Saturday lunch and more. Early bird registrations should be postmarked before October 1.

Conference chair person is Joan Kitchen Murray. A complete program and registration form is available online at 2014 Conference at the ISGS website and at the end of this newsletter. You can register by mail or online.

Conference Volunteers Needed

By Joan Kitchen Murray

Our Fall Conference on October 24 and 25, as usual depends on a lot of volunteers to make our gathering successful. If you have some special talents or interests, why not be a part of the planning? Contact Kristy Gravlin, our Volunteer Chair, at hannah@teleport.com if you can help.

Below are some of the volunteer positions we need to fill:

• Public Relations Coordinator (contact area and statewide press)
• Advertising (obtain advertisements from local and statewide entities)
• Banquet Tables (design creative centerpieces)
• Stuffers (a half-day envelope/brochure stuffing gathering in Yorkville, IL)
• Event Guides (spend time answering questions and guiding guests throughout the hotel)
• Room Monitors (assist presenters)

Please contact Kristy to volunteer as soon as possible.
Registration for the ISGS Fall Conference is open! I think that we have a great lineup of speakers and presentations. Look for more information in this newsletter. Please visit the ISGS website, click on the 2014 Conference tab for registration and program information, and join us in O’Fallon at the Regency Conference Center on October 24th and 25th.

I want to thank the Iroquois County Genealogical Society for hosting the June ISGS Roundtable. We were joined by board members from the Kankakee Valley Genealogical Society and the Will Grundy Counties (IL) Genealogical Society. ICGS has a wonderful repository in the Old Courthouse Museum. If you have ancestors in that county please visit.

I ran across a January 1983 copy of Personal Computing in my office. On page 112 there was an article by Rita Parker titled, Computing Your Family Tree. Thus began my love affair with genealogy, computers and online information.

The computer that I had at that time was an Osborne 1 running CPM. This preceded the Windows and DOS operating systems. My first genealogy program was a shareware one and we used CompuServe, Usenet, and bulletin boards.

Since then my computers have changed, genealogy software has advanced tremendously, and so has the Internet. In 1996 Ancestry.com launched, changing the way genealogists research.

In June Ancestry.com’s distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack was an eye-opener for family historians. In my opinion Ancestry did a good job informing people on Facebook about what the problem was and trying to keep people up to date with their progress. I know they were working hard to bring everything back online. Unfortunately this probably won’t be the last time something like this happens to a favorite website. So what should we do?

First, always backup all of your own family information. “Stuff” happens and we’ve spent days, years, and decades doing what we do, to lose it all in an instant.

Second, don’t blame the company. “Hackers” will find a way to disrupt. Go on with your research, find other websites, there are lots of wonderful Illinois websites. Or you can do it the “old fashioned” way by traveling to the courthouse, library, or an Illinois Regional Archive Depository (IRAD) where your ancestors’ records are located. Maybe it is time to review and reorganize what you have collected because something wonderful may pop out that you’d forgotten about. You can even cook, clean, or talk to your family.

It’s time to look over what family information you have, how you have it saved and backed up, and prepare yourself in case of something like the Ancestry.com DDoS or worse should happen, including a flood or fire, so you don’t have to panic.

Take care,

Jane G. Haldeman
President, Illinois State Genealogical Society
Welcome New ISGS Members

Jacqi & Chris Stevens - Stockton, CA
Gerald Vertrees - Pleasant Hill, IL
Barbara Manzke Poole - Alexandria, VA
Deborah Hawes - Northfield, IL
Linda Bradley - Auburn, IL
Robert Allen - Kildeer, IL
Lynn Fabian - Niceville, FL
Linda & Royce Reed - Springfield, IL
Deborah Swoope - Homewood, IL
Marsha Lancaster - Colorado Springs, CO
Carolee Dunivan - Fort Myers, FL

Eileen Cooney - Forest Park, IL
P.M. Fitzmaurice - New Lenox, IL
Antoinette Hickey - Lisle, IL
Lesley Carter - Shippenburg, PA
Jean Barr - Wheaton, IL
Dorothy Carolyn/Hancock Jensik-Carrier Mills, IL
Marshall Rinek - Danbury, CT
Marsha Barnum - Beverly Hills, FL
Shannon Fowler - Lincoln, NE
Jackson Co. Hist. Soc. - Murphysboro, IL

Ken Cochran - Murphysboro, IL
Karen & Donald Manson - Bluffton, SC
Kristin Wingo Parks - Beaverton, OR
Laura Kovarik - Naperville, IL
Kim Hanks - West Peoria, IL
Jenny Williams - O’Fallon, MO
Wesley G Robinson McNeese - Springfield, IL
Dale Warren Ballinger - Bloomington, IL

ISGS Monthly Webinars

2nd Tuesday of every month, 8:00 p.m. CST
Featuring some of the best known speakers in the field of genealogy!

August 12, 2014 – Land Records in Illinois
Presenter: Michael John Neill
Registration: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7772534911757198337

September 9, 2014 - Treasures and Hidden Secrets of the Illinois Regional Archives (IRAD)
Presenter: Luana Darby, MLIS
Registration: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1778023905401548033

October 14, 2014 - Hunting for Henry: A Case Study Using Collaterals
Presenter: Teresa Steinkamp McMillin, CG
Registration: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4324661061042799105

• More descriptive explanations about each webinar are found on the ISGS website. You will need to register in advance to attend the webinar.
• For the complete list of upcoming webinars, visit: http://ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=234
• And don’t forget to spread the word by printing copies of our webinar brochure to hand out at your local society meetings. The brochure can be accessed at http://ilgensoc.org/upload/menu/2014_Webinar_Brochure.pdf.
• The above webinars are sponsored by FamilySearch https://familysearch.org

Federation of Genealogical Societies
Gone to Texas!
A conference for the nation’s genealogists
August 27-30, 2014 in San Antonio, Texas, for the Federation of Genealogical Societies 2014 Conference, Gone to Texas!
For more information and to register: https://www.fgsconference.org
The annual Conference on Illinois History is scheduled for September 25-26, 2014, at the Prairie Capital Convention Center in downtown Springfield. The conference is the state’s largest meeting devoted to the history of the Prairie State. This is the sixteenth year of the conference, which is sponsored by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency.

The conference includes 20 paper sessions that feature topics such as politics, Abraham Lincoln, Route 66, archaeology, and the Civil War; one film; eight workshops; and three panel discussions. Teachers will benefit from workshops on a variety of topics. Continuing Professional Development Units (CPDUs) are approved for the conference.

The program can be viewed at: http://www.illinois.gov/ihpa/Involved/Pages/Conference.aspx

Questions? Contact Sabrina Manci at 217-558-9014 or sabrina.manci@illinois.gov.

Illinois Prairie Pioneers

The Prairie Pioneers project was organized for the Bicentennial, and the first pioneer was certified in 1982. This is now a very popular project with over 3,000 pioneers certified.

There are three categories of certificates issued to descendants of pioneers who resided in Illinois (1) prior to statehood, (2) 1819-1850, and (3) 1851-1880. Documentation proving the pioneer’s date of residency in Illinois, along with documentation proving the applicant’s lineage to the pioneer, must accompany the application. Full instructions and fee schedule are available on the application form. Follow the instructions carefully.

You can access ISGS’s current Index of Certified Prairie Pioneers here.

For questions concerning the Prairie Pioneers, please e-mail isgprairiepioneer@ilgensoc.org

German Genealogy

From: Daniel Riecke
Familienforschung Historische Forschung
Helgelstrase 28
Magdeburg, Germany

Dear friends,

We are an organization located in Magdeburg Germany that has supported family history for several decades. From Magdeburg we are able to reach archives throughout Germany. Most importantly Magdeburg has one of the most extensive archives of the Lutheran church; only here can you find microfilmed records of the old Prussian province of Saxony.

Several times throughout the year we are pleased to welcome some of our American customers while they are vacationing in Germany. During those times we have the opportunity to sit down and advise them regarding their family history research. Much of our contact, however, is done via email or telephone.

The intent of this mailing is to introduce you to our firm. We have a website which is available in English: www.gfg-md.com EMAIL: RIECKE@GFG-MD.COM
With the generous help of its volunteers, ISGS is poised for continued success. The positions listed below present some interesting and exciting opportunities for you!

Please consider helping ISGS achieve its mission to preserve and disseminate Illinois historical and genealogical materials, and to educate and aid those researching their ancestry.

**OPPORTUNITIES:**

For information on any of the positions listed below, please contact Susie Pope: isgs2ndvp@ilgensoc.org.

- **2014 ISGS Annual Conference:** Illinois: Land of Opportunity, October 24 & 25, Hilton Garden Inn located in O’Fallon Illinois. Volunteers are needed as room monitors, to work at the registration desk, bag stuffing, etc.
- **Finance and Budget Chair:** This committee monitors the financial condition of ISGS, makes recommendations to the Governing Board, and compiles the annual budget.
- **Education Chair:** Develops and coordinates educational opportunities offered by ISGS. (See the full description on page 4 of this newsletter.)
- **Long Range Planning:** This committee considers plans for the improvement of the Society. They solicit suggestions from the membership, make regular reports to the Board.
- **Advertising Chair:** This committee solicits advertising for various ISGS publications and present projects for action.
- **Newsletter Editor:** Compiles and produces bi-monthly ISGS online newsletter.

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**ISGS Website Update**

**Do you have suggestions for the ISGS Website?**

The website committee is eager to hear your thoughts! If you have suggestions, questions, or comments on the website, please use the Website Suggestion Form at http://www.ilgensoc.com/cpage.php?pt=87 or email the ISGS website Chair at: ISGSWebsite@ilgensoc.org.

**Have You Logged In At The ISGS Website?**

Did you know that almost half of our over 1,300 members have never logged in at our website? If you have not received your ISGS Member Login Instructions, please contact the ISGS Webmaster at isgswebmaster@ilgensoc.org.

**Do We Have Your Correct Email?**

Periodically, ISGS will send “blast emails” to members to communicate important news about our events and activities. We also distribute the ISGS newsletter six times a year using email. Each time we send these emails, several emails are “returned” because the ISGS member has changed their email address or there is incorrect information in our database.

Help us ensure that you get all the latest ISGS emails by checking your email address on the ISGS website:

- Visit http://www.ilgensoc.org and click Members Section in the left sidebar.
- Enter your login and password. Then click Edit Your Profile in the Members Section sidebar on the left.
- Click the Contact Info tab and verify your email address.

If your email address is incorrect or missing, please contact the ISGS Office at isgsoffice@ilgensoc.org with the correct information.

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**Share your love of family history with your friends and relatives!**

Invite them to join the Illinois State Genealogical Society. They can join online at http://ilgensoc.org. Click on Join ISGS! Then select the membership type and click on the desired form to join online or print and mail the membership form to ISGS.
Saturday, July 26

Lockport Area Genealogical & Historical Society (ISGS Member Society Events) - 10:30 am, White Oak Library, Lockport
Program: “Building of Texaco Lockport” / Speaker: Gary Ward

Sunday, July 27

Madison County Historical Society - “Preserving Your Family Archives” (ISGS Member Society Events) - 2:00 pm
Madison Co Hist Museum & Archival Library, 715 N Main St, Edwardsville
Speaker: Ashley Mattingly, NARA archivist Free event, Everyone welcome
Info: 618-656-7562

Friday/Saturday, August 1-2


Pre-conference workshops on July 31 include writing workshops, computer labs and genealogy library workshops. For information, registration forms and pricing, call (317) 232-1882 or go to www.indianahistory.org. Early bird deadline: July 1.

Saturday, August 2

Topics and tools provide different perspectives in family history research. Women, wills, houses and early settlers in Illinois are some of the seven topics. Featured speakers: Judy G. Russell, JD, CG(SM), CGL (SM); Dennis Northcutt, assistant archivist, Missouri History Museum and Research Center; and Diane Renner Walsh, CG(SM). Discounts for Early Bird registration postmarked by July 16.

Saturday, August 9

Genealogical Society of Southern Illinois Annual Conference (ISGS Member Society Events) at Ray Hancock Conference Center John A. Logan College Route 13 & Greenbriar Rd, Carterville, IL
2014 Family Conference and Book Fair
Featured speaker will be Thomas MacEntee.
- Habits of Highly Frugal Genealogists
- Got Illinois Ancestors? A Guide to Prairie State Genealogy
- Internet Archive: A Gold Mine for Genealogists
- 10 Ways to Jumpstart Your Genealogy Conference Registration is not necessary to attend the Book Fair. It is FREE and open to everyone.
For more information: Diane Anderson at dla62@yahoo.com or (618) 426-3606 evenings or Phil Stucker at tameroa@yahoo.com
Website: http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ilgssi/conf2014.html

Thursday, August 21

Elgin Genealogical Society - “Using Websites to Help your Research” (ISGS Member Society Events) - 7:00 pm
Gail Borden Public Library-Community Room, 270 N. Grove Avenue, Elgin, Illinois 60120
Elgin Genealogical Society announced its upcoming monthly workshops – each one will cover a different topic important to helping you further your research. All EGS meetings are open to the public. For more information: www.elginroots.com / Email ElginGS@aol.com

Saturday, August 23

Norwegian Genealogy Day. Arlington Heights Memorial Library - 9:30 am - 4:00 pm. Speakers doing this research themselves will discuss how to use resources in the U.S. and Norway to help you follow your Norwegian family back in time. Presented by Skjold SON Lodge. Register with the Arlington Heights Memorial Library.

Wednesday, August 27 through Saturday, August 30

Federation of Genealogical Societies Annual Conference (National Events) - San Antonio, TX
Join us August 27-30, 2014, as together we experience genealogical learning, networking, and discovery, deep in the heart of Texas. Our local co-hosts for 2014 are the Texas State Genealogical Society and the San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society. Together we will continue our tradition of providing exceptional educational opportunities for genealogists from across the nation and beyond. For more information: https://www.fgsconference.org/

Thursday, September 11

Fox Valley Genealogical Society - “Naturalization-Beginning of your U.S. Family Heritage” (ISGS Member Society Events) - 7:30 pm
Naperville Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL
Presenter: Steve Szabados
**Sunday, September 14**

**Madison County Historical Society**
- “Vets and Feds in the Family Tree” (ISGS Member Society Events) - 2:00 pm

Madison CoHist Museum & Archival Library, 715 N Main St, Edwardsville

Speakers: Theresa Fitzgerald & Ashley Mattingly, NARA archivists. Free event, Everyone welcome
Info: 618-656-7562

**Sunday, September 14**

The Glen Carbon Heritage Museum, located at 124 School Street, Glen Carbon IL will be hosting local author, John Dunphy speaking on his book, “Abolitionism and the Civil War in Southwestern Illinois”, - 1:00pm - 2:30pm.

This is a free event and open to the public, however, due to limited seating, reservations will need to be made. Please call Museum Coordinator, Sheila Martin at 618-288-7271 or email her at smartin@glen-carbon.il.us for your reservations and more information.

**Thursday, September 18**

Elgin Genealogical Society - “Digging into Land Records: The Neglected Resource” (ISGS Member Society Events) - 7:00 pm

Gail Borden Public Library-Community Room, 270 N. Grove Avenue, Elgin, Illinois 60120

Elgin Genealogical Society announced its upcoming monthly workshops – each one will cover a different topic important to helping you further your research. All EGS meetings are open to the public. For more information: www.elginroots.com. Email ElginGS@aol.com

**Saturday, September 27**

Fox Valley Genealogical Society Fall Conference in Naperville. “Sleuthing Strategies to Solve Family History Mysteries. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Grace United Methodist Church, 300 E. Gartner Road, Naperville,

Featured speaker: Lisa Louise Cooke, genealogy author and owner of Genealogy Gems. See website for more information and to register.

**Thursday, October 9**

Fox Valley Genealogical Society - ”Write Your Family History Now!” (ISGS Member Society Events) - 7:30 pm

Naperville Municipal Center, 400 S. Eagle St., Naperville, IL

Presenter: Mike Karsen

Info: http://ilfvgs.org/index.php/education/meetings

**Tuesday, October 14**

Hunting for Henry: A Case Study Using Collaterals (ISGS Webinars)- 8:00 pm / Webinar

Web: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4324661061042799105

Presenter: Teresa Steinkamp McMillin, CG

Henry Steren was a German immigrant who lived in Quincy, Illinois. The United States records that were created about him indicate only that he was from the Province of Hanover in Germany. This lecture will detail how his town of origin and parents were identified, in spite of the lack of records naming him. Carefully researching each of his associates and correlating all available evidence reveals the origins of Henry. Use of the Genealogical Proof Standard is demonstrated.

**Wednesday, October 15**

DuPage County Genealogical Society - “La Famiglia in Italy” (ISGS Member Society Events) - 7:00 pm

Wheaton Public Library-Lower Level, 225 N Cross St, Wheaton, IL

Presenter: Jennifer Holik

Join us for light refreshments at 6:30 PM. For more information: http://dcgs.org/

**Thursday, October 16**

Elgin Genealogical Society - “Dusting Off those Old Court Records” (ISGS Member Society Events) - 7:00 pm

Gail Borden Public Library-Community Room, 270 N. Grove Avenue, Elgin, Illinois 60120

For more information: www.elginroots.com. Email ElginGS@aol.com

**Saturday, October 18**

Wisconsin Historical Society - 2nd Annual African-American Genealogy Conference (ISGS Member Society Events) - 8:00 am

Sheraton Hotel, 706 John Nolen Drive, Madison, Wisconsin

The Wisconsin Historical Society is pleased to announce the Second Annual African-American Genealogy Conference, Stories and Strategies. The conference will provide valuable information on methods and records that will help you learn more about your family history. Our featured speaker this year is Janis Minor Forté. She is an experienced genealogist, writer and lecturer who presents at national, state and local genealogical conferences. Her presentations will include “What the Census Says: Verifying 19th-Century Birthing of Sallie (Campbell) Driver” and “Even Gangsters Had to Register: WWI Draft Cards and Companion, Delinquent, Deserters & Classification Lists.”

Guest lecturers include Carolyn Mattern, retired Wisconsin Historical Society archivist, and Lori Bessler, Society reference librarian
J. Mark Lowe: CG, FUGA
Full-time professional researcher & educator, formerly APG President. You will find him researching for clients including *Who Do You Think You Are?*, *African American Lives* or Biography’s *uneXplained*.

Tony Burroughs: FUGA Author
A founder and CEO of The Center for Black Genealogy. He is author of *Black Roots: A Beginners Guide to Tracing the African American Family Tree* and is Vice-President of the Illinois State Genealogical Society.

Patricia Walls Stamm: CGSM, CGLSM
Serves as NGS Education Manager and research trip leader for Washington, DC and Fort Wayne, Indiana. Pat also teaches at St. Louis Community College and is an IGHR’s course coordinator. She lectures at various state and national conferences.

LaDonna Garner: M.A., CGSM
Consultant in Southeast Missouri. Her M.A. is in Historic Preservation focusing in nonprofits and cemetery preservation. Currently she is the African-American SIG Chair, St. Louis Genealogical Society; Small Conference Committee, Board for Certification of Genealogists, and Webmaster, Jefferson County Genealogical Society.

Gwyneth Podeschi:
Gwen Podeschi is a Reference Librarian in the Printed and Published Department of the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library. As well as the public service responsibilities associated with this position, she currently serves as Chair of the Library’s Book Discussion Committee and is currently the library’s liaison to the Board of the Illinois State Genealogical Society.
FRIDAY CONFERENCE PROGRAM

AFTERNOON

Noon  REGISTRATION AND VENDOR BROWSING

1:30  

1A  Podeschi: Suddenly She was the Head of the Family  - A look at the genealogical resources available on coal miners and their families in 20th century Illinois, especially as focused on selected surviving families of the Cherry Mine Disaster victims in 1909.

1B  Garner: African America Genealogy Basics  - African Americans have helped shape America into what it is today yet the search to prove their existence is often taxing. Setting a strong foundation in research methodology will move family research from meager results to uncovering the past.

2:30  BREAK

3:00  

2A  Burroughs: Black Migrations  - When the census says your ancestor was born in another state, it will be difficult to track him without understanding historical migration patterns. This presentation will cover the history of African American migrations along with strategies of tracing ancestors backward.

2B  Garner: Preservation of Midwest Pioneer Cemeteries  - Pioneer cemeteries are enduring, physical landscapes displaying our cultural heritage. Without intervention, their loss through deterioration and destructive practices will erase historical and archaeological fabric that cannot be reproduced.

4:00  VENDOR & SOCIETY SHOWCASE

6:00  RECEPTION & DINNER WITH SPEAKER: J. Mark Lowe

SATURDAY CONFERENCE PROGRAM

MORNING

8:00  REGISTRATION AND VENDOR BROWSING

8:45  WELCOME AND ISGS ANNUAL MEETING AND AWARDS

9:15  BREAK AND VENDOR BROWSING

9:30  

3A  Lowe: Early River Towns  - A knowledge of the gathering places for early arrivals and the marketplaces for regional settlements may help you solve some migration issues within.

3B  Burroughs: Researching Pullman Porters: Railroad Records for African Americans  - The Pullman Company was the largest private employer of African Americans at the turn of the century. Many of the employee and union records have survived enabling researchers to fill in pictures of ancestor's lives.

3C  What is IRAD?  - The Illinois Regional Archives Depository System archives local governmental records. This is an overview of the system and what the IRAD facility at Southern Illinois University has available for researchers.

10:30  BREAK AND VENDOR BROWSING
11:00  4A  Lowe: Cheap Land on the Prairie (Or That's What the Railroad Man Said...) - What stories and marketing efforts lured our ancestors to the midwest and beyond. Learn what really attracted these pioneers to new lands.

4B  Stamm: Railroad Men & the Records They Left Behind - Many families had railroad men in their history. By 1881, one out of 32 people were involved with railroads. Learn about the various railroads, their records, and where to locate the information.

4C  Southern Illinois Genealogical Research Facilities - Learn what is available at various facilities in Southern Illinois to enhance your research. A panel of local society and library representatives will offer descriptions of their collections and what they can offer you.

AFTERNOON

Noon  PLATED LUNCH

1:30  5A  Burroughs: Farmers, Tenant Farmers, and Share Croppers - Many of our ancestors were farmers, or worked on farms. But have we considered what farmers do, how they do it, and what unique farm records exist?

5B  Podeschi: In Search of Cyrus - Many Illinois recruits into the Union forces were diverted into Missouri Union Regiments. This is a review of what can be discovered about these men on both sides of the Mississippi.

5C  ISGS Opportunities – ISGS’ mission is to preserve and disseminate Illinois historical and genealogical materials, and to educate and aid those researching their ancestry. Learn about our current project, an index for professional registration records from the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation and what other opportunities are available.

2:30  BREAK AND VENDOR BROWSING

3:00  6A  Lowe: My Taxes Were Due When? (Using Delinquent Tax Lists and Release Books) - If paying taxes are not your favorite pastime, then your ancestors may have avoided taxes as well. Learn to use their delay in paying as a tool to finding those pesky family members. Tax records can tell us much more than about property.

6B  Stamm: Journey Along With Our River and Canal Ancestors: Whether it was the Illinois River or the Illinois and Michigan Canal, our families used waterways for their livelihood and transportation. See what information is available for our river ancestor

6C  ISGS Prairie Pioneers and Military Certificates Projects - Did your ancestor reside in Illinois prior to statehood? Did they arrive between 1819 and 1880? Maybe they were veterans of one of the wars and lived, died or were buried in Illinois. Learn what you need to submit an application for one of the ISGS certificates and help preserve your Illinois legacy.

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STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Honoring Illinois Ancestry

Please visit the Illinois State Genealogical Society website http://ilgensoc.org/ to learn about

- ISGS Monthly Webinar Series
- ISGS Newsletters
- Military Certificates
- Prairie Pioneers
- Death Certificates
  - An ISGS service to assist members and researchers to obtain non-certified copies of Illinois death certificates form 1916-1947.
- Free Databases

And More!!!
# 2014 FALL CONFERENCE

**July/August 2014**

- **P.O. Box 10195**
- **Springfield, IL 62791-0195**

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**TOTAL CONFERENCE FEES**

*No refunds after October 1st*

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## Breakout Sessions

**Friday Banquet (Purchase separately)**

- Regency Chicken
- Roasted Pork Loin
- Vegetarian: Vegetable Napoleon

**Saturday Lunch (included in registration fee)**

- Alder Chicken Salad
- Teriyaki Beef Salad
- Vegetarian: Caesar Salad

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**Register online at www.ilgensoc.org**

**or make checks payable to ISGS and mail with this form.**

**Questions? Email: ISGSconferences@ilgensoc.org**
ISGS Newsletter Deadlines

September/October 2014 Issue
Articles/ads due September 1

2014 ISGS Executive Committee Elected Officers

President: Jane Haldeman
1st Vice President: Tony Burroughs
2nd Vice President: Susan Scoville Pope
Treasurer: Michele Claypool
Recording Secretary: Barbara McKean

2014 Directors: Karl Moore, Valerie Burd, Sara Taylor
2015 Directors: Jayne Cates, Becky Higgins, Kristy Gravlin
2016 Directors: Dan Dixon, Mary Westerhold, Darlene Hinkle

Contact ISGS
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Springfield, IL 62791-0195

Individual/Society/Library: $30
Joint (two people at same address): $35

Address Changes
If you have a change of either mailing address or an email address or both, it is important to let the ISGS office know. We cannot be responsible for resending issues that could not be forwarded to a new address.