

WISCONSIN STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
2019 GENE-A-RAMA REGISTRATION FORM

No refunds will be issued after March 5, 2019

Name: _____

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If mailing, send the completed form and check payable to "WSGS" to:

WSGS 2019 GENE-A-RAMA
PO Box 5106
Madison, WI 53705-0106

For questions, contact the WSGS office at: wsgs@wsgs.org

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 By March 4th After March 4th

Full 2-day Registration

WSGS Member Rate \$55.00 \$65.00 \$ _____

Regular Rate \$95.00 \$105.00 \$ _____

Friday or Saturday Only (*circle Friday or Saturday*)

WSGS Member Rate \$40.00 \$50.00 \$ _____

Regular Rate \$70.00 \$80.00 \$ _____

Print Syllabus \$10.00 N/A \$ _____

Food must be ordered by March 4th.

Friday Lunch \$14.50 N/A \$ _____

Friday Night Banquet \$27.50 N/A \$ _____

Saturday Lunch \$14.50 N/A \$ _____

WSGS Membership - Join us!

Individual \$35.00 \$ _____

Family \$45.00 \$ _____

Youth (under 25) \$15.00 \$ _____

Print newsletter option \$15.00 \$ _____

Please consider making a donation to WSGS \$ _____

TOTAL PAYMENT: \$ _____

Registrants will receive email confirmation. Safe online registration available at: <https://conference.wsgs.org/>

Join us!
 2019 WSGS Gene-A-Rama
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2019 GENE-A-RAMA

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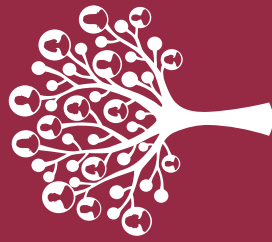
March 29 & 30, 2019



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 3060 S. Kinney Coulee Road • Onalaska, WI

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Uncovering Resources I Wish I had Known about Sooner

Friday, March 29 & Saturday, March 30, 2019 • Onalaska, WI

FRIDAY, MARCH 29th AGENDA:

Discovering new record resources

- 8 a.m. Registration; vendors open
- 10 a.m. WSGS Annual Membership Meeting
- 10:30 a.m. Amy Johnson Crow: Ten Years is a Long Time – Census Substitutes for the In-Between Years
Lunch; vendors open
- 11:30 a.m. Select one:
 - Anita Doering: The Hidden Value of US Church Records
 - Susan Fassbender: Using the Power of the Google Toolbox to Further your Genealogy Research
- 2 p.m. Break; vendors open
- 2:30 p.m. Amy Johnson Crow: Farms, Factories and Defectives – The Other Census Schedules
Break; vendors open
- 3:30 p.m. Select one:
 - Randi Ramsden: Yesterday's News, Today's History: Using Historic Newspapers for your Research
 - Laura Godden: Declarations and Petitions: Investigating US Naturalization Records of Immigrants
- 5:15 p.m. Social hour with cash bar (Watering Hole)
- 6 p.m. Virginia Irvin Volunteer Awards Banquet
- Amy Johnson Crow: What were they thinking? Records that made me do a Double Take (talk following dinner)

SATURDAY, MARCH 30th AGENDA:

Locating the “right” relative

- 8 a.m. Registration; vendors open
- 9 a.m. Select one:
 - Irene Cash: So you've done your DNA, now what? Making the Most of the Results
 - Russell Horton: Our Girls Over There - Wisconsin Women in World War I
- 10 a.m. Break; vendors open
- 10:30 a.m. Amy Johnson Crow: How Do I Know that's my Ancestor?
Lunch; vendors open
- 11:30 a.m. Amy Johnson Crow: Book it, Tweet it, Pin it - Using Social Media to Grow your Family Tree
Break; vendors open
- 2 p.m. Select one:
 - Tracy Reinhardt: Using Ancestry DNA to Chisel at your Brick Wall
 - Cathy Dailey (moderator): Brick Wall Breakthroughs featuring Audience Participation
- 2:30 p.m.

Meals:

All meals are prepaid ticketed events that must be purchased in advance of the conference.

Friday lunch buffet:

Baked potato bar with ham, broccoli, cheese, sour cream and butter toppings, along with chicken noodle soup and non-alcoholic beverage **\$14.50**

Friday night banquet buffet:

Lemon-pepper chicken and baked cod paired with strawberry spinach salad, roasted potatoes, green beans almandine, dinner rolls and non-alcoholic beverage **\$27.50**

Saturday lunch buffet:

Classic lasagna with tossed lettuce salad, garlic breadsticks and non-alcoholic beverage **\$14.50**

Hotel Accommodations:

Stoney Creek Hotel & Conference Center

3060 S. Kinney Coulee Rd. • Onalaska, WI • Reservations: 800-659-2220

To receive the discounted base room rate of \$92/night for a standard king or queen bed, please mention that you are with the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society. Reservations must be received by February 28, 2019 to ensure the conference rate. Reserve early as accommodations are based on availability.

Conference Registration:

The early-bird conference rate is available through March 4, 2019. Your WSGS membership must be current at the time of registration to receive the reduced member rate.

Membership in an affiliate society does not qualify as WSGS membership. Should you want to take advantage of the reduced conference rates, include your WSGS membership fee with your registration payment.

Online conference registration: <https://conference.wsgs.org/>

Meet our Speakers:

Amy Johnson Crow

A certified genealogist, Amy Johnson Crow has over 20 years of experience helping people uncover their family histories. Nationally known, she has presented at the Federation of Genealogical Studies and Roots Tech events, along with numerous state and regional conferences. She previously served as series editor for the National Genealogical Society Research Guides.

The Federation of Genealogical Societies has recognized her with an Award of Merit for her work on the Civil War Soldiers and Sailors program.

Amy's roots run deep in Midwest and Mid-Atlantic regions with a special interest in military research. She holds a Master's degree in Library and Information Science from Kent State University. Learn more about Amy at: AmyJohnsonCrow.com

Amy's conference presentations:

- Ten Years is a Long Time – Census Substitutes for the In-Between Years
- Farms, Factories and Defectives – The Other Census Schedules
- What were they thinking? Records that made me do a Double Take
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Irene Cash

Irene Cash holds a Certificate in Genealogical Research from Boston University. She has researched her family history for over 40 years and loves a good DNA puzzle.

So you've done your DNA, now what? Making the most of the results

Getting results of your DNA kit is just the start of an exciting adventure. Learn how to take your results to the next level.

Cathy Dailey, Moderator

Brick Wall Breakthroughs featuring audience participation

It's story-telling time! This audience participation session relies on you to share your discoveries. You're invited to tell your tale in five minutes or less.

Anita Doering, Senior Archivist, Archives Manager, La Crosse Public Library

Anita Taylor Doering holds a Master's degree from UW-Madison in Library Studies with a concentration in archival administration.

The Hidden Value of US Church Records

Church records can be especially valuable tools as substitutes for birth, marriage, death and burial information.

Susan Fassbender, Owner, Outagamie and Beyond

For over 20 years, Susan Fassbender has researched her Midwest roots. She wraps love of family history and technology into her genealogy presentations and writing.

Using the Power of the Google Toolbox to Further your Genealogy Research

Google – the name of a search engine that has become a verb. Learn how to Google your way to hidden online treasures.

Laura Godden, Archivist, Murphy Library Special Collections, Area Research Center at UW-La Crosse

Laura Godden holds Master's degrees in History and Library/Information Science. She is the author of the Postcard History Series: La Crosse.

Declarations and Petitions: Investigating US Naturalization Records of Immigrants

An overview of the objectives, processes, and provisions surrounding US naturalization to help genealogists better comprehend and use citizenship records to further your research.

Russell Horton, Reference and Outreach Archivist, Wisconsin Veterans Museum

Russell Horton helps researchers from genealogists to professional historians learn more about Wisconsin veterans.

Our Girls Over There: Wisconsin Women in World War I

Over 21,000 women served in the US military during WWI, including about 300 from Wisconsin. Hear their stories and learn how to find your female veterans.

Randi Ramsden, National Digital Newspaper Program Manager, Wisconsin Historical Society

Helping to preserve the power of print, Randi Ramsden oversees the digitizing of Wisconsin newspapers for the Library of Congress' database, *Chronicling America*.

Yesterday's News, Today's History: Using Historic Newspapers for Your Research

Since 1833, local history has been recorded in Wisconsin's newspapers. Learn how to navigate the many digital collections and to search and discover your history.

Tracy Reinhardt, Library Director and Archivist, Fond du Lac County Historical Society

An author of several genealogies, church histories, and books on local history, Tracy has been pursuing her love of genealogy for more than 48 years.

Using Ancestry DNA to Chisel at your Brick Wall

Using only Ancestry DNA tools and Ancestry DNA results, learn how to chart and narrow your DNA matches to focus on one particular ancestral line.

NEW THIS YEAR - Ask a Genealogist

Sponsored by The Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Wisconsin

Bring your questions! Visit the "Ask a Genealogist" area for a free ten-minute private genealogy consultation. Based on availability, first come - first served; details to be provided at conference check-in.

Friday Session: 2:15 to 3:45 p.m.

Saturday Session: 10:15 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.

