

# DuPage County Genealogical Society's 42nd Annual Conference

*A tradition of excellence in education for genealogists.*



# Saturday, March 11, 2017

## NIU Conference Center, Naperville, IL

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# Welcome to our 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference

Our day starts at 7:30 a.m. with check-in at Registration, located immediately to the left when you enter the main entrance. You MUST show a photo ID to obtain your name tag and wear your name tag the entire day. With your name tag you receive five door prize tickets and a program list (if you need one.) Don't forget, a hardcopy of the syllabus is NOT provided at the conference. Please remember to print and bring with you the pages you consider important or download this syllabus to your laptop or other electronic device for use at the conference. The first sessions begin at 9:00 a.m.

Volunteers and committee members wearing a DCGS logo button are available to help direct you through the venue. Logistically, you enter the atrium of the NIU Conference Center. Exhibitors are located here and just down the hall to the right, past the café, in Exhibit Hall. Conference sessions, starting at 9:00 a.m., are in the auditorium on the first floor and in three tiered classrooms on the second floor. There are stairs and an elevator to access the second level.

The auditorium is to the right of the entrance, where you see the large wooden wall. Past the auditorium, on the far back wall, is Room 101[ABC]. The door prize containers are located just outside this room on the far left. You will find coat racks in the hallway on the right, adjacent to room 101 near room 105. Rooms 101 and 105 are the dining rooms. Your name tag contains your dining room assignment. Feel free to sit anywhere in your assigned room for lunch.

After check-in, put on your name tag, PRINT your name on your door prize tickets (or attach return address labels,) browse door prizes and place a ticket/s in the corresponding containers. The door prize containers are removed by 10:30 a.m. The list of winners will be provided on each lunch table. You will collect your prizes after lunch from the DCGS table on the second floor.

It's time to mingle! Meet old friends, make new friends and check out the exhibitors! The next few pages of the syllabus have all the exhibitors and layouts for the Atrium and Exhibit Hall.

DCGS table is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, just off the elevator. Buy raffle tickets here, priced at two for \$5 or five for \$10. Please bring cash, exact amounts \$1, \$5 and \$10 will be helpful and/or your checkbook. Our White Elephant and Freebie tables are located in the same area, as well as our Membership Chair, who is accepting applications. We have the syllabus available on a flash drive for \$5. And you can place orders for a 3-Gen Name Tag, only \$8. See details near the end of the syllabus.

ATM – located on the first floor.

Café Arbor Vitae – located on the first floor, coffees, teas, snacks, are available for purchase.

Classrooms contain signage at the door indicating room number, speaker and session topic. We have done our best to allocate the room assignments for each speaker/topic based on your selections at the time you registered. It's OK if you don't remember or change your choice but know that **seating is on a first come first served basis**. The first session starts at 9:00 a.m.

1 <sup>st</sup> floor	Auditorium (all sessions for speaker Diahan Southard)
2 <sup>nd</sup> floor	Room 260 (all sessions for speaker Donna Moughty) Room 261 (all sessions for speaker Mike Lacopo) Room 266 (all sessions for speaker Kathy Meade & Carole Magnuson)

Restrooms – there are three large restrooms, two on 1<sup>st</sup> floor and one on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

Water – there are three water stations available with hot and cold water.

Wi-Fi – free Wi-Fi is available throughout the facility, connect to [NIU Guest](#), no password required.

NIU staff and DCGS volunteers are located throughout the facility to help you get to where you are going.

We are looking forward to a great day and hope you enjoy yourself. Post conference, we will be sending an electronic survey requesting feedback to improve future conferences.

***~Your DCGS Conference Committee***

Northern Illinois University, NIU-Naperville is located at 1120 E. Diehl Rd, Naperville, IL 60563



The NIU Conference Center - Naperville is located on the south side of Diehl Road just west of Freedom Drive across from the Hampton Inn - Naperville.

# Exhibitors

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[Illinois State Genealogical Society](#)

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[Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society](#)

[SAR - Fox Valley Chapter](#)

[Scottish Genealogy Group of the Illinois St. Andrew Society](#)

[The Newberry](#)

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[Your DNA Guide](#)

## Door Prizes

Door tables are in the Atrium outside of Room 101. Deposit your tickets in the containers in which you are interested or all in one container if you so choose. Thank you all for your generous donations.

Provided by AncestorStuff.com: <b>Book – Genealogical Atlas and one 15-generation Pedigree Chart</b>	Provided by Czech & Slovak American Genealogy Soc.of IL: <b>Book – Locations of Chicago Roman Catholic Churches</b>
Provided by Carole Magnuson: <b>Genealogy Goodie Basket</b>	Provided by Carole Magnuson: <b>Book – Organize Your Genealogy</b>
Provided by Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter: <b>Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter - PLUS Subscription</b>	Provided by The Newberry Library: <b>Book – Humanities' Mirror: Reading at the Newberry 1887-1987</b>
Provided by Scottish Genealogical Group of Illinois: <b>Book – Tracing Your Scottish Ancestors</b>	Provided by Fox Valley Genealogical Society: <b>one-year Membership</b>
Provided by Cantigny Park: <b>Two Sunday Breakfast Buffets at the Red Oak Room plus parking pass</b>	Provided by Illinois State Genealogical Society: <b>Book – Insider's Guide to Illinois Genealogy plus one-year Membership</b>
Provided by Chicago Genealogical Society: <b>one-year Membership (3/17-3/18) + Book – Chicago Cemetery Records</b>	Provided by Northwest Suburban Genealogy Society: <b>one-year Membership (Aug2017-July2018)</b>
Provided by Arphax Publishing Company: <b>Certificate - 3 month Subscription HistoryGeo.com (2 draws)</b>	Provided by Federation of Genealogy Societies: <b>one-year Subscription to "Forum" a quarterly digital magazine (10 draws)</b>
Provided by Roots Magic: <b>Software and book</b>	Provided by Ed Thompson: <b>- Evidentia Software</b>
Provided by Midwest Genealogy Center of Mid-Continent Public Library: <b>Travel mug (2 draws)</b>	Provided by Ohio Genealogical Society: <b>Syllabus – 2015 OGS Conference</b>
Provided by Wheaton Public Library: <b>\$20 gift card to Café on the Park</b>	Provided by Irish Genealogical Society Int'l: <b>two hours Irish research (3 draws)</b>
Provided by CAGGNI: <b>Tote bag with 8-gig datastick + 1-yr of CAGGNI newsletters+ genealogy-related book and magazine</b>	Provided by Rhea Hunter: <b>One 32-gig flash drive, one 8-pack archival photo sheets and book – Estate Inventories: How to Use Them</b>
Provided by DuPage County Historical Museum: <b>One tote bag, one framed reproduction of the historic DuPage County Courthouse, one highlighter, one stress ball and one certificate for two free research hours provided by DCHM staff</b>	Provided by McHenry Co Ill Genealogical Society: <b>Free registration to the MCIGS 2017 Summer Conference</b>
Provided by DCGS: <b>Genealogy Classes (4 draws)</b>	Provided by DCGS: <b>3-Gen Name Tags (5-draws)</b>
Provided by Steve Szabados: <b>Book Write Your Family History</b>	Provided by Naper Settlement: <b>One-day family pass for 2 adults; 2 youths</b>
Provided by Diahn Southard: <b>One-year subscription to Your DNA Guide Video Tutorial Series</b>	Provided by Rita Schneider: <b>Books – Ethnic Chicago and Greater Chicago-Historical Tour Guide</b>
Provided by Rita Schneider: <b>Book – Index to Mexican War Pension Applications</b>	Provided by FGS: <b>One-year subscription to "Forum" a quarterly digit magazine (10 draws)</b>

## Raffle

9 Prizes    2 tickets/\$5    5 tickets/\$10

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Raffle tickets are available at the DCGS table on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Winners drawn at lunch.

Please **PRINT** your name on the ticket.



## 2017 Conference Committee and Volunteers



# DuPage County Genealogical Society's 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference

Rose Lehne, Conference Chair

## Committee

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## DCGS 2017 Annual Conference Evaluation Survey

As we did last year, we will email an evaluation survey for your feedback on your conference experience. The email is sent from SurveyMonkey, a resource that helps us analyze the results to determine what we have done right and where we need improvement. We make changes based on your feedback; your response is greatly appreciated.

**Join the 2018 committee; contact us at [conference@dcgs.org](mailto:conference@dcgs.org).**



## Speakers



**Michael Lacopo**, Dr. Michael D. Lacopo is a retired small-animal veterinarian born and raised in northern Indiana. He takes a scientific approach to his research as he does to his profession. Researching since 1980, he has lectured internationally and written for numerous periodicals and journals. A self-described “all-American mutt,” his research skills cover a broad range. <http://roots4u.blogspot.com/>



**Carole Magnuson**, Carole began her family history research in 1981. Along the way, she self-published two family histories and has written several articles for society newsletters and quarterlies. Carole is currently working on a book about her Civil War ancestor. For the past several years, she has taught a spring and fall organization class for the DuPage County (IL) Genealogical Society.



**Kathy Meade**, Kathy has been assisting persons with their Swedish research for more than ten years. She is the North American representative for ArkivDigital, a company that offers an online subscription service to Swedish historical records. She has given many presentations throughout the country as well as written genealogy articles for the *Nordstjernan* newspaper. She serves on the advisory board for the Swedish American Genealogy Center at the Swedish American Museum in Chicago and volunteers at the Arlington Heights

Memorial Library helping patrons with their Swedish research. <http://blog.arkivdigital.net/tag/swedish-genealogy/>



**Donna M. Moughty**, a Professional Genealogist and former Regional Manager for Apple Computer, I have been conducting family research for over 20 years. I teach classes for beginners and lecture on a variety of subjects including Internet, Irish research and computer topics. In addition, I provide consultations, research assistance and training. I attended the National Institute for Genealogical Research at the National Archives, the Third and Fourth Irish Genealogical Congress in Ireland, the Salt Lake Institute – Irish Research and the Institute for Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University where, in 2011 I was an Instructor for the Irish course. I am a member of Association of Professional Genealogists and the Genealogical Speakers Guild. <http://www.moughty.com/>



**Diahan Southard**, Diahan is "Your DNA Guide", where she provides personalized, interactive experiences to assist individuals and families in interpreting their genetic genealogy results. <http://www.yourdnaguide.com/>  
**Your DNA Guide** is offering personal consultations for conference attendees. Read all the details and select your personal consultation using this [conference special link](#).

## 2017 Program

7:30	<b>Registration</b> Browsing – Door Prizes – Raffle Tickets(at the DCGS table)	Atrium & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
9:00	<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Room</b>
A	<b><i>YDNA Testing: Why This is My Favorite Test</i></b> Diahan Southard	AUD
B	<b><i>Beginning Your Italian Research</i></b> Michael Lacopo	261
C	<b><i>Seeking Your Irish Ancestors Before and After the Famine</i></b> Donna Moughy	260
D	<b><i>Discover Your Swedish Heritage in Living Color Using ArkivDigital</i></b> Kathy Meade	266
10:00	Break for browsing exhibitors and networking (30 minutes)	ALL
10:30	<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Room</b>
A	<b><i>The Combined Power of YDNA and Autosomal DNA: A Case Study</i></b> Diahan Southard	AUD
B	<b><i>Medical Genealogy: a Primer of Diseases That Killed Our Ancestors and the Epidemics They Lived Through</i></b> Michael Lacopo	261
C	<b><i>From Rubble and Ruin: Locating Famine Immigrant Families in Land &amp; Tax Records</i></b> Donna Moughy	260
D	<b><i>Searching in Older Church Records</i></b> Kathy Meade	266
11:45	<b>LUNCH BUFFET</b> [see your name tag for dining room assignment] browsing the exhibitors and networking	Room 101 & 105
1:00	<b>Session 3</b>	<b>Room</b>
A	<b><i>Circles or Triangles? What shape is your DNA?</i></b> Diahan Southard	AUD
B	<b><i>Deconstructing Your Family Tree: Re-Evaluating The "Evidence"</i></b> Michael Lacopo	261
C	<b><i>Unpuzzling Ireland's Church Records</i></b> Donna Moughy	260
D	<b><i>Organize your Genealogy Files, Part I</i></b> Carole Magnuson	266
2:00	LAST break for browsing exhibitors and networking (30 minutes)	ALL
2:30	<b>Session 4</b>	<b>Room</b>
A	<b><i>Genetic Genealogy: Advanced</i></b> Diahan Southard	AUD
B	<b><i>The Genealogical Proof Standard In Motion!</i></b> Michael Lacopo	261
C	<b><i>Sources for Irish Research</i></b> Donna Moughy	260
D	<b><i>Organize your Genealogy Files, Part II</i></b> Carole Magnuson	266

# Photos

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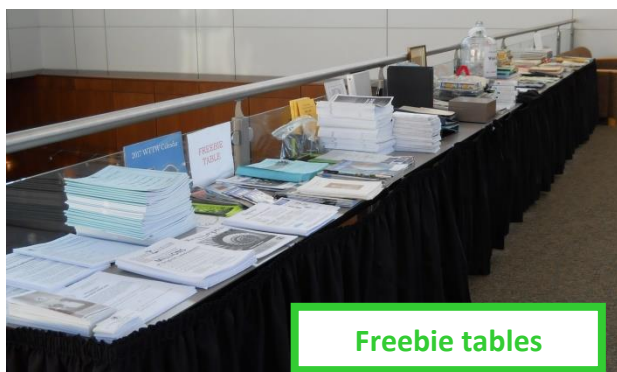
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Atrium Exhibitors



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Freebie tables



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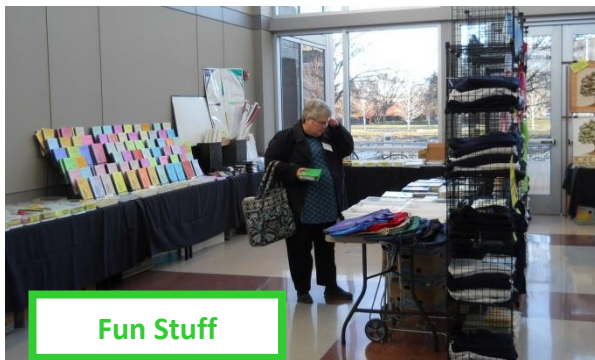


Maia's Books





## EXHIBIT HALL





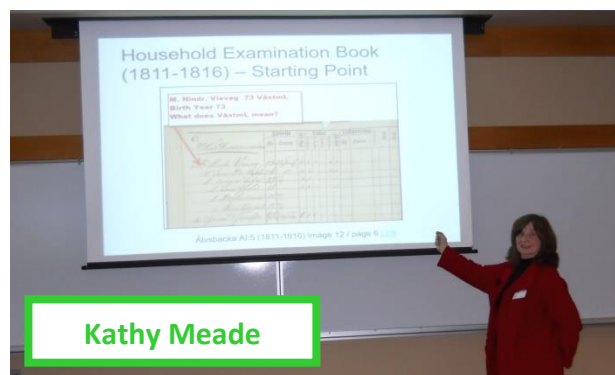




The Newberry Library



Michael Lacopo



Kathy Meade

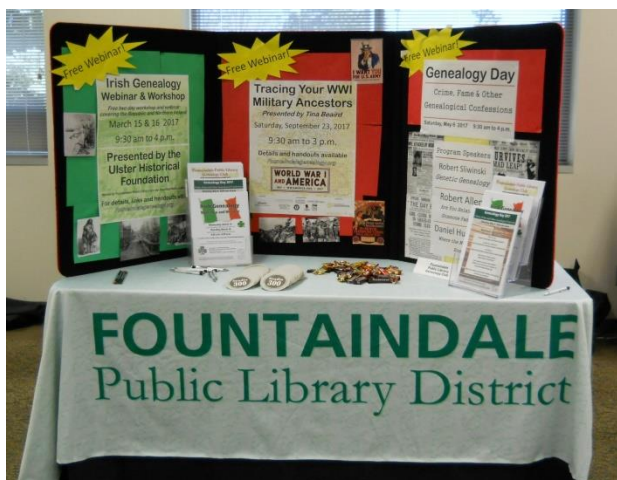


Nancy Ristau & Karen Huggy



Carole Magnuson & Donna Moughty





Dining rooms at capacity!



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# **New Benefit for DCGS Members**

## **COMING SOON**

### **DuPage County Probate Index 1839 to 1972**

This is a first-time release of the Probates and Administrations Index of the Circuit Court of DuPage County. A group of DCGS volunteers spent several years going through the probate log generated by the WPA during the 1930's and continuing in a subsequent volume up to 1972. The index headings are name, date of filing, executor or administrator, date of death, box number and/or file number. The index includes Administrations, Wills, Conservatorships and Guardianships.

The new index will be added to our resources on the DCGS website available to our MEMBERS ONLY via the member section. Anticipated release is June 2017, members will be notified.

**You don't need DuPage County roots to join us for an exhilarating and rewarding experience exploring your family history.**

#### **Membership Benefits include:**

- *The REVIEW*, published quarterly
- Our e-newsletter, sent monthly and also available online
- Publication discounts
- Class discounts
- Discounted advance registration fee for our Annual Conference
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## 3-Gen Name Tag

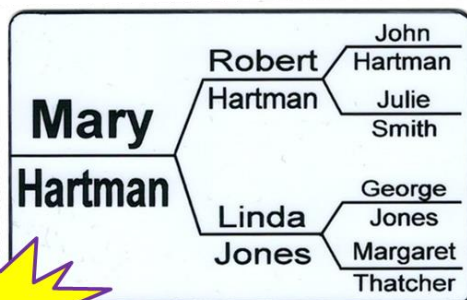
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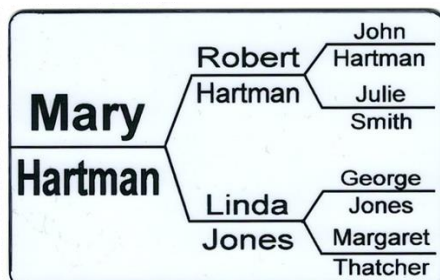
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First name Last name (lifespan or haplo)
3. Mother (of no.1) \_\_\_\_\_  
First name Last name (lifespan or haplo)
4. Father (of no.2) \_\_\_\_\_  
First name Last name
5. Mother (of no.2) \_\_\_\_\_  
First name Last name
6. Father (of no.3) \_\_\_\_\_  
First name Last name
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