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The Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois
2016 Family History Conference and Book Fair
Saturday, August 13, 2016
It is not too late to register!



2016 Family History Conference and Book Fair
is proudly co-sponsored by
**The Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois
and John A. Logan College**
Saturday, August 13, 2016
8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Ray Hancock Conference Center
John A. Logan College
Route 13 & Greenbriar Road, Carterville, IL
Featured Speaker
Lisa Louise Cooke
Author and owner of Genealogy Gems
Register at our new website: www.ilgssi.org

Members vote to change Board election date

At the June GSSI meeting, members unanimously voted to change the date of Board member elections from December to the August Conference. Voting will be held, at our August 13 conference, just following lunch. Details will be at registration.

This is the recommended slate of GSSI Officers for 2017:

Elective Positions

President: Jackie LaRue Lyell,

1st Vice President :Phil Stucker

2nd Vice President: Dorothy Rudoni

Recording Secretary: Julia Mowery

Corresponding Secretary: Rosemary Mathis

Treasurer: Melodie Penrod

Member at Large: Joy Upton

Director 2016-2018: Dusty Renee Boner

Director 2016-2018: Don Riffin

Director 2015-2017: Leann Johnson

Director 2015-2017: Leonard P. Lucas

Director 2016-2019: Linda Gale Mathis

Director 2016-2019: Gloria Spinks

Past President: Phil Stucker

Submitted by Nominating Committee: Leann Johnson, Dorothy Rudoni. Phil Stucker

Helen Sutt Lind
Abandoned Local Cemeteries
June 11, 2016
John A. Logan College

A good crowd turned out to listen to Helen Lind describe her experiences with abandoned cemeteries in Williamson County. She described how cemeteries and graves were moved with the creation of Crab Orchard Lake.

The earliest grave in that area is an infant from 1832.

According to Work Cat: www.worldcat.org, Helen Lind has authored or

co-authored

over 40 books. Sixteen of those books are on Williamson County Cemeteries.

[https://www.worldcat.org/search?q=Helen+Sutt+Lind&fq=dt%3Abk&dblist=638&qt=sort&se=\\$d&sd=desc&qt=sort \\$d desc](https://www.worldcat.org/search?q=Helen+Sutt+Lind&fq=dt%3Abk&dblist=638&qt=sort&se=$d&sd=desc&qt=sort $d desc)

Helen will answer specific questions about local cemeteries and you may contact her at : Williamson County Historical Society

105 South Van Buren Street

Marion, IL 62959

(618) 997-5863

<http://www.wcihs.org/>

Submitted by Leann Johnson

USING SCIENCE TO TRACE YOUR ANCESTRY

DNA AND GENEALOGY CONFERENCE

PATTI'S 1880 ANNEX - JUNE 25

the Kentucky Trace Company, of the Jamestowne Society, sponsored a conference on DNA and Genealogy. It was held Saturday, June 25 at Patti's Annex in Grand Rivers, KY.

A capacity crowd of over 80 gathered to hear Julia Halterman (MS Forensic Science, JD Member of the Illinois Bar) and Lynn Moore McCreery (nationally certified Genealogist and member of several lineage societies). Haltgerman presented an overview of human genetics while McCreery discussed "Breaking Through Walls with Science."

GSSI members Dusty Renee Boner, Dorothy Rudoni, Joyce Siason and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Johnson attended, as did numerous representatives of the DAR, Dames of the 17th Century, and the Jamestowne Society.

The well-received program was indicative of a growing interest in the science of DNA on the part of genealogical researchers.

Submitted by Dorothy Rudoni

Illinois State Genealogical Society

Upcoming Webinars

Tuesday, July 12, at 8:00 pm Central: Special Delivery: Using US Postmaster Documents in Family History Research. By Jean Hibben, CG

Log onto: <http://www.ilgensoc.org/> to register and for information on other

summer webinars.

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That's what they call it re-search!

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