



Computer Genealogy Society

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Newsletter

The next meeting will take place on September 28, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Washington Avenue, Plainview.

Don Eckerle will be replacing Walter Kehoe as the speaker but the topic will remain the same - the newest developments in genealogy as gleaned from events at the 2006 FGS/NEHGS Conference in Boston.

The conference will feature more than 350 educational opportunities in classes, workshops and luncheon presentations. Also the Vendors Hall will feature over 120 vendors. Walter will share information from classes and lectures as well as a sampling of literature about other genealogy societies and vendors.

Bring a friend or two with you the next meeting and we will be on our way to revitalizing The Computer Genealogy Society of Long Island.

New membership service provided

The Computer Genealogy Society of Long Island will be offering a new service to members, GEDCOM comparison. Bring your GEDCOM file on a 3 ½ inch floppy or a CD to a group meeting, and members will compare your file to files of other members. As more GEDCOMS are submitted, the database will grow and the possibilities of making a connection with collateral and direct line ancestors increases. After a comparison is made, the member submitting the file will get a report on the findings. Come to the next meeting and bring a copy of your GEDCOM file too.

Didn't make it to a conference?

Download or order the lectures you missed.

Now available for download or order are selected lectures from two recent conferences - the International Conference on Jewish Genealogy and the FGS Conference.

To order lectures from the Jewish Genealogy Conference, go to www.conferencemediagroup.com hit search and under Search by Sponsor select Jewish Genealogy Society. Costs range from \$14 to \$25 plus a shipping fee. You will receive a CD in the mail that includes the lecture and the syllabus.

To download lectures from the FGS conference, go to music.lulu.com/category/303 and select a lecture. Cost is \$2 per download. It may take a few weeks for all the lectures to be put up on the site so keep checking back.

RootsMagic introduces new software product

RootsMagic, a genealogy software company, has announced a new mapping product called Family Atlas. It should be available at the end of September.

Family Atlas will allow you to import your family data directly from your genealogy software program and then create markers on maps based on your data. You can print the maps you create and save them to PDF format.

For the latest information, go to their site www.familyatlas.com. Pricing has not yet been announced.