

# ***Researching Family in Pennsylvania 2019***

Historical Society of Pennsylvania

## **Schedule of Presentations**

### **Monday, July 29, 2019**

- 8:15-8:30 AM     **Welcome and Introductions**  
*Beth Twiss Houting, Senior Director of Programs and Services,  
Historical Society of Pennsylvania*  
*Sydney Cruice Dixon, President, Greater Philadelphia Area Chapter,  
Association of Professional Genealogists*
- 8:30-9:45        **The Keystone State: Putting Pennsylvania in Historical Perspective**  
*Frank Southcott*
- 9:45-10:00      Break
- 10:00-11:15     **Vital Records and Researching in the Counties**  
*Sydney Cruice Dixon*
- 11:15-11:30     Break
- 11:30-12:45     **Pennsylvania Record Gems and Database Treasures**  
*Sydney Cruice Dixon*
- 12:45-2:15 PM   Lunch
- 2:15-3:30        **HSP Collections / Laws of the Library**  
*Lee Arnold, DLitt et Phil, Senior Director Library and Collections, HSP*
- 3:30-3:45        Break
- 3:45-5:00        **Keys to Successful Genealogical Research at HSP**  
*Dawn King Carson*
- 5:00-7:00 PM    **Class Meet and Greet**  
*Benjamin Franklin*  
Light Dinner Fare and Cocktails

**Tuesday, July 30, 2019**

- 8:30-9:45 AM **Courting the Keystone State: Key Court Records of Pennsylvania (Part I)**  
*Judy Russell, JD, CG<sup>SM</sup>, CGL<sup>SM</sup>, The Legal Genealogist*
- 9:45-10:00 Break
- 10:00-11:15 **Courting the Keystone State: Key Court Records of Pennsylvania (Part II)**  
*Judy Russell, JD, CG<sup>SM</sup>, CGL<sup>SM</sup>, The Legal Genealogist*
- 11:15-11:30 Break
- 11:30-12:45 **Military Service Records at the Pennsylvania State Archives**  
*Aaron McWilliams, Research Archivist, Pennsylvania State Archives*
- 12:45-2:15 PM Lunch
- 2:15-3:30 **Pennsylvania State Archives Land Records Research**  
*Aaron McWilliams, Research Archivist, Pennsylvania State Archives*
- 3:30-3:45 Break
- 3:45-5:00 **The “Other” Pennsylvania Archive:  
Exploring the Pennsylvania Archives Series**  
*Frank Southcott*
- 7:00 PM **Optional Walking Tour in Old Philadelphia**  
*Benjamin Franklin*  
[\$10 cash fee – Meet at Carpenter’s Hall, 320 Chestnut Street]

**Wednesday, July 31, 2019**

- 8:30-9:45 AM     **Geographic Timelines: 18<sup>th</sup> Century Taxes and Rural Genealogy**  
*Kim Bucklaw*
- 9:45-10:00     Break
- 10:00-11:00     **Pennsylvania's Revolutionary War Militia and Colonial Records:  
Census Substitutes**  
*Frank Southcott*
- 11:00-11:15     Break
- 11:15-12:15     **Pennsylvania County Land Records (Deeds)**  
*Frank Southcott*
- 12:15-1:30 PM     Lunch
- 1:30-2:30     **Metes and Bounds Land Platting**  
*Sydney Cruice Dixon*
- 2:30-2:45     Break
- 2:45-3:45     **Metes and Bounds Land Platting (Con't)**  
*Sydney Cruice Dixon*
- 3:45-4:00     Break
- 4:00-5:00     **Coalminers, Railroaders, and Immigrants:  
The keystones of Pennsylvania Labor**  
*Frank Southcott*
- 5:00-8:30     **Optional Research in HSP Collections**

## **Thursday, August 1, 2019**

- 8:30-9:30 AM      **Pennsylvania and the Religious Society of Friends:  
A Quaker Stronghold with Far Reaching Implications**  
*Frank Southcott*
- 9:30-9:45            Break
- 9:45-10:45        **Western Pennsylvania: Researching in the Steel City and Beyond**  
*Rich Venezia*
- 10:45-11:00        Break
- 11:00-12:00        **Researching in Eastern Pennsylvania**  
*Sydney Cruice Dixon*
- 12:00-1:30 PM     Lunch
- 1:30-2:30            **Researching German Families in Pennsylvania**  
*Jim Beidler*
- 2:30-2:45            Break
- 2:45-3:45            **Finding Your Vorfahren: Genealogy with  
German-Language Church Records**  
*Tom McCullough, Archivist, Moravian Archives*
- 3:45-4:00            Break
- 4:00-5:00            **The Welsh Settlement of Pennsylvania**  
*Dawn King Carson*
- 5:00-8:30            **Optional Research in HSP Collections**

## **Friday, August 2, 2019**

8:30-9:45 AM	<b>Case Studies in Pennsylvania Research</b> <i>Sydney Cruice Dixon</i>
9:45-10:00	Break
10:00-11:15	<b>Engraved: The Meanings Behind Nineteenth Century Tombstone Symbols</b> <i>Tammy Schane</i>
11:15-11:30	Break
11:30 AM-12:45	<b>The People on Holme's Map: Using Historical Records to Identify Them</b> <i>Sue Long, PhD</i>
12:45-1:15 PM	<b>Program Critique, Group Photo and Certificates</b>
1:15-5:30	<b>Optional Research in HSP Collections</b>

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