



2017 INTERNATIONAL  
Germanic Genealogy Conference  
INTERNATIONAL GERMAN GENEALOGY PARTNERSHIP

# CONNECTIONS International. Cultural. Personal.

2017  
28 – 30 July  
Friday ■ Saturday ■ Sunday

27 July  
Thursday  
Partner Society Leader Day  
Minneapolis, Minnesota USA

The inaugural international conference of the German-American Genealogical Partnership. A unique opportunity for genealogy researchers like you —

- **Make personal connections** with people from the United States, Germany and other countries.
  - Choose from **70 presentations over 3 full days** by an all-star lineup of Germanic genealogy experts from the United States, Germany and Australia.
  - Join the conference **locality database** to match up with others attending.
  - Use **study rooms** equipped with computers and expert personal assistance in German script, language and research.
  - Take advantage of impromptu **gatherings by region or special interest.**
  - Settle down in casual seating for 1-on-1 discussions with **others you've connected with.**
  - Explore the field of genealogy **exhibitors and vendors.**
- And much more.

Speakers and Schedule on the Back



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## Pre-Conference Events

### Partner Society Leader Day

Thursday, July 27, the day before the conference officially begins. Strategic planning discussions among leaders of societies that are members of the International German Genealogy Partnership.

### Biergarten

Thursday evening, July 27. Kick off the conference by joining your colleagues for a social evening at the Biergarten sponsored by the Germanic-American Institute, Saint Paul. Shuttle buses available.

## Conference Highlights

- Four simultaneous presentation tracks and a partial fifth track, for more than 20 presentations each day and more than 70 presentations overall.
- Five distinguished international speakers from Germany and Australia.
- Six speaker lunches.
- Day 1 Opening Plenary presentation for everyone; two Partnership leaders tell the International German Genealogy Partnership story and plans for the future.
- Day 2 Evening banquet.
- Three lunch-time options: two speaker lunches, or visit with others you've connected with in the Great Hall.
- All conference presentations and vendor/exhibitor areas are on the same floor for ease of mobility.
- Several societies plan to hold annual meetings during conference downtime.

## Conference Registration

Early, discounted registration runs February 1 to April 1: \$225 for individuals belonging to organizations that are members of the Partnership, and \$250 for all others. Regular registration begins April 1 at the standard rate, \$299.

To register: Complete the online form at the Partnership website [www.IGGPartner.org](http://www.IGGPartner.org). Registering online also enables you to select your courses (non-binding). Pay via PayPal or check. Or, complete and mail the print registration form. It can be downloaded from the website and is also available through local genealogy societies that are members of the Partnership.

A 12-page registration booklet containing specifics on the conference, including daily schedules and presentations, is available on the website and in print from local societies.

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## All-Star Lineup of Presenters

Conference presenters include, in alphabetical order of last name: Kim Ashford, James Beidler, Gail Shaffer Blankenau, Ingeborg Carpenter, Bill Cole, Kent Cutkomp, Lois Hemmeter Edwards, Werner Esser (Germany), Richard Haberstroh, Kenneth W. Heger, Debra A. Hoffman, Benjamin Hollister (Australia), Cynthia Spurgat Jacobson, Baerbel K. Johnson, Fritz Juengling, Timo Kracke (Germany), Ursula C. Krause (Germany), Michael D. Lacopo DVM, Nathan Machula, Teresa Steinkamp McMillin, Roger P. Minert PhD AG, Jill Morelli, Stephen P. Morse, Wade Olsen, Bryna O'Sullivan, Sigrid Pohl Perry, Yogi Reppmann, Shirley Riemer, Joanne Daerr Ryder, Dr. Charles and Donna Schilling, Carolyn Schott, Donald P. Schwert, Paul Sternberg, Paula Stuart-Warren CG<sup>SM</sup> FMGS FUGA, Ernest Thode, John Vanek, Dirk Weissleder (Germany), Kathy Wurth

## Sample Daily Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. — First session begins
- 9:30 a.m. — Second session begins
- 11:00 a.m. — Third session begins
- 12:00 p.m. — Lunch (three options)
- 2:00 p.m. — Fourth session begins
- 3:30 p.m. — Fifth session begins
- 5:00 p.m. — "Connections" gatherings by region or special interest

## Conference Venue and Lodging

Minneapolis Marriott Northwest Hotel, 7025 Northland Dr. N., Brooklyn Park, Minnesota.

Hotel rooms at the Minneapolis Marriott sold out in December. Additional nearby hotels are offering special rates for conference attendees. Go to [www.IGGPartner.org](http://www.IGGPartner.org) for hotel information and room reservations.

## Conference Website at [www.IGGPartner.org](http://www.IGGPartner.org)

For more on the conference schedule, speakers, registration and other information, visit the website of the Partnership at [www.IGGPartner.org](http://www.IGGPartner.org).

## Questions

Email at [Conference@IGGPartner.org](mailto:Conference@IGGPartner.org).

Inquiries from Sponsors and Exhibitors are welcome. Please email at [Conference@IGGPartner.org](mailto:Conference@IGGPartner.org).

*Conference hosted by the Minnesota-based Germanic Genealogy Society*



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