

Ontario Chapter-Association of Professional Genealogists
PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH AND BUSINESS SKILLS

May 26th, 2005

The Cleary International Centre - 201 Riverside Dr.W. Windsor, Ontario
Pre-seminar event during the Ontario Genealogical Society's Seminar 2005 (May 27-29)

The program is intended for:

- Family historians and genealogists who want to upgrade their skills;
- Practicing or potential 'for-hire' genealogists who want practical advice;
- Everyone who wants to keep up with recent genealogical techniques.

9:00 to 10:30 Elissa Scalise Powell, CGRS

PRACTICAL INFORMATION ON CERTIFICATION

Would you like to be a 'Certified Genealogist'? This lecture will provide you with practical information enabling you to decide if you are ready for this process. The application requirements of the Board for Certification of Genealogists, as well as the various categories of certification, mentoring and costs will be discussed.

11:00 to 12:30: Dr. Penelope Christensen

DEADLY ADVANTAGES

There are more types of records concerning a person's death than for any other event in their mortal span, and so many give so much useful detail. Digging them up gives a better understanding of your ancestors' way of life. But beware! Not everything is at it seems at face value. Learn how professionals avoid pitfalls in the graveyard!

1:30 to 3:00: Ryan Taylor

WRITING FAMILY HISTORY FROM A PROFESSIONAL'S POINT OF VIEW

Many genealogists are not only being asked to do the just the research, but also the family book! Writing family history for clients can be difficult if research, not composition, is your expertise. This talk will discuss how to deal with the material, subcontracting another writer or artist & helping your client choose a printer and publisher.

3:30 to 5:00: Kenneth Aitken, MLS

WORKING WITH LIBRARIANS: GOING FOR THE WIN - WIN OPTIONS

Partnering with librarians and libraries to solve their needs can expand your business opportunities as a professional genealogist. Opportunities for activities in library programming, library staff training, collection development, research and public service will be explored along with the benefits for the professional genealogist and the library.

Kenneth Aitken MLS (Regina, SK) is the local history & genealogy librarian at Regina Public Library. He has been an adult educator for 31 years and lecturer for 24 years. Ken lectures widely across Canada and the US. He is on the faculty of the National Institute/University of Toronto Certificate in Genealogical Studies program.

Dr. Penelope Christensen (Mission, BC) is a genealogy consultant who has been involved in her subject for over 40 years. She has lectured extensively, and has published 24 texts on methodology, British and Scandinavian research. Penny is the Director of the English Certificate program at the National Institute/University of Toronto.

Elissa Scalise Powell, CGRS (Pittsburgh, PA) a current APG Director, is a past-President of two local societies and teaches beginning genealogy courses at two Community Colleges. She is a co-editor of a tombstone inscription book series and a contributing author to many publications. Elissa is the Exhibit Booth Coordinator for the BCG.

Ryan Taylor (Fort Wayne, IN) is a genealogical librarian at the Allen Co. Public Library. He lectures extensively and is the author of several books including the new Canadian Genealogical Sourcebook. Ryan is a member of the faculty in Canadian Studies for the National Institute/University of Toronto's Certificate programs.

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