

Call for Papers

2010 BYU Computerized Genealogy Conference

(<http://familyhistoryconferences.byu.edu>)

Lecture proposals are now being accepted for the 2010 Brigham Young University Computerized Genealogy Conference, which will be held **Friday, 12 March, and Saturday, 13 March 2010**, at the Conference Center, BYU campus, Provo, Utah. Each lecture period will be 60 minutes, including questions and answers.

All presenters are expected to use PowerPoint (or similar) slide presentations and/or live Internet presentations. Conferences and Workshops will provide LCD projectors, screens, and PC laptop computers with wireless Internet connection and Office 2007. **Speakers should plan to bring their PowerPoint slide show on a flash drive, CD-ROM, or DVD-ROM. Please be sure to also bring a backup of your presentation. Speaker presentations which require special software will require speakers to bring their own laptop. If so, be sure to arrive early to test your laptop with the projectors and internet connection.**

The deadline for lecture proposals is 15 October 2009. We welcome proposals that address *the role of computers and technology* as applied to general interest genealogical topics, such as:

- Subscription web sites and databases
- Social networking
- Online research processes (genealogical methodology)
- Digital sources (web sites, CDs, DVDs, etc.)
- Web-based applications, tools or services
- Research in ethnic, religious, or racial groups, or other topics
- Research in specific record types, such as census or vital records
- Research in U.S. or international regions
- Reference tools and finding aids
- Documentation and citation methods and tools
- Publishing (books, Internet, CD-ROMs, etc.)
- Hardware, including peripherals and other electronic tools
- Software (including comparisons of features between programs)
- Geographic hardware, software, and other tools
- Genetics or family medical history
- And similar topics

Lectures should focus on how to find, use, analyze, preserve or publish digital information and electronic tools, not how to develop software.

If you have technical lectures regarding *software development*, you may wish to answer the Call for Papers for the Family History Technology Workshop, a related one-day computer Workshop on Technology for experienced computer genealogists. It will be held Thursday, 11 March 2010, at the BYU Conference Center (www.fht.byu.edu).

These two conferences are scheduled one after another to give our attendees, exhibitors, and presenters the opportunity to benefit from these conferences during the same week. If you are a programmer or experienced computer user and would like to participate in the software developers' conference, please see their Web site for more details.

Compensation: Speakers participating in the **Friday and Saturday (12–13 March 2010)** Computerized Genealogy Conference will receive (1) a complimentary registration, (2) a conference syllabus, and (3) \$100 per lecture, plus a bonus of \$50 per lecture if your camera-ready syllabus materials are submitted by **8 February 2010**. Out-of-state speakers selected to present four or more lectures will also receive hotel accommodations and \$100 toward travel.

In addition to your full name, lecture proposals should include:

1. Lecture title
2. Brief **lecture description** for advertising brochure and our Web page (*50 words maximum*)
3. Brief **biographical sketch** for the syllabus (*50 words maximum*)
4. A short description of how your presentation will apply to computers or technology
5. Audience skill level (beginner, intermediate, or advanced)
6. Medium of presentation (PowerPoint and/or Internet; *no* transparencies or 35mm slides.)
7. Requests for audio/visual or computer equipment *if different* than the standard LCD projector, and laptop that are provided in each class
8. Your e-mail, mailing address, telephone number(s), and fax number (if any)
9. Your availability on Friday or Saturday (unless otherwise specified, lectures may be selected for either day or evening)
10. A list of recent presentations and where given, *if you have not presented at a BYU genealogy conference in the past four years*

Please e-mail lecture proposals to each of Alan Mann, Devin Ashby and Kory Meyerink in MS Word or PDF format **no later than 15 October 2010**. (Microsoft Word documents are preferred.)

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