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ROOTS AROUND THE WORLD

2007 Seminar and Genealogy Marketplace

Saturday April 28, 2007

8 am to 4 pm

at

Rick Hansen Senior
Secondary School
31150 Blueridge Drive
Abbotsford, BC

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All about our Presenters:

SYDNEY BAKER was brought up in a Barnardo's Home in England from the age of two until joining the Royal Navy at fifteen. Until 1996, he was unaware that he was the youngest in a family of six, thinking he had only one brother who had been in care with him. Having experienced the difficulties of trying to trace his own family, it gives Sydney a great deal of satisfaction helping others in similar situations.

CANDY-LEA CHICKITE, from Campbell River, BC, is an avid genealogist with a special interest in native genealogy. She has been involved in efforts to preserve the BC Penitentiary Cemetery in New Westminster.

PENNY CHRISTENSEN Ph.D. is a Genealogy and Family History Consultant. She is the author of numerous books in the Heritage Book Series and texts for the National Institute for Genealogical Studies of the University of Toronto, where she heads the English Studies Department.

BERNICE DAVIDSON is the Regional Coordinator for Western Canada for the Association of Personal Historians. She encourages anyone going through a transition to write or dictate their life story.

CHRIS LONGLEY is passionate about genealogy. She is actively tracing her ancestry, mainly in England and Scotland, and has links in England back to 1434 and in Scotland back to the mid 1700s – so far, primarily using Scotlands People. She has helped friends and colleagues research their own ancestry with similar success. Chris is an active member of the Executive of your host Abbotsford Genealogical Society.

LORENE LYLE is an avid genealogist who has traveled extensively researching her ancestors. She is actively involved with the Abbotsford Genealogical Society and presents her workshops to other community groups. Her workshops are aimed at beginners but provide depth and insight for all researchers.

HALVOR MOORSHEAD launched Family Chronicle Magazine after becoming fascinated by genealogy. Internet Genealogy Magazine was added in 2006. His father was American, his mother Norwegian, he was born and raised in Britain and now lives just north of Toronto, Ontario.

DAVE OBEE is a genealogist, newspaper editor and author. He has given more than 200 talks at seminars and society meetings since 1997. He is from Victoria and owns Genealogy Unlimited and Interlink Bookshop.

UGO PEREGO, MS, is the Director of Operations & Sample Collections with the non-profit Sorenson Molecular Genealogy foundation in Salt Lake City, Utah.

BRENDA SMITH is an experienced developer and presenter of programs to teach research, public speaking and organizational development. She has comprehensive experience in journalism, business operations, marketing and public relations, cultural trusteeship, fundraising, community development and service delivery.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST:

DNA testing by Sorenson Foundation for

genealogy purposes will take place:

— Friday evening, April 27/07 at the BC Genealogical Society. For info, contact Eunice at Eunice@dccnet.com or 604-596-2811.

— Saturday April 28/07 between 8:30 – 4:00 at this Seminar.

More details at www.smgf.org

Abbotsford Family History Centre, located at 30635 Blueridge Drive, Abbotsford will be open extended hours on Friday April 27/07 until 9 p.m. for out of town registrants. Please call 604-852-8043 to reserve a microfilm reader or a computer (all loaded with Ancestry.com) No charge.

Cloverdale Branch of the Surrey Public Library

will be holding a "lock-in" fundraiser for the Canadian Genealogy Collection on Sunday April 29/07, cost \$35.

Enjoy exclusive access to the Cloverdale collection, free use of readers, one-on-one tutorials with their genealogy staff and light refreshments.

Cost is only \$30 if you pre-register with this seminar.

For more information call 604-576-1384 ext. 6, email genealogy@surrey.ca or go to www.spl.surrey.bc.ca

Accommodations:

For our out-of-town registrants, ask for AGS SPECIAL RATES at either:

Best Western Bakerview Inn (\$79/night – group # 019092)
1821 Sumas Way, Abbotsford, BC V2S 4L5
Tel. 604-859-1341

Best Western Regency Inn (\$99/night)
32110 Marshall Rd, Abbotsford, BC V2T 1A1
Tel: 604-853-3111

WORKSHOP SUMMARIES:

Registration begins at 8:00 am

Session 1 (8:30 – 10:00)

- A. **Internet 2007 – Halvor Moorshead**
Major new genealogical databases that have come or are coming online. The Web 2.0 – what implications it has for genealogy research. The “hidden web” and effective searching techniques.
- B. **Writing Your Story – Bernice Davidson**
How to REALLY enjoy writing your life story; how to overcome the inertia so that your family will have a valuable legacy.
- C. **Researching Several Lines at Once – Penny Christensen**
The six steps to success and techniques for dealing with the logistical problems associated with many concurrent lines of research.
- D. **DNA Lecture & Testing – Ugo Perego**
A general overview on the four methods of genetic testing applied to genealogical research. How everyone can use these FREE new tools in their personal family history and how to become involved by participating in the Sorenson Foundation global database of correlated genetic and genealogical data (www.smgf.org)
- E. **With This Ring: Finding Marriage Records – Candy-Lea Chickite**
After taking a look at several of the records created at the time of marriage, a series of record repositories and the records themselves will be examined. Canada, England and the USA are represented.

Session 2 (10:30 – 12:00)

- A. **Printing Opportunities – FedEx Kinko’s**
Interested in ensuring your family is being presented properly? Explore FedEx Kinko’s wide range of printing services and how you can communicate quality when presenting your family. They have helped many genealogy enthusiasts realize their vision.

- B. **Our Heritage: Our Pedigree – Lorene Lyle**
Explore the importance of heritage; how it helped to shape our lives and made us the person we are today. Discover how to organize your research and blend your heritage with genetic and historical fact to produce a family history that will preserve the past for families of the future.
- C. **Home Children – Sydney Baker**
Why agencies sent children to Canada, where they arrived and what happened after their arrival. Searching for information about Home Children and their relatives.
- D. **DNA Testing - open to anyone over the age of 7, including general public not attending seminar (no charge).**
FREE sample collection for the global Sorenson database is done with a simple mouthwash rinse. To participate, all you need is to bring a copy of your PEDIGREE Chart with four or more generations – all lines - of family information. The chart can be submitted on paper or on disk as a GEDCOM file.
- E. **Tracing Forward – Dave Obee**
Stymied in your search for distant cousins, descendants, living relatives? Tracing subsequent generations can be difficult because people leave clues regarding where they are from, but not necessarily where they are going to. That doesn’t mean it’s impossible, because there are plenty of sources that will help you.

Session 3 (1:15 – 2:30)

- A. **Scotland’s People – Chris Longley**
What you can expect to find on the official government source for genealogical data for Scotland and one of the largest online sources of original genealogical information, with almost 50 million records to access.
- B. **A la Carte: Using Maps in Family History – Brenda Smith**
Explore how maps can aid the researcher to locate, track and record our ancestors’ paths of migration.
- C. **Illegitimacy: Problems and solutions for Genealogists – Penny Christensen**
A look at some of the many ways to overcome this obstacle to completing the pedigree. Examples are from English records but the principles are widely applicable.

- D. **DNA Lecture & Testing (repeat)**
Refer to Session 1D
- E. **Researching your American Ancestry – Candy-Lea Chickite**
A study of census schedules of 1850 – 1870, mortality schedules, WW1 Draft Registration Cards, county boundary changes, state maps.

Session 4 (3:00 – 4:15)

- A. **Dating Old Photos – Halvor Moorshead**
What are the benefits of dating old pictures, understand the basics. Q & A – bring in your old pictures for dating, success not always guaranteed on the spot.
- B. **Exploring the Ancestral Trail – Lorene Lyle**
Our ancestors left a paper trail. Identify information obtained from numerous types of documents. Examine maps of evolving Canada and determine what immigrants settled in certain areas. Learn how to interpret land coordinates found in homestead and census records and apply them to in-depth research.
- C. **Home Children (repeat) – Sydney Baker**
- D. **DNA Testing**
Refer to Session 2D
- E. **Now What? – Dave Obee**
You’ve attended a great seminar; your genealogical batteries are recharged. What should you do now? You need to set priorities, and build on the contacts you’ve made and techniques and sources you have learned. Above all, you should take away a fresh new attitude about genealogical research.

Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

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I will attend the Lock-in at the Cloverdale

Library **Yes** ___ **No** ___

(Include cost of \$30 with your registration)



	AGS Member cost:	Non- Member cost:
Post-marked by 20Feb2007	\$40	\$50
Post-marked after 21Feb2007	\$45	\$55

Total fees of \$ _____ enclosed.

*Please make your cheque payable to:
Abbotsford Genealogical Society
US currency at par*



Lunch is included in the cost of registration.
Your cancelled cheque is your receipt

WORKSHOP SELECTION:

Session #	Workshop				
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1					
2					
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Please select your workshop
for each session:

First Choice – mark as 1

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Organizers reserve the right to restrict the number of attendees at each session, so register early to get your first choices.

You will only be contacted if your selected choices are already filled and unavailable for you. You will receive a personalized schedule when you register at the Seminar.

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registration portion with
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