

Fox Valley Genealogical Society of Naperville, Illinois

Invites you to its 17th Annual Fall Conference on

Saturday, September 25, 2010



Ancestor Research: A Fresh Look at Classic Techniques featuring noted genealogist

D. Joshua Taylor

D. Joshua Taylor (“Josh”), one of the new young voices in the genealogical community, is already a sought-after and nationally-known author and lecturer. A member of the board of directors of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, he is currently the Research Services Coordinator at the New England Historic Genealogical Society in Boston. His articles have appeared in many publications, including *FGS Forum* and *New England Ancestors*. He currently writes the “Essential Technology for Genealogists” column in *Digital Genealogist*. Josh has served as parliamentarian for the Utah Genealogical Association and the USGenWeb Project, and is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, where he served on the Website Enhancement Committee.

The one-hour lecture topics will be:

Finding the Roots of Your Family Legends - Just because Great Aunt Mable said your ancestor was from Scotland, doesn't mean that he was. Learn how to uncover the truth behind family legends and stories, and how to integrate them into your personal writing and research.

On and Off the Net: Locality Searching - Researching by locality is an essential research method for genealogists. Uncover the best resources (both online and offline) for research by localities. Highlights of this lecture include a look at the USGenWeb Project and the resources found in genealogical and historical societies.

Successful Searching Online: Clustering for Genealogists - Effective Internet searching cannot be complete with clustering. Learn how to limit your search engine results to websites that will be beneficial to you without having to scroll through thousands of results! Strong emphasis is put on learning and using “Clusty,” and other search engines.

Vanity Sketches: Sources and Truths Behind Mugbook Entries - Large volume works including state histories, multi-state histories, and regional histories often include a section devoted to biographical sketches, known as the mugbook section. Learn how to find the source of those sketches, their compilation, and how to evaluate them as a genealogical source.

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Don't miss this opportunity to hear Josh Taylor, a genealogy lecturer who blends technological expertise with an exceptional background in genealogical record sources, creating an informative and motivating learning experience for his audiences.

Conference hours are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on Saturday, September 25, 2010 at:

Grace United Methodist Church, 300 E. Gartner Road, Naperville, Illinois, conveniently located on Gartner Road just east of Washington Street (north of 75th Street and west of Naper Boulevard).

Continental breakfast and lunch included.

Genealogy vendors, door prizes, silent auction, and raffle quilt are also featured.

Lecture Topics

- Finding the Roots of Your Family Legends
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- Successful Searching Online: Clustering for Genealogists
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I have enclosed my check (\$35 for FVGS members, \$40 for non-members, and \$45 for all participants after September 10, 2010) payable to:

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Please include a separate form for each person attending. Non-members may include an additional \$16.00 now for calendar year 2011 FVGS membership and obtain member conference rate. No refunds after September 10.

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Are you a current FVGS member? Yes _____ No _____

Please list up to ten surnames you are researching for inclusion in a conference surname directory:

