

Featured Speaker

James M. Beidler writes “Roots & Branches,” an award-winning weekly newspaper column on genealogy that is the only syndicated feature on that topic in Pennsylvania. He is also a columnist for *German Life* magazine and is editor of *Der Kurier*, the quarterly journal of the Mid-Atlantic Germanic Society. He is the former executive director for the Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania. He served as national co-chair for the 2008 Federation of Genealogical Societies conference in Philadelphia. Beidler is also a frequent contributor to other periodicals ranging from scholarly journals such as *The Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine* to popular-interest magazines such as *Ancestry* and *Family Tree Magazine*. He also wrote the chapter on genealogy for *Pennsylvania: A History of the Commonwealth*, published jointly by the Penn State Press and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.



As a lecturer, he has been a part of the Pennsylvania Humanities Council’s acclaimed Commonwealth Speakers program since 2002 and has been a presenter at numerous conferences. In addition to being a member of numerous genealogical, historical, and lineage societies, Beidler sits on Pennsylvania’s State Historic Records Advisory Board as well as the selection committee for the Pennsylvania Newspaper Project.



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Mining Online German Research



Featuring James M. Beidler
Author and Lecturer

- German Immigrant Waves: Contrasts and Sources
- Mining the Über-Sites
- All About *Compgen.de*
- Online German Church Registers, Duplicates, and Substitutes

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Saturday, 22 July 2017
at

Orlando’s Event and Conference Center
2050 Dorsett Village
St. Louis, Missouri 63043

PROGRAM

Looking for new resources to explore for your German ancestors? Learn how to mine online German research.

1. German Immigrant Waves: Contrasts and Sources

The “Pennsylvania Germans” from the 1700s were a different breed than the “German Americans” who immigrated in the 1800s. This presentation shows the differences in geography, economic class, religion, and aspirations of — as well as sources about — the two great waves of German immigration as well as reviewing the basics of German genealogy.

2. Mining the Über-sites for German Ancestors:

While there is a galaxy of Internet sites that can help you with your German genealogy, some stars shine brighter than others. Take a look at some of the more popular websites that have huge assets for those seeking German ancestors.

3. All About *Compgen.de*

This outstanding website, based in Europe, offers researchers of German-speaking ancestors a bountiful menu of online resources—everything from historical background to actual searchable records.

4. Online German Church Registers, Duplicates, and Substitutes

Many more German church records are coming online, but you need to know whether you are seeing originals, duplicates, or extracts. This presentation will explain the differences.



SCHEDULE

8:30 a.m.	Registration
9:00–10:00	<i>Lecture No. 1</i>
10:00–10:20	Break
10:20–11:20	<i>Lecture No. 2</i>
11:20–12:10	Lunch (included with registration)
12:10–1:10	<i>Lecture No. 3</i>
1:10–1:30	Break
1:30–2:30	<i>Lecture No. 4</i>

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