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FGS NAMES OFFICIAL BLOGGERS FOR FGS 2011

National Genealogy Conference Continues to Tap into Social Media

May 31, 2011 – Austin, TX. The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS), along with local host Illinois State Genealogical Society (ISGS), announce the Official Bloggers for the upcoming FGS 2011 Conference - *Pathways to the Heartland* – to be held in Springfield, Illinois, September 7-10, 2011. The Official Bloggers are:

- **Amy Coffin** of We Tree (<http://wetree.blogspot.com>)
- **Schelly Talalay Dardashti** of MyHeritage Blog (<http://genblog.myheritage.com>) and Tracing the Tribe: The Jewish Genealogy Blog (<http://tracingthetribe.blogspot.com>)
- **Dick Eastman** of Eastman's Online Genealogical Newsletter (<http://www.eogn.com>)
- **Jen Holik-Urban** of Chicago Family History (<http://chicagofamilyhistory.wordpress.com>) and GenerationsBiz (<http://generationsbiz.com>)
- **Linda McCauley** of Documenting the Details (<http://lmcCauley.blogspot.com>)
- **Gena Philibert Ortega** of Gena's Genealogy (<http://philibertfamily.blogspot.com>) and Food.Family.Ephemera (<http://foodfamilyephemera.blogspot.com>)
- **Carolyn Pointer** of Family Stories (<http://yourfamilystory-cmpointer.blogspot.com>) and For Your Family Story (<http://www.4yourfamilystory.com>)
- **Ol' Myrt** of DearMYRTLE (<http://www.dearmyrtle.com>)
- **Randy Seaver** of Genea-Musings (<http://www.geneamusings.com>)
- **Ginger Smith** of Genealogy by Ginger (<http://genealogybyginger.blogspot.com>)

With less than 100 days left before the start of FGS 2011, be sure to follow each of the Official Bloggers for their perspective on the upcoming conference. Many will be posting about research resources in the Springfield, Illinois area, what to pack for the conference and more. In addition, during the conference look to the Official Bloggers for live reporting via blog posts, Facebook and Twitter.

Complete conference information can be found on the conference website at <http://www.fgs.org/2011conference/>. We look forward to seeing you in Springfield in September!

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- Subscribe to Conference eUpdates: 2011Conference@fgs.org
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- Follow the Conference on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/fgs2011> and on Twitter at <http://www.twitter.com/fgs2011>
- Discover Springfield: <http://www.visit-springfieldillinois.com>

About the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS)

The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) was founded in 1976 and represents the members of hundreds of genealogical societies. FGS links the genealogical community by helping genealogical societies strengthen and grow through resources available online, *FGS Forum* magazine (filled with articles pertaining to society management and genealogical news), and Society Strategy Series papers, covering topics about effectively operating a genealogical society. FGS also links the genealogical community through its annual conference -- four days of excellent lectures, including one full day devoted to society management topics. To learn more visit <http://www.fgs.org>.

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