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**DISCOVER YOUR ROOTS AT SPRINGFIELD ANCESTRY DAY**

**Ancestry.com Sponsoring Family History Event at FGS 2011 Conference**

**July 20, 2011 – Austin, TX.** The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) in conjunction with Ancestry.com, announce a special event for those in the Springfield-area who are just getting started with family history. **Springfield Ancestry Day** will be held on Saturday, September 10, 2011 at the Hilton Springfield.

**Ancestry.com** (<http://www.ancestry.com>) holds various “Ancestry Day” events all over the country that allow participants to get a “taste” of family history and learn how Ancestry.com can help. Ancestry Day is the perfect way to introduce someone to the genealogy field: the basics are covered in an easy-to-learn format and atmosphere, the event is low cost (\$20 for the entire day) and participants even receive special gifts to help them with their family history journey.

**Springfield Ancestry Day** will be held in conjunction with the FGS 2011 conference – [Pathways to the Heartland](#) – in Springfield, Illinois from September 7-10, 2011. FGS thanks its platinum sponsor Ancestry.com for providing this opportunity to Springfield-area residents so they can further discover, share and preserve their family history. Scheduled events for Springfield Ancestry Day include:

- 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. – Overlooked Secrets in U.S. Federal Census Records
- 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon – Hidden Treasures at Ancestry.com
- 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. – Break. Be sure to visit Ancestry.com in the Exhibit Hall! (no additional charge)
- 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. – Getting the Most from Family Tree Maker
- 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. –Find Them Fast: Secrets to Searching Your Family History at Ancestry.com

All classes will be held in the [Hilton Springfield](#), 700 E. Adams Street (across the street from the Prairie Capital Convention Center). The cost for this full-day event is only \$20.00. Participants do not have to register for the FGS conference to attend this special day. Visit <https://www.fgs.org/AncestryatFGS2011/> to register for Springfield Ancestry Day.

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## 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>.

## About Ancestry.com

Ancestry.com Inc. (Nasdaq: ACOM) is the world's largest online family history resource, with more than 1.6 million paying subscribers. More than 6 billion records have been added to the site in the past 14 years. Ancestry users have created more than 24 million family trees containing over 2.4 billion profiles. Ancestry.com has local Web sites directed at nine countries that help people discover, preserve and share their family history, including its flagship Web site at [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com).

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