

# Be a part of an exciting, educational, inspiring, & historic genealogy conference!

7 -10 September 2011 in Springfield, Illinois

The Federation of Genealogical Societies invites you to the FGS/ISGS 2011 Conference for the Nation's Genealogists. Our local host, the Illinois State Genealogical Society, joins FGS in welcoming you to historic Springfield as we celebrate "Pathways to the Heartland."

## Why should you make plans to be there?

- More than 150 educational presentations with well-known speakers from all over the U.S.
- Lectures that appeal to beginning, intermediate and experienced genealogists.
- Topics that cover almost every aspect of genealogy as well as libraries, archives, and repositories.
- Sessions for professional genealogists.
- Attend sessions to help your genealogical society grow, prosper, develop, and educate.
- Meet your favorite genealogical lecturers, authors, librarians, software developers.
- Door prizes galore!
- Keynote address by David S. Ferriero, Archivist of the United States (NARA).
- 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration speaker Harold Holzer, noted Lincoln scholar.
- Large exhibit hall with exhibitors and vendors.
- Vendors loaded with genealogy and history books, magazines, databases, software, maps, CDs, magazines, journals, and more.
- Librarians Day on Tuesday, 6 September 2011, sponsored by ProQuest.
- Ancestry.com Beginner's Day.
- The host hotel is across the street from the Prairie Capital Convention Center.
- Visit historic sites, libraries, and more in the Springfield area.
- Daily meal functions with exciting speakers and time for networking.

## To learn more

- Check the FGS/ISGS 2011 Conference Website at <[www.fgs.org/2011conference](http://www.fgs.org/2011conference)>.
- View the continually expanded FGS Conference News Blog at <[www.FGSConferenceBlog.org](http://www.FGSConferenceBlog.org)>.
- Visit the Illinois State Genealogical Society at <[www.ilgensoc.org](http://www.ilgensoc.org)>.
- Follow the FGS/ISGS 2011 Conference on Facebook at <[www.facebook.com/fgs2011](http://www.facebook.com/fgs2011)> and on Twitter at <[www.twitter.com/fgs2011](http://www.twitter.com/fgs2011)>.
- Check the many topics and speakers at <[www.fgs.org/2011conference/program/](http://www.fgs.org/2011conference/program/)>.
- Prepare for Illinois tourism at <[www.enjoyillinois.com](http://www.enjoyillinois.com)>.
- Plan for visiting Springfield at <[www.visit-springfieldillinois.com](http://www.visit-springfieldillinois.com)>.