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SGGEE Master Pedigree Database

Attached to this electronic newsletter in .pdf format is information for the preparation of pedigree submissions to SGGEE for inclusion in the master Pedigree Database under the title of Submittal Standards of Family Data for the Master Pedigree Database.

You are encouraged to keep the attachment for reference purposes.

A New Aid for SGGEE Database Searches

Soundex searching capability for surnames will likely soon be available for the pedigree database and other SGGEE databases. The traditional Daitch-Mokotoff Soundex algorithm has been modified to better accommodate German phonetics while still retaining some essential phonetics from Polish. The resulting Soundex now seems to give more meaningful results in hunting for plausible alternative spellings of surnames based on their pronunciation in German. In the near future keep an eye out for the implementation of this new search option. If you notice omission of some expected spellings for a surname please notify Karl Krueger at dabookk54@yahoo.com Some minor tweaking of the Soundex table may still be necessary to allow for cases of certain letter combinations.

2008 Convention News

The 2008 SGGEE convention and Annual General Meeting will be held in Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada at the Coast Capri Hotel on August 15, 16 and 17. Hotel room reservations can be made by using these numbers (250) 860-6060 or fax 250-762-3430 or 1-800-716-6199. Further convention information can be found at http://www.sggee.org/conventions/ConventionNews or at www.sggee.org

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