

SGGEE Newsletter - July 2004

Convention - 2004

With a month remaining, time is running out to register for the 2004 convention. The convention is being held August 5, 6, 7 and 8 at the Coast Plaza Hotel, 33 rd St. NE in Calgary.

The convention program may be viewed on the SGGEE web site at www.sggee.org. **Email registration will be accepted** by the Convention Committee at convention@sggee.org Registration fees can then be paid upon registering at the convention hotel. You are urged to inform the Convention Committee of your intended attendance as early as possible because of the catering and other logistics involved.

Pedigree submissions.

It is requested when submitting pedigree data that you include yourself in the data, including your maiden name if applicable and how you are related to others in the submittal. SGGEE will send you the data on all the persons related to you in the Pedigree Database if we know who you are. The more data you provide, the greater the odds are we will be able to help you extend the length and breadth of your family connections. If you have questions or need help please contact databases@sggee.org

Lodz Trinity Parish Database - 1828 to 1843

.A new database has been added to SGGEE's web site. A preliminary posting of the complete translations of the Lutheran records of Lodz Trinity are now available for viewing. The database consists of nearly 16 thousand surnames assembled into family units wherever possible. Lodz Trinity Parish included several villages immediately east of Lodz as well as part of Lodz itself.. Many of the records included the place of origin of those born outside of Poland , for example, places in Saxony and Prussia. The accuracy of the database, as with all databases, must always be open to question in the case of spelling of surnames, place names, even dates and years of birth. Always check the source film or document for yourself. For assistance and look-ups of the translations contact databases@sggee.org

SGGEE Privacy Policy Statement

The federal government of Canada passed into law in January 2004, an Act requiring institutions, organizations and employers to protect personal information gathered in the

process of doing business.

Although SGGEE as a non profit genealogical society is largely exempt from the Act because of it's very nature, i.e. collection and dissemination of genealogical information, it was considered advisable to prepare a statement regarding SGGEE's position in respect to member's privacy. It is the opinion of the Board and of the members of the Ad Hoc Committee that drafted the Privacy Policy Statement, that members should be assured that their personal information is protected to the fullest extent possible. During the preparation of the privacy policy, the age of restricted information of people in the Pedigree Database was raised from 70 to 80 years of age. In other words, anyone under of the age of 80 will only have their name appear in the database, nothing else.

The Privacy Policy Statement can be read on the SGGEE web site at www.sggee.org by clicking on "Bylaws", then on "SGGEE Privacy Policy"

Membership Information

Active or current membership in SGGEE as of July 1, 2004 stands at 380. In addition, there are seven organizations with whom SGGEE has an exchange of publications arrangement. All memberships, unless prepaid, are renewable at the end of December each year. New members joining during the months of October, November and of course December have their membership fee applied to the following year.

Please inform membership@sggee.org as soon as possible if you have an email change at any time.

Research Committee

The Research Committee under the leadership of Rose Ingram will have several exciting and interesting things to report. It is Rose's intention to prepare a separate Newsletter on the subject of research progress shortly.

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