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Don't Miss Out on the Early Bird Discount For the NGS 2016 Family History Conference Offer Ends 31 March

ARLINGTON, VA, 18 MARCH 2016—Register early for the National Genealogical Society (NGS) Family History Conference in Ft. Lauderdale and take advantage of its early bird discount. Not only will you save money, you will also be able to order a printed syllabus or flash drive version of the syllabus. Your registration must be received online or postmarked by 31 March 2016. After that date, the NGS member price will increase from \$205 to \$240 for all four days and the non-NGS member price will increase from \$240 to \$275.

The Conference will feature more than 180 lectures from basic to advanced genealogical research, including four days of BCG Skillbuilding lectures and twelve lectures on genetic genealogy. Diversity is another focus of this year's conference. Eighteen lectures discuss African-American genealogical research, five focus on Jewish genealogy, two on Cuban genealogy, and nine on women. Floridians and those with ancestors from Florida will want to consider the nine lectures that focus on Florida's rich archival history. In addition, the conference will provide a number of lectures on European ancestors, including French, Spanish, Scandinavian, Italian, Scots-Irish, and others.

The NGS Conference will be held at the Greater Ft. Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center and will run from 4-7 May. For conference information and to register, go to the [2016 NGS Family History Conference](#).

Social Events, Luncheons, and the NGS Banquet

Participating organizations sponsor several luncheons at which guest speakers address many fascinating presentations such as

- “Lost Eyes, Whipping Posts, and Wife Swapping: Lessons from Yesteryear”
- “To the Rescue: 10 Times A Local Society has Saved My Bacon”
- “Genetic Surprises, DNA and ‘Non-paternity’ Events”

The NGS Banquet is an event not to be missed! Guest speaker David E. Rencher, AG, CGSM, FIGRS, FUGA, will discuss what matters most to genealogists and family historians. **Registration for all meals and social events closes on 22 April 2016.** Tickets for social events will not be sold on-site. Be sure to [sign up](#) as quickly as possible. The Florida State Genealogical Society Host Event, “Taste of Florida,” is \$42; luncheons are \$32; and the banquet is \$45. Menus are in the [registration brochure](#).

Society Roundup

On Wednesday, 4 May 2016, many of Florida’s genealogical and historical societies will be available in the Convention Center’s Exhibit Hall Lobby from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. to answer questions about local repositories and resources, discuss their group’s activities, and sell their publications.

Local Area Tours

There’s still time to sign up for two exciting tours on Tuesday, 3 May 2016, prior to the NGS Family History Conference. For more information, please see [Local Area Tours](#). **Registration for the tours closes on 22 April 2016.**

Add Items to an Existing Registration

To add meals, tours, and pre-conference events to your current registration, log on to the [NGS website](#), click on My Account, select My Events, and then click to Add Sessions.

We hope to see you in Ft. Lauderdale in May!

Founded in 1903, the [National Genealogical Society](#) is dedicated to genealogical education, exemplary standards of research, and the preservation of genealogical records. The Arlington, Virginia, based nonprofit is the premier national society for everyone, from the beginner to the most advanced family historian, seeking excellence in publications, educational offerings, and

guidance in research. It also offers many opportunities to interact with other genealogists. Please visit the [NGS Pressroom](#) for further information.

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