



# *Rustic Pathways*

*4<sup>th</sup> Annual OGS Fall Retreat*

*Sept 9-10, 2022*

*Maumee Bay Lodge & Conference Center  
Oregon, OH*

*Host County & Sponsor: Lucas Co Chapter, OGS*

This year's retreat will be held at Maumee Bay Lodge and Conference Center located in Oregon, Ohio. The speakers will be Peggy Clemens Lauritzen, Sunny Jane Morton, Judy Nimer Muhn, and Jessica Trotter. Please note seating is limited to the first fifty attendees.

## *Retreat Venue*

Maumee Bay Lodge & Conference Center

1750 State Park Rd. St. Rt. 2

Oregon, OH 43616

(Just outside of Toledo, OH)



Maumee Bay Lodge sits right on the shore of Lake Erie just outside of Toledo, Ohio and has a lake side feel to it. The lush wooded surrounding boast miles of recreational trails, wildlife, and impressive views of Lake Erie.

To receive the special retreat rate of \$129.00 (plus tax) per night, call 419-836-1466 and mention the OGS Rustic Pathways Retreat. Hotel accommodations & the evening meals are not included in your retreat registration rate. This special rate is only available until Aug 8, 2022. **Please note check in is at 4 PM for the hotel.**

Registration cost is \$150.00 for an OGS member and \$175.00 for a Non-member of OGS. This includes all your syllabus materials and the Saturday luncheon. However, for an additional cost of \$29.00 per meal you can join us for a brick wall breaking question and answer dinners with the speakers and fellow genealogists on Friday and Saturday evenings. The first retreat session begins at 2 PM on Friday and the last session ends at 5:30 PM on Saturday. You can pick up all your registration material starting at 1 PM on Friday just outside of the meeting rooms for the event.



# Speaker Bio's



Peggy Clemens Lauritzen, AG, FOGS has been involved in genealogy since before her birth. My roots run deep into the South, where I am Accredited. They involve the states of Kentucky, Virginia, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, and some areas of Pennsylvania. I love the area of Appalachia, and have written several Legacy QuickGuides that you may purchase from the site: [familytreewebinars.com/peggylauritzen](http://familytreewebinars.com/peggylauritzen).

Sunny Jane Morton is the past editor of Ohio Genealogy News, a Contributing Editor at Family Tree Magazine and a Contributing Editor and Content Manager at YourDNAGuide.com. She is co-author of *How to Find Your Family History in U.S. Church Records* and author of *Story of My Life: A Workbook for Preserving Your Legacy*.



Judy Nimer Muhn specializes in French-Canadian, Acadian, Native American and Michigan research. Owner of Lineage Journeys, blogger, writer, international speaker. Lecture shares about her family research.

Jessica Trotter holds a Master of Science in Information, Archives and Records Management Specialization from the University of Michigan and works in public libraries by day. She has presented regionally since 2014 including annually for the Archives of Michigan's Barbara J. Brown / Abrams Foundation Family History Seminar, for the Genealogy Center at Allen County Public Library, and at the NGS Conference in 2018 and their Virtual On Demand Lectures in 2020. Her genealogy research areas include the Midwest, African American, British Isles, Canadian, and Early American research. She also tries to maintain a genealogy research related blog called Genie Road Trip at <http://genieroadtrip.com>.



# Friday Sessions

2:00 PM	4:00 PM
<p><b>“Where There’s A Will, There’s A Way”</b>            Researchers can find a treasure trove of information by using the County Courthouse Records such as wills, mortgages, land and probate records. Information can include the whole reconstruction of families, names of other relatives, inventories of belongings that can give you a feel for the family’s lifestyle, and more.</p> <p><i>Judy N Muhn</i></p> <p><b>Session F01</b></p>	<p><b>“Following the Money, Using Tax Records”</b>            Not unlike today, our ancestors were taxed on every turn. Tax records can provide a unique insight into their lives, possessions and coming of age. Tax records are widely available throughout the historical blueprint of our ancestors’ lives. Let’s look at some ways they can help us.</p> <p><i>Peggy C Lauritzen</i></p> <p><b>Session F03</b></p>
<p><b>“Collateral Kin: Indirect Routes to Direct Ancestors”</b>            The most direct route to information about direct ancestors may be through other relatives and in-laws. Three concise case studies demonstrate the value of researching these “collateral kin.” See how collateral research helped prove an ancestor’s parents, solve a migration mystery and fill gaps in an ancestor’s biography.</p> <p><i>Sunny Jane Morton</i></p> <p><b>Session F02</b></p>	<p><b>“Finding Your Immigrant Ancestor”</b>            America is a nation of immigrants. This genealogy class offers tips and resources for tracking immigrant ancestors back to their countries of origin.</p> <p><i>Jessica Trotter</i></p> <p><b>Session F04</b></p>

## Friday Night Brick Wall Breaking Dinner \$29.00 at 6 PM

**Regular Dinner:** Tossed garden salad, Herb Chicken, a seared chicken breast with herb pan gravy. Rice pilaf, assorted rolls and butter, and Chef’s choice of dessert.

**Vegetarian Dinner:** Tossed garden salad, Vegetable Wellington, fresh seasonal vegetables sauteed in a white wine garlic cream sauce and baked in a puff pastry, assorted rolls and butter, Chef’s choice of dessert.

**Beverages:** Hot & iced tea, coffee, and water



# Saturday Sessions

8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12:00 PM Lunch Break	2:00 PM	4:00 PM
<p><b>“America’s Forgotten War-The War of 1812”</b> The War of 1812 is one of the forgotten wars of the United States, yet records abound for our ancestors who were willing to fight the British once again.</p> <p><i>Peggy C Lauritzen</i></p> <p><b>Session S01</b></p>	<p><b>“How Social Security Can Help Your Family History Research”</b> The U.S. Social Security system produced lesser known record types key to tracing families during the late 1800s/early 1900s. See genealogical discoveries made using original Social Security applications, not one but TWO important Social Security indexes, and delayed birth records, which were often created for Social Security purposes.</p> <p><i>Sunny J Morton</i></p> <p><b>Session S03</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday Regular Luncheon (included in registration):</b></p> <p><b>Roast Beef and Cheese Croissant Sandwich (garnished with lettuce, tomato, and red onion), served with specialty chips.</b></p> <p><b>Beverage choice of Hot or Iced tea, coffee, or water.</b></p>	<p><b>“Community Research Using the National Register of Historic Places and the Historical Marker Database”</b> This presentation will take you through the steps of discovering the areas where you ancestors may have lived, and the necessary proof to have them registered. Those historic markers by the side of the road may contain a history of the area they lived, and perhaps even mention them by name.</p> <p><i>Peggy C Lauritzen</i></p> <p><b>Session S05</b></p>	<p><b>“Fable or Fact? Verifying Old Family Stories”</b> Don’t you wish you knew just HOW true certain family stories are? Though you may never be able to fully prove (or disprove) some stories, this lecture demonstrates how to de-mystify handed-down tales into truer ones that may be even more compelling.</p> <p><i>Sunny J Morton</i></p> <p><b>Session S07</b></p>
<p><b>“Mobile Technology for Genealogy”</b> Utilize mobile apps and technology to simplify your research. You don’t have to take your notebooks! There are tools on your computer, tablet and smart phone!</p> <p><i>Judy N Muhn</i></p> <p><b>Session S02</b></p>	<p><b>“Researching Your African American Ancestors”</b> Researching African-American ancestry can be a tremendous struggle and tremendously rewarding. This session offers helpful resources, tips and pitfalls to avoid.</p> <p><i>Jessica Trotter</i></p> <p><b>Session S04</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday Vegetarian Luncheon (included in registration):</b></p> <p><b>Chilled Hummus Plate with vegetables and Naan Bread, served with specialty chips.</b></p> <p><b>Beverage choice of Hot or Iced tea, coffee, or water.</b></p>	<p><b>“Finding Non-Traditional Records”</b> We all know that vital records, census records, etc. are the go-to's for genealogical information. But what else is out there that might give you those needed bits of information, and how do you find those records?</p> <p><i>Jessica Trotter</i></p> <p><b>Session S06</b></p>	<p><b>“What’s In a Name?: Surname Variations and Clues to Ethnicity”</b> Learn about types and challenges of surname variations, and how to detect the signals that there is a name change in your ancestor’s past.</p> <p><i>Judy N Muhn</i></p> <p><b>Session S08</b></p>

## Saturday Night Brick Wall Breaking Dinner \$29.00 at 6 PM

**Regular Dinner:** Tossed garden salad, Boursin Chicken, breaded chicken breast with roasted tomato and a boursin cream sauce, sour cream and chive mashed potatoes, and chef’s choice of dessert.

**Vegetarian Dinner:** Tossed garden salad, Portobello Lasagna, grilled Portobello mushroom layered with pasta three cheeses and marinara sauce, Chef’s choice of dessert.

**Beverages:** Hot and iced tea, coffee, and water.

## Important Details:

Registration deadline is August 09, 2022. You can register at the following website [www.ogsconference.org](http://www.ogsconference.org) or by using the mail-in form in this booklet. Registration fees do not include hotel, Friday & Saturday evening meals, transportation or other incidentals. Please send registration questions to [ogscord@ogs.org](mailto:ogscord@ogs.org).

## Refunds:

Refunds will be issued up until July 1, 2022, a \$35.00 administration fee will be charged. **No refunds will be issued after July 1, 2022.** All refunds must be requested via a letter to OGS or via email to [ogscord@ogs.org](mailto:ogscord@ogs.org).

## Meals:

The Friday & Saturday evening meals are separate events. Attendees are encouraged to attend and guests of the registrants are welcome to attend. Please request vegetarian options where appropriate when ordering. Only the registered attendees can partake in the Saturday luncheon.

## Check-in at Event:

Attendees and speakers will receive a name badge and all syllabus material at the registration desk for the event. ***(Badges are required to attend sessions).*** Event registration will be open Friday (1-5 PM) and Saturday (7-8 AM).

**Save Time! Register online by August 09, 2022.**

[www.ogsconference.org](http://www.ogsconference.org)



## Registration Information:

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City/State/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**\*Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

## Payment:

Member Registration	_____	@ \$150.00 ea
Non-Member Registration	_____	@ \$175.00 ea
Friday Night Brick Wall Dinner (Reg)	_____	@29.00 ea
Friday Night Brick Wall Dinner (Veg)	_____	@29.00 ea
Saturday Night Brick Wall Dinner (Reg)	_____	@29.00 ea
Saturday Night Brick Wall Dinner (Veg)	_____	@29.00 ea
Saturday Luncheon choice:	_____ Regular _____ Vegetarian	
Total:		\$ _____

## Method of Payment:

Check/Money Order Enclosed (payable to Ohio Genealogical Society)  
Credit Card: \_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_ Visa \_\_\_ Discover  
Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
CVV Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

## Checks:

Make checks payable to the Ohio Genealogical Society. OGS will charge a fee of \$25.00 for each returned check and/or declined credit card charge. Any returned checks must be paid by either cash, money order, cashier's check, or credit card.

## Mail Registration form and Payment To:

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