



American Ancestors and NEHGS Announce Annual Family History Day:

a Day of Discovery and Learning about Family History on Saturday, October 3, in Boston, Massachusetts

September 1, 2015 – *Boston, Massachusetts* – American Ancestors and New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS) are hosting a day of discovery and learning about family history on Saturday, October 3. From their headquarters in Boston, Massachusetts, the NEHGS staff of expert genealogists, historians, writers, and researchers will bring their knowledge and expertise to the Sheraton Boston Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts — where they invite the public to spend time learning about family history.

At Family History Day, themed "Share the Story of a Lifetime," participants can learn the fundamentals of researching family history from some of the leading professionals in the field of genealogy. During this exclusive one-day seminar, NEHGS experts will demonstrate some of the best practices in genealogy and show patrons how to get the most from their prize-winning, datarich website, AmericanAncestors.org. NEHGS staff will help all to explore new and essential resources, chat informally with participants, offer discounts on titles from the NEHGS bookstore, and share the latest happenings at NEHGS. A limited number of one-on-one consultations with NEHGS experts will be available throughout the day. At the day-long event, participants can connect with other family historians from all over Massachusetts and the New England and mid-Atlantic region.

With lectures and demonstrations, consultations, and exhibits—the NEHGS Family History Day program at the Sheraton Boston Hotel is packed with opportunities. NEHGS genealogists will present on a wide-variety of topics about "finding family stories"—in public and private records, military documents, and in the scientific analysis of DNA. Visit www.AmericanAncestors.org/fhd for a full schedule of the day's activities.

The 2015 NEHGS Family History Day features the participation of findmypast, one of genealogy's largest family history online resources for researching and building your family tree. Findmypast representatives will be with NEHGS at the Sheraton Boston all day—where participants will have an opportunity to meet them, view exhibits, and explore how findmypast.com can help with uncovering a family's past.

Registration for Family History Day is \$50 per person. Students with a valid ID can register at the discounted rate of \$40 per person. Groups of five or more are also eligible for the discounted registration of \$40 per person. Group organizers may call 617-226-1226 for more information about group registration. Space is limited, so an early registration is encouraged!

For those participants who are new to NEHGS and American Ancestors and who register for Family History Day events, a free open house and reception is being held on Friday, October 2, at the NEHGS library and archives at 99-101 Newbury Street, Boston. Space is available for the first 200 registrants and consultations will be available.

One-on-one consultations with NEHGS genealogists on Friday and Saturday are offered at \$30 per person (25 minutes), and a separate registration is required. A limited number of consultations are available and are expected to sell out quickly.

"Family stories connect us to loved ones, the past, and each other. Whether new to genealogy or researching for years, we encourage the public to take this opportunity to discover their family story with the family history experts," stated Ginevra Morse, NEHGS Director of Education and Online Programs and coordinator of the event for the Society.

Registration for Family History Day is open at www.AmericanAncestors/fhd.

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