# Portuguese Genealogical Conference & Research Trip<sub>v1</sub> Salt Lake City, Utah

## Tuesday, August 29 – Friday, September 1, 2017

A genealogical conference focusing on Portuguese research has been planned to include lectures, computer lab time, one-on-one guided research, as well as allowing time for general research in the Family History Library (FHL). Lecture topics include computer databases as well as basic techniques for beginners. The FHL has records from all over the world, including church and civil records from Portugal and its regions. Other genealogical records include ship passenger lists, census records, World War I & II draft registrations, and birth, marriage, and death records. If you can, plan additional days before or after the conference for more research time. Do not miss this opportunity to research at the world's greatest genealogical research library.

Family History Library hours are Mondays – 8:00 am – 5:00 pm; Tuesday through Friday – 8:00 am – 9:00 pm; Saturday - 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. A basic library orientation of the FHL runs on the hour, every day Check http://www.familysearch.org for more information on the library

### \*\*\*TENTATIVE\*\*\* Conference Schedule (v1)

Monday, Aug. 28 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm	Pre-check-in & Welcome with dessert social (Salt Lake Room)
Tuesday, Aug. 29	**All lectures are in the Salt Lake Plaza in the Salt Lake Room unless otherwise noted.**
8:00 – 8:45 am	Conference check-in (Salt Lake Plaza hotel lobby – for those who did not arrive by Monday).
9:00 – 10:00 am	Getting Started in Genealogy and Software Review – Cheri Mello
10:00 – 11:00 am	U.S. Vital Records – Rosemarie
11:00 – 12:00 pm	Overview of Portuguese Vitals – Rosemarie Capodicci (repeats on Wed)
12:00 – 1:30 pm	Lunch
1:30 – 2:30 pm	Census and City Directories – Cheri
2:30 – 3:30 pm	"Reading" Portuguese Records – Rosemarie (repeats on Wed)
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Navigating the CITCEM-GHP (formerly NEPS) Site – Rosemarie
	(FHL Main Floor Computer Lab)
5:00 – 6:30 pm	Dinner
6:30 – 9:00 pm	Guided and one-on-one research. Cheri and Rosemarie will be
	stationed at the tables outside the International and U.S. Census floors.
Wednesday, Aug. 30	**All lectures are in the Salt Lake Plaza in the Salt Lake Room unless otherwise noted.**
8:00 - 8:15 am	Group Photo
8:15 – 9:45 am	Immigrant Sources – Rosemarie
10:00 – 11:00 am	Overview of Portuguese Vitals – Cheri (repeat)

11:00 – 12:00 pm	"Reading" Portuguese Records – Cheri (repeat)
12:00 – 2:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Preparing for a Research Trip to the Azores – Cheri
3:00 – 4:00 pm	CCA or ARM Web Site - Rosemarie and Cheri (FHL Main Floor Computer Lab)
4:00 – 5:00 pm	Unpublished Manuscripts – Rosemarie (FHL Main Floor Computer Lab)
5:00 – 6:30 pm	Dinner
6:30 – 9:00 pm	Guided and one-on-one research. Rosemarie and Cheri will be
	stationed at the tables outside the International and U.S. Census floors.
Thursday, Aug. 31	**All lectures are in the Salt Lake Plaza in the Salt Lake Room unless
	otherwise noted.**
9:00 – 9:45 am	<b>DNA and Genealogy</b> – Cheri
10:00 – 10:45 am	Getting the Most Out of Your FTDNA Pages – Cheri
11:00 12:00 pm	<b>Third Party Tools for DNA</b> – Cheri
12:00 2:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 - 3:00 pm	Portuguese-American Digital Newspaper Collections – Rosemarie &
	Cheri (FHL Main Floor Computer Lab)
3:00 - 9:00 pm	REMAINDER OF THE DAY IS FOR GUIDED AND ONE-ON-ONE RESEARCH.
Friday, Sept. 1	**All lectures are in the Salt Lake Plaza in the Salt Lake Room unless otherwise noted.**
9:00 – 9:45 am	Find A Grave – Cheri
10:00 – 5.45 am	Thinking Like Sherlock Holmes – Cheri
10.00 - 10.45 am	Thinking Like Sheriock Hollies - Cheri
11:00 - 9:00 pm	REMAINDER OF THE DAY IS FOR GUIDED AND ONE-ON-ONE RESEARCH.

## **Cafeteria Employee Lunch Pass**

The FHL has a break room with vending machines where sandwiches and microwaveable meals can be purchased. In addition, JB's Family Restaurant is located in the Salt Lake Plaza hotel, as well as many nearby restaurants within walking distance. Our group has also been offered a pass to the FHL Employee Cafeteria across the street in Temple Square. It is a full service cafeteria offering a variety of hot and cold foods. This pass allows entrance to the Employee Cafeteria and has no discounts associated with it. You will be given this lunch pass with your registration packet.

#### Roommates

For those traveling alone and would like to share a room with someone, please indicate this on the conference registration on page 6.

## INVITATION

You are cordially invited to the 2017 Portuguese Genealogical Conference & Research Trip which is being hosted in Salt Lake City at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel and the Family History Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormons). This world-renowned genealogy library is open to the public. Access to the fabulous resources of books, maps, and microfilm from all over the world is free of any charge. We have planned this event to allow for research time in the library as well as listening and learning from Portuguese genealogical researchers and speakers. The conference includes lecture sessions, computer lab time, conference materials (on CD or flash drive), and personal assistance. Attend as many or as few lectures as applicable to you!

## Coming to the Conference is as easy as 1 - 2 - 3!

1) Complete the registration from and mail to:

Portuguese Conference c/o Rosemarie Capodicci 1155 Santa Ana St. Seaside, CA 93955

- **2)** Reserve a room at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel (800) 366-3684 or (801) 521-0130. Mention the Azores Genealogy Group for our special group rate of \$89 a night for single/double occupancy (U.S. Dollars). This rate is guaranteed for reservations made by **Friday, July 28, 2017.**
- **3)** Book your travel. Airlines serving Salt Lake City (SLC) include Air Canada, Alaska, American, Delta, Frontier, Jet Blue, KLM, Southwest, and United. Check the Internet for discounted fares using your favorite travel finder, such as www.expedia.com, www.priceline.com, and many others.

Upon arrival, check the Hotel Board to call the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel, or dial direct (801) 521-0130 for a free courtesy van pickup from the airport or train station to the hotel. Courtesy van hours are 6:30 am to 10:30 pm. Check-in time is 3:00 pm. Earlier arrivals can be checked in if the rooms are ready or you can leave your luggage at the desk to have it stored.

**Questions?** 

**Check Web Sites:** 

Cheri, gfscherim@gmail.com Rosemarie, rcapodc@gmail.com http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~azrwgw/

#### LECTURE DESCRIPTIONS

**Getting Started in Genealogy and Software Review** – A basic overview on filling out charts and forms, collecting information, how to document and cite sources. A genealogy software review is also included.

*U.S. Vital Records* – How to obtain birth, marriage, death, and baptism records in the United States and how to assess the information therein.

**Overview of Portuguese Vitals** – How the archives and civil registries house the records, what to expect from each type of record for the three time periods, De Genere process, confession rolls, and passaportes.

**Census and City Directories** – An overview on what can be found on which censuses, tips on locating your ancestors on the censuses, how to find city directories and what to expect from them.

"Reading" Portuguese Records – How to bumble your way through the records to extract the needed information as well as figuring out the abbreviations and handwriting.

Navigating the CITCEM-GHP (formerly NEPS) Site – The good, the bad, and the ugly about this useful site.

*Immigrant Sources* – An overview of the sources generated by an immigrant: Naturalization, alien registration, Social Security, World War I Draft, American passport records, fraternal societies and lodges/halls, and passenger arrival lists.

**CCA Web Site (or ABM)** – An overview of what is on the *Centro de Conhecimento dos Açores*, how to access it via Tombo.pt, and how to locate records on the site. (Madeirans can access the ABM instead).

**Unpublished Manuscripts** – An overview of the manuscripts on the CCA.

**Portuguese-American Digital Newspaper Collections** – Tips and tricks to locating items of interest in Portuguese language newspapers. Information comes from Portuguese communities all over.

**Preparing for a Research Trip to the Azores** – From airlines that fly to the Azores to what to expect from the archives and civil registries will be covered in this lecture.

**DNA and Genealogy** – A basic overview of how DNA works and how it can be used to further genealogical research.

**Getting the Most Out of Your FTDNA Page** - A tour of the web page including what sections to fill out to maximize the responses you will receive from your matches.

**Third Party Tools for DNA** – An overview of GedMatch, the Autosomal DNA Segment Analyzer (ADSA), and the Autosomal DNA Utility (Utility) and what can be expect from each.

**Find A Grave** – Learn how to join Find A Grave, search, create memorials as well as adding others, requesting and taking photos, and creating your own virtual cemetery!

**Thinking Like Sherlock Holmes** – By looking at various documents, innovative strategies will be presented that analyze and evaluate the document. Inferences will be made and conclusions will be drawn.

#### **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES**



Rosemarie Capodicci has been researching her Italian and Portuguese genealogy since 1979 and published the quarterly newsletter for Portuguese genealogists called "Portuguese Ancestry" for 14 years ending in January 2005. She has also written a column for the Monterey County Genealogical Society's newsletter called the "Portuguese Corner." Rosemarie has lectured on Portuguese research at the 1995 National Genealogical Conference in San Diego, the DAR/FHC Seminars in Seaside, California since 1991, the San Francisco History Fair for three years, the

annual S.H.H.A.R. (Hispanic Conference) in 1993 and 1995, many genealogy societies in California, as well as Monterey County Genealogical Society's Seminars. She has also lectured at the Azores Conference in Salt Lake City. Rosemarie has also been a library assistant for the Monterey Branch Family History Center since 1989.



Cheri Mello has been a researcher for over 20 years and has traced many of her ancestral lines (both American and Portuguese) into the 1700s and a few lines beyond that. Over the years she has been a member of various Portuguese genealogical societies. She was the lead moderator for America Online's Genealogy Forum, hosting the Portuguese chat for nine years. After that, she moderated on Lusaweb before founding her own Azores list on Google Groups in 2005, which now has over 1700 members. She has been an administrator with

Family Tree DNA on the Azores project for over 10 years. She has lectured all over the greater Los Angeles area, as well as in Santa Barbara, Ventura, Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego counties in CA as well as in New Bedford, MA, North Dartmouth, MA, and Providence, RI. In addition to lecturing on Portuguese genealogy, she has also lectured on DNA, GEDCOMs, Find-A-Grave, and more.

## AZORES GENEALOGICAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

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AREA OF RESEARCH	
Will this extra registrant attend the dessert	social? (Needs to pay \$5) Yes No
-	d all conference events and includes conference materials.  onday, July 31, 2017
At the Door Registration – The conference	materials may have to be mailed to you after the event. \$100.
Make check payable to:	Cheri Mello
Mail check and completed form to:	Portuguese Conference c/o Rosemarie Capodicci 1155 Santa Ana St. Seaside, CA 93955