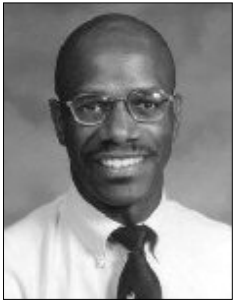


IGS Annual Conference – October 9 & 10, 2009
West Des Moines Christian Church
4501 George Mills Civic Pkwy
West Des Moines, Iowa

Mining For Your Ancestors

Featured Speaker: Tim Pinnick



Tim Pinnick is a family historian, researcher and writer with more than 20 years overall research experience including all the major U.S. repositories. He has extensive lecture experience on a variety of topics and has been a presenter at over a dozen national and regional genealogy conferences coast to coast. His awards include a 2005-2006 Formby Research Fellowship and a 2005 Richard S. Brownlee Fund grant to conduct research on African American coal miners in Texas and Missouri.

Topics:

- The WWI Draft Card: Don't Do Research Without It!
- Coal Dust In Your Veins: Tips, Strategies, and Resources to Bring Your Coal Mining Ancestors to the Surface
- Locating and Using Oral History Collections
- Developing the Genealogy of a Community: A Case Study
- Strikebreakers! The Recruitment and Employment of African Americans in the Coal Mining Industry 1870-1900

Other Speakers and their topics:

- Mary Burtzloff, Kansas City, MO, “National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) Website” and “NARA Archival Research Catalog (ARC)” (Friday)
- Larry Hurto, Historian, Newton, Iowa, “Lincoln Letters” (Saturday)
- Jasper Grays Civil War Singers, Jasper Co. Iowa, Civil War Artifacts and Music (Saturday)

Special Opportunity on Friday evening:

- Since we have received more than 1,000 new volumes in our IGS collection in the past year, we wanted conference attendees to have the opportunity to use these valuable resources.
- Check out our website www.iowagenealogy.org/research_resources/index.htm for listings in our research collection and other resources.
- Therefore the IGS Library will be open Friday evening from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. only for conference attendees to do research.
- A light meal will be served at the library.
- Please RSVP if you will be doing research Friday night.

P.S. There is nothing planned for Thursday evening, we'll see you at the conference first thing Friday morning.