

Family History Technology Workshop (FHTW) 2010

Program Schedule

- 7:30-8:00am** **Registration**
- 8:00-9:15** **NGS Opening Session (Room 155): *Jay L. Verkler, President and CEO, FamilySearch, From the Granite Mountain to the Ends of the World***
- 9:15-9:30** **Short Break**
- 9:30-9:40** **Invocation and Opening Remarks – *Paul Allen, FHTW 2010 General Chair***
- 9:40-10:40** **Session One – Record Linkage**
Session Chair –
- **Refocusing Family History Software and Capturing Research Intent, *Chris Chapman***
 - **Using a Family Perspective Over Household to Improve Record Linkage Success with Census Data Collections, *David S. Barss, AG, FamilySearch***
 - **Reconstituting the Population of a Small European Town Using Probabilistic Record Linking: A Case Study, *Sue Dintelman and Tim Maness, Pleiades Software Development, Inc.***
- 10:40-10:45** **Demo Fast-Forward Session**
Session Chair – *Jim Ericson, FamilySearch*
- 10:45-11:20** **Break & Demos**
- 11:20-12:20pm** **Session Two – Data Extraction**
Session Chair – *Geoffrey M. Draper, BYU-Hawaii CIS*
- **Extracting Names Using Layout Clues: An Initial Report, *Aaron P. Stewart and David W. Embley, BYU CS***
 - **Extracting Person Names from Diverse and Noisy OCR Text, *Thomas Packer, Joshua Lutes, Aaron P. Stewart, and David W. Embley, Eric Ringger, Kevin Seppi, BYU CS, Lee Jensen, Ancestry.com***
 - **Automatic Extraction from and Reasoning About Genealogical Records: A Prototype, *Charla J. Woodbury, David W. Embley, BYU CS, and Stephen W. Liddle, BYU IS***
- 12:20-1:40** **Lunch**
- Invited Speakers: *Dan Lawyer, Joe Martel, Grant Skousen, and Ron Tanner, FamilySearch***
- A Report Card for the Genealogy Software Industry (We're getting a D+)**

1:40-3:00

Session Three – Geospatial Visualization of Family History

Session Chair –

- **Family History Archives: Research on New Media**, *Barry Lunt and Matthew R. Linford, BYU IT*
- **Know Your Ancestors Better: Demographic Visualization for Large Genealogical Sets**, *Tae Woo Kim and Geoffrey M. Draper, BYU-Hawaii CIS*
- **Geospatial Genealogy: Visualizing and Exploring Ancestral Place**, *Stephen L. Egbert, Dept. Geography, U. Kansas, and Karen G. R. Roekard, Independent Scholar, Berkeley, CA*
- **Genealogical Forests and Family Trees**, *Peter A. Ivie and Evan L. Ivie, GeneSys Foundation*

3:00-3:30

Break & Demos

3:30-4:45

Panel Discussion Session

Panel Session Chair and Moderator – *Paul Allen – CEO, FamilyLink.com*

Panelist – *Jason McGowan, FamilyLink.com*

Panelist – *Michael Jensen, LDS Scriptures.com*

Panelist – *Brian Moncur, Mobile Tree*

4:45-5:00

Announcement of Best Student Paper & Best Demo Awards/Wrap-up



Workshop Organizers

General Workshop Chair: Paul Allen – CEO, FamilyLink.com

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Mikael Ronström – Sun Microsystems

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Local Arrangements: John Best – Brigham Young University, Conferences and Workshops