

Orange County Genealogical Society

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**ANNUAL DINNER/ALL-DAY SEMINAR**

**Friday, May 5, and Saturday, May 6, 2017**

**Location:** Goshen United Methodist Church, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor fellowship hall, 115 Main St., next door to the 1841 Courthouse

**Special Opportunity Offered**

**Schedule a consultation with Jane E. Wilcox**

Meet with conference speaker Jane E. Wilcox for a half-hour one-on-one consultation about researching your New York families on Friday, 5 May 2017 at the 1841 Courthouse from 11:00am to 4:00pm. More details and registration can be found at <https://wilcoxconsultocgs.eventbrite.com>

**Friday, May 5, 2017 6:00 pm Roast Beef Dinner** served family style includes: salad, mashed potatoes, vegetables, rolls and butter, coffee, tea, and dessert. See reservation form below.

**Speaker:** "To Be Announced" watch our web site

**Saturday, May 6, 2017 All-Day Seminar: Registration/Refreshments 9:00 am**

**Session 1: 9:30 – 10:30 am "The New York Gateway: Immigration, Emigration and Migration"**  
**Break**

**Session 2: 10:45 – 11:45 am "Probate in New York: From Colonial Dutch and English to State"**

**Lunch Break**

**Lunch, if desired, must be ordered in advance (\$7.00) see reservation form below**

**Session 3: 12:45 – 1:45 pm**

**"New York City and State Governmental Vital Records and Alternates"**

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**Mail Reservation Form to: OCGS, Dinner/Seminar, 101 Main St., Goshen, NY 10924**

**Deadline for reservations, April 24th**

Dinner: \$12.00

Bagged Lunch \$7.00

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Phone: (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: (requested) \_\_\_\_\_

If buying lunch, please indicate sandwich choice: Roast Beef \_\_\_\_\_ Turkey \_\_\_\_\_

### *The New York Gateway: Immigration, Emigration and Migration*

New York has been the heart of U.S. immigration since the 1600s. Discover the origins of key immigrant and emigrant groups and settlers and where they went. Learn the New York migration routes and transportation modes that your New York ancestors may have taken. Putting your ancestors in the context of their times is key for researching them.

### *Probate in New York: From Colonial Dutch and English to State*

New York's probate system can be difficult to navigate. Learn how and where to find wills and administrations through the centuries from Dutch and English colonies to New York State using Dutch notarial records, town records, county Surrogate's Courts and the NY State Archives, as well as manuscript collections and county Courts of Common Pleas.

### *New York City and State Governmental Vital Records and Alternates*

New York is a notoriously challenging state to find birth, death and marriage records. Navigating New York City and State governmental vital records requires a "quick sheet" to make sure you have looked in every possible place to find the indexes, the records and possible alternatives. Civil registration jurisdictions need to be clearly understood and considered, plus the key dates for laws and regulations that give context to what was actually collected, and when. And importantly, learn what is accessible today and how to order records. We'll also explore examples for using the records and end with a number of unique New York alternatives to the civil records.

#### About our Speaker:



**Jane E. Wilcox** is a member of the Associated Professional Genealogists (APG) and host of The Forget Me Not Hour: Your Ancestors Want Their Stories to be Told radio show on WHVW 950 AM radio in Poughkeepsie. Jane is also a member of New York State Archives Advisory Committee and Genealogical Speakers Guild. She writes "Genealogy research isn't about just your own family, it is about your family and how they lived and interacted in their communities, which means finding out about your family's friends, neighbors, fellow church members and others as well."

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