

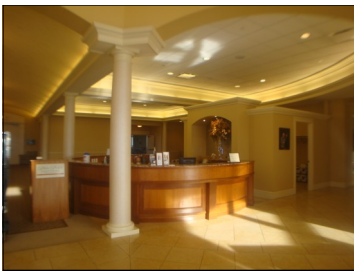
Ostfriesen Genealogical Society of America



2010 OGSA CONFERENCE / AUGUST 1—5

Sunday—Thursday
August 1-5, 2010

Park Place Event Center Cedar Falls, Iowa



Park Place Event Center is located at the south end of Prairie Lakes in Cedar Falls, just north of Highway #20—easy access! We will have the entire event center for our conference.

THE FIRST EVENT ON SUNDAY!

An Ostfriesen Tea Party & Open House!

Park Place Event Center

Cedar Falls, Iowa

Sunday, August 1, 2010 2 to 4 p.m.

Real Ostfriesen Tea & Kluntje

- Beautiful Ostfriesian Tea Set Displays
- Ostfriesland—In Art & Pictures
- Entertainment & Door Prizes
- Tour the Research Facility
- Silent Auction

Don't miss this event! Open to the Public!

Introduce your family and friends to Ostfriesland!



August 1-5, 2010

FEATURED SPEAKERS:

Pastors Andrea & Jürgen Hoogstraat
Ostfriesen History & Ostfriesland Today

Monday through Thursday Schedule:

Featured Speakers—9-10:30 a.m. each day

MINI_SESSIONS / TOURS begin at 11 a.m.

Group 1) Lunch, mini-sessions and/or research at the Park Place Event Center, Cedar Falls, IA

Groups 2 & 3) Bus tours of Grundy, Butler and Hardin County colonies and other points of interest! You'll have lunch on the way—and lots of fun, too! Sign up on the registration form.

MINI-SESSIONS:

- Life in Ostfriesland and Germany today
- New digital technology
- The best genealogy programs
- Ancestry.com & other computer databases
- Other research data available for Ostfriesland
- Beginning genealogy—where do you start?
- Introduction to library materials—how to use Ostfriesen Ortssippenbücher, the Amt Uplengen series of books and the Oldenburg OSB's on CD ROM
- Travel to Ostfriesland—Gene & Lin will present a lighter side

- of travel!
- Question and Answer Sessions
- Low German, what is it?
- Emden Before and After WW II
- Hints for writing your own Family History Book
- The Ostfriesische Nachrichten Obituaries & Indexes— How to Use Them!
- A tour of Lillian Marks' Tea Shop in Holland, IA
- *And lots more!*
- *Schedule on www.ogsa.us as of 6/1/2010*

CONFERENCE SILENT AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED!

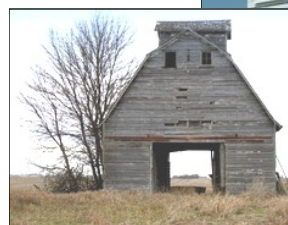
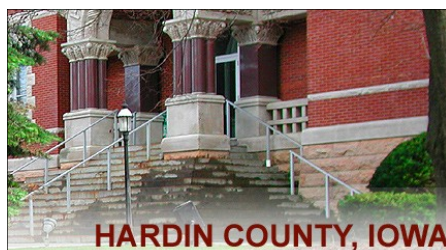
- Do you have an item of value that you can donate to OGSA? Are you a quilter, woodworker, artist or have another hobby that could benefit OGSA?
- Maybe you have a great genealogy or history book that you could donate?
- How about a tea set, fancy serving dish or antique you no longer use? This is a great way to help our society and this event succeed.
- **Can't attend the event?** You can still donate an item for the auction. Your help will be appreciated!
- Contact Lin at 651-269-3580 and get involved!

TOUR GRUNDY, BUTLER & HARDIN COUNTY OSTFRIESEN COLONIES

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday—buses will collect participants Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for a tour of Ostfriesen colonies and the treasures in these villages. We will visit churches, graveyards, ghost towns, museums, a wonderful winery and other places and villages of interest.

Some of the villages we will visit include Ackley, Aplington, Grundy Center, LaPorte City, Parkersburg, Steamboat Rock, Wellsburg & several others, too! **If you are interested in the tours, please note this on the registration form.** Tours will start at 11 a.m. and you'll have lunch on the way!

- **Lots of surprises and fun on these tours!**



Grundy County Quilt Barns—not to be missed!

Places to Stay:

There is no lodging at the conference center. There are many hotels/motels in the area along with RV Centers. We are including a listing of some of the facilities in the area. Feel free to check with others for favorable rates. Make sure you check on reservations as soon as possible. Ask for the OGSA block of rooms. There will be a huge bike tour going through Iowa the week before, so if you plan to come early—do your planning early, too, please.

The following hotels have rooms that have been blocked off for our event.

- **Comfort Suites** www.comfortsuites.com - 7402 Nordic Drive, Cedar Falls, IA. (319) 273-9999 / Rooms about \$90 per night; about one mile from center / new Super 8 is being constructed next door.
- **Wingate Inn** www.wingatehotels.com (319) 277-2400 1614 Technology Parkway, Cedar Falls, IA (Rooms \$98 per night and up) | next door to Park Place Event Center.
- **AmericInn Lodge & Suites of Cedar Falls** www.americinn.com - (319) 277-6166 5818 Nordic Dr., Cedar Falls, IA | Rooms begin at \$89.90
- **Super 8 , Ridgeway Avenue, Cedar Falls, IA**, two blocks off Highway 20. New—to open in May. About \$89 per night w/o AAA or other discounts. We will have a block of rooms, call Lin At 651-269-3580 to get your name added to the list if you wish to stay there or email Lin@ogsa.us. Better quality than typical Super 8. Adjacent to Comfort Suites. Less than one mile from the event center.

Or check out the following:

http://www.dexknows.com/local/travel_and_tourism/hotels_and_lodging/geo/c-cedar_falls-ia/att/resorts/

RV CENTERS

The **George Wyth State Park Campground** has **69 camping units** (47 with 20,30, or 50-amp electrical hookups). The campground features modern showers, restrooms and a trailer dumping station. Reservations can be made for half the campsites by going to www.reserveiaparks.com or by calling toll-free 1-877-427-2527. The balance of the campsites are on a first come/first serve basis.

More campgrounds listed at:
cedarfallstourism.org/camping_parks.asp

ADDED FEATURES:

- **Eagle City Winery Tour—you will love this!**
- **Experienced Ostfriesen Researchers**
- **Wednesday Evening Banquet**
- **Vendors with Ostfriesen gift items, books, maps, shirts, caps, flags, Ostfriesen tea, Ostfriesen porcelain & more!**
- **Door Prizes—lots of them!**
- **Display of Ostfriesen Posters, Pictures & Art**
- **Reunion for Ostfriesen Tour members.**

Research Library:

The library will be open at 4 p.m. –10 p.m. on Sunday and daily through Thursday @ noon.

Ostfriesen Ortssippenbücher, Deutsches Geschlechterbücher, and copies of most Quellen und Forschungen, Ostfriesische Ahnenlisten, the Amt Uplengen Family History Series and many other sources you may not know about!

Please note: We will be setting up a research-type facility with several private library collections. Laptop computers, small purses, pencils and writing materials are allowed in the library—we prefer that you not bring large briefcases. Copy machines will be available for your use.

The library will be closed during the main speaker's presentations in the mornings until 11 a.m., during the tea on Sunday afternoon and during the evening catered meals. *It will remain open during all mini sessions and will be open evenings after dinner until at least 10 p.m.* This will allow you to attend other events during the day and still utilize the library, too! It will also be open Thursday morning until noon. Research help will be available! ***Can you help in the library during this event?***

Wireless internet will be available for your use—free!

Featured Speakers:

Pastor Jürgen Hoogstraat was born in Pilsum and raised in the Krummhörn area of Ostfriesland. From 1981 to 1988 he studied at the Studium der evangelischen Theologie in Bethel, Münster and Tübingen. He and his wife, Andrea, are pastors of the church in Victorbur.

*Jürgen Hoogstraat is a noted Ostfriesen historian, speaker and the author of the following books: Von Ostfriesland nach Amerika, Von reichen Polderbauern und armen Moorhantjes (About Rich Polder Farmers and Poor Moorfolk and Die Krummhörn. He has traveled through the Midwest researching Ostfriesen emigration patterns. *Both of them speak fluent English, please don't miss this opportunity!**

Andrea Düren Hoogstraat was born in Rhaderfehn and still has family in that area. She is a great speaker and has a wonderful sense of humor and her lectures are enjoyed by everyone!

Other speakers at the conference will

include: Gene Janssen, Lübbert Kruijenga, Jill Morelli, Rick Gersema, Pastor Jim Limburg, Lin Strong and others!

Special Orders—

Order now! Delivered to you at the conference!

*Fisherman's Hats—Prinz-Heinrich-Mützen, good quality
Cost: \$38+ postage / Please include U.S. hat size! Navy*



Navy Blue with braiding

Postage is unknown. The items will be ordered and postage is due when you pick up your items.

*Traditional Fishermen's Shirts—
the original! See chart below.
Cost: \$40 + postage / colors: blue
background with white stripe.*



*Kerchief—This pattern or similar—\$8
ea. Colors red or blue.*



*And the knotted kerchief
ring—direct from
Ostfriesland! \$5 ea.*



*Mug with "Moin Moin" on it! Di-
rect from Ostfriesland!
Special order for this
conference! \$10.00
White cup, blue decora-
tion*



Limited additional quantities of all items will be purchased.

*Many other items will be available at the conference!
This form will be online so you can see these items in
color.*



*An Ostfriesen Desk
Flag*

*Order your flag so
it is available for
you when you
arrive!*

*\$12 with a wooden
dowel*



XS - XXL:	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL
USA Ladies Wear:	26/28	30/32	34/36	38/40	42/44	48/50
USA Men's Wear:	32/34	34/36	38/40	42/44	46/48	50/52

Registration Form

Name _____
 Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Telephone () _____ email _____

- *The cost of the conference includes not only the use of the facility, but also most meals and refreshments, speakers from Ost-friesland and the USA, entertainment, tours and use of a research facility. No hotel costs are included.*

No.	CONFERENCE DATA	COST PER PERSON	TOTAL
	Five day event—four lunches, all refreshments/breaks, research facility, speakers, mini-sessions/tours, two dinners, entertainment, tea and tortes and special events.	\$298	
	<i>YOU CAN ALSO ATTEND THE FOLLOWING ONE DAY EVENTS:</i>		
	Monday—lunch, dinner, refreshments, speakers, mini-sessions/tours, research facility	\$ 98	
	Tuesday—lunch, refreshments, speakers, mini-sessions/tours, research facility, no dinner	\$ 84	
	Wednesday—lunch, dinner, refreshments, speakers, mini-sessions/tours, research facility	\$ 98	
	Thursday—refreshments, speakers, research facility use until noon	\$ 24	
	<i>ONE YEAR OGSA MEMBERSHIP</i> - Join today and get four 2010 newsletters! Circle one: \$18 Download copy from website / \$28 paper copy sent by mail		

SPECIAL MERCHANDISE ORDERS:

Qty.	Item	Cost	Total	Qty.	Item	Cost	Total	*Postage due at pick up
	Moin, Moin Cup	\$10.00			Fisherman's Hat	\$38.00*		
	Kerchief	\$ 8.00			Desktop Flag	\$12.00		
	Knotted Ring	\$ 5.00			Large Flag		Call for costs	Total Merchandise
Fisherman's Shirt / Men S M L XL XXL / Women S M L XL XXL							\$40.00*	

(Checks can be made out to OGSA) **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED. . . .**

Cancellation Policy – Full registration fee will be refunded 30 days before event minus \$40 administration fee. Within 20 days of the event there will be no refund.

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION Circle One: Visa | Mastercard Amount _____

CC # _____ Expiration Date _____

Please answer the following to help up plan sessions:

- What is your level of genealogical experience: _____Beginner _____Intermediate _____Advanced
- OTHER mini sessions you are interested in:

- _____ *I may be interested in taking one or more of the bus tours offered. (You will be sent more information.)*

Volunteer Opportunities: This is a great way to help OGSA out for a couple of hours and meet other members!

I would like to help at the conference _____(training will be provided)
 _____Library _____Registration Table/Greeter _____Sales
 _____Research Helper _____Greeter

- *By including your five surnames/villages, you agree to have this information on the attendee's list (please print):*

Comments:

Send this form with check or money order to: OGSA Conference, 1670 So. Robert St., #333, W. St. Paul, MN 55118

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OGSA's 2010 Conference

*An Ostfriesen Tea Party &
Open House on Sunday, Aug. 1!*

Professional Research Library & Research Help, Too!

Ostfriesen History Books, Flags, Pictures, Caps, Shirts & more!

Tours of Butler, Grundy & Hardin Counties!

Wellsburg Picnic—Boßeln & Bohnensuppe

Beautiful Ostfriesian Tea Set Displays

Ostfriesland—In Art & Pictures

Genealogical Mini-Sessions

*August 1-5, 2010
Cedar Falls, Iowa*

Don't wait, sign up today!

