



# 2024 SAGA Annual Meeting Agenda

Saturday, April 20, 2024

Conestoga Mennonite Church, Morgantown, PA

**8:00 a.m.** - Coffee, tea, and donuts (walk-in registrations are welcome)

**8:30 a.m.** - SAGA Annual Meeting

- Greeting
- Opening prayer: Loren Johns
- Welcome: Lois Ann Mast, Editor of *Mennonite Family History*
- First introductions
  - Board members
  - Local volunteers and special thanks: Conestoga Mennonite Historical Committee

## Business meeting

- Meeting minutes: Loren Johns
- Membership updates: James Hermsen
- Website updates: Bob Geiser
- Board elections:
  - Chair: Troye Kauffman
  - Treasurer/Coordinator (Membership): James Hermsen
  - Recording Secretary: Loren Johns
  - Member-at-large: Thelma Martin
  - Member-at-large: Leora Gerber
  - Webmaster: Bob Geiser (Ex Officio)

- Other new business
- Next Meeting:
- Member introductions
  - Contributors of large databases:
    - Loren Johns, 959,912
    - James Hermsen, 727,629
    - Leora Gerber (Kidron), 692,685
    - Thelma Martin, 574,155
    - Louis Wiegand III, 553,422
  - Publications by SAGA members

Jim Hostetler (1931-2014), 547,364  
Daniel Wenger, 522,650  
Karen Lint, 303,603  
Dr. A. "Dean" Kesler Jr., 233,060  
Hiram "Bud" Gross, 193,412

**9:30 a.m.** - Break

**10:00 a.m.** - Group Photo in church sanctuary

**10:15 a.m.** - "Amish-Mennonite Migrations"

- "Migrations From Europe to Berks County" - Lemar Mast
- "Migrations to West Conestoga" - Robert Reeser
- "Migrations to Chester Valley" - Duane Kauffman
- "Migrations to Reading, Conestoga Valley, and Westward" - Dot Mast Moss

**11:30 a.m.** - Questions and Answers

**12:00 noon** - Lunch

**1:00 p.m.** - "Using DNA to Sort Out the Genealogical Hurdles of Amish-Mennonite Surnames"

- Darvin Martin

**2:00 p.m.** - Dismissal