



Membership Application Form

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The Society for German Genealogy in Eastern Europe (SGGEE) is a genealogical group dedicated to providing a forum for people interested in the ancestry and history of Germans from western Ukraine (in particular Volhynia), as well as Poland, including the former German provinces of East and West Prussia, Posen and Silesia.

Contact Information (please read our data collection guidelines to learn how your information is managed:

https://www.sggee.org/about_us/data_collection_guidelines.html

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last) _____

Street Address or P.O. Box _____ City _____

State/Province _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____

Phone _____ Email address _____

(Your email address should be kept current as it's the only way for other members to contact you regarding potential family connections. Your email address will remain on file even if you end your membership.)

Pedigree Data

For our Pedigree Database, you are requested to submit a pedigree chart or family group sheet with your completed Membership Application. See additional information on Pedigree Data on the next page.

Language Skills

High German	Fluent Written	Fluent Spoken	Only Basic Skills
Low German	Fluent Written	Fluent Spoken	Only Basic Skills
Polish	Fluent Written	Fluent Spoken	Only Basic Skills
Russian	Fluent Written	Fluent Spoken	Only Basic Skills
Ukrainian	Fluent Written	Fluent Spoken	Only Basic Skills
Lithuanian	Fluent Written	Fluent Spoken	Only Basic Skills
Other _____	Fluent Written	Fluent Spoken	Only Basic Skills

In which of the following would you consider assisting?

Research Projects _____ Translation of films and documents _____

Extracting data from films and documents _____ Computer data input _____

Finances _____ Board of Directors _____

Not Sure _____ Other _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

By signing this form, the applicant agrees to comply with the bylaws of the society. Membership application and dues will not be accepted without signature.



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Membership Description and Privileges

Membership may be granted to any person who is interested in the objectives and purposes of the Society, agrees to abide by the constitution and bylaws of the Society, pays the dues of the Society, and is approved by the Membership Committee.

Members in good standing have the right to:

- (a) attend and to vote on any issue at any general meeting of the Society;
- (b) stand for election to an elective office in the Society if 18 years of age or older;
- (c) have access to any libraries established by the Society
- (d) have access to the members-only area of the web site of the Society.

Yearly Membership Dues - January through December

\$40 Canadian currency (for PayPal payments regardless of country of residence)

Postal mail submissions

- Canadian residents - \$40 Canadian currency (Check or Money Order)
 - United States residents - \$40 US currency (Check or Money Order)
 - European Union residents* - €30 or \$40 US currency
 - All others* - \$40 US currency
- * Bank Money Orders or checks, if drawn on US or Canadian banks, are also acceptable.

Pedigree Data – Additional Information

Applicants are urged to forward, either with their application, or shortly after, those portions of their pedigree chart which contain any persons of German ancestry who were born in Germany, present-day Poland (including Prussia, Posen and Silesia), or the Ukraine, including those born elsewhere, if they lived in any of the noted places. Please also include the data on spouses of such individuals, and all extended family with the same ancestry. We request that your data include yourself (including maiden name, if applicable) and how you are linked to others in the submittal.

The data is requested as a GEDCOM file (any genealogy program will generate such a file). If you have difficulty, please send us an email for assistance. We will also accept paper copies of pedigree data, and research interests lists, both of which we will convert to electronic form. The more data you supply, the greater chance we will be able to help you extend the length and breadth of your family history, as we are continually merging data from all members, as well as that from original records to link families together.

Data, on all persons related to you in our database, will be sent to you.

Correspondence and Journals

All correspondence will be made available to members of the Society for German Genealogy in Eastern Europe (SGGEE) via our web site on the Internet (www.sggee.org), also by direct e-mail to each member.

Those members not connected to the Internet and unable to receive e-mail may request to receive journals by conventional postal services.

It is the responsibility of each member to inform the Membership Committee chairperson of any changes in e-mail or postal address.