Mennonite Historical Society of Saskatchewan

Prussian - Polish Historiography Event

Bethany Manor Fellowship Centre

110 LaRonge Road, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

November 9, 7 PM

Special Music: A Buncha Guys – director, Russ Regier

Dr. Peter J. Klassen "*Lights of Hope on the Vistula*." This is the land to which Mennonites came in the 16th century; how light from the Vistula radiated across much of Europe and into America. Dr. Ted Regehr from Calgary will introduce Dr. Klassen who comes from Fresno, California.

Saturday, November 10

Registration to cover expenses (includes breaks and noon meal) may be paid prior to the sessions or on arrival at any time during Saturday - $15@ or $25/couple.

9:30 Introductions and devotional

10:50 Dr. Ted Regehr, PowerPoint presentation on Prussian/Danzig/Polish Mennonites to look at what happened as they were absorbed into administration by Russia and after in the twentieth century.

- Stretch break

11:00 Dr. Glenn Penner from the University of Guelph: new resources for current genealogical research now that Polish (Prussia) archivists are eager to assist.

12:15 - catered noon lunch.

12:55 Dr. Peter J. Klassen: *The Lure of an Enlightened Culture: Mennonite Faith Meets Prussian Culture* encompassed by two World War periods of history.

- Others that have experience in Europe will join in dialogue and respond to questions from the registrants. (Water/Coffee and refreshments available.)

3:00 Dr. Glenn Penner will review the Family Tree DNA and the ongoing Mennonite DNA Project of genealogical data collection to link surnames. He will respond to questions about what we expect to gain by participating.

Website: www.mhss.sk.ca has more details about these and other upcoming events