**Kolping Genealogy Maps & Google Earth**

We will meet virtually on Sunday, October 10 at 2:00 pm for an hour. The first part of the meeting will focus on *Maps* and using Google *Earth* in your genealogical research. The rest of the time is spent one-on-one working with each other on capturing our information and expanding our skill sets.

A subtopic on October 10 will be “Finding your Heimat” using this technology. You have to learn the location of your “home village” in order to facilitate most German research. We will compare Google *Earth* to Google *Maps* (using the two villages of my Weber family as an example) and learn to search “Germany” using both apps to find your ancestors’ homes. Armed with the address and village, you can “pin” these locations in Earth and share with others.

*Maps* gives us distances to trek, bike, or drive. Both Google Maps and Google Earth are free.

So login with your own laptop and standby to review digital maps and research on Germany’s geography.

This is a great opportunity for brother/sister members of Kolping to share their research; fellow Tuesday Workers to share their immigration stories, marksmen and choir members to locate those places where they or their ancestors learned their trades.

Basic Geography will cover the present-day German States and look back into historical regions and administrative divisions. We will look at a few of the many online gazetteers and some of the best online historical maps. Maps are fun to view and give us a perspective most useful in our research. Our forefathers would be amazed to see “Street View” of the old home place. Visit from your home with a cold drink and favorite chair.

“Live” in the Clubhouse at 2:00 (bring your maps and research) or you may follow this Zoom link, but note it is only active on October 10th: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6370102557?pwd=ZFJv TUFOY0lTZGp1eVA4QWd3VUt5Zz09

Always check our website for the latest information:

http://www.kolpingcincinnati.com/Genealogy/Genealogy.html

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