



The Spencerian Saga October 5 – 11, 2008

Every year during autumn, enthusiastic students and practitioners of Spencerian Script gather to attend the most unique penmanship workshop in North America. ✦ Known as the Spencerian Saga, the week-long program is conducted at Geneva-On-The-Lake in north-eastern Ohio; the same location where Platt Rogers Spencer lived, worked and taught. ✦ The nature of the program is very special. ✦ Designed for everyone who has an interest in learning or bettering their proficiency in vintage penmanship, the Spencerian Saga is open to persons of all skill levels, from beginner to advanced. ✦ Comprehensive instruction is given in Spencerian Script, Ornamental Penmanship, Signature Writing and Off-Hand Flourishing. ✦ Programs on the art of Engrossing are also presented during the week. ✦ In addition, a field trip is conducted to the Evergreen Cemetery where Platt Rogers Spencer and several members of his family are buried. ✦ Each workshop participant has the opportunity to make a rubbing of Spencer's magnificent memorial stone that features his name and a large quill that are carved boldly in beautiful penmanship. ✦ Furthermore, during the workshop participants will be able to study hundreds of original penmanship specimens that were written by the great master penmen from the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

The accommodations for the Spencerian Saga are also very special. ✦ We stay at a restful bed-and-breakfast inn located on the shore of beautiful Lake Erie. ✦ Registration is limited to a total of 20 participants, although additional non-participants (spouses, friends, etc.) are welcome. ✦ A workshop store will be open at the Saga each day for those who wish to purchase hand-crafted wooden penholders, books, videos, T-shirts and other workshop supplies.

Registration and Accommodations

Participants should note that the 2008 Registration procedures have changed from those to previous years. Individuals wishing to attend the Spencerian Saga MUST register separately with Michael Sull for the week-long program AND also with Andrea Bushweiler for accommodations (meals and lodging). ✦ The cost for the Spencerian Saga program (October 5-11, 2008) is \$650.00. ✦ In order to register, a minimum deposit of \$200.00 must be sent to Michael Sull to reserve your place as a participant. ✦ In addition, you must also contact Andrea at the Lake House Inn and submit a deposit to her for meals and lodging. ✦ Accommodation charges (meals and lodging) are \$550.00 (two participants to a room). ✦ Thus the total fee for attending this Spencerian Saga (program, meals and lodging) is \$1,200.00

The year 2008 marks our 22nd year of bringing the Saga of Platt Rogers Spencer to those who wish to share his legacy of penmanship. ✦ We hope you will consider joining us! ✦ For further information, feel free to contact us at the Lettering Design Group.

Sincerely,


Michael Sull


Debra Sull

The Spencerian Saga

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WORKSHOP REGISTRATION INFORMATION

[REGISTRATION FEES]

[All participants and guests must be registered with fees paid-in-full prior to the workshop.]

FULL-WEEK PARTICIPANTS

Registration fee, **\$650.**

This includes food, lodging and instruction.

*To register, please mail in a **\$200** deposit – leaving a balance of **\$450.***

*It is your responsibility to mail in the balance of your fees no later than **September 5, 2008.** Send a check or money order (in U.S. currency), made payable to **Michael R. Sull**, or send your credit card information (Mastercard or VISA).*

The Spencerian Saga
c/o The Lettering Design Group
5830 Nall Avenue, Suite 2
Mission, KS 66202

LODGING AND MEALS

[SLEEPING ACCOMMODATIONS]

Participants will be housed two to a room. Linens and bedding are provided. A very limited number of single rooms are available at an extra charge and on a first come, first serve basis. Contact the Lakehouse Inn directly for lodging and meals. The standard fee for lodging and meals is \$550. The Bed and Breakfast Inn is a non-smoking facility.

[DINING FACILITIES]

Breakfast and lunches will be served at the Lakehouse Inn. Breakfast on Saturday, October 11th will be the last meal served. Dinners will be alternately served at the Lake House Inn and several local restaurants.

WEATHER IN NORTHEASTERN OHIO

Participants will not do much walking (or stair climbing) during the week. Typical weather for October in northeastern Ohio is damp with fairly mild temperatures. It is recommended that participants bring rainwear, an umbrella and casual clothing.

YOUR MATERIAL LIST

The following is a list of materials you should bring with you. Materials will, however, be available for purchase at the workshop. A workshop store will be open each day for participants. Cash, personal checks, VISA or Mastercard will be accepted. You may also bring a camera to photograph artwork. Here is the list of supplies you need for class:

McCaffery's Penman's Ink (or other suitable ink)
• Penpoints (Hunt 56, 22 or Nikko G are recommended) • Oblique Penholder • 9" x 12" pad of tracing paper • soft vinyl eraser • ruling pen • scissors • 11" x 14" pad of 1/4" grid graph paper • two colored pencils (red and green or blue) • 12" straightedge (such as a ruler)

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Location: Geneva-On-The-Lake, Ohio

Lodging and Meals: *The Lakehouse Inn Bed and Breakfast*
5653 Lake Road, Geneva-On-The-Lake, Ohio
44041-9786. Phone: (440) 466-8668.

Dates: October 5 - 11, 2008.

Cost: \$650 per person – includes all activities and hand-outs. *This fee does not include your lodging and meals, writing supplies or shuttle transportation from the Cleveland Airport to The Lakehouse Inn.*

Skill Levels: Registration is open to persons of all skill levels, from beginner to advanced.

Register Early: Registration is limited to twenty participants, so please register early if you wish to attend. To register for the Spencerian Saga, fill out the form included in this packet of information and send it along with a minimum of \$200 deposit U.S. currency. Or we take Mastercard or VISA. **Checks or money orders made payable to: Michael R. Sull.** Mail your registration form to:

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Lodging and Meals: Cost is \$550 per person. Contact Andrea Bushweiler at the Lake House Inn for lodging and meals registration.

IF YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

If there is anything we have not covered, please contact Michael Sull at his studio. His phone number is (913) 362-7864. Studio hours are Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., central time. Sorry we cannot accept collect calls. Our fax number is (913) 362-2236.

2008 Spencerian Saga Workshop

Workshop/Research Trip

The Lake House Inn • Geneva-On-The-Lake • Ohio
October 5-11, 2008

| DATE | MORNING | AFTERNOON | EVENING |
|------------------------|---|---|---|
| Sunday October 5 | Workshop Participants Arrive | | Opening Reception Evening Program: <i>The Golden Age of Ornamental Penmanship</i> |
| Monday October 6 | Instruction: <i>Tools & Equipment Principles of Spencerian Script & Ornamental Penmanship</i> | Instruction: <i>Spencerian Script (lowercase)</i> | Slide Program: <i>The Art of Engrossing: The Other Skill of Penmen</i> |
| Tuesday October 7 | Instruction: <i>Spencerian Script: Elements of Form for Capitals</i> | <i>Capitals</i> | Instruction: <i>Engrossing Techniques: Basic Layout, Border Styles</i> |
| Wednesday October 8 | Instruction: <i>Decorative Engrossing Techniques: The nature of curves, filigree, and acanthus leaves</i> | <i>Research Trip To Geneva Cemetery to Conduct Gravestone Rubbing</i> | Free Evening: <i>No formal instruction. Michael Sull will be available to help students. Students may also use this time to study historical specimens.</i> |
| Thursday October 9 | Instruction: <i>Ornamental Penmanship: Techniques for fancying-up the lowercase and capital letters</i> | | Instruction: <i>Ornamental Penmanship: Signature Writing</i> |
| Friday October 10 | Instruction: <i>Off-Hand Flourishing: The techniques and beauty of non-lettering penmanship</i> | <i>Cartouches, scrolls, traditional patterns, quills, birds, and accent flourishing</i> | Closing Program Special Program! |
| Saturday October 11 | <i>Workshop Participants Depart</i> | <i>Have A Safe Journey Home! Hope to see you next year!</i> | |

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R E G I S T R A T I O N F O R M

Please mail this **completed this form** to the 2008 Spencerian Saga along with a minimum of a **\$200 deposit** (see refund policy at the bottom of this page). Checks or money orders should be made out to **Michael R. Sull**. Please Note: It is your responsibility that the balance of your \$650 fee be mailed in no later than **September 5, 2008**.

MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION AND DEPOSIT TO:

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Mission, Kansas 66202

**PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO REGISTER FOR THE
2008 SPENCERIAN SAGA WORKSHOP PROGRAM:**

Name _____

Address: _____

Address 2: _____

City _____

State & Zip Code _____

Phone (Daytime & Evening): _____

ENCLOSED IS A DEPOSIT PAYMENT (MINIMUM OF \$200).

Method of payment:

CHECK MONEY ORDER VISA/MASTERCARD

For VISA/MASTERCARD payments:

Name listed on Card: _____

If paying by credit card – please check one: VISA MASTERCARD

Card Account Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

(You may pay or charge any portion or the entire amount of the total \$650 workshop fee)

Please write in specific amount enclosed _____

REFUND POLICY:

Persons who have registered for the Spencerian Saga and find they must cancel their registration due to personal or family circumstances are eligible for the following refund policy. For those who must cancel before September 5, 2008, all paid registration fees will be refunded. For those who cancel on September 5 thru September 27 all registration fees will be refunded except for the \$200. deposit. No refunds will be given for cancellations after September 27.

FOR STAFF USE ONLY

Amount Paid _____ Acknowledgement Sent: _____