

2007 International Austin Convention Program - Welwyn Garden City

FRIDAY, August 17th

- 4 to 5 p.m. **Registration** - Pick up your Badge, Attendees List, Convention Agenda, Area Directions, etc.
- 5 to 6 p.m. **“Get Acquainted” Gathering** (*casual in Bar ‘66’*)
(Dinner on your own or with friends)

SATURDAY, August 18th

- 8 to 9 a.m. **Workshop I** - Meet in Stanborough Suite to exchange data with other Austin researchers.
- 9:00 a.m. **Welcome** by Dr. Mike Austin, then self-introductions and the research interests of each of the attendees.
- 9:15 a.m. **“The Austin-Austen DNA Project Status”**
Dr. Mike Austin, Concord, Massachusetts
- 10:00 a.m. **“The Austin-Austen DNA Project Fund Status”**
Carol Robinson Austin, Garden Grove, California
- 10:15 a.m. Break
- 10:30 a.m. **“Unexpected DNA Results... What Now?”**
Dr. Charlie Austin, Garden Grove, California
- 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. – Lunch Break – on your own
- 1:00 p.m. **“Distribution of the Austins in England”**
Dr. Roger Austin, Sherborne, Dorset
- 1:45 p.m. Depart for tour of **Welwyn Roman Baths**
- 3:30 p.m. Depart Baths for Homestead Court Hotel
- 4:00 p.m. **“Tracing your ancestors from London”**
Mr. Paul Blake, co-author of *“Discover Your Roots”*

- 5:00 p.m. Day Session Concludes
- 6:00 p.m. Cocktail Hour at the hotel's Bar '66'
- 7:00 p.m. Annual Banquet in Stanborough Suite
(see program on next page)

SUNDAY, August 19th

- 8 to 9 a.m. **Workshop II** - continue interactions with other Austin researchers in the Stanborough Suite.
- 9:00 p.m. **“Austen-Austin Coats of Arms”**
Dr. Mike Austin, Concord, Massachusetts
- 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. **“The Austin Sept of Clan Keith”**
Mr. Joseph Austin, Las Vegas, Nevada
- 11:00 a.m. **AFGS Business Meeting** - Dr. Mike Austin
Nominations for the 2008 Convention Site
- 11:30 a.m. **“The Romans in Verulamium”**
Cheryl Austin Akusis, Concord, Massachusetts
- 11:45 a.m. Day Session Concludes
- 12:00 noon Depart for **Verulamium Park**
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch at **Westminster Lodge Leisure Centre**
cafeteria or snacks at the **Inn on the Park**
Tour St. Albans Cathedral and Abbey
Tour Roman City Wall and its London Gate
Tour Roman Amphitheatre
Tour Verulamium Museum
Stroll around the lake or along River Ver.
- 4:30 p.m. Return to the Homestead Court Hotel

Saturday Evening Banquet Program

6:00 p.m. **Cocktail Hour** (*in the hotel's Bar '66'*)

7:00 p.m. **Buffet Dinner** (*in the Stanborough Suite*)

Talk by Guest Speaker Paul Blake:

'Codpiece to Calvin Klein – a History of Sexual Attraction'

Mr. Blake is a full-time researcher, lecturer and writer, a member of the Association of Genealogists and Researchers in Archives (AGRA) and the Association of Professional Genealogists. He is a Fellow of the Society of Genealogists and President of the East Surry Family History Society.

Mr. Blake has worked as advisor to BBC and the History Channel, Past Chairman of the Society of Genealogists Executive Committee and Lectures Committee; Vice-Chairman of Executive Committee of the Federation of Family History Societies; he serves on the National Archives Online Advisory Board and on the Regular Users Committees of The National Archives and the Family Records Centre, and the British Genealogical Record Users' Committee.

Austin Families Genealogical Society's
2007 Austin Genealogical Research Award
presented by Dr. Mike Austin, AFGS President

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