## Indiana Chapter Collaborative Learning Series "German-speaking Ancestors from France"

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Saturday January 30, 2021 – 12 Noon – 2 PM [EST] via Zoom
This FREE program is open only to Pal-Am members of any chapter
Registration Required

The historically German-speaking areas of France comprise three *départements* along the border with Germany: Moselle, Bas-Rhin, and Haut-Rhin. This simple description belies the complex history of these areas, caught as they were between what was a stable linguist border on one side and a changeable political border on the other. Researching your ancestry here can be challenging.

The presentation will start with a history of these areas as a context for better understanding your ancestors' lives, but also as an aid in identifying the jurisdictions where their records might have been kept. That will be followed with an overview of resources available for research (primarily online resources), along with practical illustrations of how to use them, based on the presenter's own research. At the conclusion of the presentation, there will be time for answering questions.

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