

## Associate Editor Report

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### GAMEO Statistics 2018

	Oct 2010	Dec 2012	Dec 2013*	Dec 2014	Dec 2015	Dec 2016	Dec 2017	Apr 2018
Users per Day	2,412	2,393	967	1,324	1,219	1,074	1,050	1,217
Articles in GAMEO	14,739	15,327	15,463	15,644	15,938	16,128	16,238	16,437

\* Changed to *Google Analytics* for statistical information. Visitors vary by month. For example, in October 2017 the average number of users each day was 1,284.

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In April 2018 the GAMEO site had a total of 44,875 sessions/visits and 36,512 users/visitors. The number of pages visited per session was 2.05, and the average session duration was 2 minutes and 3 seconds (1 minute and 54 seconds in 2015). The bounce rate (the percentage of visitors who enter the site and "bounce" [leave the site] rather than continue viewing other pages within the same site) was 70.29% (73.23% in 2015).

In terms of the language of our visitors in April, 90.21% were English-speaking, 2.04% were German, 0.75% were Dutch, 0.55% were Spanish, and 0.50% were French.

The top ten countries in which the visitors were located were: Canada, 44.47%, United States, 40.53%, Germany, 2.15%, United Kingdom, 1.37%, Netherlands, 1.16%, Australia, 0.67%, China, 0.63%, India, 0.60%, France, 0.55%, and Poland, 0.39%. The most visitors from one city in April 2017 came from Calgary, Alberta—2,235 visitors; Calgary was also first in December 2017. The top ten cities are all in Canada; the top U.S. city is Chicago which came in 11<sup>th</sup>.

The top pages visited in April were: 1) Welcome to GAMEO; 2) Vanguard Hutterite Colony (Vanguard, Saskatchewan, Canada); 3) Hutterian Brethren; 4) Church of God in Christ, Mennonite; 5) Molotschna Mennonite Settlement; 6) Names (Mennonite); 7) Humboldt Bible Church (Humboldt, Saskatchewan, Canada) ; 8) Dariusleut; 9) Dordrecht Confession of Faith (Mennonite 1632); 10) GAMEO: Community Portal (no content); 11) Chortitza Mennonite Settlement; 12) Lehrerleut; 13) Beachy Amish Mennonite Fellowship; 14) Menno Simons (1496-1561); 15) Palatinate; 16) Pine Haven Hutterite Colony (Westaskiwin, Alberta) 17) Scotford Hutterite Colony (Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta)); 18) Mennonite Confession of Faith (1963); 19)

Recent Changes page (listing of changes); 20) Germantown Mennonite Settlement (Pennsylvania, USA)

This list appears to reflect increased Hutterite activity.

The increase in the number of articles since December 2017 is primarily due to my adding Beachy Amish and related congregations to the website. These are short “stub-like” articles that made use of Cory Anderson’s published work.

## **GAMEO DVD**

In April Samuel Hoover, a conservative Mennonite in Pennsylvania, made an updated DVD of GAMEO for sale at cost to conservative persons who use computers but do not use the Internet. Samuel reported that the first edition of this product was distributed in about 500 copies. We have asked for copies of the updated DVD version to be deposited at the Mennonite Historical Library in Goshen and the Mennonite Archives of Ontario in Waterloo.

## **Editors**

Active editors in the past year have included Alf Redekopp, Bert Friesen and myself. More limited editorial work has been done by Richard Thiessen, Susan Huebert and Emmy Maendel (who edited some of the Bruderhof-related articles).

## **Regional Editorial Committees**

There are still semi-active regional groups in Ontario, Manitoba, British Columbia, and Lancaster, Pennsylvania. We were also pleased to receive several new biographies from Kenya; hopefully more of these will follow.

## **PeaceWorks**

I have served as GAMEO’s liaison with our Internet Service Provider, PeaceWorks, since our last meeting. PeaceWorks updated our site’s MediaWiki software in July 2017. This needs to be done every couple of years to stay ahead of software security issues. This upgrade was largely successful, though we lost some important search and replace functionality. PeaceWorks made a limited effort, at my request, to investigate that issue again in April of this year, but without success.

In late summer 2017 we experienced a number of outages in GAMEO for periods of time until PeaceWorks moved GAMEO to a newer server. Peaceworks would like us to move to a server dedicated to GAMEO because of our size and the amount of traffic we generate. Bert Friesen will have information on the cost of pursuing this option. PeaceWorks also provided the “dump” required by Samuel Hoover to create the GAMEO DVD.

--Sam Steiner, Associate Editor, May 3, 2018