

Family History Month Celebration Schedule

Friday, October 21, 2022



Seven FREE programs available to watch on the 8th floor + tours & research help!
Register to attend or just come on by! bit.ly/DPLGenPrograms

10-11 a.m.

Deciphering Handwriting in Genealogical Records

Speaker:
*Joseph B. Everett, MLS,
AG, Librarian (BYU
Library)*

In this age of technology, reading handwriting is becoming a lost skill, but it is essential for success in genealogical research. It is not enough to rely on computer indexes, when they exist, to find and interpret records, as these only include a portion of the information and often contain errors. Learn about techniques and tools for improving your skills in deciphering handwritten documents. Information about developments in handwritten text recognition will also be included.

11:10-12 p.m.

Improve, Expand, and Enrich your Family Tree – With Tax Records!

Speaker:
*Doug Waggoner,
Family Historian*

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With some simple techniques, you can use tax records to expand your knowledge of your ancestors. You will discover new relatives, differentiate between people with similar names, and break through brick walls. You will also learn far more about where and how they lived.

12:10-1:20 p.m.

Building and Researching Your Family Tree

Speakers: *Bill Buckner
& Hannah Kubacak,
Waco-McLennan
County Library*

Budding researchers will learn the basic concepts, skills, search strategies and resources needed to get started researching their family tree. Join us as we walk through the process of recording what you already know, getting organized, collecting, and evaluating the information you find. Learn to navigate online and print resources for records of 'genealogical value' – vital, cemetery, obituaries, census, immigration records and more!

1:30-2:30 p.m.

Choosing Genealogy Services & Software

Speaker:
*Tony Hanson, Family
Historian*

This presentation will provide a high-level overview of the capabilities offered by 'online genealogical services,' 'genetic DNA testing services' and 'family tree software providers' with the goal of helping participants make informed choices from the wide range of products and services that are currently available.

2:40-3:30 p.m.

Citing Sources Without Stressing Out

Speaker:
*Amy Johnson Crow,
founder Generations
Connection*

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Citing sources is one of those things in genealogy research that tends to make us kind of kind of twitchy. We know we should be doing it and we want to do them right... so we tend to stress out about it. But there is a key to thinking about citing sources—and it won't raise our blood pressure.

3:40-4:55 p.m.

How to Approach and Solve Brick Wall Problems with DNA

Speaker:
*Sara Allen, Allen County
Genealogy Center*

Learn steps to take to evaluate your brick wall problem, learn best DNA tests to use for different problems, and how to work with the DNA results and genealogical research to solve the problem. We will also go over several case studies that utilize these strategies.

5-5:50 p.m.

United States Migration Patterns: Why They Left, Where They Went, and the Stories They Left Behind

Speaker:
*LeAnne McCamey, owner of
American Genealogical
Research Services*

This program provides a broad overview of migration touching on the reasons to study migration & the keys to understanding migration. The four distinct migration time periods are briefly addressed in addition to the reasons people migrated and finding the documents and records they left behind during their migration. Instruction is given in the methodology of developing a migratory tracing of an individual or family.

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