

# Discover Your Family History at the Library

## January – June 2017

### Getting Started in Family History

**Saturday, January 7, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

**Saturday, March 18, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

Join the Special Collections Division for an introduction to genealogy for new family historians. This class includes an overview of genealogical sources available at the library, suggestions for getting started, and tips for organizing your research. This class meets in Meeting Room 2AB, High Street Level, Main Library. Registration requested.

### Branching Out: U.S. Vital Records and Obituaries

**Saturday, January 28, 10:30 – 12:30 pm**

This class focuses on the types of genealogical information and sources researchers encounter, what to expect when working with U.S. vital records and obituaries, and basic strategies for finding these records. As we will be using electronic resources, basic computer skills are recommended. This class meets in Computer Lab 2, First Floor, Main Library. Registration requested.

### Finding Your Family in the U.S. Census

**Saturday, February 11, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

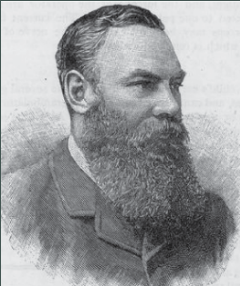
United States Census records are rich sources of genealogical information. Join us as we learn more about using these valuable records for your family research. As we will be using electronic resources, basic computer skills are recommended. This class meets in Computer Lab 2, First Floor, Main Library. Registration requested.

### Using Historical Newspapers in Your Genealogy Research

**Saturday, March 4, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

Historical newspapers should be a “primary” source for all genealogists. From births to obituaries, estate notices to news stories,

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## **Church and State: Genealogy Research in Religious and Government Records**

**Featuring Sunny McClellan and Chris Staats**

**Saturday, April 1, 9:30 am – 4 pm**

Main Library Auditorium. Registration requested.



newspapers can fill in important details and help to paint a fuller picture of our ancestors' lives. This new class will take a look at accessing newspaper content through a variety of resources. This class meets in Computer Lab 2, First Floor, Main Library. Registration requested.

## **Using Ancestry in Your Genealogy Research**

**Saturday, May 6, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

With almost 9,000 databases and billions of images, Ancestry is the premier online genealogy resource--and it's available to you for free within any ASCPL location. This class will introduce you to the many features of Ancestry Library Edition and show you how to do efficient and effective searches. As we will be using electronic resources, basic

computer skills are recommended. This class meets in Computer Lab 2, First Floor, Main Library. Registration requested.

## **Researching Your Immigrant Ancestors Before 1820**

**Saturday, June 3, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

Tracing ancestors before 1820 can be extremely difficult due to a lack of documentation and limited accessibility of surviving records. Focusing on European immigrants to the eastern seaboard, this class is an overview of strategies and sources commonly used in researching early immigrants. Please note: This class is geared toward genealogists with intermediate research skills. This class meets in Computer Lab 2, High Street Level, Main Library. Registration requested.

**These FREE classes require registration.** For more information and to register, contact the Special Collections Division, 330.643.9030 or [speccollections@akronlibrary.org](mailto:speccollections@akronlibrary.org). Visit our Web site at <http://sc.akronlibrary.org/>



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