



Discover Your Family History at the Library

January – June 2018

Getting Started in Family History

Saturday, January 13, 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 required.

Branching Out: U.S. Vital Records and Obituaries

Saturday, February 10, 10:30 am – 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 required.

Kenneth Bravo presents “Locating and Using Your Ancestor’s Post-1906 Naturalization Records” and “The Nuts and Bolts of Jewish Genealogy”

Saturday, May 5, 10:30 am – 1 pm

Main Library, Meeting Room 2AB. Registration requested.

Carla Cegielski presents “Digital Ohio: Buckeye Gems” and “Treasures of the Internet Archive”

Saturday, June 23, 10:30 am – 1 pm

Main Library, Meeting Room 2AB. Registration requested.



Finding Your Family in the U.S. Census

Saturday, March 10, 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 required.

Identifying Your Family Photographs

Saturday, April 14, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

A picture may be worth a thousand words, but unlocking the stories of unidentified photographs requires some sleuthing. This class includes tips and techniques for identifying historic photographs. Learn to read clues, such as the type of photograph, clothing and hairstyles, and even whether or not subjects are smiling, to reveal the stories behind every photograph. This workshop will also take a look at how genealogy databases and local history resources can

be used to identify your family photographs. This class meets in Meeting Room 2AB, High Street Level, Main Library. Registration required.

Using Historical Newspapers in Your Genealogy Research

Saturday, May 12, 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, 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 required.

Using Ancestry in Your Genealogy Research

Saturday, June 9, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

With over 10,000 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 required.

Please register for these FREE classes.

For more information and to register, contact the Special Collections Division, 330-643-9030 or speccollections@akronlibrary.org.

