



CLASSES AND EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2024

Event details are subject to change. Check our website for the latest information. If registration is not available on the website, please check back.

Thursday, February 1, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Class: Wills and Probate; Where There's a Will...

Wills and Probates can be genealogical goldmines. Sara Cochran will start with an overview of these records, the probate process, and tips for finding and using these records. She will also show how to turn a will into a starter tree.

Hybrid – Zoom AND in person at the library. Cost: \$10 for members; \$20 for non-members.

Friday, February 2, 1:00 - 3:00 PM, German Research Help Session

Need assistance with your German research? Join Ann Baracker and volunteers from the German Interest Group to help answer questions you might have.

In person at the library. Cost: Free to all.

Thursday, February 8, 10:30 AM - Noon, Genealogy Newbies Interest Group IN PERSON

Barbara Northrop facilitates this group that meets the second Thursday of the month and is for new genealogists who want a small group setting to ask questions. The interest group will start with the first 45 minutes for topical structured content and the last half of the session will be open for general questions.

In person at the library. Cost: Free to all.

Thursday, February 8, 6:00 - 7:30 PM, Genealogy Newbies Interest Group by ZOOM

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Zoom only. Cost: Free to all.

Friday, February 9, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Irish Interest Group

Barbara Halvorsen facilitates this interest group concentrating on Irish history, culture and researching Irish ancestors. The group meets the second Friday of the month.

Zoom only. Cost: Free to all.

Monday, February 12, 9:30 AM - Noon, RVGS Board meeting

All members are welcome. Come to the library side door and ring the doorbell.

In person at the library. Cost: Free to all.

Monday, February 12, 2:00 – 3:30 PM, Colonial America Interest Group

Jeanne Hoadley facilitates this Interest group which meets on the second Monday of even-numbered months to discuss genealogy research in the original 13 colonies.

Hybrid – Zoom AND in person at the library. Cost: Free to all.

Tuesday, February 13, 11:00 AM - Noon, German Interest Group

This interest group concentrates on German history and research. They meet the Second Tuesday of the month. Hybrid - Zoom AND in person at the library. Cost: Free to all.

Tuesday, February 13, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Family Tree Maker Interest Group

This group is facilitated by Barbara MacMillen. Come with any questions about using "Family Tree Maker" software. They meet the second Tuesday of the month.

Zoom only. Cost: Free to all.

Wednesday, February 14, 10:30 AM - Noon, Genetic Genealogy Interest Group

Barbara Halvorsen facilitates this interest group for everyone interested in genetic genealogy. They meet on the second Wednesday of the month.

Hybrid - Zoom AND in person at the library. Cost: Free to all.

Wednesday, February 14, 1:30 – 3:00 PM, Great Lakes Interest Group

Kim Thurman facilitates this group to discuss genealogy research in the Great Lakes region. Primary focus will be the states of Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio, but researchers to the north and east along the Great Lakes are welcome as well. They meet on the second Wednesday of even-numbered months.

Zoom only. Cost: Free to all.

Friday, February 16, 10:30 AM – Noon, Class: Maximizing Your Ancestry Google Searches

Google should be an important tool in any genealogist's toolbox. The Google search engine has come a long way and Rich Miles will teach you tips and tricks to get the most out of your Google searches.

Hybrid – Zoom AND in person at the library. Cost: \$10 for members; \$20 for non-members.

Tuesday, February 20, 1:30-3:00 PM, Program and Member Meeting, The Oregon Blue Book

Since 1911, the Oregon Blue Book has been an "indispensable" resource for state, city, county, and federal governments as well as institutions, schools, etc. in Oregon. Barbara Northrop and Rich Cunningham will show how these volumes can be a genealogist's treasure trove of contextual information to enrich your ancestor's story.

Hybrid – Zoom AND in person at the library. Cost: Free to all.

Wednesday, February 21, 1:30 – 3:00 PM, Roundtable: Let's Talk Genealogy

This meeting is a chance to get together with others who share your same interest. We will start with a focus and see where it goes from there.

Zoom only. Cost: Free to all.

Tuesday, February 27, 1:30 – 3:00 PM, Quilt Program: Sunshine & Shadow Quilt and More

Suzanne Marshall will be presenting three family quilts made by three generations of Kentucky women. She will be talking about how these material culture items fit into history, and women's work and art. Suzanne was born in Kentucky and holds a PhD in History, and has been a professor of Environmental, Women's, and African American History at numerous Universities.

In Person at the library. No registration necessary. Cost: Free to all