



Classes & Events May 2025

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, May 8, 10:30 AM – Noon, Class series: Genealogy 101 – USA Land Research Strategies

This class is taught by Barbara Northrop

In-Person at the library only, Cost: \$5 for members; \$10 for non-members. This class will NOT be recorded.

Thursday, May 8, 6:00 – 7:30 PM, Class Series: Genealogy 101 – USA Land Research Strategies

This class is taught by Barbara Northrop

Zoom only. Cost: \$5 for members; \$10 for non-members. This class will NOT be recorded.

Friday, May 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 on the second Friday of the month.

Zoom only. Cost: Free to all.

Monday, May 12, 9:30 AM - Noon, RVGS Board Meeting

All members are welcome. Come to the library side door and ring the doorbell or join us via zoom. The zoom link is located on our website: rvgslibrary.org > **Membership** > **Member Resources**".

Cost: Free to all.

Tuesday, May 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 on the second Tuesday of the month.

Zoom only. Cost: Free to all.

Wednesday, May 14, 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM, 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. This month the topic will be Jeanne Hoadley's April 17 "Genetic Genealogy Networks" class. The discussion and zooming will end early at 11:30 AM, followed by an in-person lab session at the library from 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM.

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

Tuesday, May 20, 1:30 – 3:00 PM Program and Member Meeting: Shady Cove People

Join Kim Thurman as she unravels the stories of six pioneering families who patented land in Shady Cove from the 1870s to the 1920s. These settlers, diverse in race, ethnicity, and origin shared a common dream; to carve out a life along the Rogue River. Their histories reveal compelling tales of resilience, community, and the pursuit of opportunity in a changing frontier.

Hybrid – Zoom AND in person at the library. Cost: Free to all. This program will not be recorded.

Wednesday, May 21, 1:30 – 3:00 PM, Brick Wall Roundtable

Bring your stumbling blocks and find answers with others to what is keeping you facing a “brick wall” in your genealogical research.

Zoom only. Cost: Free to all.

Monday, May 26, CLOSED in observance of Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 27, 11:00 AM – Noon, German Interest Group

The German Interest Group meets regularly on the fourth Tuesday of the month. The emphasis will be on tools and tips for finding and researching German ancestors and also for Germans trying to find relatives who emigrated. In some months, the first part of the meeting may include a speaker. This will be followed with an unstructured time for questions and mutual support. Jon Wolfe, the facilitator for this group, is an American who lives in Germany.

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

Thursday, May 29, 10:30 AM – 3:00 PM, Class: Google Earth Pro by Kim Thurman

Ready to revolutionize your family history research? Google Earth Pro, a free mapping tool, transforms how you document your ancestors’ lives by letting you create detailed maps of their homesteads, mark key locations, and trace migration routes through time - plus you’ll learn to overlay historical maps and create virtual tours that bring your family’s story to life. Note: Google Earth Pro is not compatible with tablets or smartphones.

The class is from 10:30 AM – Noon, with a help session from 1:00 – 3:00 PM.

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