

# Discover Your Family History at the Library

**January – June, 2015**

**Saturdays, 10:30 am–12:30 pm**

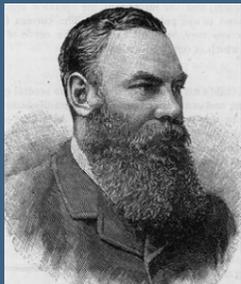


## Getting Started in Family History

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

**Saturday, March 14, 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 24, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

**Saturday, March 28, 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 requested.

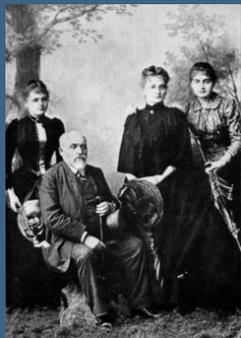


## Finding Your Family in the U.S. Census

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

**Saturday, April 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.



## Internet Genealogy

**Saturday, February 28, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

**Saturday, May 16, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

There are an overwhelming number of websites for genealogy research. This class will provide tips for locating online resources for family history research and allow participants some class time to explore websites. The focus will be on finding free online genealogy resources and brief introductions to the library's genealogy databases. This class does not cover Ancestry Library

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Edition as there is a separate class for this resource. This class meets in Computer Lab 2, First Floor, Main Library. Registration requested.

## Using Ancestry in Your Genealogy Research

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

**Saturday, June 13, 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, April 25, 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 Meeting Room 2AB, High Street Level, Main Library. Registration requested.

## Identifying Your Family Photographs

**Saturday, June 6**

**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

**Courtesy of Ohio Chapter, Palatines to America German Genealogy Society:**

## Beginning German Genealogy and The 19th Century German Traveler

**Presented by Nancy Ottman**

**Saturday, May 2, 10:30 am - 12:45 pm**

**Main Library.**

**Registration Requested.**

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 requested.

## Getting Started in African American Genealogy

**Saturday, June 20**

**10:30 am – 12:30 pm**

Do you want to trace your African American family tree? Not sure how or where to begin? The Special Collections Division presents a two-hour session for genealogy beginners who have a specific interest in African American ancestral research. This class meets in Meeting Room 2AB, 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 website at <http://sc.akronlibrary.org/>.



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