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# Genealogy *PLUS*

2020/2021 Series



September 2020 - May 2021  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of Each Month**  
**10am - 12pm**

Each monthly Genealogy PLUS event will feature an hour-long presentation by an expert followed by a study session.

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We will begin this year's series online using Zoom.

To receive the link to join a presentation, register for the presentation through Ames Public Library's online calendar ([www.amespubliclibrary.org/events](http://www.amespubliclibrary.org/events)) or call (515) 239-5646 ext. 4.

Register separately for each presentation you would like to attend.

## **Wednesday, September 16**

### **Economical Ways to Do Genealogy Research**

Speaker: Mary Lohr

This program will focus on free and economical ways to trace your ancestry. Examples will include sources for affordable materials, research, education, and resources.

## **Wednesday, October 21**

### **Genealogy Software**

Speaker: Dennis Allen

What software is the best for you? Dennis Allen will tell us about the different software programs. Most importantly, he'll explain what they can do for you and how they can meet your genealogy research needs.

## **Wednesday, November 18**

### **Working for a Living, the Government Way**

Speaker: Pamela Riney-Kehrberg

This introduction to the Civilian Conservation Corps and Works Progress Administration will provide an overview to both programs, as well as discussing the way in which both of these programs affected the Iowa we live in today.

## **December - No Program**

### **Wednesday, January 20**

#### **Ancestry and DNA Testing**

Speakers: Pete Peterson & Kathy Jones

Should you get your DNA tested, and what should you expect? Find out what DNA looks like and why everyone is different. We'll explore how your DNA results help with your ancestor searches.

### **Wednesday, February 17**

#### **Genealogy Grab Bag**

February's program will consist of a series of shorter presentations, such as ways to organize your genealogy research. We all have piles of it, so how can we organize it? Even more challenging can be electronic files. Find out how different people tackle the task of organization.

### **Wednesday, March 17**

#### **Tools of the Trade: Timelines, Tables, Templates and More!**

Speaker: Alice Hoyt Veen, CG

Basic computer word processing and pencil-to-paper templates can help you organize, analyze, and understand genealogical research. These simple tools and techniques are powerful and effective, yet easy to master.

## **Wednesday, April 21**

### **Preparing for a Trip to the Archives**

Speakers: Megan Klein-Hewett, Ames Public Library  
& Lorrie Pellack, Iowa State University Library

Prepare for next month's road trip by researching Parks Library's resources! This session will help you learn methods to find valuable records to search before you arrive and share many of the unique genealogy resources found in the University Library Special Collections and University Archives.

## **Wednesday, May 19**

### **Road Trip to Parks Library Archives**

Speaker: Olivia Garrison, Iowa State University Library

Meet at the Iowa State University Parks Library lobby promptly at 10am. Olivia Garrison, Reference Coordinator, will give us a tour and explain the collections. Then you may want to do some family research! Find parking information and more details at [www.storygenes.com](http://www.storygenes.com).

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