CONNECTING THE PAST WITH THE FUTURE: LIBRARY GENEALOGY FROM THE GROUND UP

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Who Do You Think Are?

Growing a Library Genealogy Club From the Ground Up

Digging In

Continuing The Growth

Fruitage

Created by Pat Russell for the NEFLIN 2018 Hot Topics Conference: Libraries Unplugged
All open Monday – Thursday, 9 am-8 pm, Friday & Saturday 9 am-5 pm, and Sunday 1-5 pm.

Northwest Branch
407-665-1640
580 Green Way Boulevard
Lake Mary, Florida 32746

West Branch
407-665-1670
245 N. Hunt Club
Boulevard
Longwood, Florida 32779

East Branch
407-665-1560
310 Division Street
Oviedo, Florida 32765

North Branch
407-665-1620
150 N. Palmetto Avenue
Sanford, Florida 32771

Jean Rhein
Central Branch
407-665-1500
215 Oxford Rd
Casselberry, Florida 32707
BRING TO THE LIBRARY:

- Library Card (and/or ID)
- Email information
- Thumb drive
- Prints – $0.15/black, $0.60/color
- Phone (on silent)
- Paper/notebook/pencil
- Seat cushion
Seminole County Library Website

Climb your family tree @ the library
- Genealogy Clubs and Classes
- Genealogy databases

Genealogy @ the Library
Uncover your roots with these databases: Ancestry.com, Heritage, America's Obituaries and more!
Seminole County Library Genealogy 101

Genealogy 101

Central Branch Library
Saturday afternoons, 2 to 4 p.m.
AUGUST 19th - SEPTEMBER 16th
OCTOBER 21st - NOVEMBER 18th

Learn how to construct your family history in this four class session. Please plan to attend all four sessions. Registration is Limited. Free.
For Adults & Teens, ages 15+.

Central Branch Library • 215 North Oxford Road • Casselberry
For more information, call 407-665-5500
or visit our Events Calendar at http://semolinolibrary.org.

Genealogy 101

West Branch Library
Thursday afternoons, 2 to 4 p.m.
JANUARY 18th • JANUARY 25th
FEBRUARY 1st • FEBRUARY 8th

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Northwest Branch Library
Tuesday afternoons, 2 to 4 p.m.
MARCH 21st • APRIL 18th • MAY 16th

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Getting the word out
Presenters included:

- Local authors on Saban descent, Lithuanian ancestors, and 1920s immigration.
- Historians on early American history, and museum resources.
- Local genealogy society members about best genealogy websites, creating pedigree charts, heritage albums, uploading DNA tests, etc.
- Museum curators on preservation of documents, land records, grave sites and genealogy of places.
- Family History Library volunteers and genealogy library genealogists on Family Search, DNA tests, and primary sources.
- And family heritage organizations on the best use of their websites to find ancestors.
Central Florida Genealogical Society comes onboard-
www.cfgs.org email: cfgs@cfgs.org

General Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesdays of the month at 7:30 p.m.
September through May at the Orlando Family History Center,
45 E. Par Street, Orlando, FL 32804 (Corner of Par & Formosa)

Special Interest Group meetings are also held at the Family History Center location. See website for days and times.

Daytime Genealogy meetings are held on 2nd Mondays of the month at 2:00 p.m. at the Seminole County Central Branch Library, 215 N. Oxford Road, Casselberry, FL 32707
Seminole County Library Genealogy Club

Talks by
- Elainie Powell, noted genealogist
- Greg Gronlund, head of the West Oaks Genealogy Center
- Patricia Charpentier, author and teacher of writing memoirs

Volunteer opportunities in
- the Scottish Highland Games,
- annual Family History Conferences
- plus many other events around Central Florida
Genealogy Fair Survey

* What was the most helpful part of the Genealogy Fair?
  Meeting the different areas

* What would you like to see more or less of?
  ethnic groups

* Please select the term that describes you best:
  New to genealogy
  Experienced genealogist
  Just seeing what the event was about
  (or with someone who is interested in genealogy)

Thank you for your time and views, and for using the Central Branch Library!
Sister Libraries, Collections, and Volunteers

West Oaks Branch Public Library and Genealogy Center

Genealogy Specialist at Center for one-on-ones
Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Orlando

-amazing speakers and collaboration with the CFGS and the University Club on panels, talks, etc. (and streaming monthly meetings!)
Genealogy Club members talk: core group for outreach

FLA Poster Session

And other outreach:

• January 2018: talk on all library genealogy databases for the Jewish Genealogy Society of Greater Orlando
• March 2018: talk on HeritageQuest database for the University Club Genealogy Group
• Ask A Librarian and in-house obituary questions answered by most reference staff
• NEFLIN and Tampa consortium talks
Seated slides offer an option for working the hamstrings while sitting in a chair. The key to making this move effective is to use your body weight to add resistance to the exercise.

1. Sit tall in a chair, abs engaged, and place paper plates under each foot.
2. Press the right foot hard onto the plate and push it forward, engaging the front of the leg.
3. Continuing to press onto the plate, slide the right foot back while sliding the left foot forward.
4. As you pull the foot back, focus on the back of the leg and keeping even pressure on the paper plate.
5. Continue slow and controlled reps, alternating sides, for a total of 16 reps, repeating for 1-3 sets.

Going further: genealogy joins other library programs

Meditation at the library
“Successful genealogical research requires a study of the history of the location of interest and includes the identification of historical boundaries and jurisdictions. Records are created and filed according to the location of these jurisdictions” from “Walking With your Ancestors”
BIOGRAPHICAL SOUVENIRS OF THE STATES OF GEORGIA AND FLORIDA

U.S. General Land Office Records, 1796-1907 for Edward R. Trafford

Florida, State, Census, 1885 for E R Trafford

+ Ghost tour, Escape Rooms or Famous Person day
Creating a Family Legacy Album

Scrapbooking your family history
Best, Laura. 2005

Tools needed:
- A magnifying glass,
- Cotton gloves,
- Measuring tape,
- Soft-lead pencils and quick-drying pens,
- Protective sleeves, albums and storage containers (non-acid, non-lignin)
- Scanner (or printer), Worksheets

The modern memory keeper
Parsons, Ronee. 2008.

+ Writing Classes or DIY Crafting @ the library
PHOTO IDENTIFICATION AND SCANNING

How to Review your photos:

• Never assume the photo is a family member – it could be a family friend.

• Ask to see the photo collection of those you interview – there could be more complete captions.

• Always have a copy of the photo(s) you are asking about to leave with the interviewees.

+ Save Your Photos class
Reading Old Handwriting

+ Graphology: Handwriting Analysis @ the library

Courtesy of the South Orlando Florida Family History Library
CULTURAL HISTORY FESTIVALS AND HISTORICAL REINACTMENTS

+ Teen volunteer hours
TAKE-AWAYS:

• **Personal connection trumps technology:**
   Though a lot is on the Internet for free, what keeps family researchers passionate are the stories they find, and can SHARE. Make time for sharing.

• **Collaboration and communication make great planning tools:**
   What makes events like the Genealogy Fair possible is the willingness to collaborate, and communication all year long. Fair presenters are on the monthly Club emailings, and can share their tips with Club members that way, too.

• **Never stop learning...and listening:**
   Family history research is a huge topic, and the classes that are most fun are given by people willing to explore, rather than needing to be right.
Connecting the Past
With the Future: Library
Genealogy
From the Ground Up

Thank you for your time,
attention, and tips on what works
in your library genealogy
program!

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