

WGS SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM
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Name: _____ Phone: _____

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_____ WGS Member \$25 _____ Non-member \$30 \$ _____

NOTICE: We recommend dining before attending. Library has no snack machine.

_____ WGS Membership Dues \$15.00 \$ _____

Class Size is limited: Register early for best choice.

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Make your check or money-order payable to the **Waterford Genealogical Society**

Mail To: WGS Seminar
P.O. Box 300162
Waterford, MI 48330

No Refunds after April 10, 2024

The Waterford Township Public Library is a Family Search Affiliate Library.

Through this partnership with FamilySearch.org and the Family Search Center, researchers at the Seminar and at the WTPL Library will be able to view most digital images of record sets that were previously only available at the *Family Search Center* in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Need Help?

We will have volunteers available to guide you with your research, finding answers to questions, breaking through brick walls, or navigating online databases.

CLASS PREFERENCES If you would like to attend a class/classes, please place a **CHECK MARK** ✓ for the class of your choice (one class per period).

Period I (1:00-2:15) _____ **Class 1:** Using DNA in Genealogy _____ **Class 2:** Using Land Records in Genealogy.

Period II (2:15-3:30) _____ **Class 3:** Beginning Irish Genealogy _____ **Class 4:** Organizing your Data

Break (3:30-4:00) _____ **Beverages & Desserts**

Period III (4:00-5:45) _____ **Class 5:** Coming to America: Research with Ship Passenger Lists

Full Title and Description of each Class is listed in the Class Syllabus

The
Waterford Genealogical Society
And The
Waterford Township Public Library

Invite you to join us at our 18th



formerly "Lock-In"

April 20th
2024

1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Enjoy an afternoon of
Classes, Research, Discussion

WATERFORD GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY'S

Genealogy Seminar

Date: April 20, 2024
Time: 1:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Check-In: 12:30 P.M.

Location: Waterford Public Library
5168 Civic Center Dr
Waterford, MI

Cost: Non-Members- \$30.00
Members- \$25.00

Included: Beverages and Desserts
Door Prizes

Deadlines: No refund after April 10th

More Information:

waterfordgenealogicalsociety@gmail.com

Seating Is Limited So Register Early

SCHEDULE

Check-In: 12:30 P.M.

Welcome/Announcements: 12:45 P.M.

Classes: 1:00 P.M. - 5:45 P.M.

Research on Computers:

Computers with Databases: Ancestry-LE,
My Heritage-LE, FamilySearch.org,
American Ancestors - NEHGS



If you have a laptop or tablet with wireless capabilities, you are welcome to bring it and have access to all the Library's databases.

Bring a USB flash drive to save information

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CLASS SYLLABUS

Period 1 1:00 - 2:15

1. Using DNA in Genealogy

Kim Smith, Presenter. We'll look at a few resources available to help interpret your DNA results, along with some tips and techniques. We'll also review some, of the constantly changing, available tools along with AncestryDNA new offerings.

2. Using Land Records in Genealogy.

Dave Decker, Presenter. In the past I had given a talk for WGS about using land records in genealogical research. Focusing on Oakland County, I use examples from my own genealogy to demonstrate how land records can work between census years to give you good evidence for an ancestor's arrival and family connections through land transactions, and other helpful information.

Period 2 2:15 - 3:30

3. Beginning Irish Genealogy

Cathy Cottone, Presenter. In order to find information on your Irish ancestors, you will need to do as much research as you can here in the United States first. So you need to follow their paper trail to help give clues as to where they were from in Ireland. Events, like births, baptisms, marriages, naturalizations and deaths are a part of that paper trail. This program will help show you different resources and examples of that paper trail and then we will talk about different Irish websites that will help you once you are researching over the pond. I have been following the "paper trail" of my ancestors since 1991 – I hope that my experiences will help you find that "golden nugget" that help you in your research!

4. Organizing your Data

Barbara Frye & Barbara Hofmann, Presenters. An overview of different ways to organize and store digital data & records on your computer. Some tips on organizing paper records as well.

Period 3 4:00 - 5:45

5. Coming to America: Research with Ship Passenger Lists

Kris Rzepczynski Presenter. This session will explore the available U.S. passenger lists and indexes, the genealogical information typically found in them, and strategies for finding arrival records of your immigrant ancestors.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

Kris Rzepczynski is a Senior Archivist at the Archives of Michigan, Kris has worked in the genealogical community for more than 20 years. He is a former Vice President of Membership for the Federation of Genealogical Societies and a Past-President of the Mid-Michigan Genealogical Society.

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Waterford Genealogical Society website is available at: <https://waterfordmigensoc.thatfamiliesdo.com>