

Orange County Genealogical Society

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Saturday, March 4, 2017

10:30 AM

Goshen United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall

115 Main Street, Goshen, NY

“WESTWARD IN NEW YORK AND BEYOND”

Presented by: Joseph Lieby

In this presentation, the factors that caused many to move into western NY, and sometimes beyond, are discussed. The availability of land through large land purchases such as the Holland Land Purchase, and military grants made the west attractive. The development of the Erie Canal made it easier to move west and do business in the western lands. Land records, military records of land grants, Canal Board records and other records of those early settlers are discussed to enable the researcher find clues to their pioneer ancestors.

Joseph Lieby, Ed.D. : Joseph was born in Brooklyn, New York. He received a Master’s degree in psychology from Fordham University, and a Doctorate in education from Teacher’s College, Columbia University. He retired as a school district administrator, and has been engaged in genealogical research in the New York, New Jersey area since 1990. As a professional genealogist he has spoken at several local and regional societies on topics including “Getting the Most from Newspapers”, “Not Your Usual Genealogical Software”, “Westward Migration in New York”, “Who Were the Parents of --- ?” and “The Trail Our Ancestors Left in Becoming Citizens.” Short articles have been published in *Family History Magazine*, and *Genealogical Computing*. He is a member of several genealogical organizations, and in addition to being the president of Palatine to America, he is also 1st VP of the Orange County NY Genealogical Society, and the newsletter editor for the New York Chapter of Palatines to America.

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