

Orange County Genealogical Society
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ALL-DAY IN-HOUSE SEMINAR
Saturday, 27 April 2024

Seminar Presenter: MELISSA JOHNSON, CG

Reservation Fee: \$20.00 see form below

Session 1: 10:00 am – 11:00 am “Researching Beyond the Death Certificate”

Q&A with 15 minute Break

Session 2: 11:15 am – 12:15 pm “Discovering Immigrant Origins”

Q&A with 45 Minute Lunch Break

Session 3: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm “Diving Deeper into Genetic Genealogy”

Q&A with 15 minute Break

Session 4: 2:15 pm – 3:15 pm “Going Paperless: Digitizing Your Genealogical Research”

Q&A Close of Seminar

Please turn over for information about our speaker and programs

Mail Reservation Form to: OCGS, 2024 In-House Seminar, 101 Main Street, Goshen, NY 10924

Please register early to insure we have enough handouts

Deadline for reservations: April 12, 2024

Registration Fee: \$20.00

Name: _____

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Melissa Johnson, CG, is a professional genealogist, writer and editor. She has expertise in researching families with origins in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, and England, and works on forensic cases, dual citizenship matters, and lineage society applications. She is also proficient in using DNA test results to break through ancestral brick walls. Melissa serves on the board of the Genealogical Society of New Jersey and the International Society of British Genealogy and Family History. She is Reviews Editor of the Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly (APGQ), and editor of the GSNJ Newsletter, a publication of the Genealogical Society of New Jersey. Her work has been published in the National Genealogical Society Quarterly, New York Genealogical & Biographical Record, Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey, NGS Magazine, Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly, and other publications.

“Researching Beyond the Death Certificate”

The death of an ancestor can trigger the creation of many different records, all of which can provide valuable genealogical information on the deceased, as well as their ancestors and descendants. Learn about how to use funeral home, cemetery, family, probate, bible, church, social security, court and land records, as well as mortality schedules, coroners inquests, headstones, newspapers and pensions, to uncover additional clues about your family.

“Discovering Immigrant Origins”

Learn about various records and strategies to help discover the origins of immigrants who came to the United States during various time periods. This lecture will cover immigration, naturalization, and alien records, as well as other record sets and strategies for studying groups to identify immigrant origins.

“Diving Deeper into Genetic Genealogy”

Learn more than the basics about DNA testing and how it can be useful to supplement the traditional paper trail for genealogical research. Discover more about using the testing companies' websites to analyze and compare test results, how to use third party tools for analysis, and how to develop targeted testing plans to solve genealogical problems and brick walls.

“Going Paperless: Digitizing Your Genealogical Research”

Digitizing years of genealogical research documents, notes and research logs may seem like a daunting task, but advances in technology make going digital easier than ever. Learn how using various electronic devices, as well as mobile apps, metadata and tagging, to digitize you existing files and work paperless in the future can help you become a more effective, efficient and organized genealogist.