

Genealogy Rocks!

This new column is written by experienced genealogists about genealogy, family history research, and our local society. Thanks to 50 Plus Marketplace News for giving us this great opportunity! If you want a new and exciting hobby, you'll enjoy genealogy! Each month, we'll cover a new subject.



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What is genealogy? Simply put, it's the study of your ancestors. Genealogy is fun, sometimes challenging, and mostly addicting in learning about your past and current relatives! So how do you get started? Start with interviewing your relatives, then recording the info in a notebook or even better, using a computer with genealogy software. There are over two dozen genealogy programs available (free or purchased) for PC and Mac computers.

Next and this is the easy part,

scan the Internet using your computer. There is so much genealogy information available on the Internet. The Family History Library in Salt Lake City is the largest genealogy library in the world. It offers many records online. There are other genealogy databases (free or paid subscriptions) available online at home or at your library. Don't have a computer? Use one at the local library. Family History Centers in Fort Collins, Berthoud, and Loveland offer lots of genealogy help and computers too!

Our society offers monthly programs and classes for the public and members. Our next program at the Fort Collins Harmony Library on August 20 at 6:30 pm discusses "Dating Photographs by Clothing Styles." Bring a friend and visit our website at www.lcg-sco.org for more information.



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