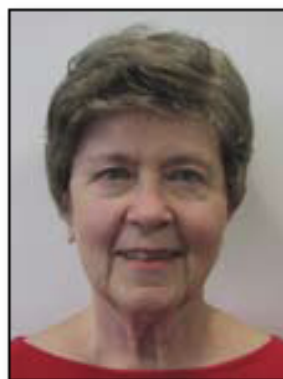


## Genealogy Rocks!

### Take a Class And Jump Start Your Genealogy

Often I hear the question, "How do you learn to do genealogy?" The basic ingredient is to simply be curious about your family history. What kind of people do you come from? What were their lives like? What did they look like?



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The best way to get started is to ask questions of your family and gather the information you already have at hand. You may have family bibles, photo albums, letters, diaries from your parents and grandparents. Next, you read about how to do research. There are thousands of books available at the library or bookstores. Then you go where genealogists gather, like Family History Centers, libraries, genealogical societies, historical societies, and you listen to what genealogists talk about.

Finally, you may decide to learn from the experts and take a genealogy class. In Larimer County, we are fortunate to have good classes

and workshops available. This is where you will get the direction you need to get started. The Larimer County Genealogical Society offers many classes each year and they are held in various locations in Larimer County and a few in Windsor.

Go to <http://www.lcgsc.org/> select the "Event Calendar" to see available classes through the Larimer County Genealogical Society. Our classes & workshops are free of charge, lots of fun, and a great learning experience.

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