



FRIDAY

2 pm - 3 pm

“Researching Your German Roots”

Free Presentation

- Where, Why, and How they came to America
- German Contributions
- German Naming Pattern
- Common German names & Nicknames
- Anglicization
- Specific Resources Available

GENEALOGY 101:

“How to Start Your Family Tree”

Saturday OR Sunday

Attendees will learn basic research skills and how to complete pedigree charts, family group sheets, and other common forms. They will learn about online programs such as Ancestry & FamilySearch and start navigating these programs. There will be workshop time for individual instructor assistance with their research.

ASSURE YOUR GEN-101 SPOT NOW!

Registration and payment information is found on the reverse of this pamphlet. The cost is only \$25/person to cover the cost of course materials and supplies. A portion of this fee will be donated to the Museum.

GENEALOGY 101

PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE

- Course syllabus and notes
- Research guides & “cheat sheets” to cut down your “searching time.”
- Supply of various forms to get you started. (Family Group Sheets, Pedigree Charts, etc.)
- Family Tree Record Book to record your ancestors’ vital information
- A decorative 12 x 12 Pedigree Chart to complete, suitable for framing
- Certificate of Completion

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR

Born and raised in Shenandoah County in the little community of Readus, Diane Cooley Lutz has

been researching for over 50 years. She lives near Shenandoah Caverns in a 1906 farmhouse with her husband Ken, but Strasburg is near & dear to her since her daughter, Denise Jane Hodson opened her Photography Studio there over a decade ago.

Diane’s philosophy about research is this: “Family History and Genealogy is not just compiling facts; it’s about the *STORIES* that go *WITH* the facts. It’s about “*History’s Mysteries.*” For Example - Diane’s 5th GGF, Revolutionary War Patriot, Johann Peter Voltz, was born in Germany in 1730. At age 8, he became an orphan. Ten years later, on 16 September 1748, he arrived at the Port of Philadelphia and signed an oath of allegiance to his new country.

This is My Mystery - How did he survive in 18th century Germany as a child, travel the 400 miles from Wurttemberg to Rotterdam, secure passage on the Ship *Patience*, survive the horrible conditions on the voyage, navigate through Philadelphia, and end up in Shenandoah County by 1750?

Diane is a retired RN with over 30 years’ experience in ER, ICU, Education & Hospice. She is a graduate of BRCC and EMU with her bachelor’s degree in nursing, & her Masters Studies were in Integrative Medicine. She is a certified Reiki practitioner and trained in herbal therapies, therapeutic touch, and other modalities. She has extensive Genealogy training through the LDS Church and DAR and continues training with both.

Her lifelong genealogy hobby (borderline addiction) helps others in their Family History journey. Some of the services she offers include courthouse document retrieval & transcription, community presentations and classes, Legacy Society membership research, online/onsite, assistance with Ancestry & Family Search online programs, formal genealogy reports, help cracking through research “brick walls,” and the creation of beautiful wall art pedigree charts.

Diane is a Life Member of the Shenandoah County Historical Society and the Narrow Passage Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.