



South Suburban Genealogical & Historical Society

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2023 PROGRAMS

All programs are Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.

Where possible, they will also be livestreamed via Zoom.

- Feb. 11 **Find My Past:** Join us for a Zoom presentation by Christine Cohen, as she reviews the genealogy website FindMyPast.
- March 11 **Orphan Train:** Join us to view a film by writer/filmmaker/ podcaster, Mike Keene: “Abandoned: The Untold Story of the Orphan Trains.”
- April 15 **German Immigration:** Scott Norrick, owner of Ancestral Past, presents “German Immigration to the Midwest (1848 – 1900)”
- May 13 **Show & Tell:** Our annual Show & Tell features photos, mementos and items that members have discovered while doing genealogical research. We will also celebrate the society’s 55th birthday, and install officers.
- June 10 **Researching Online:** Peg Kapustiak presents “Researching Online – Websites and More – Updates for 2023.” Learn about new websites for genealogical research, as well as updates to existing websites.
- July 8 **Pullman:** To understand more about SSGHS’s Pullman employee records, we will take a Field Trip to Pullman National Monument to learn about the company and the town.
- Aug. 12 **Making History Relevant:** Tina Beard, owner of Tamarack Genealogy, presents “Making History Relevant”
- Sept. 9 **History of Chicagoland in Maps:** Don and Tanya Smith of Greeley-Howard-Norlin-Smith present “History of Chicagoland in Maps.” The Smiths are closing their company, which has done land surveying and map making since 1854. They begin with the brief history of how and why the land in the U.S. was originally divided & sold, followed by a brief history follows of their family’s 168+ year Land Surveying & Map Making business. The Smiths talk about the most interesting projects, including boundary disputes, from their historical archive. They will display some antique instruments as well as some of the antique & vintage maps, plats, atlases from their unique historical archives.” – Tanya Smith
- Oct. 14 **Mixers & Shakers:** Debra Dudek presents “Mixers & Shakers: Tracing Your Bartending, Saloon Keeping, and Tavern Keeping Ancestors before Prohibition”
- Nov. 11 **TBA**