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Genealogy

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Beating the Bushes: Using the GPS to Find Jacob Bush's Father

West Oaks Branch Sunday, May 8, 2 p.m.

Eli Bush's grandfather was reported to be Daniel Bush, but was his father Jacob? See the research process unfold as land, probate, census, tax lists and church records are correlated. Watch out for pitfalls such as different men with the same name and other red herrings in this interactive session. Presented by nationally known genealogical speaker and educator Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, CGL, a western Pennsylvania researcher and co-director of the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP).

Patriot or Not?: Using the Genealogical Proof Standard on a Closed DAR Line

West Oaks Branch Monday, May 9, 6:30 p.m.

Where and when was the patriot David born? The (Daughters of the American Revolution) D.A.R. closed this line, but do you agree? See the research process unfold through professional techniques. Presented by nationally known genealogical speaker and educator Elissa Scalise Powell, CG, CGL, a western Pennsylvania researcher and co-director of the Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP).

Latino Americans: Finding Your Latino Roots

West Oaks Branch Saturday, May 14, 2 p.m.

Genealogy Center staff will guide patrons with unique tips and techniques to search for their Latino ancestry. This event is presented as part of the *Latino Americans* series. *Latino Americans: 500 Years of History* has been made possible through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the American Library Association.

Genealogy, The Very Basics

West Oaks Branch Monday, May 16, 6:30 p.m.

So you want to learn more about your family history, but don't know where to begin? This event will introduce you to genealogical terms and techniques. Learn how to complete an ancestor chart and how to garner information from living relatives and household sources. A brief discussion of sources that can be used for family history research will also be covered.

United States Genealogy: South Central Region

West Oaks Branch Sunday, May 22, 2 p.m.

Explore the collection at the West Oaks Branch Library and Genealogy Center to discover the rich resources available for conducting family history research in the South Central Region of the United States.

Genealogy Research Question Workshop

West Oaks Branch Wednesday, May 25, 6:30 p.m.

Sharpen your genealogy skills and learn about resources by sharing your research questions.

Genealogy researchers, whether beginner or advanced, are invited to submit one specific research question in advance. Genealogy Center staff will lead a discussion and can help direct you to possible answers, resources, types of records, databases and websites, and more. Registration is required and a completed genealogy questionnaire is recommended. E-mail **genealogy@ocls.info** or call 407.835.7651 for more information about the genealogy questionnaire and attending

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