**PSGS CLASSES for Apr and May**

**MAP MONTH with Janet O’Conor Camarata**

**Saturday, April 6, 2024**

PSGS Class

Hybrid - 10:30am-12pm

**Mapping an Ancestor**

Geography is a discipline closely related to genealogy and an untapped resource for learning more about our ancestors. Using geography and maps in research provides visual clues to help answer questions about where, how far, and what is nearby. Learn about the George E. Curry family of Ohio and Kansas and how maps focused the research, located property, identified lost place names, solved a family mystery and identified jurisdictions to write for records.

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024 – GENERAL MEETING: Beyond Maps: Location in Context**

**Saturday, April 27, 2024**

PSGS Class

Hybrid - 10:30am-12pm

**Using Historical Maps for Genealogy Research**

Historical maps are crucial to genealogy research! These maps allow genealogy researchers to place our ancestors in a specific location and time, understand people and the land, understand migration patterns and the community where an ancestor lived. Historical maps reduce research time. Fortunately, many maps are found online for **FREE.**

**DNA MONTH with Diahan Southard**

**Series: You Can DO the DNA**

(From RootsTech 2024)

**Saturday, May 11, 2024**

PSGS Class

ZOOM ONLY – 10:30am-12pm

**#1 Get Started (or Restarted)**

Whether you haven’t taken a DNA test or you did but got discouraged and abandoned the effort, it’s time to take another look. In 2024, DNA can answer family history questions so much more powerfully than it could even five years ago. More people have tested, and more tools and strategies have been developed to help you find answers. More accurate and precise ethnicity results point more meaningfully to ancestral places and populations. Come learn what’s possible and how to set a good DNA goal (like identifying an unknown ancestor, finding or verifying birth roots, connecting with distant relatives or figuring out where an ancestor was from). Learn about picking the right test(s) for your goal and how to turn test results into meaningful family history answers. The best news is that you don’t have to be a scientist to make DNA discoveries. You can do the DNA – yes, ever YOU!

**Monday, May 13, 2024**

Ancestry SIG

Hybrid - 10:30am-12pm

**#2 Get Your Best Ethnicity Estimate**

Everyone wants to love their ethnicity estimates. But many people don’t have faith or confidence that their estimates are any good. Which DNA test gives the best ethnicity results? How can you combine your results from different testing companies into one overarching ethnicity estimate? Come see examples of ethnicity from around the world and from all the testing companies. Learn how to turn your ethnicity estimates into results you can be more confident in…results that are more meaningful and accurate…results you might even, eventually love.

**Wednesday, May 22, 2024 – GENERAL MEETING: #3 Light Your DNA Match List on Fire**

**Saturday, May 25, 2024**

PSGS Class – Hybrid - 10:30am-12pm

**#4 What DNA Success Looks Like: Real Case Studies**

What can genetic genealogy really DO for your family history? Come and see real life examples where people have found clues about longtime family mysteries, the identities of missing ancestors, and more. See a step-by-step discovery process of what questions were being asked, how they found clues in both DNA and documents, what they did next, and what the results were. You’ll walk away with fresh vision and excitement for using genetic genealogy-both the genetics AND the genealogy! – for finding the family history answers you want.