## **Gaps in Our Holdings?**

The Batavia Public Library would be glad to receive materials such as the following for our Local History Room:

- Batavia High School Yearbooks. We would like to have extra copies for each year as a backup in case of loss in addition to the copy on the shelf in the Local History Room. If you no longer wish to keep your yearbook or are settling an estate for a relative, please contact the Adult Services Reference Desk.
- Published genealogies for current or former residents of Batavia.
- Published histories for Batavia churches, organizations, and businesses.

# Take Root in Your Family Tree:

## Genealogy Resources in the Batavia Public Library



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Materials may be located in the Local History Room unless otherwise specified; these do not circulate but may be looked at in the room located at the north end of the main floor behind the Adult Services Reference Desk. Selected guides to research (designated *Circulating*) are also available in the main stacks. Extensive online resources are available in *Heritage Quest* and *Ancestry Library Edition* (See *Reference Databases*)

## **Guides to Research**

#### General:

- Bentley, Elizabeth Petty. *The Genealogist's Address Book*—(6th ed., 2009). Genealogy Ref. 929.1025 GEN.
- Carmack, Sharon DeBartolo. *Finding Female Ancestors* Genealogy at a Glance, 2013). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 GEN.
- Carmack, Sharon DeBartolo. *Ellis Island Research* (Genealogy at a Glance, 2011). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 GEN.
- Clifford, Karen. *The Complete Beginner's Guide to Genealogy, the Internet, and Your Genealogy Computer Program* (2011). Genealogy Ref. 929.10285 CLI
- Croom, Emily Anne. *The Genealogist's Companion & Source-book* (2003). Circulating copy: 929.1072 CRO.
- Croom, Emily Anne. *Unpuzzling Your Past: The Best-Selling Basic Guide to Genealogy* (2010). Genealogy Ref. 929.1 CRO. Circulating copies: 929.1 CRO (2001).
- Galford, Ellen. *The Genealogy Handbook: The Complete Guide to Tracing Your Family Tree* (2005). Circulating copy: 929.1 GAL.
- Melnyk, Marcia Yannizze. The Weekend Genealogist: Timesaving Techniques for Effective Research (2000). Circulating copy: 929.1072 MEL
- Morgan, George C. *Advanced genealogy research techniques* (2014). Circulating copy: 929.1072 MOR
- Powell, Kimberly. *The Everything Family Tree Book: Research and Preserve Your Family History* (2nd ed., 2006). Circulating copy: 929.1072 POW
- Rising, Marsha Hoffman. *The Family Tree Problem Solver: Tried -and-True Tactics for Tracing Elusive Ancestors* (2011). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 RIS. Circulating copy: 929.1072 RIS (2005).
- Schultz, Janice Lindgren. *Finding your roots* (2013). Circulating copy: 929.1072 SCH

## **Area Historical Agencies**

- Gustafson Research Center, Batavia Depot Museum, 155 Houston Street, Batavia, IL 60510. 630-406-5274.
  www.bataviahistoricalsociety.org
- Geneva History Center, 113 S. 3rd Street, Geneva, IL 60134. 630-232-4951. www.genevahistorycenter.org
- Kane County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 504, 113 S. 3rd Street, Geneva, IL 60134. www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/ ~ilkcgs
- St. Charles Heritage Center, 215 East Main Street, St. Charles, IL 60174. 630-584-6967. www.stcmuseum.org
- Elgin Area Historical Society and Museum, 360 Park Street, Elgin, IL 60120. 847-742-4248. www.elginhistory.org
- Latter Day Saints Family History Center, 1320 Ridgeland Avenue, Naperville, IL 60563. 630-505-0233.
  www.familysearch.org

## **Online Reference Databases for Genealogy**

- America's Obituaries and Death Notices. Search for recent obituaries and death notices in over 400 U.S. newspapers. Search by name of deceased, date or date range, locality, and text terms such as occupation or school or church.
- Ancestry Library Edition. Search census, vital, church, court, immigration records for the United States and the United Kingdom, as well as records from Canada and other areas. Available for in-library use only.
- Chicago Tribune (Historical). Page images of the *Chicago Tribune* from 1849 to 1986, as well as timeline, popular topics, and "This Day in History" features.
- Heritage Quest. Locate detailed census records for all states from 1790 to 1930, full text of articles in thousands of genealogies and local histories, citations to articles in periodicals.

- 929.1 MAN
- Guide to Public Vital Statistics Records in Illinois (1976). Local History REF 929.3773 GUI
- Historical Encyclopedia of Illinois; and History of Kane County (1904). Local History REF 977.3 HIS
- *Illinois Biographical Dictionary* (2008). 2 vol. Local History REF 977.3 ILL
- Pearson, Thomas A. Illinois Central: a Guide to Genealogical Research in Springfield, Illinois (2009). Local History REF 929.3773 PEA
- Szucs, Loretto Dennis. *Chicago and Cook County Sources: A Genealogical and Historical Guide* (1986). Local History REF 929.3 SZU Also circulating copy (929.37731 SZU)

## **Genealogy on the Internet**

- Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, Indiana. Lists of resources in the Genealogy Department. www.genealogycenter.org/Home.aspx
- Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the Internet. Over 300,000 links. www.cyndislist.com
- Family Search. Online service for searching records of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints.
   www.familysearch.org
- Helm's Genealogy Toolbox. Contains 70,000 links to resources, guides to software, pages for posting queries. www.genealogytoolbox.com
- Illinois Statewide Marriage Index, 1763-1900, a project of the Illinois State Archives and the Illinois State Genealogical Society.
  - databases/marriage.html
- Kane County, Illinois, section of the U.S. GenWeb Project. kane.illinoisgenweb.org/
- Newberry Library, Chicago, Illinois. Lists of resources in the Genealogy Department: http://www.newberry.org/genealogyand-local-history
- RootsWeb.com. Surname searches, message boards, etc. www.rootsweb.com
- U.S. GenWeb Project. Volunteer project to include web sites for genealogical research in every county and state. Includes links to the state and county sites. www.usgenweb.com

- Szabados, Stephen. *Basic Genealogy: saving your family history* (2014) Circulating copy: 929.1 SZA
- Szabados, Stephen. Find Your Family History (2012). Circulating copy: 929.1072 SZA
- Szabados, Stephen. Write Your Family History (2014). Circulating copy: 929.1 SZA
- Weil, Francois. Family Trees: A history of genealogy in America (2013). Circulating copy: 929.1 WEI

## Cemetery Records:

- Carmack, Sharon DeBartolo. *Your Guide to Cemetery Research* (4th ed. 2002). Circulating copy: 929.5 CAR
- Carrmack, Sharon DeBartolo. American Cemetery Research (Genealogy at a Glance, 2012). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 GEN

## Census, Birth, Marriage, Death, Other Vital Records found in State, County, Local, Federal and Foreign Repositories:

- Barkley, Carolyn L. *Family History Library Research* (Genealogy at a Glance, 2012). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 GEN
- *International Vital Records Handbook* (6th ed., 2013). Genealogy Ref. 929.1 INT 2013. Circulating copy: 929.1 INT (5th ed., 2009).
- Kemp, Thomas J. *American Census Handbook* (2001). Genealogy Ref. 929.107207 KEM
- Meyerink, Kory L. U.S. Federal Census Records. (Genealogy at a Glance, 2014) Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 GEN.
- Quillen, W. Daniel. *Mastering family, library & church records* (2013). Circulating copy: 929.1072 QUI
- Red Book: American State, County & Town Sources (3rd ed., 2004). LOCAL HISTORY 929.1 RED.
- Warren, Paula Stuart. *Your Guide to the Family History Library* (2001). Circulating copy: 929.1072 WAR

## Church and Other Religious Records:

- Kirkham, E. Kay. A Survey of American Church Records: major and minor denominations before 1880-1890: religious migrations of some of the major denominations. (c1978). Genealogy Ref. 929.3 KIR
- Rottenberg, Dan. Finding Our Fathers: A Guidebook to Jewish Genealogy (1995). Genealogy Ref. 929.1089924 ROT

## **Emigration Records:**

• Tepper, Michael. American Passenger Arrival Records: A Guide to the Records of Immigrants Arriving at American Ports by Sail and Steam (1993). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 TEP

## Family Associations:

• Bentley, Elizabeth Petty. *Directory of Family Associations* (2001).

## Genealogy Ref. 929.1025 BEN

### Internet Research:

- Crowe, Elizabeth Powell. *Genealogy Online* (9th ed., 2011). LocalHistory REF 929.1 CRO
- Elson, Ryan. *Grow your family tree online* (2013). Circulating copy: 929.10285 ELS
- Fifer, Susan. Family History for the Older and Wiser: Find Your Roots with Online Tools (2011). Circulating copy: 929.10285 FIF
- Helm, Matthew. Genealogy Online for Dummies (7th ed. 2014).
  Circulating: 929.10285 HEL. Circulating copy: 929.10285 HEL.
- Morgan, George G. Ancestry.com Research (Genealogy at a Glance, 2013). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 GEN.
- Powell, Kimberly. *The Everything Guide to Online Genealogy* (2014). Genealogy Ref. 929.10285 POW
- Schepp, Brad & Debra. The Online Genealogy Handbook (2008) Circulating copy: 929.10285 SCH
- Smith, Drew. *Social Networking for Genealogists* (2009). Genealogy Ref. 929.10285 SMI. Circulating copy: 929.10285 SMI.

#### Land Records:

- Green, Betsy J. Discovering the History of Your House and Your Neighborhood (2002). LOCAL HISTORY 907.2 GRE Circulating copy: 907.2 GRE.
- Hone, E. Wade. *Land & Property Research in the United States* (2008). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 HON

## Military Records:

- Knox, Debra Johnson. WWII Military Records: A Family Historian's Guide (2003). Genealogy Ref. 929.3 KNO
- National Archives Trust Fund Board. Military Service Records: A Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications. (1985). Genealogy Ref. 929.3 MIL
- Quillen, W. Daniel. *Mastering Census and Military records (2013)*. Circulating copy: 929.1072 QUI
- Spencer, William. Army Records: A guide for family historians. (2008). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072041 SPE

## Guides to Research in Ethnic Records and Sources in Other Countries:

### General:

 Carmack, Sharon DeBartolo. A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your Immigrant & Ethnic Ancestors (2000). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 CAR

#### 929.377323 KAN

- 1860 Kane County Census, Illinois (1982). Local History REF 929.377323 KAN
- Index to: 1865 Kane County, IL State Census (2000). Local History REF 929.377323 IND
- Kane County, Illinois, Federal Census. Microfilm. Library has 1850, 1860, 1870, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930. Local History REF

## Early Families:

• Kane County, Illinois, Early Familes, 1833-1885 (1991). Local History REF 977.323 ELG

## Marriages:

- *Marriage Record Index, 1836-1866, Kane County, Illinois* (1987). Local History REF 929.377323 MAR
- Marriage Record Index, 1867-1877, Kane County, Illinois (1988).
  Local History REF 929.377323 MAR
- Marriage Record Index, 1878-1893, Kane County, Illinois (1988).
  Local History REF 929.377323 MAR
- *Marriage Record Index, 1894-1906, Kane County, Illinois* (1991). Local History REF 929.377323 MAR

### Naturalizations:

- Kane County, Illinois, Naturalization Records, 1857-1906 (1988). Local History REF 929.377323 KAN
- *Kane County, Illinois, Naturalization Index, 1906-1955* (1991). Local History REF 929.377323 KAN

## Newspapers on Microfilm:

- Aurora Beacon, 1848-1915.
- Batavia Herald, February 24, 1893, to June 30, 1976.
- Batavia Chronicle, July 7, 1976, to March 2, 1990.
- Kane County Chronicle, March 7, 1990, to present.

## Personal Property:

 Kane County, Illinois: 1848 Personal Property Tax List (1984). Local History REF 929.377323 KAN

## Illinois

- Genealogical Holdings of the Wheaton Public Library: A Subject Guide (1985). Local History REF 929.377324 GEN
- Gooldy, Pat. Manual for Illinois Genealogical Research (1994). REF

- ROB Also circulating copy
- Shumway, Eunice K. *Batavia, Illinois: Past & Present* (1965). Local History REF 977.323 SHU Also circulating copy

#### Audiovisual Materials:

• *Conversations with Batavians* (2009). Vol. 1-8. Local History REF 977.323 CON Also circulating copy. DVD. 977.323 CON

## Geneva

#### Histories:

• Ehresmann, Julia M. *Geneva, Illinois: A History of Its Times and Places* (1985). Local History REF 977.323 GEN

## **Fox River Valley**

## Biographies:

 Autobiographies of Fox Valley Pioneers (1981). Local History REF 977.323 AUT

## **Kane County**

#### Atlases and Plat Books:

- Republication of Combination Atlas Map of Kane County, Illinois. Geneva, IL: Thompson and Everts, 1872. Republication by Dunham Hunt Museum, St. Charles. Local History REF 977.323 THO Also circulating copy
- Atlas of Kane County, Illinois, 1892. Chicago: D. W. Ensign & Co., 1892. Local History REF 912.77323 ATL
- Land Atlas & Plat Book, Kane County, Illinois, 1964, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1988, 1990, 1992, 1998 Local History REF 977.323 LAN

#### Cemeteries:

- McCollough, Zola. *Kane County, Illinois, Cemetery Compendium* 1982). Local History REF 929.5 MCC
- McMakin, Dean. Surname Guide to Kane County, Illinois Cemeteries (1986). Local History REF 929.5 MCM

#### Census:

• 1850 Census of Kane County, Illinois (1970). Local History REF

### African-American:

- Rose, James M. Black Genesis: A Resource Book for African-American Genealogy (2nd ed. 2003). Genealogy Ref. 929.108996 ROS
- Smith, Franklin Carter. A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your African-American Ancestors (2003). 929.1 SMI
- Streets, David H. *Slave Genealogy: A Research Guide with Case Studies* (1986). Genealogy Ref. 929.108996 STR

#### Asian:

• Chao, Sheau-yueh J. In Search of your Asian Roots: Genealogical Research on Chinese Surnames (2000). Genealogy Ref. 929.42 CHA

#### British:

- Baxter, Angus. In Search of Your British & Irish Roots: A Complete Guide to Tracing Your English, Welsh, Scottish, & Irish Ancestors (1999). Genealogy Ref. 929.107204 BAX.
- Coldham, Peter Wilson. *The Complete Book of Emigrants, [1607-1776]: A Comprehensive Listing from English Public Records* ... (1987-93). 3 vols. Genealogy Ref. 929.3 COL
- Herber, Mark D. Ancestral Trails: The Complete Guide to British Genealogy and Family History (2nd ed., 2005). Local History REF 929.1072 HER

### Canadian:

• Baxter, Angus. *In Search of Your Canadian Roots* (3rd ed. 2000). Local History REF 929.1072071 BAX

## Europe:

- Dolan, Allison. *Family Tree guidebook to Europe* (2013). Circulating copy: 929.107204 DOL
- Szabados, Stephen. *Finding Grandma's European Ancestors (2013)* Circulating copy: 929.107204 SZA

#### German:

• Baxter, Angus. *In Search of Your German Roots* (4th ed. 2008). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072043 BAX

#### Irish:

- Grenham, John. *Tracing Your Irish Ancestors: the Complete Guide* (2012). Local History REF 929.10720415 GRE
- Mitchell, Brian. *Pocket Guide to Irish Genealogy* (3rd ed. 2008). Local History REF 929.10720415 MIT
- Radford, Dwight A. A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your Irish Ancestors (2001). Genealogy Ref. 929.10720415 RAD

### Italian:

• Carmack, Sharon DeBartolo. *Italian-American Family History: A Guide to Researching and Writing About Your Heritage* (1997). Ge-

## nealogy Ref. 929.1072045 CAR

### Polish:

- Chorzempa, Rosemary A. *Polish Genealogy Research (Genealogy* at a Glance, 2013). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072 GEN
- Kruski, Jason. A Guide to Chicago and Midwestern Polish-American Genealogy (2012). Genealogy Ref. 929.1072077 KRU
- Szabados, Stephen . *Polish Genealogy: 4 Steps to Success* (2013) Circulating copy: 929.10720438 SZA

#### Scottish:

- Scottish Clan & Family Encyclopedia. (1994) Genealogy Ref. 929.10720411 COL.
- Cory, Kathleen B. Tracing Your Scottish Ancestry (3rd ed. 2004).
  Genealogy Ref. 929.10720411 COR. Circulating copy: 929.10720411 COR (2nd ed. 2001).
- Durie, Bruce. Scottish Genealogy (2012). Genealogy Ref. 929.10720411 DUR. Circulating copy: 929.10720411 DUR (2009).
- Jonas, Linda. A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your Scottish Ancestors (2002). Genealogy Ref. 929.10720411 JON

#### Welsh:

Rowlands, John. Welsh Family History: A Guide to Research (2nd ed. 1999). Genealogy Ref. 929.10720429 WEL. Circulating copy: 929.10720429 WEL (1994).

## **Genealogy Sources for Kane County In the Local History Room Unless Noted**

## Aurora

### Histories:

- Barclay, Robert. Aurora, 1837-1987: A Collection of Columns on Aurora History Published Originally in the Beacon News during 1987, the City's Sesquicentennial Year (1988). Local History REF 977.323 BAR. Also circulating copy.
- Derry, Vernon. The Aurora Story (1976). Local History REF 977.323 DER

## Batavia

## Biographies:

Batavia Historical Society Biographical File [Family sheets submitted by families in binders] (1998). 4 vols. Local History REF

#### Cemeteries:

- Kane County Genealogical Society. *Batavia West Side Cemetery*, *Batavia, Illinois* (1983). Local History 929.5 BAT
- Kane County Genealogical Society. *East Batavia Cemetery, Kane County, Illinois (1990)*. Local History 929.5 EAS

#### Churches:

- Coffin, William. *History of the Congregational Church of Batavia, Illinois* (2010). Local History REF 977.323 HIS
- Turnbull, Roland E. *One Hundred Fifty Years of the First Baptist Church of Batavia, Illinois* (1986). Local History REF 286.1 ONE
- Stafney, Lydia Jeane. *A History of the United Methodist Church, Batavia, Illinois* (1986). Local History REF 287.6 STA. Also circulating copy.

### City Directories:

• City Directories for Tri-Cities (Batavia, Geneva, St. Charles), 1910 to present. Various titles. Local History REF

### High School Yearbooks:

• Batavia High School Yearbooks: *Bee-Aitch-Ess*, 1912-1917; *Echo*, 1945-present. Local History REF 373.224 BAT

#### Histories:

- Anderson, Carl L. Walk in My Shoes (1998). Local History REF 977.323 AND
- Campbell, Roberta. *Batavia, 1833-1983: A Collection of Newspaper Articles* (1986). Local History REF 977.323 CAM. Also circulating copy.
- Gustafson, John A. *Historic Batavia, Illinois* (1980). Local History REF 977.323 GUS. Also circulating copy
- Mair, Thomas A. Batavia Revisited: Reminiscences of Batavia, Illinois (1990). Local History REF 977.323 MAI Also circulating copy
- Robinson, Marilyn. Batavia Places and the People Who Called Them Home (1996). Local History REF 977.323 ROB Also circulating copy
- Robinson, Marilyn. *John Gustafson's Historic Batavia* (1998). Local History REF 977.323 GUS Also circulating copy
- Robinson, Marilyn. *Little Town in a Big Woods: The Story of the Young Years of Batavia, Illinois* (2006). Local History REF 977.323