

## **2017 Genealogy Lock-In Program of Events (October 20, 2017)**

**11:00 - 11:50 am *Orphan Train Riders: Tracks to Texas & Beyond, All Aboard 1854 to 1929***  
**Paula Perkins**

One in every 25 Americans has a connection to an Orphan Train rider between 1854 & 1929. Over 200,000 children were relocated from the East to the West coast on trains. Texas was a vital part of this history. Research techniques and resources will be demonstrated.

**Noon-1:30 pm *Beginner's Guide to Documenting Your Family History***  
**LaToya Devezin, Community Archivist, Austin History Center**

Researchers will learn how use resources to create a family tree, record and organize their information, and navigate online and archival records to find their ancestors. Learn a fresh approach and up-to-date information in this first-step Beginner's class.

**1:40 - 2:40 pm *Discover Local History through a Regional Depository***

**Laura Saegert, Assistant Director for Archives, Archives & Information Services Division, TSLAC**

The Regional Historical Resources Depository (RHRD) Program of the Texas State Library & Archives Commission collects, preserves and makes available for public use the historical records of the local governments of Texas. The RHRDs house records with genealogical interest, in microfilm but also original paper records. The presentation will introduce you to these wonderful sources of information for your genealogical and historical work.

**2:50 - 3:50 pm *My Texans during the Republic.***

**Sharon Farnsworth, Registrar for the Sterling C. Robertson Chapter of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas**

Learn how to track your generations back to your Ancestors during the Republic of Texas through birth and death certificates, census, and wills. Learn ways to find where your Ancestors lived and their contributions to Texas during the Republic through land grants, military records and other documents.

**4:00 - 5:00 pm *Connecting Your DNA Matches***

**Diahan Southard, *Your DNA Guide***

While it is possible for you to analyze your DNA matches one at a time to determine how you are related, there is much that can be accomplished by first identifying the connections between those on your match list, and then working together to determine how you are related. Learn the tips and tricks to this powerful method of match analysis.

**5:00-6:00 *Virtual Tour of Local Resources, and More***

**Lynette Jones, Library Branch Manager, Carrollton Public Library at Hebron and Josey**

Carrollton Public Library offers a wide variety of materials for your first research visit. We'll take a short virtual tour of online resources, then spend the remainder of the hour getting our bearings in the genealogy room named in honor of lifelong resident and local historian Peggy Perry Oliver.