

WORKSHOP PROGRAM

8:00 am Registration and browsing. **Coffee and doughnuts will be available for purchase.**

9:00 am **Passenger Arrival Records, Colonial Times to Mid-20th Century** **John Philip Colletta**
This lecture begins with a discussion of sources for discovering the arrival time and place—and perhaps the ship—of an immigrant to colonial America, exploring U.S. passenger arrival records, especially 1820-1957, available on microfilm and the Internet. Explaining step-by-step how to conduct that search, specific examples illustrate how to use Web sites, National Archives microfilmed indexes, book indexes, and other research tools.

10:30 am **2A: U.S. Military Pension and Bounty Land Records, 1776-ca. 1916** **John Philip Colletta**
Military pension and bounty land files in the National Archives differ from military service records. You need certain information to initiate a search for an ancestor's file, using a variety of websites, National Archives indexes and other finding tools, and a step-by-step procedure for locating, identifying and retrieving a particular file. Two cases, Revolutionary War and War of 1812, illustrate the process.

2B: O Canada! A Model for Genealogists **Michelle Bray Wilson**
The tools available to the French-Canadian researcher are second to none. Learn how to uncover vast swaths of forebears in a single afternoon. In addition to the French, we'll also touch on Canadian history, British Canada and military Canada.

1:00 pm **3A: U.S. Military Service Records, 1775-ca. 1916** **John Philip Colletta**
This lecture explains how the service records are housed in the National Archives. Revolutionary War, War of 1812 and Civil War case studies demonstrate the step-by-step procedure for locating, identifying and retrieving specific records. Finding aids include resources in state archives, key Internet sites, National Archives indexes, and published guides.

3B: 'C G A T' - Four Little Letters: Understanding DNA **Michelle Bray Wilson**
A clear understanding of the available DNA tests, how they work and what they can tell you is essential to the optimal deployment of your DNA dollar. Gain a firm understanding of what DNA can do for you, what tests to take, and how to begin your analysis.

2:30 pm **4A: Only a Few Bones: Case Studies in Assembling Sources to Reconstruct Real-Life Events** **John Philip Colletta**
The biographical facts we discover about our ancestors did not happen in a vacuum. To reconstruct their lives, therefore, the facts we discover about them must be "situated" in the proper historical context. Three 19th-century case studies demonstrate how to use multiple sources to assemble vivid accounts of ancestral events and generate biographies that portray individualized ancestors.

4B: After You Swab: Getting the Most From Your DNA Test **Michelle Bray Wilson**
Go beyond the ethnicity pie chart by incorporating the simple Good Practices that can immediately boost your experience. Learn about the methodologies, company-provided tools and third-party tools that can help you authenticate your paper trail, uncover unknown parentage, and generally advance your genealogy efforts.

Space may be limited in some sessions.

There is a 30-minute break between the 1st and 2nd sessions and the 3rd and 4th sessions.

**For further information, visit our website at www.rootsweb.com/~illcgs
 or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pages/Lake-County-IL-Genealogical-Society/284057881619229**

Registration Prices

Postmarked Before Nov. 1:	\$35.00	
LCIGS Member	\$40.00	
Non-members	\$25.00	Single
Dues	\$27.00	Family
At the door:	\$45.00	

Lunch is not guaranteed for those that register after Nov. 1 or at the door.

Bonus: Anyone who registers with a postmark before the deadline will get two door prize tickets instead of one.

There will be no refunds after Nov. 1.
 Please make checks payable to LCIGS and send them to:

Lake County (IL) Genealogical Society
P.O. Box 998
Mundelein, IL 60060-0998

Payment enclosed (circle all that apply)

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Box Lunch Selection - Choose One:

___ Veggie Sandwich	___ Turkey Sandwich	
___ Ham Sandwich	___ Roast Beef Sandwich	

Lunches include a drink, chips, a cookie and fruit cup.

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E-mail if confirmation is desired

Which talks are you interested in attending?

2A	3A	4A	4A
2B	3B	3B	4B

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25th Annual Genealogical
Workshop

The Rank and File: Seeking Our Military Ancestors

Saturday, Nov. 11, 2017



SECOND YEAR AT NEW LOCATION!

Hosted by the Lake Villa Township
West Campus
37850 N. Ill. Rt. 59
Lake Villa, IL 60046

Registration/Browsing: 8 a.m.
Programs: 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

About the Speakers

John Philip Colletta, Ph.D., is one of America's most popular genealogical lecturers. Knowledgeable, experienced and entertaining, he resides in Washington, D.C. For 20 years, while laying the foundation for his career in genealogy, he worked half-time at the Library of Congress and taught workshops at the National Archives.

Today Dr. Colletta lectures nationally, teaches at local schools, and conducts programs for the Smithsonian Institution's Resident Associate Program. He is a faculty member of the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (University of Georgia, Athens) and the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy.

He has also taught for Boston University's Certificate in Family History program and three genealogy institutes where he created courses: the National Institute on Genealogical Research (Washington, DC), the Genealogical Institute of Texas (Dallas), and the Genealogical Institute of Mid-America (Springfield, Ill.).

His publications include numerous articles, both scholarly and popular, two manuals — *They Came in Ships: A Guide to Finding Your Immigrant Ancestor's Arrival Record* and *Finding Italian Roots: The Complete Guide for Americans* — and one "murder-mystery-family-history," *Only a Few Bones: A True Account of the Rolling Fork Tragedy and Its Aftermath*.

Dr. Colletta appears frequently on podcasts and local and national radio and television. He is featured in Episode Four of "Ancestors," the ten-part KBYU-TV series, as well as its sequel. He has received many professional honors, including fellowship in the Utah Genealogical Association and distinguished service awards from the Dallas Genealogical Society and the National Society, Daughters of Colonial Founders and Patriots.

Michelle Bray Wilson has been active in the genealogy community for 10 years, lecturing throughout the Midwest on DNA, French Canadians, and other topics. An engineer by training, Michelle's DNA expertise comes largely through self-study. Her goal in presentations is to make complex topics plainly understood.

About the Workshop and NEW Location

The Lake Villa Township West Campus (formerly Gavin North School) houses the Lake Villa Township Assessor's Office and Community Center and is located at 37850 N. Illinois Route 59, Lake Villa, a quarter-mile south of the Ill. Rt. 132 intersection, on the west side of the street.

Directions:

From the I-94 Tollway: Take Exit 8-A, Grand Ave. West (IL Route 132). Drive 10 miles west to Route 59. Turn left at the light; drive about 1/8 mile, past the church driveway; turn right into the school driveway.

From the southwest, take Route 12 northbound towards Fox Lake. Before coming to Fox Lake, take the Route 59 exit, to the right. Head north on Route 59, until you see the building, about 2.5 to 3 miles ahead, on your left.

From the northwest, take Route 12 south to the stoplight at East Grand Avenue. Turn left and continue over the railroad tracks, through Fox Lake, past Grant High School to the stoplight at Route 59. Turn left on Route 59 and continue about 2.5 miles to the facility on your left.

From the southeast, go to Route 120, (Belvidere Road), westbound. Take Route 120 west to the stop light at Wilson Road, turn right (north). Stay on Wilson Road until you reach the light at Route 59 (St. Bede's Catholic Church will be on your right). Turn right onto northbound Route 59. The entrance to the building will be about 1.5 miles ahead on your left.

- Lunch is not guaranteed for those who register after Nov. 1 or at the door.
- Books, maps and other genealogical reference materials and supplies will be available for purchase from exhibitors.
- Great Raffle prizes will include AncestryDNA and FamilyTreeDNA kits.
- A Silent Auction will be held during the workshop.