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Roots Tech Videos Sign in with your free FamilySearch account: <https://www.familysearch.org/rootstech/library>  
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## GENEALOGY MEETINGS

DATE & LOCATION	TOPIC & PRESENTER	HANDOUTS & REFERENCE MATERIALS
<b>JANUARY 2023</b> <a href="#">[Return to top of page]</a>		
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Sat., JAN. 7, 2023 1:00 PM-3:00 PM North Ft. Myers Reg. Library	<b>Chasing Your SNPs: Why Genetics Matters in Genealogy - Part One</b> PRESENTER: Steve Colburn LOCATION: 2001 N Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers, FL 33903 239-533-4320	
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Fri., JAN. 13, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 AM SHELL POINT	<b>Our Genealogy Library Resources: Where to Find Information and How Proctors Can Help</b> PRESENTER: Marilyn Fielding, Dean Traxler, and Herta Klamann LOCATION: Sabal Room, Woodland Commons	HANDOUTS: <a href="#">LibraryResourcesPresentation.pdf</a>
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Sat., JAN. 14, 2023 1:00 PM-3:00 PM North Ft. Myers Reg. Library	<b>Chasing Your SNPs: Why Genetics Matters in Genealogy - Part Two</b> PRESENTER: Steve Colburn LOCATION: 2001 N Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers, FL 33903 239-533-4320 Free registration: <a href="https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/chasing-your-snps-why-genetics-matters-genealogy">https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/chasing-your-snps-why-genetics-matters-genealogy</a>	
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Tue., JAN. 17, 2023 2:00 PM- 3:00 PM Bonita Springs Library	<b>The Joy of Life Story Writing</b> PRESENTER: Linda Abbott LOCATION: 10560 Reynolds Street, Bonita Springs, FL 34135, (239) 533-4860 Free registration: <a href="https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/joy-life-story-writing">https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/joy-life-story-writing</a>	
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Thur., JAN. 19, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 AM Lee County Gen. Society	<b>Genetic Genealogy Overview</b> PRESENTER: Richard Hill LOCATION: Fellowship Hall, Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church, 8260 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft Myers. For more information: <a href="https://lcgsfl.org/events/">https://lcgsfl.org/events/</a>	
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Thur., JAN. 19, 2023 3:00 PM-4:00 PM EST American Ancestors	<b>Basics of Jewish American Genealogy</b> PRESENTER: Rhonda R. McClure Free online with prior registration Free registration: <a href="https://www.americanancestors.org/events/basics-jewish-american-genealogy">https://www.americanancestors.org/events/basics-jewish-american-genealogy</a>	

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Fri., JAN. 20, 2023      **Research Warriors Workshop: Bring your laptop and questions**  
9:30 AM-12:30 PM      Work on proving lineages with one-on-one coaching assistance by DAR members of the Estero Island Chapter.  
Shell Point      LEADERS: Connie Lizak, Herta Klamman  
LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons  
Free preregistration required; email request to: [genatp@gmail.com](mailto:genatp@gmail.com)

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Tue., JAN. 24, 2023      **Introduction to Genealogy for Beginners**  
2:00 PM-3:00 PM      PRESENTER: Kimberly Christensen  
Bonita Springs Library      LOCATION: 10560 Reynolds Street, Bonita Springs, FL 34135, (239) 533-4860  
Free registration: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/introduction-genealogy-beginners-0>

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Fri., FEB. 10, 2023      **Where Should I Keep My Family Tree: Online Service or Genealogy Software Programs (e.g. Ancestry, Family Search, Family Tree Maker, Roots Magic)**  
10:00 AM-11:15 AM      PRESENTER: Carol Rooksby Weidlich, past President, Lee County Genealogical Society  
SHELL POINT      LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons  
HANDOUTS: [Where\\_Should\\_I\\_Keep\\_My\\_Genealogy\\_10Feb2023.pdf](#)

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Thur., FEB. 16, 2023      **Clustering – What It Is and How to Do It?**  
10:00 AM-11:30 AM      Grouping your DNA matches into clusters allows for brick wall breakthroughs  
Lee County Gen. Society      PRESENTER: Peggy Jude  
LOCATION: Fellowship Hall, Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church, 8260 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft Myers.  
For more information: <https://lcsfl.org/events/>

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Sat., FEB. 18, 2023      **What's in a German Name?**  
10:00 AM-12:00 Noon      **Examining Surnames of the Earliest Germans to America**  
Ft. Myers Regional Library      PRESENTER: Ken Weaver, Lee Dounty Genealogy Society, German Roots Leader  
Free: Register at: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/whats-german-name-examining-surnames-earliest-germans-america>

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Tue., FEB. 21, 2023      **Do You Have A Revolutionary War Patriot?**  
10:00 AM-11:00 AM      Find out by using the resources of the Shell Point Genealogy Society and Library  
Shell Point Academy      PRESENTER: Connie Lizak, Herta Klamman and Tom Thompson  
Free: Register at Shell Point Academy starting January 9: <https://reservations.shellpoint.org>

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Thur., FEB. 23, 2023      **Basic African-American Genealogical Research.**  
11:00 AM-12:00 noon      PRESENTER: Bryan L. Mulcahy, Reference/Genealogy Librarian, Ft. Myers Regional Library  
East County Regional Lib.      881 Gunnery Rd. N, Lehigh Acres, FL Ph: 239-533-4200  
Free - Register at: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/AfricanResearch>

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Sat., FEB. 25, 2023      **Beyond the Usual Sources: Using Government and Archival Materials - Part 2**  
10:00 AM-12:00 noon      PRESENTER: Steve Colburn

Ft. Myers Regional Library LOCATION: 1651 Lee St., Ft. Myers, FL (239) 533-4600

Free: Register at: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/beyond-usual-sources-using-government-and-archival-materials-0>

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Thur.-Sat, MAR. 2-4, 2023 **RootsTech - The World's Largest Family History Conference**

FamilySearch.org Over 350 learning sessions scheduled in 2023

Free online registration: <https://www.familysearch.org/rootstech/home>

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Tue., MAR. 7, 2023 **Genealogical Research – United We Stand: Using Civil War Pension Records.**

10:00 AM-11:30 AM

Virtual - Go To Webinar PRESENTER: Diana Crisman Smith, Lee County Genealogical Society

Free: Register at: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/united-we-stand-using-civil-war-pension-records>

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Tue., MAR. 7, 2023 **Ancestry.com - Library Edition - Demonstration**

2:00 PM-3:00 PM PRESENTER: Jackie McGuire, Northwest Regional Library

Northwest Regional Library LOCATION: 519 Chiquita Blvd. N, Cape Coral, FL Ph: 239-533-4713

Free - Register at: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/tech-tuesdays-ancestrycom-edition>

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Fri., MAR. 10, 2023 **Back in the Day: Names, Customs, Words and Sayings**

10:00 AM-11:30 AM Colonial American research with a focus on name variations, customs, and word meanings

SHELL POINT PRESENTER: Herta Klamman, Proctor Leader

LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons

HANDOUTS: [back\\_in\\_the\\_day\\_Klamman\\_slides.pdf](#)

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Thur., MAR. 16, 2023 **Roots Magic**

10:00 AM-11:30 PM PRESENTER: Bruce Buzbee

Lee County Gen. Society LOCATION: Fellowship Hall, Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church, 8260 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft Myers.

For more information: <https://lcsfl.org/events/>

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Sat., MAR. 18, 2023 **Family Search Database Demonstration**

10:00 AM-12:00 Noon PRESENTER: Kaaren Linton, Collier County Genealogical Society

Ft. Myers Regional Library LOCATION: 1651 Lee St., Ft. Myers, FL (239) 533-4600

Free: Register at: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/family-search-database-demonstration>

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Mon., MAR. 20, 2023 **Library Genealogy E-sources**

2:00 PM-3:00 PM PRESENTER: Kimberly Christensen

Bonita Springs Library LOCATION: 10560 Reynolds Street, Bonita Springs, FL 34135, (239) 533-4860

Free registration: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/library-genealogy-e-sources>

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Mon., MAR. 27, 2023 **Researching in Newspapers**

10:30 AM-12:00 Noon PRESENTERS: Julia McIntyre, Dottie Blaugh

In person at: Punta Gorda Library, 401 Shreve St., Punta Gorda, FL

Free Zoom registration - email to: dharris122@gmail.com for the Zoom link to join.

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Sat., APR. 1, 2023 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon Ft. Myers Regional Library	<b>Family Search: Adding Sources and Merging Duplicates</b> PRESENTER: Kaaren Linton, Collier County Genealogical Society LOCATION: 1651 Lee St., Ft. Myers, FL (239) 533-4600	
Free: Register at: <a href="https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/familysearch-adding-and-merging">https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/familysearch-adding-and-merging</a>		
Wed., APR. 5, 2023 2:00 PM-3:30 PM Bonita Springs Library	<b>Family Search Database Demonstration</b> PRESENTER: Kaaren Linton, Collier County Genealogical Society LOCATION: 10560 Reynolds Street, Bonita Springs, FL 34135, (239) 533-4860	
Free registration: <a href="https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/familysearch-database-demonstration">https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/familysearch-database-demonstration</a>		
Thur., APRIL 6, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 AM Virtual - Go To Webinar	<b>The Quakers Are Our Friends</b> Unique features of the faith, what is recorded, and where records may be found. PRESENTER: Diana Crisman Smith, Lee County Genealogical Society	
Free: Register at: <a href="https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/quakers-are-our-friends">https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/quakers-are-our-friends</a>		
Mon., APR. 10, 2023 10:30 AM-12:00 Noon In person at: Punta Gorda Library, 401 Shreve St., Punta Gorda, FL	<b>Land Records and Sanborn Maps</b> PRESENTER: Bryan L. Mulcahy, Reference/Genealogy Librarian, Ft. Myers Regional Library	
Free Zoom registration: email dharris122@gmail.com for the Zoom link to join.		
Fri., APR. 14, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 AM SHELL POINT	<b>Getting the Most out of FamilySearch, Free LDS Genealogy Website</b> Explores options for finding what you need. PRESENTER: Connie Lizak, Director, Shell Point Genealogy Society LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons	
HANDOUTS: <a href="#">FAMILYSEARCH_Overview14Apr2023.pdf</a>		
Mon., APR. 17, 2023 10:30 AM-12:00 Noon In person at: Punta Gorda Library, 401 Shreve St., Punta Gorda, FL	<b>FamilySearch Apps</b> PRESENTER: Turia Clark Day	
Free Zoom registration: email dharris122@gmail.com for the Zoom link to join.		
Thur., APR. 20, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 PM Lee County Gen. Society	<b>MyHeritage Records Collection</b> PRESENTER: Daniel Horowitz LOCATION: Fellowship Hall, Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church, 8260 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft Myers.	
For more information: <a href="https://lcsf.org/events/">https://lcsf.org/events/</a>		
Mon., APR. 24, 2023 10:30 AM-12:00 Noon In person at: Punta Gorda Library, 401 Shreve St., Punta Gorda, FL	<b>What's New at Ancestry</b> PRESENTERS: Dottie Blaugh	

Free Zoom registration: email dharris122@gmail.com for the Zoom link to join.

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Sat., MAY 6, 2023 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon Ft. Myers Regional Library	<b>Probate Packets and Genealogical Research</b> PRESENTER: LOCATION: 1651 Lee St., Ft. Myers, FL (239) 533-4600	
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Free: Register at: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/probate-packets-and-genealogical-research>

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Fri., MAY 12, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 AM SHELL POINT	<b>Using Newspapers to Tell Our Family Stories</b> PRESENTER: Stephen Baluch, Webmaster, Shell Point Genealogy Society LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons	HANDOUTS: <a href="#">Historical_Newspapers-Special_Edition.pdf</a> <a href="#">OCR_Newspaper_Searching.pdf</a> <a href="#">NewspaperArchive_by_State.pdf</a> <a href="#">Fulton_Search.pdf</a>
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Thur., MAY 18, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 PM Lee County Gen. Society	<b>DNA Painter's Tolls: Shared cM Project, What are the odds? And Chromosome Mapping</b> PRESENTER: Mary Eberle LOCATION: Fellowship Hall, Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church, 8260 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft Myers.	
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For more information: <https://lcsfsl.org/events/>

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Sat., JUN 3, 2023 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon Ft. Myers Regional Library	<b>WPA Historical Records Survey and Genealogy</b> This project created many inventories and records that benefit genealogical researchers. PRESENTER: Bryan L. Mulcahy LOCATION: 1651 Lee St., Ft. Myers, FL (239) 533-4600	
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Free - Register at: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/wpa-historical-records-survey-and-genealogy>

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Fri., JUN 9, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 AM SHELL POINT	<b>Member Genealogy Stories:</b> "How you begin can be a surprise! & Why Medical Records Matter." "Major John Maloney, Priest and Catholic Chaplain, 506 Airborne" (Band of Brothers). PRESENTERS: Gloria Thorne, Beth Bauer LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons	HANDOUTS: <a href="#">Gloria_Presentation_2023-06-09.pdf</a> <a href="#">Beth_Presentation_2023-06-09.pdf</a>
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Thur., JUN 15, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 AM Lee County Gen. Society	<b>Legacy 9.0 Software</b> PRESENTER: Geoff Rasmussen LOCATION: Fellowship Hall, Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church, 8260 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft Myers.	
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For more information: <https://lcsfsl.org/events/>  
Online via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwqf-GtqT8vG9Fp1EddUQmAC3C8j2k20imR>

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Fri., SEP 8, 2023 10:00 AM-11:00 AM SHELL POINT	SPECIAL PRESENTATION: My Genealogy Summer PRESENTER: Stephen Baluch LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons	HANDOUTS: <a href="#">My_Genealogy_Summer.pdf</a>

OCTOBER 2023 <a href="#">[Return to top of page]</a>		
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Thur., OCT 5, 2023 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon Ft. Myers Regional Library Free - Register at: <a href="https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/courthouse-research">https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/courthouse-research</a>	TOPIC: <b>Courthouse Research</b> PRESENTER: Bryan L. Mulcahy LOCATION: On-line only	

Tue., OCT 10, 2023 7:00 PM- 8:30 PM Gen. Society of Collier Co. For more information: <a href="https://thegscc.org/schedule/">https://thegscc.org/schedule/</a>	TOPIC: <b>“Dynamic Duos — Ancestry and Family Tree Maker”</b> PRESENTERS: Myrna Lewis and Nancy Pointer LOCATION: Moss Hall, The Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive, Naples, FL 34103	
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Fri., OCT 13, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 AM SHELL POINT Genealogy Society	TOPIC: <b>Cousin Connections</b> or “One of the Best Tools in the Toolbox” Tips on connecting with your relatives – near and far. PRESENTER: Meredith Renard LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons HANDOUTS:	
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Thur., OCT 19, 2023 10:00 AM-11:30 AM Lee County Gen. Society For more information: <a href="https://lcsfsl.org/events/">https://lcsfsl.org/events/</a> Online via Zoom: <a href="https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwof-CspjguHtYmuSdvGzbQDhwPX1NAcs52">https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwof-CspjguHtYmuSdvGzbQDhwPX1NAcs52</a>	TOPIC: <b>Technology to the Rescue: Tools Every Genealogist Needs in Their Tool Box</b> PRESENTER: Linda Debe LOCATION: Fellowship Hall, Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church, 8260 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft Myers.	
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Sat., NOV. 4, 2023 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon Ft. Myers Regional Library Free - Register at: <a href="https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/german-genealogy-making-some-sense-original-meyers-orts">https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/german-genealogy-making-some-sense-original-meyers-orts</a>	TOPIC: <b>German Genealogy: Making Some Sense of the Original Meyers-Orts</b> PRESENTER: LOCATION: South Bldg. Meeting Room, 1651 Lee St., Ft. Myers, FL (239) 533-4600	

Wed., NOV. 8, 2023 2:00 PM-3:00 PM South County Reg. Library Free - Register at: <a href="https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/beginning-genealogy-research">https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/beginning-genealogy-research</a>	TOPIC: <b>Beginning Genealogy Research</b> PRESENTER: Bryan Mulcahy LOCATION: 21100 Three Oaks Parkway, Estero, FL 33928 (239) 533-4400	
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**Fri., NOV 10, 2023**      **TOPIC: Veterans Day, Honoring Those who Served in the Military**  
10:00 AM-11:30 AM      PRESENTERS - Shell Point residents and Veterans who served in The Berlin Brigade:  
SHELL POINT      LTC Les Rooker, USA (Ret.) - "Honoring my Ancestors who fought in the Southern Campaign, Revolutionary War"  
Genealogy Society      LTC John Thomas, USA (Ret.) - "Five Generations of Service: Military is a Family Business"  
LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons  
HANDOUTS:

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Tue., NOV 14, 2023      **TOPIC: "Naples Family History Center and what we have to offer"**  
7:00 PM- 8:30 PM      PRESENTERS: Amy Wolfe, Director  
Gen. Society of Collier Co.      LOCATION: Moss Hall, The Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive, Naples, FL 34103  
For more information: <https://thegscc.org/schedule/>

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Thur., NOV 16, 2023      **TOPIC: Facebook as a Tool to Break Thru Brick Walls**  
10:00 AM-11:30 AM      PRESENTER: Drew Smith  
Lee County Gen. Society      LOCATION: Fellowship Hall, Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church, 8260 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft Myers.  
For more information: <https://lcsfl.org/events/>  
Online via Zoom: [https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUtcuirqzkrGdl9la2Vtz\\_WEwfdzZxlXnq\\_](https://zoom.us/join/91234567890)

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Sat., DEC. 2, 2023      **TOPIC: Wie sagt Man...? German Pronunciation for Genealogists**  
10:00 AM-12:00 Noon      PRESENTER:  
Ft. Myers Regional Library      LOCATION: South Bldg. Meeting Room, 1651 Lee St., Ft. Myers, FL (239) 533-4600  
Free - Register at: <https://leelibrary.librarymarket.com/event/wie-sagt-man-german-pronunciation-genealogists>

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**Fri., DEC 8, 2023**      **TOPIC: Holiday Social, Sharing Traditions**  
10:00 AM-11:30 AM      COORDINATOR: Gloria Thorne  
SHELL POINT      LOCATION: Osprey Room, Island Commons  
Genealogy Society

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Tue., DEC 12, 2023      **TOPIC: "Is There a Mayflower Ancestor in Your Family Tree?"**  
7:00 PM- 8:30 PM      PRESENTER: Myles Standish Colony  
Gen. Society of Collier Co.      LOCATION: Moss Hall, The Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive, Naples, FL 34103  
For more information: <https://thegscc.org/schedule/>

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Thur., DEC 14, 2023      **TOPIC: Holiday Traditions ~ In Person Event Only**  
10:00 AM-11:30 AM      THEME: Pot luck event - favorite family recipe  
Lee County Gen. Society      LOCATION: Fellowship Hall, Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church, 8260 Cypress Lake Dr, Ft Myers.  
For more information: <https://lcsfl.org/events/>  
Registration: Everyone planning to attend must RSVP.

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