

New library event to help track family genealogy

Workshop sponsored by DAR set to aid in research, development of familial lineage

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Have you ever wondered if your ancestors fought alongside George Washington in the American Revolutionary War, or maybe even sold provisions to the Continental Army? Perhaps they were passengers on the Mayflower.

Want to prove it? Then a lineage society is the way to go. And while a lineage society allows one to take pride in an ancestor's accomplishments, it's also a great way to test research skills and learn more about certain lines in your family history.

The Mary Martin Elmore Scott Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Huntsville Public Library are hosting their annual Lineage Society Workshop on Thursday, June 11.

Held from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Community Room at the Huntsville Public Library, located at 1219 13th Street, the workshop will offer assistance in preparation of lineage applications to any patriotic or lineage societies for both women and men.

"Anyone interested in joining a lineage society is invited to participate," Adult Services coordinator Mary Kokot said. "Bring any genealogical & family materials you have, i.e. birth, death, and marriage

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certificates, Bible records, land records, etc.

"If in doubt, bring it along. Help will be available to assist in preparing your lineage papers, and worksheets and handouts will be furnished."

The workshop is taught by professional genealogist Johnnie Jo Sowell Dickenson.

Attendees will have an hour for an independent lunch from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Admission is free, but pre-registration is required. To attend the workshop and receive the handouts and worksheets, interested parties can register at the library or online at www.myhuntsvillelibrary.com.

For any additional information, call Kokot at (936) 291-5471 or the Huntsville Public Library's main line, (936) 291-5472.