

KICK START YOUR FAMILY TREE PROJECT

The Cork Genealogical Society's one day conference promises to get you started. The talks will cover all important aspects of family history. There is a talk on documentary research, and one on DNA, but the emphasis of the day will be firmly focussed on **writing the family tree**.

Members who have written family trees will be there to give advice, speakers will talk about different methods of writing up your family's history, and completed family trees will be available to look at.

Take the opportunity to get this important piece of work started. A family tree is one of those jobs that is very important but not urgent. It is often forgotten until it is too late.

Register Today!

Tickets cost €25 each. The payment covers entry to all lectures and display area, handouts, tea/coffee and a light lunch.

Tickets may be purchased through our website <u>www.corkgenealogicalsociety.com</u>

Where payment may be made by PayPal

CORK GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

ONE-DAY CONFERENCE

Cork Genealogical Society has set the date and the theme for its seventh, one-day genealogical conference. It will take place at **Rochestown Park Hotel on Saturday 21 March**. The theme gets right to the heart of the matter:

Let's Get the Family Tree Done!

That sentence may very well strike terror into the heart of the average family history enthusiast. Sitting down at home, pen in hand, facing a blank page, the burden of writing your family's history weighing heavily on your shoulders... It sounds more like a nightmare than fun!

True, the family tree may well be a lifelong activity, and there's certainly always more to find out. However, unless you produce a document at some point, and give copies to members of your extended family, there can be no denying that your research work will have ended in dismal failure.

Our conference is not designed to make you feel guilty for not producing a family history. We aim to help you to tap into your creativity, and to spark your enthusiasm, and to show you how to write a document that will be treasured by generations of your family to come.

MAIN SPEAKERS

Fiona Fitzsimons of Eneclan will focus on documentary sources in her talk: "Evidence in Death for Irish Family History". Familiarity with various documentary collections is still of fundamental importance in creating a family history. Fiona believes that "a good research methodology will always deliver a better research outcome."

Margaret Jordan's

presentation is on the new cutting edge technologies used in family history. Her talk is titled: "Getting the most out of your DNA results." It should be very helpful to those who are wondering what is the value of discovering thousands of cousins on ancestry.com and myheritage.com and similar websites.

Tony McCarthy in his talk questions the value of computer packages for family history. He looks at the ways people recorded and displayed vast amounts of genealogical information before the invention of computers. "Pen and paper is still good enough to produce a great family tree."

SHORT PRESENTATIONS

James Quain

CGS member James Quain will talk about his experience of producing **two** family histories.

Olive Coleman

CGS Secretary Olive Coleman will give a short presentation on: "The Indented Pedigree".

Therese Byrne

CGS member Therese Byrne's theme: "Finding biological parents combining traditional and DNA methods".

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