

# TOWN OF VERNON

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# Rockville Public Library Again Offers FREE Ancestors Road Show

## *Participants can meet one-on-one with a professional genealogist*

**VERNON, Connecticut** – The Rockville Public Library is again hosting an Ancestors Road Show on Saturday, Nov. 4 and people who sign up in advance can learn about their family history from professional genealogists.

The program is free and open to all, including people who do not live in Vernon. Forty spots are available and registration is required. Participants will fill out a short questionnaire to give the genealogists the opportunity to find out what people want to learn and to perform research of the person's ancestry. Questionnaires must be returned to the library by Nov. 1 to give the genealogists time to perform research.

"The Rockville Public Library offers a wide variety of programming that appeals to people of all ages," Vernon Mayor Dan Champagne said. "The Ancestors Road Show, which was very popular the first time it was held, is a great opportunity to learn about family history."

To sign up for the ancestors road show contact library Director Jennifer Johnston-Marius at [jjohnston@vernon-ct.gov](mailto:jjohnston@vernon-ct.gov) or call 860-875-5892, ext. 4. Visitors to the library can also get information at the circulation desk.

"Each person who participates gets to work one-on-one with a professional genealogist and learn about some aspect of their family tree," Johnston-Marius said. "Each session lasts about 25 minutes. This is a great opportunity for anyone just starting family research, or who have reached an impasse and could use some help."

The program is offered by the Connecticut Professional Genealogists Council, a non-profit that works on behalf of the genealogy community and helps family historians make new discoveries about their ancestors.

## **About the Town of Vernon**

The Town of Vernon is a celebrated place to live, work and visit. From its beautiful parks and lakes, to its vast trails and historic homes and buildings, Vernon is a resilient and thriving community that promotes the health and wellbeing of its residents and values the natural environment. With a resident population of more than 30,000 and occupying 18.03 square miles, Vernon combines a balanced appreciation of history, and a strong economic base for growth, both residential and commercial. Located 15 minutes east of the Connecticut capital of Hartford, and 25 miles from the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, the Town of Vernon is strategically located in “New England's Knowledge Corridor” with close proximity to some of the top colleges and universities in the country.

Designated a certified Sustainable Community, the Town of Vernon offers a wide range of benefits and services to its residents. The Town of Vernon is a full-service municipality that practices a management philosophy of continuous quality improvement. To learn more about the Town of Vernon, please call (860) 870-3670 or visit [www.vernon-ct.gov](http://www.vernon-ct.gov).

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