

PLACE: Carnegie Lecture Hall, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh. The Lecture Hall is behind the main entrance of the Carnegie Library. It is accessible from the six-story parking garage behind the Carnegie Museum of Art, near the intersection of Forbes Avenue and South Craig Street in Oakland.

DIRECTIONS:

From the East

Take the Parkway East (I-376) west to the Oakland/PA Route 885N Exit (Bates Street). Follow Bates Street to Bouquet Street (Bates Street ends at the Bouquet intersection). Turn left and follow Bouquet to the traffic signal. Make a right on Forbes Avenue and proceed to South Craig Street (3rd traffic light) Make a right into the parking area behind the museums. After parking, take the path to your right as you exit the elevator to the lecture hall.

From the South (Routes 51 & 19)

Take Route 51 or Route 19 north to the Liberty Tunnel. Proceed through the tunnel and across the Liberty Bridge. Use the right lane exit to the Boulevard of the Allies and turn right onto the Boulevard of the Allies going east. Take the Forbes Avenue exit from the Boulevard of the Allies. Proceed east on Forbes Avenue to South Craig Street and make a right into the parking area behind the museums. After parking, take the path to your right as you exit the elevator to the lecture hall.

From the West

Take I-279 or I-79 to I-279. Follow I-279 northbound through the Fort Pitt Tunnels. Stay in the right lane when entering the tunnels. Upon exiting the tunnels, follow the sign to I-376 east (Monroeville) (right lanes). Exit I-376 at the Forbes Avenue exit, approximately 2 miles from the tunnels.. Proceed on Forbes Avenue approximately 1.5 miles to 4400 Forbes Avenue and make a right into the parking area behind the museums at South Craig Street. After parking, take the path to your right as you exit the elevator to the lecture hall.

From the North

Take I-79 southbound. Take Exit 72 onto I-279 southbound. Take Exit 8A to I-579 (Veteran's Bridge/Monroeville). Cross the Veteran's Bridge and take the ramp for I-376 East (Oakland/Monroeville). This will put you on the Boulevard of the Allies (which eventually leads into the Parkway East). Proceed on the Boulevard of the Allies to the the Forbes Avenue Exit. Follow Forbes Avenue to 4400 Forbes Avenue Make a right into the parking area behind the museums at South Craig Street. After parking, take the path to your right as you exit the elevator to the lecture hall.

POINT Chapter 20

POINT is an acronym for *Pursuing Our Italian Names Together*. **POINT** is an international network of members interested in Italian Genealogy. Thomas E. Militello, M.D. founded **POINT** in 1987. The goal of **POINT** is to put two or more people who are interested in the same Italian surname into contact with one another so that they can share information. Our Pittsburgh group is Chapter 20 of **POINTers In Person (PIP)**. We meet at the Carnegie Library in the Oakland area of Pittsburgh on the third Saturdays from September –November and February –May, to learn more about our “**roots in the boot**” share our research, provide resources to one another, learn more about our cultural traditions and support each other’s search for our family members.

The Italian Genealogy Group

The Italian Genealogy Group is an organization dedicated to furthering Italian family history and genealogy. Although most members are from the New York City area, membership is worldwide. Our Pittsburgh Chapter shares materials with the New York Chapter and has access to a database of surnames and areas of Italy that members are researching.

POINT Chapter 20 and The Italian Genealogy Group

ROOTS IN THE BOOT



Italian Genealogy Conference

**Saturday, June 18, 2011
Pittsburgh, PA**

Featuring

Ruth Lapioli Merriman

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Ruth Lapioli Merriman is the manager of the International Research Consultation Unit at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. She has worked for the Family History Department for over 25 years. She graduated from Brigham Young University with a BA in English and a Master's degree in Library and Information Science and spent over 20 years cataloging Italian books and films.

She is an accredited Italian genealogist and loves to help others find their ancestors. Ruth has a very understanding husband, four sons, two daughters-in-law, and as of this writing, she has one grandson in the making.

Place

Carnegie Library Lecture Hall, 4400 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

9:00 AM to 9:30 AM

Registration

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Reading Italian Church and Civil Records, Part 1

This two part class deals with a very important problem ... once we find those records, how on earth do we read them?? We will examine how to decipher the handwriting, where to look in the record for the important information, and what key terms we need to know to correctly identify our ancestors and their vital information.

10:45 AM - 11:45AM

Reading Italian Church and Civil Records, Part 2

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Lunch

On your own or you may order the optional box lunch (with a turkey sandwich) on the registration form.

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Italian Research on the Internet

Gone are the days of not having anything to search online as far as Italian genealogy is concerned. More is popping up every day and we will look at some of the most exciting and useful sites.

2:45 PM - 3:45 PM

Italian Marriage Records – More Than You Think

So you found a marriage date – is that the end of it? Certainly not. We're going to discuss the supplemental marriage records and what a gold mine of information they can be. Generations can be discovered in these pages that so often go unnoticed.

3:45 PM- 4:00PM

Question and Answer Session

Lunch Options:

- **Schenley Plaza** - parklet across from the library has several Food Kiosks
- **Forbes Avenue** - fast food and restaurants along the avenue
- **South Craig Street** - fast food and restaurants along the avenue
- **Picnic Tables** - along the side of the lecture hall for those with box lunches or you may use the tables at Schenley Plaza

E-mail: rootsintheboot@yahoo.com

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REGISTRATION:

Name

Address

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REGISTRATION FEES:

Pip Chapter 20 members	\$25.00
Non Chapter 20 members	\$35.00
OPTIONAL BOX LUNCH	\$20.00
Pip Chapter 20 dues	\$10.00
Total Enclosed	_____

Registration deadline: **June 10, 2011**

Make checks payable to: **PIP Chapter 20**

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