

Dennis Ahern

will address the

Irish Family History Forum

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at the

Bethpage Public Library

47 Powell Ave., Bethpage, NY

Researching Genealogy in Northern Ireland

In the 1922 treaty that created the Irish Free State, six of Ireland's 32 counties were set aside to form the Province of Northern Ireland. The province has its own Public Records Office and Registrar's Office, but the records you can find in some of these repositories are not limited to events in counties Antrim, Armagh, Derry, Down, Fermanagh and Tyrone. This lecture will acquaint you with the contents and resources at some of the archives and repositories in Northern Ireland



Researching Genealogy in Irish Newspapers

It's said that one's name should only appear in the newspaper when you are born, married, or died. For most people in 18th and 19th century Ireland, even these three occasions did not always apply, but you still might find an ancestor's name in the news. Irish newspapers contain a wealth of information about average people: your ancestors may show up in police reports as the perpetrators or victims of a crime, or as litigants in a court case. Charitable and political fund drives listed names and addresses of contributors. Reports of agricultural fairs identified farmers and how much they got for their livestock. This lecture will help you understand how to find this type of information.

These talks are free and open to the public.