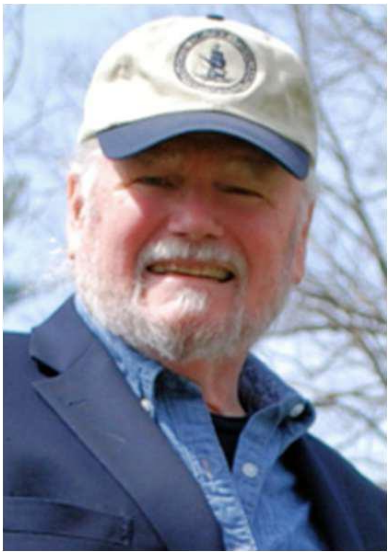
Imperial Polk Genealogical Society

Program February 13:

One Approach to Publishing Your Family History



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A lot has been said about writing your family history, but starting such a task can seem overwhelming. Here's one method that has proven successful, along with some of the practical matters you may need to know to do it yourself.

As genealogists, we know how important it is: preserving and sharing not just the names and dates, but the stories, the events in the lives of the people in our family trees. But it is such a daunting task that too many times it never even gets started. How do you begin? What do you write? What about pictures or other personal touches? How do you print and publish? Discover one successful approach to writing and sharing these stories, and learn printing and binding options available to fit anyone's budget.

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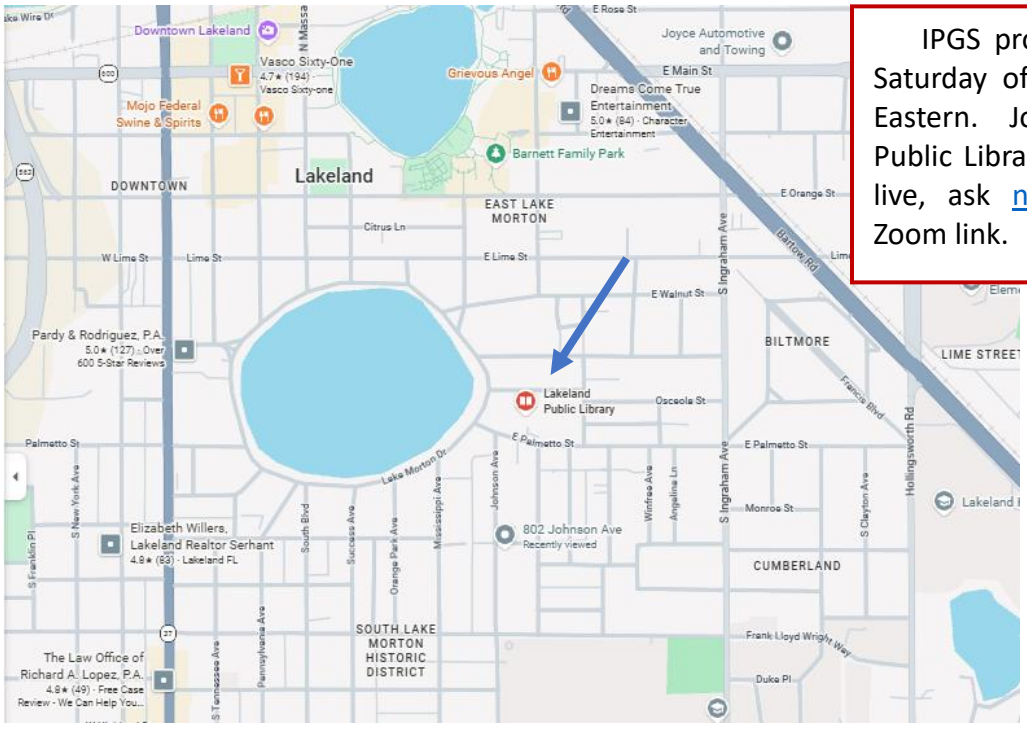

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