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Rock Island, IL: Learning isn't just for schoolchildren. Beyond the thousands of books, DVDs and other resources at Rock Island Public Library locations, fall brings plenty of ways for adults to learn something new with free programs on genealogy, technology and job searching.

Learn More About Who You Are:

With the help of two new genealogy programs at the Rock Island Main Library, participants can learn how to find out more their family ties. On **Tuesday, Oct. 2**, the Rock Island County Genealogical Society presents

Genealogy: Getting Started

, for an introductory look at how to start a family tree. On Wednesday

, **Oct. 17**

, the library and the Genealogical Society will offer

Genealogy: Online Resources

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, for a look at how to use computerized research databases, such as Ancestry.com and Heritage Quest. Both programs start at 6:00 pm in the Main Library Community Room at 401 19th Street. No registration is required.

Learn More About Using and Buying Technology:

If you're discovering the world of digital books, the Rock Island Library offers OverDrive, which contains a large number of eBooks, and a small number of eAudiobooks; and OneClickdigital, which contains more than 3,500 eAudiobook titles that can be checked out for free. The library will offer a demonstration on using **OverDrive** at 6:00 pm on **Wednesday, Oct. 10** and **Wednesday, Nov. 14**

, both at the Rock Island Southwest Branch Library, 9010 Ridgewood Road. No registration is required. Time is provided for questions and one-on-one help after each demo.

If you're considering a purchase of new technology (or putting some devices on your gift list), the library will offer a showcase of what to look for in a new computer, eReader, tablet or cell phone, and an overview of their compatibility with library products, such as OverDrive, OneClickdigital and Mango online languages. All three products offer mobile apps to help patrons use them on mobile devices. **Technology Basics** will be offered at 1:30 pm on Tuesday, Oct. 16 in the Rock Island Main Library Community Room, 401 19th Street.

Learn more about social media, with **Facebook and Twitter: What You Want to Know**, at 6:00 pm on

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, at the Rock Island Main Library, 401 19th Street. Library employees will answer some common about the features of both Facebook and Twitter, and how people use them to build connections with others.

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Learn More About Finding and Landing a Job:

In a crowded job market, knowing how to present yourself can be the edge you need to stand out in the crowd. The Rock Island Library Reference and Information department will host two free programs to help you do just that:

Getting That Job: Tips on Making the Cut will be presented from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm on **Tuesday, Nov. 20.**

Participants will hear tips from a panel of experts on how to fill out the application, what to avoid on a resume, and what to do during an interview. No registration is required.

Getting That Job: Resume Tips will be presented from 11:00 am to noon on **Tuesday, Dec. 11.**

Participants will hear tips and suggestions for putting together a resume. Registration is required for this course, as computers are limited. To sign up, call [309-732-7341](tel:309-732-7341)

Both programs will be presented in the Rock Island Main Library Community Room, 401 19th Street.

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For more computer tip workshops and other hands-on demos for adults at the Rock Island Library, visit the library calendar at www.rockislandlandlibrary , call [309-732-7341](tel:309-732-7341) or follow the library on Facebook.