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NEWSLETTER

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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Mission Statement

The Napa Valley Genealogical Society is dedicated to the promotion of genealogical, historical, and biographical research, and the preservation of family history. The library serves as a medium to share knowledge through workshops and educational programs.



A Message from our President

Greetings to NVGS Members and Friends!

It's spring! The days are getting longer, the soil is warming up, it is almost the perfect time to plant some seeds. I want to emphasize *almost*, because if the soil isn't the right temperature, the seed will not sprout, or it might sprout and subsequently die.

Let me tell you about some seeds I tried to plant that failed. I informed everyone I knew who did genealogy and were not members the many reasons to join our society. Not one seed sprouted (joined our society). Last week I tried another method. I have been doing some research for a fellow gym member and found several paragraphs about his great-great grandfather in a Google digitized book. I read this entry to him and his friends, and they all responded favorably to this genealogical finding. Maybe this time I planted some seeds that will grow.

On May 18 we are holding an Open House on a Sunday afternoon (see flyer within), in celebration of our 40th anniversary. Try planting some seeds: invite a friend, a neighbor, a teacher, a student, a Scout leader, a 4-H leader to stop by and see what we have to offer. Remember, some seeds lie dormant for a period of time before sprouting.

Karen Burzdak NVGS President

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

All members and guests welcome to attend.

May
May 7, 2014, (1st Wed) Genealogy Software Group, 2pm NVGS Library.

May 12, 2014, (2nd Mon) BOARD MEETING, 2pm NVGS Library.

May 13, 2014, (3rd Thur) No Monthly Program today. Join us at our Open House on Sunday May 18th. Noon to 4.

May 17, 2014, Saturday, 9am to 4 pm NVGS YARD SALE at our Library. 1701 Menlo, Napa, CA

May 18, 2014, Sunday OPEN HOUSE Noon to 4 pm, NVGS Library.

May 27, 2014, (4th Tue) Family History Writing Group, noon, at NVGS Library.

June
Jun 4, 2014, (1st Wed) Genealogy Software Group, 2pm NVGS Library.

Jun 5, 2014 Thursday. Special Program, Mapping the George C. Yount Pioneer Cemetery, an Historical Adventure and Journey, presented by Denise Ratterman Jackson. 1:30pm at the NVGS Library.

Jun 9, 2014, (2nd Mon) BOARD MEETING, 2pm NVGS Library.

Jun 10, 2014, (2nd Tue) Family History Writing Group, noon, at NVGS Library.

Jun 19, 2014, (3rd Thur) Monthly Program, AMERICAN MIGRATION TRAILS: WESTERN UNITED STATES, presented by Kathryn Marshall. Join us on Thursday, 1:30pm at the NVGS Library.

Jun 24, 2014, (4th Tue) Family History Writing Group, noon, at NVGS Library

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Calendar of Upcoming Events of Interest

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August 1-2, 2014 Indiana Historical Society presents "Midwestern Roots 2014" Exploring Frontiers: What Would Your Pioneers Have Tweeted? Located in Indianapolis at the Marriott East. For more info go to www.indianahistory.org.

August 27-30, 2014 Gather with the nation's genealogists in historic San Antonio, Texas, for the Federation of Genealogical Societies 2014 Conference, "GONE TO TEXAS!"

Join us August 27-30, 2014, as together we experience four days of genealogical learning, networking, and discovery, deep in the heart of Texas. Our local co-hosts for 2014 are the Texas State Genealogical Society and the San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society. Together we will continue our tradition of providing exceptional educational opportunities for genealogists from across the nation and beyond. Conveniently located in downtown San Antonio, the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center will host the conference's workshops, lectures, and exhibit hall. 200 East Market Street San Antonio, TX 78205. For further information go to www.fgsconference.org.

Jabber from Janice



I have a great many German ancestors: Surface (Zerfass); Null, Emerich; Harpine (Herbein); Arey (Irich); Emerich; Miller (Mueller); Wuellenbuscher and others. I am always interested in trying to find home bases in the German region in the early 1700s. Here are a few sources for research that impressed me:

http://www.germanroots.com/1820.html#general *

Not just for Germany and do not assume you will need to get out your wallet. Just knowing the name of the resource (book, cd, database) can be enough to use the Ancestry site Card Catalog (on the home screen, click on the Search tab and choose Card Catalog). Then use either the "Keyword" or the "Title" boxes to find the correct item you turned up on the Germanroots site. Always for Ancestry to do a more thorough search, you need to look in the exact Card Catalog entry. The general search on the home page does not do an adequate search of all the records...trust me.)

Another helpful site is the Surname distribution Map on Family Search

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Surname_Distribution_Maps This may be in a foreign (to me) language so be sure to use Google Translate**. When I used one of the German suggested sites, I was directed to http://www.verwandt.de/karten/ I could search on Zerfass and see the distribution of this surname, and it quickly switched it to English as I had checked the Google Translate box telling Google to always translate to German. Seeing where this name was distributed throughout Germany was helpful. More common names like Mueller might not offer much research assistance.

http://worldnames.publicprofiler.org/Main.aspx This is from Dick Eastman's Blog*** Sign in with your surname and an e-mail address and then you can begin your search. (You may recall in a past Jabber that I suggested setting up a separate account for my "non-personal" e-mails and this is one case where I used my Yahoo e-mail address.) I again used Zerfass and it showed the largest concentration in Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany. That is the information in my file.

- *From Internet Genealogy, April/May 2014, 8-10
- **For more information on Google Translate: https://support.google.com/translate/?hl=en#2534525
- *** http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans online genealogy/2008/09/new-web-site-ma.html

Happy Hunting!
Janice Brown

Volunteers Needed to Work Open House

Time: 12 to 2 or 2 to 4

Contact Wendy Rosenthal at wendyjr@comcast.net

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

2013 FISCAL REPORT

ASSETS – Balances as of December 31, 20	13
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Umpqua Checking \$ 4,287.75 (Unrestricted)

UBS

Reserve Operating Fund \$ 21,309.70 (Unrestricted)

Building Fund \$120,000.00 (Temporarily Restricted)

TOTAL UBS \$ 141,309.70

COMMUNITY FUND OF NAPA VALLEY

Library Fund \$ 11,987.19 (Temporarily Restricted)
Life Endowment Fund \$ 12,453.96 (Permanently Restricted)

TOTAL COMMUNITY FUND INVESTEMENT \$ 24,441.15

TOTAL ASSETS <u>\$ 170,038.60</u>

OPERATING FUND CARRY OVER FROM PREVIOUS YEARS (2012 Fiscal Report)

Unrestricted \$ 26,698.83 Temporarily Restricted \$ 4,057.19

TOTAL <u>\$ 30,756.02</u>

2013 RESULTS FROM OPERATIONS

REVENUE

 Donations
 \$ 1,926.50

 Dues
 \$ 3,461.00

 Fund Raiser
 \$ 6,927.00

 Investment Income
 \$ 554.00

 Sales
 \$ 528.63

TOTAL REVENUE \$ 13,397.13

EXPENDITURES

Fund Raiser Expenses \$ 1,218.85 750.00 Accountant 479.40 **Asset Acquisitions Catalog Service** \$ 1,020.00 **Dues/Subscriptions** 120.00 \$ 751.00 Equipment Maint. Insurance \$ 1,944.18 Internet Service 359.40 Misc. 294.99 PGE \$ 2,004.64 Telephone 393.01 Program \$ 1,225.39 \$ 3,728.88 Property Maint. 39.00 Sales Tax Supplies \$ 1,559.02 Water & Sewer 769.32 \$ 1,824.08 Wine Press

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 18,481.16

UNRESTRICTED CARRY FORWARD TO 2014

Umpqua Checking \$ 4,287.75 UBS – Money Market \$ 21,309.70 TOTAL UNRESTRICTED CARRY FORWARD TO 2014 \$ 25,597.45

Visit our Open House to

Celebrate our 40th Anniversary

and explore the

Napa Valley Genealogical Society

at

1701 Menlo Ave., Napa Sunday, May 18, 2014 Noon to 4:00 pm

Tour our extensive library of books, maps, genealogies, and other resources

Learn the basics of researching your ancestors online

Docents present to help you











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Refreshments will be served

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An Historical Adventure and Journey

presented by

DENISE RATTERMAN JACK-

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Two programs in June!

THURSDAY JUNE 5, 2014

Napa Valley Genealogy Library 1701 Menlo Avenue 1:30 p.m.

PLEASE JOIN US AT 1:00 P.M. FOR REFRESHMENTS

AMERICAN MIGRATION TRAILS: WESTERN UNITED STATES

Presented by KATHRYN MARSHALL



THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 2014

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NVGS Library Volunteer Schedules MAY 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10-1 M. Woods 1-4 O. Meyers	2	3 10-2 C. Fisher
4	5	6 10-1 M. Ricci 1-4 D. Hibbert	7 10-1 D. Bruechert 1-4 B. Mattila 2:00 Genealogy Software Gp	8 10-1 J. Layland 1-4 J. Layland	9 Work Day Join us 10-2	10 10-2 G. Martin
11	12 2:00 Board Meeting	13 10-1 K. Burzdak 1-4 M. Herzog 12:00 FW Group	14 10-1 S. Marangoni 1-4 M. Varicka	15 10-1 B. Shoar 1-4 D. Meehan No Program	16 Work Day Join us 10-2	17 10-2 R. Clark YARD SALE 9-4
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JUNE 2014

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NVGS MEMBERS' PAGE

To Our Local NVGS Members:

Watch for emails or notices in the library for upcoming work days at the library. They will be planned for Mondays and/or Fridays for 2 to 4 hours each session. Even tedious work is more fun when friends are along. Please join us!

Youth Outreach, Napa Valley

- Do you know a child in 4-H, Scouts, or in elementary school who might be interested in completing a Family History project or badge?
- Do you have a grandchild or close relative living in the Napa Valley who might be interested in learning Family History during vacations.
- Would you like to participate as a leader using your experience in researching your ancestors and passing that along to youth? *Leave a note at the library or contact kjburzdak@comcast.net if interested.*

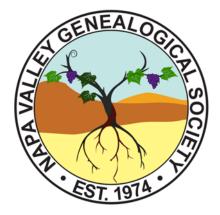
Welcome New Members

Member Surnames

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925-639-8433	
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Sylvia Gustafson	Cahill, Haake(c), Morton, Sylva
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707-256-3060	
Email: no computer	
Charles Jones	None given
707-815-0123	
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NEW LOGO

When we changed our society name, one of the many consequences was the need to create a new logo. We have a new name and a new, fresh, modern logo.



Logo in Color



Logo in Black & White

Are you of Irish Descent?

Read this wonderful story of researching in Ireland for those elusive relatives.

Go to:

http://www.irishcentral.com/roots/genealogy/Maine-womans-search-for-her-Irish-roots-pays-off.html? utm_source=twgnewsletter&utm_edium=newsletter&utm_campaign=twg682

Intermediate Classes

Would you like learn some intermediate genealogy skills? If the answer is "yes," please leave a message with the library or online and give us your name and the best day of the week and/or time of day for attending a course. We'd also like to know what your interests are. They would probably be in two-hour



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It's almost time – Reminder About Membership Renewal & Rules

Mark your calendars for June 1, 2014 as the day to write your membership renewal check. Please attach it to the renewal form found below, or go to our website,

www.napavalleygenealogy.org and click on the *Membership* section to download a copy of the renewal form. The form and your dues should be returned to the Library no later than July 31, 2014. Please write *Membership* on the front of the envelope.

Remember too, if your dues are received after July 31, unfortunately, you will be dropped from membership (according to our Standing Rules & Bylaws) and will need to file the necessary paperwork to be re-instated.

We are always improving our resources for your research and have some great programs scheduled for the coming year, so we hope you will continue to support our Napa Valley Genealogy Society and we will see you often! Thank you.

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Please return this with	your dues payment and write MEMBERSHIP on the envelope.
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☐ Family/Joint - \$40.00 ☐ Out of State - \$15.00	☐ Life Membership, Family/Joint – \$500.00 ☐ Junior – \$15.00
Th	is is a renewal form only:
☐ I am renewing my membership	
Inclu	de changes/corrections <u>only</u>
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Address:	
Phone:	E-mail address:-

Call Before Visiting our Library

Sometimes we are short on library staffers.

We recommend that you call the library before you visit to make sure a staffer is on duty.

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Publications of the Napa Valley Genealogical Society



Computer CD's (in MS Word and RTF Formats)		
Napa County Cemeteries		
Volume 1 – Lower Napa Co . Cemeteries & Index: Napa Memorial Gardens, Tulocay (index only), Napa State Hospital, Stephen Broadhurst, Partrick, God's Acre, Indian Burial Grounds, Perry Burial Site, Wood Family Burial Grounds, Christian Brothers	One CD	\$25.00
Volume2 – Middle Napa Co . Cemeteries and Index: St. Helena Catholic, St. Helena Public, Monticello, Bradshaw, Grace Episcopal, Wragg Canyon, Wooden Valley, Capell Valley, Martinelli, Los Pasadas (does not include the Calif. Veterans' Home	One CD	\$25.00
Volume 3 – Upper Napa Co ., Cemeteries and Index: Pioneer, Bothe, Cyrus Family, Earl Wilms Property, Duvall, Biter Burial Ground, Lommel Road	One CD	\$25.00
All Volumes of Napa County Cemeteries and Indexes	One CD	\$60.00
The Great Register of Napa County, 1880-1894: substituting for the 1890 Census includes (when given) name, age, nativity, registration date, occupation, naturalization place and date, & residence	3 Volumes	\$35.00
BOOKS -Soft cover		
Index of Births Registered in Napa Co. through 1905 – includes sex, year born, page number of the county recorders record book	53 pages	\$7.00
Napa County Tax Assessment Records Index, 1884-1893 – includes name, rd. district, year and page # of book & microfilm pages (located at Society Library) Vol. 1 incl. A-Z, Vol. 2 incl.A-Leg, Vol. 3 incl Leg-Z	478 pages	\$52.00
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, St. Helena Public Cemetery, Vol. 1 Office Records	184 pages	\$22.00
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, George Yount Cemetery, Yountville incl. information from old Cemetery Assoc. ledger. Indexed.	56 pages	\$10.00
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County: Stephen Broadhurst, Partrick and Redwood Cemeteries, Indexed	20 pages	\$4.00
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Pope Valley, Monticello, Wragg Canyon, Capell Valley and Wooden Valley Cemeteries , Indexed	41 pages	\$6.00
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Pioneer and Bothe Cemetery, Calistoga, includes information from old Pioneer Cemetery ledger. Indexed.	30 pages	\$4.00
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Holy Cross Cemetery, St. Helena. Indexed	47 pages	\$6.00
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Napa Valley Memorial Gardens, Napa. Indexed	82 pages	\$10.00
Funeral Home Records of W.F. Mercier Permelee of St. Helena, Napa County, pages are copies of the original sheets c1920's. Indexed	219 pages	\$32.00
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Volunteer Opportunities Abound

- ◆ Staffing opportunity at the Library. 10 am-1 pm shift or 1 pm-4 pm shift once a month. Meet new people and learn about your library. Training provided. Call the library at 252-2252 and speak to the staff on duty.
- Volunteer your expertise in an area of your choice to help with questions or e-mail.
 Leave an e-mail for the Staff at, napagen@earthlink.net
- Help out at the Library with shelving or special projects. Call the Library at 252-2252 and leave a message. Help is always needed.

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