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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!

Wow! Our major fundraising effort has just concluded with the most successful year in several of the past years. We went just under our goal of raising \$10,000.

There are so many people who need some applause. The first person who comes to mind is Bente Shoar, who starts the week after Christmas with solicitations, volunteer coordination, planning our Wine Draw Event (when the winners are chosen). Thank you, Bente. It has been a pleasure working with you. Please enjoy your three months off.

After that, we need to make sure that all of our members who volunteered to sell tickets at the Wine Train station are acknowledged. I found myself there on a couple of occasions and was pleasantly surprised at the experience of meeting so many people from out of town. Some of them were from other countries, speaking their native language while waiting for the train to leave the station. (I wonder how they know when their train leaves.)

And we are so thankful to the Napa Valley wineries that donate to our society and the Napa Valley Wine Train (www.winetrain.com) that allows us to sell our raffle tickets for the hour before the trains leave the station.

The winners will be found on our website and inside this newsletter, as well as some pictures from the Wine Draw. It was festive this year, with a few wearing special costumes and displays or collections of favorite family creations.

Karen Burzdak
NVGS President

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

All members and guests welcome to attend.

Sept

Sept 3, 2014, (1st Wed) **Genealogy Software Group**, **Cancelled, Summer Vacation**

Sept 8, 2014, (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2pm NVGS Library.

Sept 9, 2014, (2nd Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.

Sept 18, 2014, (3rd Thur) Monthly Program, **“U.S. NATURALIZATION RECORDS”** presented by Christine Bell Green. Thursday 1:30 pm at NVGS Library.

Sept 23, 2014, (4th Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.

Oct

Oct 1, 2014, (1st Wed) **Genealogy Software Group**, 2pm NVGS Library.

Oct 13, 2014, (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2pm NVGS Library.

Oct 14, 2014, (2nd Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.

Oct 16, 2014, (3rd Thur) Monthly Program, **“Marriage in America, A Genealogy Researcher’s View.”** Presented by George McKinney. Thursday 1:30 pm at NVGS Library.

Oct 20, 2014, **WinePress deadline**, articles to Editor Sandra Hoover, email articles or drop off in editor’s box at library. Email—sandrahoover@comcast.net

Oct 28, 2014, (4th Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.

Calendar of Upcoming Events of Interest

September 20, 2014 Sonoma County Genealogical Society presents **“Kathy Payne on Family Search, using the new Family Search.”** Come and learn about the most recent updates to **Family Tree**; Learn about using the **“Record Hinting”** feature; the **Descendancy Tool**; the new **Path for Historical Records**; and more!!! Santa Rosa Finley Center, 2060 West College Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA. Cypress Room, Q & A at noon – Presentation at 1:00-2:30 p.m.

For more info go to <http://www.scgsonline.org/>

October 11, 2014 **“Sacramento Archives Crawl,”** (Noteworthy Event). Sacramento Archives Crawl is an Archives Month event held every October. Crawlers tour among four host archives in Sacramento, gathering stamps in their passports as they view treasures from dozens of archives and special collections libraries, visit with archivists, and go on special behind-the-scenes tours. Sacramento Genealogy Society, Root Cellar, will be staffing a table at the Sacramento State Archives. For more information, <http://sacarchivescrawl.blogspot.com>, or <http://www.sos.ca.gov/archives/events>.

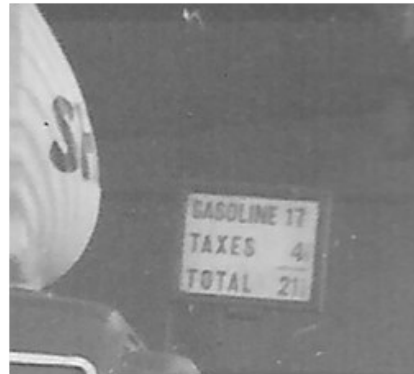
October 18, 2014 **“Workshop/Seminar”** The Concord FHC will be hosting its annual **Digging for Your Roots seminar**, which is held at the LDS Church, 3700 Concord Blvd., Concord, CA. For further info go to: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~cacccgs/cccg/events.htm>. Napa Genealogy Society is putting together a carpool for this event. Contact the library at 252-2252 to get involved.

Jabber from Janice



After reading “Time Travel Without a DeLorean” by Tim Cluckey in Family Chronicle July/August 2014, pages 36-39, I was very excited to discover the “hows and whys” of scanning at high resolution. The photo detail is amazing at 1200 dpi vs 200 dpi no matter what the age of the photo or the camera that captured it. I scanned a 2 1/2” X 4” photo of my mother working at the Shell gas station that my father had managed before enlisting in the Army Air Corp for WWII. She worked there while he was gone. The photo below shows her and her co-worker in front of the pumps. I wanted to see more detail as to the price of gas and anything else of interest. I used Adobe Photoshop Elements 12 and an HP Officejet Pro Printer. I enlarged the photo to a much larger size than I had room for in this article and could read more detail on the pump. I did no other enhancements for the photos below but enhanced for my own use by lighten/darken and sharpen. Wish that was still the price of gas today!

Hope this is helpful for use with your printer.



Gasoline was
.21 cents a gallon.

PS: My mom, Dorothy Gillman Cox, is on the right.

Happy Scanning,
Janice Cox Brown
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ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

If you would like to advertise your business, your craft, your skill in our newsletter, please contact the library for more information (or refer to the prior newsletter for space and costs).



NEW ACQUISITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

CALIFORNIA

- 979.4 D39ww Who's Who In California, 1981-1982
979.4 H29mo California Chronology, A Period of Three Hundred and Fifty Years, 1510-1860.
979.418 J25s Yearbooks: El Padre, Sonoma, CA High School, Years: 1950-1958, 1963, 1967, 1969, 1970, 1973, 1975.

FAMILY HISTORIES

- 929.2 G464m Gilbert Narrative. A narrative of the Captivity and sufferings of Benjamin Gilbert and his family. An account of the Gilbert family who settled at Bayberry, Pennsylvania.

ILLINOIS

- 977.3 H28s Combined History of Shelby and Moultrie Counties, Illinois: with illustrations descriptive of their scenery and biographical sketches of some of their prominent men and pioneers. 1763-1881.

WEST VIRGINIA

- 975.429 h29k Calhoun County in the Civil War. Indexed.

Mary's Book Corner



Breaking News!

We now have a REAL book corner as opposed to the virtual one I've been writing about for awhile. We have a new lending library stocked with a variety of books of interest to genealogists that might not be appropriate for our research shelves. You will find fiction with a genealogical theme, memoir, biography, and autobiography. You can now read some of the books that I have reviewed that you may not have been able to find elsewhere. They range from a bit of fluff - contemporary mysteries using genealogy research to figure out "who done it" to weightier tomes by genealogists John Colletta, Elizabeth Shown Mills, and Lalita Tademy. These are fiction only in that they have created narrative and dialog to tell stories based on solid genealogical research. There is no better way to discover what is possible beyond online surfing in terms of newspaper, property, probate, and manuscript research and analysis. You may find ideas in the memoirs and biographies on how to tell your own story to your descendants. I especially like Lois Lowry's "Looking Back" where she simply chose photos, mostly of herself, and wrote about them in terms of what she remembered about what she was thinking when they were taken and how they make her feel now.

The terms for borrowing are simple: members only, record your name and the date (year included) on the card, and drop in the nearby basket. No set time limit but remember that others may be waiting for the same book. You'll find the books on top of the file cabinet which houses the Pioneer and Family Files. Check out the shelf the next time you visit the library and while you're at it, go through your books at home, looking for ones to donate so that others might enjoy them, too.

NVGS Library Volunteer Schedules
SEPTEMBER 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 10-1 G. Martin 1-4 D. Hibbert	3 10-1 B. Breuchert 1-4 B. Mattila	4 10-1 M. Woods 1-4 O. Meyers	5	6 10-2 C. Fisher
7	8 2:00 Board Meeting	9 10-1 K. Burzdak 1-4 M. Herzog 12:00 FW Group	10 10-1 S. Marangoni 1-4 M. Vavricka	11 10-1 J. Layland 1-4 J. Layland	12	13 10-2 G. Martin
14	15	16 10-1 G. Martin 1-4 D. Hibbert	17 10-1 G. Martin 1-4 J. Barber and C. Kluever	18 10-1 B. Shoar 1:30 Program Meeting	19	20 10-2 R. Clark
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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!

NEED A RIDE - GIVE A RIDE

I would like to ask out members for some information. It has occurred to me that we might get more people to come to the third Thursday meeting presentation at the Library, if we had a group of people who were willing to drive individuals to and from the meeting. I was thinking that it would be helpful to have 3-4 individuals who would be willing to drive.

Please email me either if you need a ride or if you are willing to give a ride. I will let everyone know what response I get from this request in the next newsletter.

Sharon Marangoni, sbookie@pacbell.net

Welcome New Members

Member	Surnames
Joanne Hurley 707-257-7267 Email: joansart1@msn.com	Melius, Lane, Malmgren, English
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Linda VanPolen 707-260-9846 Email: ivp716@yahoo.com	Gardner, Bourne, Ewing (all Napa Co.)

And the Winner Is . . .

The winners of our Wine Draw, 2014, are

- 9th place. . . Architecture book and 1 bottle of Iron Swift Cellars wine: Jannette Wehren, CA
8th place. . . *Casual Cooking* cookbook and Schramsberg Blanc de Noirs: R. Marquez of CA
7th place. . . Magnum of Magnificat, Meritage Red Wine, Franciscan Estate: Angela Stopper, CA
6th place. . . Magnum of Blanc De Noirs, Chandon: Bethany D, CA
5th place. . . Magnum of Pinot Noir, Domaine Chandon: Sharon Setty, CA
4th place. . . Magnum of Collina Dalla Valle: Jannette Wehren, CA
3rd place. . . Magnum of Trilogy, Flora Springs: Stacey Krivchuk,
2nd place. . . 15 bottles of wine; Steve Ellerman of So. California
1st place. . . 30 bottles of wine: Jane Wallace of CA



Lithuanian Special Interest Group Forming

A member mentioned to me that she would be interested in participating in a Lithuanian SIG. My husband is half Lithuanian, and I have experience requesting and receiving documents from Lithuania's Archives.

If you are interested in being a member of this SIG, please contact Karen Burzdak (Burzdikas) at kjburzdak@comcast.net or 707/253-1524.



BEGINNER'S CLASS

When: Saturdays, October 25 and November 1, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Where: NVGS, 1701 Menlo Avenue, Napa, CA 94558

Cost: \$40 for non-members; \$30 for NVGS members

Who: This two-day class is appropriate for beginning genealogists as well as those who might not be familiar with using the internet for research

You will learn how to use home sources, search the Federal Censuses, glean vital records for valuable information, and discover various other resources to document your family history.

Registration is required and limited. Please call 252-2252 to reserve a place.

Great time had by all at our Annual Wine Draw Event



Then the Quake hit Napa, our library building is good, the shelves and books; Yikes what a mess

Clean up started right away.



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