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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!



Have you looked into Common Core lately? Do you know what it is?

According to a recent editorial opinion in a local newspaper, "Common Core is part of a cluster of longer-term reforms under way at the local, state, and federal levels to bring education into the 21st century emphasizing critical thinking, problem solving, practical literacy, technological understanding, and hands-on learning to promote real-life skill building." The emphasis is on communication, critical thinking, collaboration, and creativity. As members of a genealogy society, we are experienced in those "Four Cs" each time we research, resolve conflicting information, collaborate with others who can assist us in smashing our brick walls, and writing those family histories using government documents, historical references, even identifying old photos. To learn more about the specifics of Common Core in the Napa Valley school district, log onto www.nvUSD.k12.ca.us, and click on "Common Core."

Over the last couple of years I have made efforts to contact interested elementary teachers and principals, our local 4-H leader, and a (weak) effort in contacting our local Boy Scout leader to inform them that our society will support youth in researching their family histories and projects.

I would like to make a plea for a member of our society to sit on our board of directors in the position of Education and Outreach. We don't have one junior member in our society. We have only one institution member of our society. This director would implement procedures to effectively raise those statistics.

Karen Burzdak
NVGS President

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

All members and guests welcome to attend.

March

- Mar 4, 2015, (1st Wed) **Genealogy Software Group**, 2pm NVGS Library.
Mar 5, 2015, (1st Thur) **Lithuanian/Baltic States Group**, 1pm NVGS Library.
Mar 9, 2015, (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2pm NVGS Library.
Mar 10, 2015, (2nd Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.
Mar 19, 2015, (3rd Thur) Monthly Program, **GETTING FRESH IDEAS**, Revisiting stale re-
search with new ideas. Presented by Jennifer Pina. Thur.1:30 at NVGS Library
Mar 24, 2015, (4th Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, 12 noon, at NVGS Library.

April

- Apr 1, 2015, (1st Wed) **Genealogy Software Group**, 2pm NVGS Library.
Apr 2, 2015, (1st Thur) **Lithuanian/Baltic States Group**, 1pm NVGS Library.
Apr 13, 2015, (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2pm NVGS Library.
Apr 14, 2015, (2nd Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.
Apr 16, 2015, (3rd Thur) Monthly Program, **RESEARCH Your War of 1812 Era Ancestors**,
Presented by Kathryn Marshall. Thursday 1:30 at NVGS Library.
Apr 28, 2015, (4th Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.
Apr 27, 2015, **WinePress deadline**, articles to Editor Sandra Hoover, email articles or drop off
in editor's box at library. email—sandrahoover@comcast.net

Calendar of Upcoming Events of Interest

March 21, 2015 Root Cellar Genealogical Society's 2015 Spring Seminar. Will be held at the Catholic Church, 7817 Old Auburn Road, Citrus Heights, CA.
The speaker is D. Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS. He is the current President for the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS). He will be presenting: Hidden Gems: Materials in Digital Libraries for Family History, New Tools and Ideas in Research, On and Off the Net: Locality Searching, and The Modern-Genealogist: Timesaving Tips for Every Researcher.
For more information, contact Denise Miller (916) 726-3832 or Diane Maltase (916) 797-2523 or www.RootCellar.org.

May 13-16, 2015 NGS Conference, Crossroads of America. National Genealogical Society Family History Conference will be held in St. Charles, Missouri featuring lectures for genealogists of all skill levels. Further info at www.ngsgenealogy.org.

June 4-7, 2015 SCGS Jamboree & "Genealogy as Art." DNA Day Plus, followed by three days of classes, lectures, and exhibitors. This year, there are creativity contests: Rap, Art, Video, Photo. Registration open now. Los Angeles Marriott Burbank.
For schedule & details: genealogyjamboree.com.

Jabber from Janice



Onto research!

Many programs that you might be using on your computer or the Internet may already have an app counterpart for your mobile device.

I use *RootsMagic* with a tie-in to my Dropbox account. It allows me to put any of my data files into Dropbox on my laptop and then pick them up on my iPad with my *RootsMagic* app. My iPhone and iPad have the Dropbox app and my desktop also has the Dropbox program.

The Shoebox app, as well as the Ancestry app, tie into Ancestry.com. There are many apps that tie into genealogy programs or websites. Just do a search on some of the titles of your favorite sites using the word "app." FamilySearch, BillionGraves, MyHeritage are a few available.

Our favorite Google also has useful apps. One is Google Translate that pops up with a box to cut and paste into as well as a microphone icon so you can speak a word, phrase or sentence in English and it writes it in Spanish (or whatever language) and you can then hear it...amazing. Conversely, if you change the language options, your German cousin, Margot, can speak and it will translate into English. And, of course, there is the Google app for searching. It can search by voice command using the microphone icon. Google connects it all through my Gmail account. Gotta love Google!

Janice Cox Brown

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Napa Valley Genealogical Society to Host Book Signing



Local historian Cecelia Elkington Setty will be signing her new book

A Rutherford Farm

Early Pioneers, A Boy's School, Silkworms & Grapevines

Saturday, March 21st from 11:00 to 2:00, at the library, please join us.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Napa Valley Genealogical Society has a
new e-mail address.

napagen@napavalleygenealogy.org





NEW ACQUISITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

AMERICAN REVOLUTION

973.3 V38or *Roster Soldiers and Patriots of the American Revolution Buried in Indiana*

CALIFORNIA

979.419 H29sce *A Rutherford Farm, Early Pioneers, A Boy's School, Silkworms & Grapevines. Indexed.*

CANADA

971. V29wb *The Marriage Registers of Upper Canada, Canada West, Bathurst District, 1831-1852. Indexed*

ENGLAND

S P 942 *The Genealogical Magazine, A Journal of Family History Heraldry and Pedigrees. Indexed*

FAMILY HISTORIES

929.2 B877t *Brownlee and Smith and Related Families. Indexed*

OHIO

977.118 H29ds *150 Years Along The Riley, The History and Events of Riley Township and Pandora, Ohio, 1832-1982*

977.124 D29sc *Seneca County, Ohio Bible Records, Volumes 1 and 2*

977.124 D49sc *Seneca County, Ohio Ancestor Charts*

977.124 H29wb *Index to History of Seneca County, Ohio, 1886*

977.124 P29js *Seneca County Ohio Chancery Records Court Index, 1825-1860*

Mary's Book Corner



Nathan Dylan Goodwin, author of *The Lost Ancestor*, sent a review copy of his book to our library. It will be placed on our lending library shelf. *The Lost Ancestor* is the second of Goodwin's Genealogical Crime Mysteries featuring Morton Farrier, a Forensic Genealogist. Set in modern day East Sussex in the south of England, Farrier has been hired by a family member to solve a mysterious disappearance more than 100 years ago. It is an enthralling, fast paced story although I admit to a bit of eye-rolling over the heaving bosom, romance novel cliches in the flashbacks to 1911. The parts I liked most were the details about how Farrier systematically figured out what happened by using solid genealogical methods, both on websites that we are all familiar with and with original documents. I particularly enjoyed the scenes set in The Keep, the brand new record office of the East Sussex Council. They reminded me of the many hours I have spent in the new Devon Record Office in Exeter. I'm looking forward to reading his two other books featuring Morton Farrier and highly recommend *The Lost Ancestor*.

Happy reading, Mary

*GETTING FRESH IDEAS:
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with
JENNIFER PINA



Thursday, March 19, 2015
Napa Valley Genealogy Library
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1:30 p.m.

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

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DON'T GIVE UP THE SHIP

Research Your War of 1812 Era Ancestors

presented by

Kathryn Marshall



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**NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
2014 FISCAL REPORT**

ASSETS—BALANCES AS OF December 31, 2014

Umpqua Checking		\$ 8,735.71	Unrestricted
UBS			
Reserve Operating Fund	\$ 15,829.09		(Unrestricted)
Building Fund	<u>\$ 120,000.00</u>		(Temporarily Restricted)
TOTAL UBS		\$ 135,829.09	
COMMUNITY FUND OF NAPA VALLEY			
Library Fund	\$ 12,050.16		(Unrestricted)
Life Endowment Fund	<u>\$ 15,347.62</u>		(Permanently Restricted)
TOTAL COMMUNITY FUND INVESTMENT		<u>\$ 27,397.78</u>	
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$ 171,962.58</u>	

OPERATING FUND CARRY OVER FROM PREVIOUS YEARS (2013 Fiscal Report)

Unrestricted	\$ 26,698.83	
Temporarily Restricted	<u>\$ 4,057.19</u>	
Total Carry Forward from 2013		<u>\$ 30,756.02</u>

2014 RESULTS FROM OPERATIONS

REVENUE

Classes	\$ 260.00	
Donations	\$ 1,456.90	
Dues	\$ 3,685.00	
Fund Raiser	\$ 9,827.55	
Investment Income	\$ 1,619.97	
Research Fees	\$ 110.00	
Sales	<u>\$ 541.63</u>	
TOTAL REVENUE		<u>\$ 17,501.05</u>

EXPENDITURES

Fund Raiser Expenses	\$ 1,098.64	
Accountant	\$ 750.00	
Asset Acquisitions	\$ 65.94	
Catalog Service	\$ -	
Dues/Subscriptions	\$ 693.85	
Equipment Maint.	\$ 124.03	
Insurance	\$ 2,511.25	
Internet Service	\$ 384.40	
Misc.	\$ 947.08	
PGE	\$ 2,177.72	
Telephone	\$ 395.04	
Program	\$ 642.98	
Property Maint.	\$ 3,925.47	
Property Taxes	\$ 534.62	
Sales Tax	\$ 39.00	
Supplies	\$ 2,004.06	
Water & Sewer	\$ 225.75	
Wine Press	<u>\$ 913.29</u>	

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$ 17,433.12

NET INCOME (LOSS) - 2014 FISCAL YEAR \$ 67.93

OPERATING FUND CARRY FORWARD TO 2015

Unrestricted	\$ 24,564.80
Temporarily Restricted	<u>\$ 3,991.25</u>

TOTAL UNRESTRICTED CARRY FORWARD TO 2015 \$ 28,556.05

OPEN THURSDAY EVENINGS

Spread the word to those who work or attend school that we are open Thursday evenings from 6 pm to 9 pm.

Bring your research material and find that elusive grandparent. Round Table Discussions will take place most Thursday evenings. Pull up a chair and join in or hang out on the computers or in the book room.

No longer do we accept the excuse that we are closed in the evening.

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INTERMEDIATE CLASSES

Intermediate classes will be formed as members request them. We have heard from some of you who you are interested. We would like to have at least three people sign up before we schedule a class. One of our members will be leading these classes. Intermediate classes are \$5 per class, and the sign-up sheet is in the entry hall of the library.

So sign-up and state your subject interests so Ruth, or Sharon, or another knowledgeable member can schedule the class.

NAPA FARMER'S MARKET

We will again this year have an informational table at some of the Napa Farmers' Market days. Sign up to staff the table and have fun with the many visitors who will stop by and ask questions, or share their genealogical researching. Two people staff the table on market day so no one is left alone. Our market table days start on May 30th and go through Sep. 12th.

Contact Wendy Rosenthal to volunteer.
wendyjr@comcast.net or call the library, 707-252-2252



THE SOCIETY of CALIFORNIA PIONEERS MUSEUM & LIBRARY

165 Years of History is now in a new location.

Located in one of the iconic Montgomery Barracks Building on The Presidio of San Francisco's main Post (between The Commissary and The Disney Family Museum), joining the other organizations that expand and enrich the experience of the five million people who visit this beautiful and historic site every year.

Museum and Library will
reopen in October

The Society of California Pioneers
101 Montgomery, Suite 150
The Presidio of San Francisco
San Francisco, CA 94129
415-957-1849 californiapioneers.org



Welcome New Members

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Robert E. Burt 305-240-1338 email: <i>rootssar@gmail.com</i>	Burt, Haunstein, Brueren
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Robert J. Sutton 707-328-6819 email: <i>Bob-Sutton@att.net</i>	None given
Marisol Colon Santoni (Past Member Returning) 925-639-8433 email: <i>santonim@comcast.net</i>	Colon, Santoni, Gonzales

Staff Calendars

We have deleted the staffing calendars from the newsletter. You can now find it online from the website (www.napavalleygenealogy.org) and also view it in the library. In addition, a second calendar has been created that includes meeting groups.

Please contact volunteer coordinator Sharon Marangoni at sbookie@pacbell.net to get your group meeting on the calendar. Or contact the library at 707-252-2252.

DUES NOTICE

This is just a little advance notice for those of you who like to plan ahead. Please be advised that beginning with our next dues year, effective July 1, 2015, the annual dues for membership in the Napa Valley Genealogical Society will be going up and the new rates will be as follows:

Single and Institution—\$30/yr
 Junior and Out-of-State-\$20/yr
 Family/Joint-\$50/yr

It's been a long time since the dues were raised for our group and, due to increased costs in all areas of operation of the NVGS, the time has come when this became a necessity. We have tried to keep new dues reasonable and hope, with this advance notice, that everyone will be able to plan accordingly and maintain his/her membership in this very worthwhile, informative, and educational organization.

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