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NEWSLETTER

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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 society serves as a medium to share knowledge through workshops and educational programs.

A Message from our President



Thinking of going on a vacation this summer? Maybe a genealogy research trip or are you combining a vacation with a research trip? Whatever you do your genealogy society wants to hear about it. It is always a great way to learn about other researchers accomplishments or failures.

Where did you go, what did you search for, what did you find or not find?

Let us know and just maybe you could be helping someone else with their research. We could print your article in the newsletter or not. If you wished it not to be in the newsletter, it can be shared only at the library, posted on the bulletin board or shared at a meeting. Your choice.

Volunteer luncheon was a huge success. Everyone loved the St. Patrick's Day decorations the food and social event. Many kudos go out to Gail Martin and Sherry Melton for their hard work in putting on this event. Pictures of this event are on page 7. Thank you Anna Gentile and Nancy Gilien for taking pictures.

Our annual fundraiser the "Wine Fest" is starting to collect bottles of wine. We accept donations from our members. Bring your donations to the library when we are open and the wine will be kept dark and cool, to wait for the fundraiser in September.

Sandy Hoover
NVGS President

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

All members and guests welcome to attend.

May 2017

May 3, (1st Wed) **Genealogy Software Group**, 1pm NVGS Library.

May 9, (2nd Tue) ~~Family History Writing Group~~, noon, at NVGS Library. **CANCELLED**

May 12, (2nd Fri) **Board Meeting**, 10:30am NVGS Library.

May 13, (2nd Sat) **Irish Interest Group**, 11am at NVGS Library.

May 18, (3rd Thurs) Monthly program, “**Napa Valley Recorders Office**” Presented by John Tuteur our Napa County Clerk/Recorder. 1:30pm at NVGS Library.

May 23, (4th Tue) ~~Family History Writing Group~~, 12 noon, at NVGS Library. **CANCELLED**

June 2017

Jun 7, (1st Wed) **Genealogy Software Group**, 1pm NVGS Library.

Jun 9, (2nd Fri) **Board Meeting**, 10:30am NVGS Library.

Jun 10, (2nd Sat) **Irish Interest Group**, 11am at NVGS Library.

Jun 12, (2nd Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.

Jun 15, (3rd Thurs) Monthly program, “**My Research Trip to New England Historical Genealogical Society.**” Presented by member Mary Herzog. 1:30pm at NVGS Library

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

WinePress deadline, June 26, 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

May 6, 2017 “**Root Cellar 2017 Spring Seminar**” Presented by Sacramento Genealogical Society.
Judy Russell is coming!

Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church, 11427 Fair Oaks Blvd. Fair Oaks, CA. Registration dates will be announced in 2017. Information at: www.rootcellar.org.

May 10-13, 2017 “**National Genealogical Society 2017 Family History Conference**” Presents
“**Family History Lives Here**”
Raleigh, NC.

For more information go to www.ngsgenealogy.org

Aug 30-Sep 2, 2017 “**Building Bridges to the Past**” A Conference for the Nation’s Genealogists. Presented by FGS and Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society. Location: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Register online at FGS.ORG.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



NEW ACQUISITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

Family Histories

929.2 H876hh

Genealogy and History of the Hubbell Family. Vol's 1 & 2.

Missouri

977.844 V29gw

Vernon County, Missouri. Marriage Book "A"-1855-1877. Book "B"-1877-1885; Book "D"-1885-1888; Book "E"-1888-1891; Book "F"-1891-1894; Book "G"-1881-1885 and 1894-1897, two "G" publications; Book "H"-1897=1900.

New England

974 D28mh

New Englanders in the 1600's. A Guide to genealogical research published between 1980 & 2005.

New York

974.795 K29ct

First Presbyterian Church of Westfield New York. 1808-1968. A History.

North Carolina

975.685 R28eh

Burke County North Carolina Land Records. Vol. 1-1778. Vol 2-1779-1800, plus volume 2 has important miscellaneous records.

975.685 P28mp

Burke County North Carolina, Surviving Will and Probate Abstracts, 1777-1910.

Pennsylvania

974.843 P28fw

Abstracts of Cumberland County Wills, 1750-1785.

ON-LINE CATALOGUE

Remember that our library has a completely searchable online catalog. Users may access the search function from their home computers, their smart devices (cell phones, tablets, etc.) or from the PC's available in the NVGS library. You can print out a list of the publications you wish to view while you are at the library. Go to: napavalleygenealogy.org. Tab *Library* to reach our library catalogue online.

Mary's Book Corner

The Missing Man, by Nathan Dylan Goodwin



Once again, I'm pleased to report that Nathan Goodwin has sent a review copy of his latest genealogy mystery to the Society. For those of you who have been following his character, Morton Farrier, Forensic Genealogist, you are in for a treat! After four books detailing his family research adventures for paying customers, Morton has finally gotten serious about finding out all about his own mysterious biological father and his extended family. I especially appreciate not having any violent episodes in the book but know some will miss the suspense that they create. Trust me, you still will not be able to put it down!

Check it out from the Member's Lending Library.

*Happy reading,
Mary*



Welcome New Members

Name	Surname Searches
Paul & Nancy Caffo	None given
Junie M. Collins	Green
John L. Johnson	None given
Colette Jotter	Burns, Ford, Jotter, Kilroy
Karen Odell	Shull
Don Rego	Ghigliotti, Rego

Every Bottle and Can Counts



Recycling keeps containers out of the landfill and puts cash in our societies bank account.



Napa Valley Genealogy Society appreciates your donations.

Donate your plastic bottles and aluminum cans to our society. Place your bottles all together in a clear plastic bag and place your cans in another clear plastic bag.

All these donations are picked up at the library by a volunteer who takes them to rePlanet here in Napa. Please keep the cans and bottles separate, so the volunteer will not have to separate them.

The rePlanet center will only accept separated materials.

You can feel good knowing rePlanet gives every bottle and can we recycle a new life. They use the containers we collect to design, manufacture and distribute the world's most sustainable aluminum and PET packaging, which ends up being used by restaurants, food service, and your local grocery store.

Bring your bottles and cans to the library anytime. If we are not open just toss the **closed** bag over the back fence at the gate area.

“A cemetery is a history of people—a perpetual record of yesterday
and sanctuary of peace and quiet today.
A cemetery exists because every life is worth loving and remembering—always.”
Author unknown

PROGRAM

Napa Valley Genealogy Society
May Program

Thursday May 18, 2017
1:00 pm Refreshments and Social

Program starts at 1:30 p.m.



“ Napa Valley Recorders Office”

Presented by

John Tuteur our Napa County Recorder/Clerk/Assessor

What you'll find in the Recorders Office
and how to find your people.

Advance your genealogy research by learning the various
public documents filed or recorded in this office

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PROGRAM

Napa Valley Genealogy Society
June Program

Thursday June 15, 2017
1:00 pm Refreshments and Social

Program starts at 1:30 p.m.



‘Genealogy Trippin’ With Mary Herzog

Learn all about how she prepared for a visit to the New England Historic Genealogy Society
Library in Boston and what she found there.



Follow her journey all around Massachusetts
and Connecticut searching for her
18th century ancestors.

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Jabber from Janice



This may be about a subject that is only of interest to me (not that that has stopped me before). I use an iPad almost exclusively anymore. I am not endorsing an Apple product as I am very impressed by the Google Chrome-book also. But I do want to tell you about amazing applications that I use for genealogy. I compose my NL article, add photos & email to our esteemed editor from my iPad in front of the TV or in from my patio chaise. Decadent, I know!

Now to the apps which are available for a multitude of formats not just iPad.

RootsMagic app which transfers my entered data file from desktop to iPad. I cannot change nor add to the info on my iPad but that will surely change in the future. I do access all of my trees. Great for my trips to the library. Researching at a library, I just take a photo of the front page for my source and the page that has the info. When at my laptop, I can add it to my RootsMagic with the source or print it out. No note taking or copy machine involved.

Ancestry app displays trees, any hints and connects to DNA info. It is at my fingertips. But I can also see it on the website if I wish but this is very quick and simple.

Additionally, there are many apps for reading books, iBooks, Google Play Books, Kindle, etc. by using an app like LIBBY or OverDrive which connects to a library. Choose a library and enter your card #. I can check out any of their over several thousand digitized books, many are audiobooks.

My library is part of the Northern California Digital Collection. Most any library, anywhere will give you a library card, most are free. I have only been rejected once...residents only!

Additionally, one of my favorites, Internet Archive, also has an app. Choose the search button on the upper right and type genealogy after the colon and see what's there. Also typing in any subject or place is useful. It has more nonfiction volumes digitized than most other libraries sites.

Last of all, if you do not use apps, still look at the Internet Archive site on your computer at <https://archive.org> as it is the most exciting genealogy research site ever!!

Happy hunting!

Janice Cox Brown

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Finding Family

I hope you are enjoying the Napa Valley Register articles entitled "Finding Family," which runs the first Monday of every month.

As of this date (middle of April) I have one article ready to go and "two in the bush." I hope that more of you will come forth with an article so that we can continue to run this column. I think it would be appropriate, to submit 3 consecutive articles on the following: searching for home resources, using the censuses, requesting vital records. This is the foundation for our beginners classes and rolls out the process for experienced and inexperienced genealogists. Stories to go with the article are always a good way to add some interest to what could possibly be a ho-hum article.

One note about copyright issues. Should any newsletter, organization, individual want to share the columns, have them contact the Napa Valley Register for permission.

Karen Burzduk

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Volunteer Luncheon
held at the NVGS Library on St. Patrick's Day.
Thank you to all our Volunteers.

Annual Membership Dues Notice

Renewal invoices for 2017-2018 membership in the Napa Valley Genealogical Society will be going out the middle of May, 2017. Members of record who have an email address on file will receive their invoice via e-mail and members without an e-mail address will receive their invoice the old-fashioned way, by snail-mail.

..... Please watch for this invoice and mark your calendar

When you receive your invoice, all members (except those who are Life or Patron Members) are asked to submit their annual dues according to their present category (single, joint, junior, or out-of-state), which will be indicated on your invoice. You will have until July 31, 2017 to submit your dues. Unfortunately, according to our Standing Rules, members whose dues are received after July 31, 2017, will be dropped from membership. Please remember, if that happens you will need to be reinstated and this will require the completion of a new application and electronic consent form.

Also, we would appreciate it if you would check your invoice and be sure we have your correct address and phone number. If you have made any changes in the past year, please note them on your invoice so we can be sure all our records are up-to-date.

If you have any questions or comments on renewing your membership, please send them to the Membership Chairman, Lanita Stilwell, at lkstilwell@outlook.com or call 707.224.5241



NVGS 2016 Financial Statement

In accordance with our By-laws, the results of our operations for 2016 as well as our financial position are complete. Due to their sensitive nature, we no longer publish them in our newsletter. Please visit the library and request a copy from the friendly volunteer staffer on duty. If you have any questions or concerns please contact our Treasurer at treasurer@napavalleygenealogy.org.

In Memory

Robert Hampel

1931—2017





DAR IS COMING TO OUR LIBRARY

An Invitation from Daughters of the American Revolution
Vineyard Trails Chapter, Napa, California

Come and join us!

This summer, the Vineyard Trails Chapter of the DAR will be holding meetings at the Napa Valley Genealogical Society library to introduce local women to our DAR group and review the application process. In addition, we will be helping individuals with their applications, particularly those who are interested in joining DAR, but may be having trouble in proving some items and/or connections.

A number of our members will be there to review ancestor lines & supporting documentation, make suggestions, research on the computers, and generally help in whatever way they can. For those who are interested, we will also be pairing up some of our members to work with individuals on an on-going basis to help with their research and application.

Dates and details on this program will be posted at the NVGS library and sent to NVGS members with e-mail addresses on file. If you have any questions before that, please call Carol Cavagnaro at 707-255-1239 or Lanita Stilwell at 707-224-5241.

In the meantime, gather up your papers, documents, questions, problem areas, and plan to join us this summer for a fun time of exploration!

Friends and family members are also welcome –