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

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR BOARD

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE

MONEY MONEY MONEY

Ticket sales were dramatically curtailed as a result of the change in ownership at the Napa Wine Train. Therefore we are exploring new opportunities for our major fundraising events to raise the necessary funds to balance our budget and keep our library open.

We have scheduled a Vintage Fashion Show for March 11, 2018. This unique event is presented by Goodwill Industries of the Greater East Bay and features a museum-quality collection of Antique Gowns and Accessories shown by Professional Models.

Spectacular clothing comes to life—ball gowns, day dresses, wedding gowns, lingerie, men's clothing plus furs, shoes, hats, wool bathing suits and a notable collection of Worth gowns.

Refreshments and champagne will be served.

Consider how you can support this event—by providing champagne, baking cookies or finger sandwiches, helping to serve or sponsoring a table. The need to generate funds is critical and we will need all of your support to make the fashion show a success.

More details to come!

SAVE THE DATE

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

All members and guests welcome to attend.

Jan 2018

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

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

Jan 12, (2nd Fri) **Board Meeting**, 11:00am NVGS Library.

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

Jan 18, (3rd Thurs) Monthly program, **“Installation of Board and Social”**
1:00pm at NVGS Library

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

Feb 2018

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

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

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

Feb 13, (2nd Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.

Feb 15, (3rd Thurs) Monthly program, **TBA**, watch for announcement in your email.
1:00pm at NVGS Library.

Feb 27, (4th Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, 12 noon, at NVGS Library

WinePress deadline, Feb 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

Mar. 17, 2018 “**Rootcellar 2018 Spring Seminar-Discover Your Irish and Scotch-Irish Ancestors**” with the Ulster Historical Foundation. This event will be held at the Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church in Fair Oaks, CA. More details will be forthcoming at: Rootcellar.org.

May 2-5, 2018 “**NGS 2018 Family History Conference, Paths to Your Past**” Conference registration opens 1 December 2017 and the registration brochure will be available a few weeks earlier.

Sign up for the conference blog at <http://nsgenealogy.org> so you don't miss any conference announcements.

Conference will be held in Grand Rapids, Michigan at the DeVos Place Convention Center.

Hotel Reservations now open. Go to www.nsgenealogy.org for further information.

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Name Surname Researching

Kathryn D. Bazzoli	Bettencourt
Mary Beth Glisson	Hoblitt, McCowan, Redfield
Jon Trebotich	Lincoln

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.

ON OUR BOOK SHELVES



Genealogies of Long Island Families
 From *The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record*.
 Selected and introduced by Henry B. Hoff. 2 vols.

Lying east of New York City, Long Island stretches 120 miles out into the Atlantic. The eastern two-thirds of the island, present-day Suffolk County, was settled in the mid-17th century by colonists from New England, while Kings County to the west was settled by the Dutch. In between, Queens County has both Dutch and New England settlements. By 1725 Long Island contained roughly 38% of the total population of New York. This suggests that if a line can be traced that far back in New York, there is an excellent chance of discovering Long Island ancestry.

Since its inception in 1870, *The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record* has been at the forefront in publishing articles on Long Island families, many of them lengthy, definitive studies spread out over several issues. In a number of these articles the English or Dutch origin of families is established. No better purpose could be served than to gather these articles together and reprint them in their entirety, thus making available a mass of information on Long Island families that has previously been difficult to locate. With the articles appropriately consolidated and arranged, and additions and corrections from *The Record* properly appended, this two-volume compilation becomes the single greatest repository of Long Island genealogies in existence. In addition, it is fully indexed and is published with an introduction by Henry B. Hoff, former editor of *The Record*.

This volume is located on our shelves at 974.721 D28hg

PROGRAM

Napa Valley Genealogy Society
January Program

Thursday January 18, 2018

1:00 pm Refreshments and Social

Program starts at 1:30 pm



ANNUAL MEETING

2018 Budget Adoption

Election of Officers and Directors

Following the business portion of the meeting we will adjourn for a social hour.

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PROGRAM

Napa Valley Genealogy Society
February Program

Thursday February 15, 2018

1:00 pm Refreshments and Social

Program starts at 1:30 pm

Program possibility “Nancy Levenberg” speaking on History and Chinese Heritage in Napa Valley.

This months program “TBA” watch for announcement in your email.

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Jabber from Janice

Happy hunting!



Research Groups

A couple of years ago, I set up a genealogy work group made up of 12 people that had been in classes together here in the Silicon Valley. We meet monthly at a local library in a small room with a large table that includes a hook up for connection to a TV screen for a presentation. We have done several on DNA and genealogy software and their capabilities and issues. The connection to the TV can be done in a home setting. I use my iPad with an Apple Lightning Digital Adapter with a HDMI cable to TV.

Members bring in show and tell items as well as problems to be solved. The group provides a think tank as well as a cheerleader factor when someone meets with an exciting discovery. We do not have a set schedule but every now and then a member will set up a presentation or talk on a topic decided in advance.

Start your own group—

Ask a few friends to join. Even just 3 can be a way to begin.

Choose a place in your home or at a library, preferable around a table, and invite genealogy friends.

If desired, do a Google search for information to connect your laptop or tablet.

Just talk and enjoy.

Janice Cox Brown

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The donation box in the library has been moved. It is now placed on the cabinet in the computer room right by the entrance-exit door. So on your way in or out please consider putting your loose change in the box. All funds help to keep our library open.

Thank you to all the volunteers and helpers to our society and library.

We will make 2018 a great year.



Upcoming IDEAS for programs.

- DNA, WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN, HOW DO I READ THE RESULTS
- HOW ARE YOU USING YOUR FAMILY PHOTOS
- HISTORY DAY
- A WEBINAR
- ARE YOU IRISH
- FAMILY SEARCH

Do you have ideas for upcoming programs you would like to see for our monthly programs? Submit your ideas to any board member or email the society or leave a message at the library.

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FamilySearch Updates

We are excited to announce that we have a new service available at the library. As part of FamilySearch’s plan to discontinue the microfilm loan program, they offered the ability to access restricted records to affiliate libraries like ours. For almost three months we have been working with them to get our computers to talk with their computers and now they are quite happily doing so. What does that mean for our patrons? When you search for a specific record collection your results are marked by icons denoting availability. A book icon means you will have to go to Salt Lake City to read it in the library there. A film reel means it is only available on microfilm and again you will have to go to Salt Lake. A camera icon means that it has been digitized and is available on the website. Some camera icons have a key above it and that means it is restricted to viewing at a family history center or an affiliate library. Now when you are searching on one of the computers in our library, you will not see the key and you will be able to access the record. There are still some records with further restrictions concerning how many people can view it at a time. I have one record that I have been trying to consult but every time I bring it up, someone else is using it. Patience is a virtue, patience is a virtue.

The second item that we want to bring to your attention is that FamilySearch is changing their policy concerning registering and signing in to use their site. Effective December 13, 2017, in addition to the current requirement to sign in when working on the FS Family Tree; searching and viewing records will also require signing in. FamilySearch explains that: “This authentication can deliver rich, personalized discovery, collaboration, and help experiences. Simply put, signed-in visitors can access more searchable content and enjoy more personalized services.” Judy Russell, in her blog, The Legal Genealogist, adds another reason: in order to present many of their records in easily accessible digital format, “FamilySearch needs to be accountable to its records partners — the towns and counties and states and their agencies that made the records available for filming in the first place. Many of those records partners want to know that the data is being offered in a safe and secure online environment.” For those of you who have not previously registered, it is a very easy process and FamilySearch will not use the information that you provide for any other purpose.

My regular staffing times at the library are 1-4 on second Tuesdays, third Thursdays, fifth Tuesdays, and fifth Wednesdays. I encourage anyone who wants help with FamilySearch.org to come in on any of these afternoons for individualized help.

Mary Herzog, Affiliate Library Liaison

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March Family History Research Retreat in Salt Lake City

Mark your calendar, save the date, pack your bags, and register today for your seat at the March Family History Library Research Retreat in Salt Lake City, Utah, being held March 12-17, 2018.

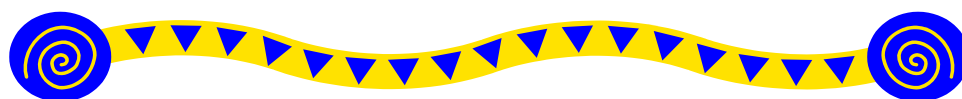
This event is being held at the world renowned Family History Library.

Holly T. Hansen and Arlene H. Eakle will be present with hands-on research instruction. You will learn procedures with an expert at your side eight hours a day for a full week.

We will enjoy instruction each morning followed by several hours of personal research guidance in the Library.

<https://www.familyhistoryexpos.com/viewevent/index/184>

IMPORTANT



NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING Napa Valley Genealogical Society

DATE: Thursday, January 18, 2018
TIME: 1:00 p.m.
PLACE: Napa Valley Genealogical Society Library, 1701 Menlo Avenue

The Board intends to present the following items for action by the members:

2018 Budget Adoption

Election of Officers

President – Sandy Hoover
Vice President – Susan Chilton
Secretary—Christine Dunn
Treasurer—Jeanine Layland

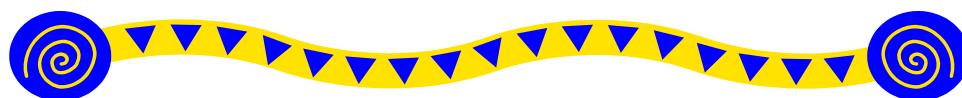
Election of Directors

Ruth Jenkins-McIntyre

Nominations may be taken from the floor.

Installation of Officers & Directors

Following the business portion of the meeting we will adjourn for a social hour.



PLEASE ATTEND QUORUM NEEDED