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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

Our January meeting will be on **Thursday January 17** at 1:00 pm. This is an important meeting. We will be approving the budget and installing our officers for the coming year 2019. Also we will welcome our new members and thank our many volunteers for all the work they have done. After the business meeting we will adjourn for a social where you can meet the new members and greet the volunteers. Plus we will be able to help with questions on your research problems. So come with your questions.

Save the Date!

Sunday March 10, 2019 NVGS presents a Vintage Fashion Show. Doors open at 11:30 am at the Elks Club, 2840 Soscol Ave. Napa, CA. Tickets are available at the library at 1701 Menlo Ave. for \$50.00 each. This event will be a catered luncheon with champagne (optional), and other beverages will be available. Luncheon is a three course meal. Choices are Rosemary Baked Chicken or Baked Salmon w/ Lemon herb sauce. Select your choice of Entrée when you purchase your ticket. We will be raffling quilt items and baskets with goodies, plus a DNA kit.

Do you know of a speaker you would like to see at one of our program meetings during 2019? If so please let us know and we will try to book them for a program.

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

All members and guests welcome to attend.

Jan 2019

Jan 2, (1st Wed) Genealogy Software Group, 1pm NVGS Library.

Jan 8, (2nd Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.

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

Jan 16, (3rd Wed) **Irish Interest Group**, 1pm at NVGS Library.

Jan 17, (3rd Thurs) Social Program and Business meeting, Election of officers and Budget.
1:00pm at NVGS Library

Jan 22, (4th Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, 12 noon, at NVGS Library.

Feb 2019

Feb 6, (1st Wed) **Genealogy Software Group**, 1pm NVGS Library.

Feb 8, (2nd Fri) **Board Meeting**, 10:30am NVGS Library.

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

Feb 20, (3rd Wed) **Irish Interest Group**, 1pm at NVGS Library.

Feb 21, (3rd Thurs) Monthly Program, Nancy Levenberg NCHS. 1:00pm at NVGS Library.

Feb 26, (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

January 10, 2019 "Great Scottish Migration to America" 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm LDS Building 1360 Alberta Way, Concord CA

Adrienne Tomkins will discuss the exodus to America from Scotland during the Proscription and after the Battle of Culloden, and how that affected our success in the Revolutionary War. Also, how the Scots influenced or even created many of our existing cities, landmarks and some of our most recognizable military traditions. Website, www.cccgs.net

January 18, 2019 - Adrienne Tomkins will speak at 10:00 a.m. in the Club Room of the Creekside Clubhouse in Rossmoor. She is a local resident and professional genealogist who will speak about the Scottish migration to the United States. Ms. Tomkins is a seasoned researcher, as well as a member of several Scottish Clan societies and United States lineage societies.

Mt. Diablo Genealogical Society, Walnut Creek, CA. contact information at:
mdgs.webs.com

May 4th, 2019 "Spring Seminar 2019" Sonoma County Genealogical Society Presents: Michael D. Lacopo .Scheduled Lectures: "She Came From Nowhere..." Using Social History in Your Research, Magnificent, Magical, Mesmerizing Manuscript Collections!

Estate Files: Are You Getting the Most Out of Them?

"I am Poor, Obscure, Plain, and Little" Researching the Invisible Ancestors.

For more information or register on line go to: <http://www.scgsonline.org>



Welcome New Members

Name	Surname Searches
Tracey Hamilton	Burbank, Canady, Hanks, Mills, Russell, Tally, Wescott
Carol & William Roe	Elder, Forrand

SAVE THE DATE



SUNDAY MARCH 10, 2019

Goodwill Bag Ladies Fashion Show

Our fundraiser will be held on March 10th at the Elks Club. There will be a catered lunch with champagne. Last year we sold out very quickly, be sure to purchase your tickets early.

Mary's Book Corner

How we survive Here: Families Across Time

By Claire Gebben and Angela Weber



How We Survive Here: Families Across Time by Gebben and Weber is a fascinating memoir about writing an historical novel based on their great great grandfather. It all started with an unexpected find of a cache of letters sent to him in Ohio from his German relatives during the years 1850 to 1910. In her fifties, Gebben decided to pursue her Masters of Fine Arts in writing, both to learn technique and to have guidance and deadlines as the book was to be her thesis. Weber, in Germany, translated all the letters and provided help and encouragement. Gebben's father had done some genealogical research but she really wasn't very interested until her great great grandfather began to come alive through the letters and her thorough research. I can't wait to read the resulting novel, *The Last of the Blacksmiths*.

Happy reading, Mary



**Keep those plastic bottles and tin cans coming,
all those refunds go to the NVGS fund raising account.**

PROGRAM

Napa Valley Genealogy Society
January Program

Thursday January 17, 2019
1:00 pm Refreshments and Social

Program starts at 1:30 pm

**Election of Officers
and reviewing The Yearly Budget**

Following the business meeting will be a social.

**Meet your board members and new members and a great thank you to all our
Volunteers.**

Genealogy questions and help will be available.

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PROGRAM

Napa Valley Genealogy Society
February Program

Thursday February 21, 2019
1:00 pm Refreshments and Social

Program starts at 1:30 pm

Nancy Levenberg, Napa County Historical Society
Speaking on Napa County history, Nancy's presentations
are entertaining and informative.

The specific topic will be announced at a later date.

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Jabber from Janice



Happy New Year to all!

Family Tree Magazine Dec. 2018 has “Cyber States” picks for the best free websites for genealogy for U.S. records (a few of my finds are included also). Also be aware that receiving our newsletter online means you are able to just click on the blue link.

Alabama www.alabamamosaic.org This is a work in progress; using “ ” is best. Keep following links in article. <http://digital.archives.alabama.gov> This is a site with access to records that I liked.

Alaska <https://library.alaska.gov/> Select “For the Public”, then the database you wish to search. A bit complex but worth the effort if you have Alaska Gold Rushers!

Arizona <http://genealogy.az.gov/> At this time has primarily birth and death records. <http://azmemory.azlibrary.gov/digital/> This site has several databases to explore including newspapers, maps and access to archives.

Arkansas <http://archives.arkansas.gov> select Research tab, then Digital Collections. On right side of screen is list of available collections. Orange square at edge of document can be moved by clicking in area not orange. (Took a while to figure that out!) currently has mostly Northeast and Southwest regions digitized. Work in progress.

California <https://calisphere.org/> “Calisphere is a gateway to digital collections from California's great libraries, archives, and museums.” New to me! Under Collections, you will see lists available at this time to search. Some old favorites are California Newspapers <https://cdnc.ucr.edu> and Online Archives of CA <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/>

Colorado <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/archives/archives-search> with a direct search through currently available records. <http://digital.denverlibrary.org/cdm/genealogy> with a search for specific collections.

Source: Family Tree Magazine Dec 2018

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Will be continued in next newsletter.

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.



NEW ACQUISITIONS TO THE LIBRARY



Alaska

979.8 D29f Biographies of Alaska-Yukon Pioneers

Ohio

977.1 M28pw Index to Ohio Pensioners of 1883. Alphabetical.

Virginia

975.591 V29vk Augusta County Marriages, 1748-1850. Alphabetical.

TO OUR CHILDREN'S CHILDREN

Preserving family Histories for Generations to Come

Some questions that may help you with your family history stories.

1. What was your first job? Did you work after school or only on weekends?
2. Did your grandmother have a job outside of the home?
3. An imaginary friend, did you have one or did someone in the family have one?
4. Did you go to summer camp? Did your grandparents go camping? If yes, where?
5. What was your parents/grandparents address's? Did they move a lot? Why?
6. Who was the bread winner in the household?
7. What was a typical menu was for your grandparents? Where did they shop for groceries?
8. Who grew fruit and vegetables?
9. Did anyone have a favorite food?
10. Outhouse's did you have to use one or did you have indoor plumbing?
11. Who bathed and who showered?
12. Did anyone live with you other than family members?



In Memory

Delores L. Atkins

1935—2018

100 years of fashion

“Have Bag, Will Travel”

“Have Bag, Will Travel” is an entertaining and informative theatrical tour of fashion through the ages. The fashion show features a collection of museum-quality gowns and accessories modeled by volunteers for Goodwill Industries of the Greater East Bay. Ball gowns, day dresses, wedding gowns, lingerie, wool bathing suits and men’s clothing are set off by fabulous vintage accessories including furs, shoes and hats.

Tickets can be purchased at the Napa Valley Genealogical Society 1701 Menlo Avenue or by calling (707) 252-2252.

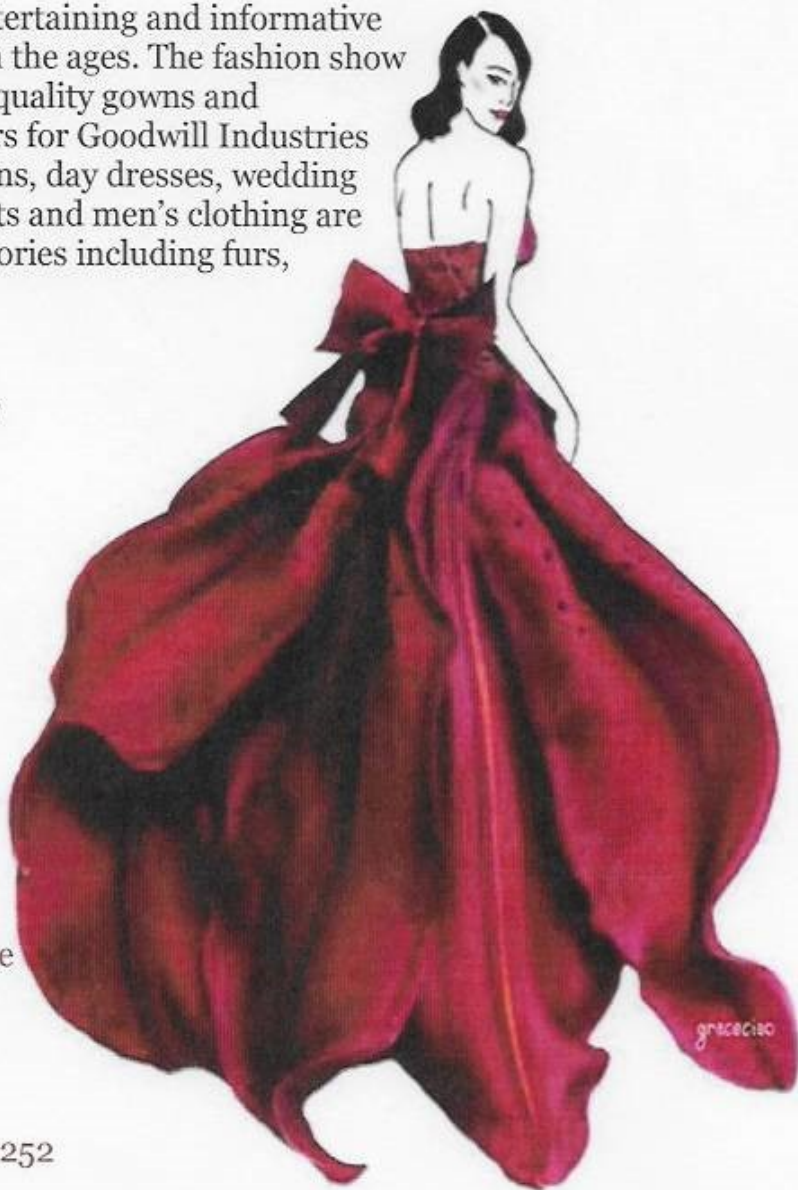
Where: Napa Elks Lodge
2840 Soscal Avenue

When: Sunday, March 10
Doors open at 11:30 AM

Tickets - \$50
Includes 3-course
lunch and Champagne
Choice of chicken or
salmon entree

Tickets – (707) 252-2252

Quilt Raffle * Silent Auction



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NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY QUILT RAFFLE



WIN THIS BEAUTIFUL, HANDMADE QUILT
TICKETS: ONE - \$5 THREE - \$10

Hand-pieced and Hand-quilted • 81" x 96" • Pattern: Dresden Plate

This quilt can be used as a bedspread on a twin bed with a 21" drop,
or as a comforter/coverlet on a queen-size bed.

Donated by Joan Barber

Drawing to be held at Vintage Fashion Show, Sunday March 10

Need not be present to win.

All proceeds benefit Napa Valley Genealogical Society