

# WINEPRESS

# 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

Last month our Open House was a success. We welcomed five new members and they are eager to get into their family research. It was nice to have the opportunity to sit down and talk with new researchers about their projects. There are so many interesting stories out there.

Member Michaele Drew brought her Kona Ice Truck, which was nice on a hot day. We will try to have the truck back again for a program in the future.

Things have slowed down for the summer. We will be closed the first week of July for the holiday. (Remember we will also be closed for the Thanksgiving week.)

Because of vacations there is no program scheduled for July. Our next program will be in August.

The library committee is working on projects and there have been some publications shifted in the stacks. The McGuire Room is being reorganized. The Family Files are being reviewed and evaluated. There has been valuable assistance from volunteers, we thank you.

There will be no Writing Group meeting on July 23, due to vacations. Check the calendar because there are other cancellations for the month of July.

#### NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

All members and guests welcome to attend.

#### July 2019

July 3, (1st Wed) Genealogy Software Group, 1pm NVGS Library. Cancelled.

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

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

July 17, (3nd Wed) **Irish Interest Group,** 1pm at NVGS Library.

July 18, (3rd Thurs) Monthly Program, No Program this month. HAPPY SUMMER.

July 23, (4th Tue) Family History Writing Group, No meeting on this date.

#### Aug 2019

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

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

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

Aug 15, (3rd Thurs) **Monthly Program**, presented by Madeline Yanov, president of Contra Costa Genealogical Society. 1890 Census and other tidbits of information.

1:00pm at NVGS Library.

Aug 21, (3nd Wed) Irish Interest Group, 1pm at NVGS Library.

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

<u>WinePress deadline</u>, Aug 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**

#### August 20, 2019 Oakmont Santa Rosa, CA

Oakmont Genealogy is offering a 16 week program on introduction to research in genealogy. Sponsored by Santa Rosa Junior College and presented by Denise Beeson. The program is free to all. They will meet once a week on Tuesday morning at the East Rec Room at Oakmont, starting August 20th at 9:30 am. and ending December 17th, 2019.

Information at <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/oakmontgenealogyclub/">https://sites.google.com/site/oakmontgenealogyclub/</a>

#### **August TBA**

The presentation will be on new changes in Ancestry with DNA Circles and ThruLines. Presented by the Oakmont Genealogy Club.

More information at https://sites.google.com/site/oakmontgenealogyclub/

#### What are the benefits of being an affiliate library?

A major benefit of being an affiliate library is access to additional digital records not available outside a family history center or an affiliate library. These digital records include images and names indexes. Currently, there are about 400 million original records available in a digital format that affiliate libraries have access to.

NVGS is an affiliate library.



#### **Welcome New Members**

Name	Surname Searches

Robert Boucher	None given
Judy Morse	Allen, Erich, Liebhauser, Sikrehot
Mark & Sally Perkins	Corkery, Felch, Perkins, Warren, Wentworth, Zdanowski
Charles/Chuck & Nancy Rice	Alexander, Humphrey, McClellan, Rice

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

### Mary's Book Corner



The Last of the Blacksmiths

by Claire Gebben

Several months ago I reviewed Claire Gebben's memoir about writing an historical novel using research on her own family. The Last of the Blacksmiths was all that I anticipated. It is a thoughtful story of a young (15!) man's journey to America on his own in 1857. The author skillfully weaves her family treasure trove of letters into the story line of his struggles, doubts, and finally the new life he creates in Cleveland, Ohio. In addition we learn a great deal about 19th century blacksmithing, industry in Cleveland, German culture in America, and politics around the Civil War. Check it out from the Member's Lending Library.

Happy reading, Mary

# PROGRAM

# Napa Valley Genealogy Society July Program







No Program this month

**Happy Summer Vacation** 

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PROGRAM

Napa Valley Genealogy Society August Program

Thursday August 15, 2019 1:00 pm Refreshments and Social

Program starts at 1:30 pm

Madeline Yanov, President of the Contra Costa Genealogical Society

Will be presenting 1890 Census

What Where Why

Madeline is owner of Time Travel Genealogy

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# Jabber from Janice

Continued from May,

June NL

Missouri <a href="https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/resources">https://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/resources</a> Choosing Research took me to the Research Room where I could click on blue links to search. <a href="http://digital.shsmo.org/cdm/">http://digital.shsmo.org/cdm/</a> This is State Historical Society where you can do general search, then on left side you can add or eliminate collections to narrow searches or scroll through All Collections and select then search.

**Montana** <a href="http://mtmemory.org/digital/custom/home/#/">http://mtmemory.org/digital/custom/home/#/</a> Lots to see here. Choose Collections, pick one and enter term in search box. There is even a video tutorial on the right of the main screen.

**Nebraska** <a href="https://history.nebraska.gov/collections/research-and-reference-services">https://history.nebraska.gov/collections/research-and-reference-services</a> Mostly indexes, few digital images. I found this site <a href="http://genealogytrails.com/neb/">http://genealogytrails.com/neb/</a> which has minimal county info.

**Nevada** <a href="http://www.nsladigitalcollections.org">http://www.nsladigitalcollections.org</a> Mostly Government, territorial census, maps are helpful. Here is guide to collections <a href="https://nsla.libguides.com/archives/home">https://nsla.libguides.com/archives/home</a> Ancestry and FamilySearch have more information.

**New Hampshire** <a href="http://www.nh.searchroots.com/index.html">http://www.nh.searchroots.com/index.html</a> click on Research and scroll down, just keep going as lots of good links. <a href="https://archive.org/details/">https://archive.org/details/</a> University of New Hampshire Library And always useful Town Histories Collection.

**New Jersey** <a href="https://www.nj.gov/state/archives/index.html">https://www.nj.gov/state/archives/index.html</a> Do not miss "Imaged Collections" as it is hard to find, here is the link. <a href="https://www.nj.gov/state/archives/searchimgcollections.html">https://www.nj.gov/state/archives/searchimgcollections.html</a> Some fun stuff like early 1800 Peddler Permits.

**New Mexico** <u>http://econtent.unm.edu</u> Digital Collection are at the bottom of the screen but do not miss the Browse All Collections choices for other sites.

**New York** <a href="https://nyheritage.org/">https://nyheritage.org/</a> Big site. Try different approaches to see what works for you, by featured regions at bottom of screen or click in collections and use the Filter option to narrow search. Very comprehensive vital record are available at the German and the Italian Genealogy Groups: <a href="http://www.italiangen.org">http://www.italiangen.org</a> Checkout tabs Database Searches and Links; <a href="http://www.germangenealogygroup.com/">http://www.germangenealogygroup.com/</a> Database Searches count at 55 and growing.

Source: Family Tree Magazine Dec 2018

Will be continued next month.

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#### **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**

<u>California</u>

979.451 K29hr Records of Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and Methodist-

Episcopal Church Woodland, Yolo County, California.

Family Histories

929.2 A978a Arthur Aylsworth and his descendants in America. Indexed.

<u>Illinois</u>

977.384 H28s Green County Illinois History and Families. Families are alphabetical.

Pictures included.

<u>Ireland</u>

941.5 D47dw The Scotch-Irish. Personal names and maps.

Missouri

P Missouri 977.81 Journal Northwest Missouri. 1992 Vol. 12 #2.

<u>Pennsylvania</u>

974.88 D28w Warrant's, Patents, Census Records, Fayette, Greene, Washington Counties,

Pennsylvania

Virginia

975.5916 V28 Early Western Augusta Pioneers. Indexed

West Virginia

975.488 R49sl Greenbrier County West Virginia Records. Early Survey and Court Records.

#### **INTERNET TIPS**

There is a new website regarding Canadian immigration. The information comes from the Library and Archives of Canada at <a href="http://www.baclac.gc.ca/eng/discover/immigration/immigration-records/pages/introduction.aspx">http://www.baclac.gc.ca/eng/discover/immigration/immigration-records/pages/introduction.aspx</a>

The Library computers now have an icon on the desktop to the Digital Library of Hathi Trust. There is a search engine to access their catalogue of digital publications.