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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 YOUR BOARD

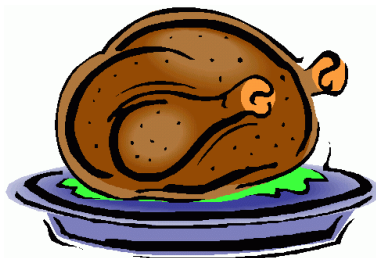
The library is still up and running. No power outages. We hope you have all survived the power outages and that everyone is back on line.

Now that summer is over we will continue the numerous projects that are being undertaken with our collections. Volunteers are welcome to assist with these projects. Contact the library and leave a message for Sue or Sandy.

Our November program will be presented by members of our society who have just returned from Ireland. This will be an open question and answer period covering Irish History and Genealogy. Plus what is available on Ireland in our collection.

Just a reminder....

The 400 hundredth Anniversary of the Mayflower Landing is coming up. Watch for celebration events.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

All members and guests welcome to attend.

Nov. 2019

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

Nov 8, (2nd Fri) **Board Meeting**, 11:00am NVGS Library.

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

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

Nov 21, (3rd Thurs) **Monthly Program, Ireland; History and Genealogy**
1:00pm at NVGS Library.

Sept 24, (4th Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.

Dec. 2019

Dec 4, (1st Wed) **Genealogy Software Group**, 1pm NVGS Library.

Dec 10, (2nd Tue) **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGS Library.

DEC 13, (2nd Fri) **Board Meeting**, 11:00am NVGS Library.

Dec 18, (3rd Wed) **Irish Interest Group**, 1pm at NVGS Library.

Dec 19, (3rd Thurs) **Monthly Program, NO PROGRAM HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

Dec 24, (4th Tue) **Family History Writing Group, NO MEETING HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

WinePress deadline, Dec. 28, 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

Oakmont Genealogy Society

November 25th 2019

1pm

Elihu Smith will do a presentation on Life of Eastern European Jews under Russia.

Oakmont West Recreation Center

HOLIDAY HOURS

The library will be closed the week of November 24th. for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Also we will be closed from December 22nd through January 4th. for

Hanukkah—Christmas—New Years

Happy Holidays Everyone



Welcome New Members

Name	Surname Searches
Alexander Avalle	None given
Erica Schultz	Baldrige, Crabb, Grigsby, Stelling, Sullivan
James Bernard Gray	None given
Margaret Beaubien	Leist, Schreiber

We are still collection plastic bottles and tin cans.
We then deliver to another place in town.

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

Mary's Book Corner



Celibacy, A Love Story: Memoir of a Catholic Priest's Daughter by Mimi Bull

I chose this book by its title, assuming that it would be another story like the one I recently read, where an Anglican married priest with children was given an exception to join the Roman Catholic priesthood and remain married. Or perhaps, as many of my contemporaries were doing in the 1960s, leaving the priesthood in order to marry. I suppose I was naive since I had never given much thought to a Catholic priest continuing a relationship with the woman who had borne his child. This memoir is full of the pain of growing up without a father and yet enmeshed in a web of secrets and lies. For genealogists, it is one more possibility to think about when you get unexpected DNA results. But this the first I have read about the emotional abuse of women and the children of priests. It is beautifully written and I was fully engrossed in reading it. You can find it on our Member's lending library shelf.

Happy reading, Mary

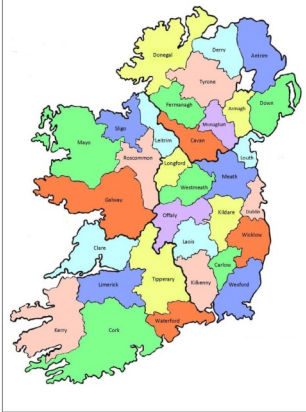
PROGRAM

Napa Valley Genealogy Society
November Program

Thursday November 21, 2019

1:00 pm Refreshments and Social

Program starts at 1:30 pm



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December Program

No program this month



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Jabber from Janice

Continued from Sep, Oct.

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Tennessee <https://cdm15138.contentdm.oclc.org/customizations/global/pages/index.html> A bit of a challenge to left are choices to narrow Collections with subjects, date, coverage, etc. If you wish to delete one choice, use the orange box on screen a click the X. This is a new site still in progress.

<http://dlc.lib.utk.edu/spc/search> This might be helpful. Straight forward search.

<https://digital.lib.utk.edu/collections/volvoices> Has some digitized documents.

Texas <https://texashistory.unt.edu/> You can do a Search or explore by Collection (scroll down), most all are newspapers and journals. <http://genealogytrails.com/tex/> This site has some records of interest. Scroll down to search by county or online databases.

Utah <https://history.utah.gov> Not the one in Magazine but appears to work. Using FamilySearch might work well.

Vermont <https://vermonthistory.org> choosing research took me to Research Sources, Genealogy and other options. From Genealogy was link to Vermont Historical Society...nicely done, Vermont.

Virginia <http://www.lva.virginia.gov> Scroll down to For the Public, choose Virginia Memory, then at top of page choose Digital Collections. They can be listed alphabetically or topically.

Washington <http://wrh.statelib.lib.wa.us/cdm/explore> Mostly photos, Search seems to be by location. <https://digitalarchives.wa.gov/Home> Here are all matter of records with search boxes to choose Collection and enter a name.

West Virginia <http://www.wvculture.org/history/archivesindex.aspx> At bottom of page is Exploring Archives and History with databases to explore.

Wisconsin <https://recollectionwisconsin.org/> Choose Explore to see very straight forward options. <https://www.wisconsinhistory.org> And another site that has just what you want front.

Wyoming <http://newspapers.wyo.gov/> 1849-1922. <http://wyoarchives.state.wy.us/index.php> Found this and thought it more useful; scroll down for options.

Source: Family Tree Magazine Dec 2018

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Worth Repeating

Too Many Old Newspapers: How Do You Find Your People? Handout

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A Case Study from 1886.

We had family data that showed a couple who died in their early 20s

They had lived in Salt Lake City; had been married just over 3 years

The older relatives didn't want to talk about the case

I looked for newspapers at that time and place and found two candidate papers, the

Deseret News and the Salt Lake Tribune

Found the couple and their story in each newspaper; indeed, there had been a kind of scandalous situation – both papers gave the incident major coverage

The result: I found exactly what I was looking for, with little difficulty and for free

Tip: sometimes there are newspaper “pay sites” for a newspapers, but that same newspaper may also be available on a free site – therefore, double-check

Online Lists of Online Newspapers

Wikipedia has a “List of Online Newspaper Archives.” This list is many pages long and seems to be fairly comprehensive. It groups the newspapers by country and (within the US) by State.

Elephind.com -- This site lists over 2700 online sites world-wide. It lists them by their collections.

Google News – lists many titles world-wide.

Problems in Finding the Relevant Newspaper for Your Needs

*****PROBLEM: There is no central place for making your query; you need to search each of the many sites individually

PROBLEM: Many/most of the online newspaper sites are “pay sites” so they prefer that you pay them for their data -- however, some will permit you to check their index of names, and may show you that they have data for your target person, but then you need to pay to get the actual data

So, you need a good strategy to find your target people

The Best Strategy for Finding People

*****Identify your target person's location for the time period where you think the data may be

*****Match the time period with the location

Then, look for a newspaper published in that location in that time period

Ideally, you will search within a specific US State and County in a specific year*****

As you define your search parameters, think of the events that might be in the newspaper: deaths and obituaries; marriage reports; births; probate data; 50th anniversaries, war-time casualty lists

Sites for Finding Historic Newspapers

****Family Search WIKI – go to the individual WIKIs for a State’s Genealogy; then, go further to view the WIKI for the County where your people lived. On this site, when you get to the county level, you should be able to identify the most relevant online Newspaper collections and/or sites.

****Linkpendium.com - - go to the individual State and view the categories for Newspapers and Obituaries; then (most important), go to the individual County page and view the same categories there. At the county level, you will find a rather comprehensive listing of the online Newspapers available along with the sites or collections that have that data; also, the site indicates whether the site is for pay or not.

***Google – insert keywords such as “historic newspapers” and the name of the county or town.

NEW ACQUISITIONS TO THE LIBRARY



Family Histories

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|--------------|---|
| 929.2 N338bv | Neals of Bedford County, VA. Lawrence & Gallia Counties, Ohio |
| 929.2 P558pa | Some of the Descendants of Asa Phillips, 1783-1833 |
| 929.2 N786cb | The Descendants of George Nol/Null |
| 929.2 B477sc | Genealogical Classification by Family Group Coding for Descendants from Common Ancestors.
Bentley Mavericks Family History
Shippee Family History
Stewart Family History |
| 929.2 R183rj | Ramsey Family History |
| 929.2 J76wd | Alfred Jones and his wife Elizabeth Ellen Neal of Kansas Families |
| 929.2 A728ra | Armen Armentrout Family History, 1739-1978 |