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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

The Napa Valley Genealogy Library is open for pre-scheduled appointments only.

Email to [research@napagensoc.org](mailto:research@napagensoc.org) with a message that you would like to visit the library. Please leave your name and phone number.

A staffer will call you to set up your appointment.

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### "USING MY MAPS ON GOOGLE MAPS"

Presented by  
Kelly Wheaton

June 17, 2021  
1:00pm

NVGS  
Virtual Program

## NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

### June 2021

Jun 2, (1st Wed) **Library Committee Meeting. Want to volunteer?**

Email to: [info@napagensoc.org](mailto:info@napagensoc.org)

June 7, (1st Mon) **Round Table Discussion Group: 11:00am Zoom**

June 11, (2nd Fri) **Board Meeting, 10:00am. via Zoom.**

June 17, (3rd Thurs) **Announcements & Program: "Using My Maps on Google Maps"**

Presented by Kelly Wheaton

1:00pm - Announcements and Discussion; 1:30pm - Program Starts

### July 2021

July 5, (1st Mon) **Round Table Discussion Group: 11:00 am Zoom**

July 7, (1st Wed) **Library Committee Meeting. Want to volunteer?**

Email to: [info@napagensoc.org](mailto:info@napagensoc.org)

July 9, (2nd Fri) **Board Meeting, 10:00am. via Zoom.**

July 15, (3rd Thurs) **Announcements & Program:**

**NO PROGRAM FOR JULY - VACATION TIME**

**WinePress deadline**, Articles to Editor Sandra Hoover, due 26th of each month,

E-mail articles to: [info@napagensoc.org](mailto:info@napagensoc.org) In subject line state: Newsletter item.

### UPCOMING EVENTS 2021

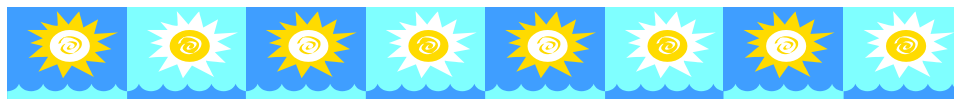
June 7, 11am **NVGS June Round Table Discussion Group**  
***Show and Tell: Sharing genealogical breakthroughs and artifacts***  
For more information go to: [napagensoc.org](http://napagensoc.org)

July 17– 24 The International German Genealogy Partnership is thrilled to announce that the 2021 International German Genealogy Conference will be held virtually from 17 July to 24 July 2021 with the theme of "Researching Together Worldwide / Weltweit Gemeinsam Forschen. Register here: <https://playbacknow.regfox.com/iggp2021>

August 19 **NVGS will present a Zoom talk on "Essential U.S. Records"**  
Presented by Nancy Loe.  
For more information or to register on line: [napagensoc.org](http://napagensoc.org)  
Once you register you will receive a link for the zoom meeting.

### A Reminder

Did you miss our speaker last month? If so, you may view the recording now on our new website,  
[napagensoc.org](http://napagensoc.org)  
These recordings will be available for only a limited time.



## Welcome New Members

Name	Surname Searches
Mary Douglas	Bandy, Clarke, Douglas, Frundt, Libby, Sourbeer
Jerry Hyde	Howe, Hyde, Husted, Lewis

### NEW MEMBERS MAY SCHEDULE A LIBRARY ORIENTATION

Email to: [research@napagensoc.org](mailto:research@napagensoc.org) or call 707-252-2252

### Napa Valley Genealogy Society—June Round Table Discussion Group

Monday, June 7, 11:00 am

*Show and Tell: Sharing genealogical breakthroughs and artifacts*

Remember the excitement of sharing a special story or prized possession with your classmates in school? The excitement of sharing and learning never ends. Come to our virtual roundtable prepared to share a research discovery you've made or a physical object that has added depth to your family story. Or come as a listener and enjoy the stories of surprise and satisfaction that keep us growing on our research journeys. All are welcome!

The [Zoom link](#) will be sent to members of the society closer to the time of the event! Non-members of the society need to register in order to receive the link.

### Publicity Volunteers Reach Out to Community

The newly formed and active publicity committee is off to a great start! We have wonderful volunteers who have stepped up to help contact a few organizations each month to exchange information about upcoming programs and events. A big thanks to Nancy Gilien, Linda Jesmok, Jennifer Roodzant, Roxanne Hogan, Juanita Hoover, Phyllis Boyson, Lanita Stillwell, and Lynn Champlin! We are currently reaching out to 17 different organizations!

If you are interested in joining the team, feel free to contact Sally Perkins at [publicity@napagensoc.org](mailto:publicity@napagensoc.org)

## Mary's Book Corner

BLOODLINE

by Fiona Mountain



Bloodline by Fiona Mountain is another ingenious genealogical novel set in rural England prior to easy computer access to historical records. There is a likable young professional genealogist (Natasha Blake), lots of slogging through records, interesting plot twists, in short, everything necessary to hold the interest of genealogists. It is available on our Member's Lending Shelf.



PAGING THE DEAD

by Brynn Bonner

Paging the Dead by Brynn Bonner is a cozy genealogical mystery. It is more *mystery* than genealogy but it clips right along and is very entertaining. Published in 2013 it is a bit dated, especially the rather strange statements about DNA but don't let that put you off. The characters are all quite interesting and I look forward to finding more by this author.

*Happy reading, Mary*

## FREE GENEALOGY CLASSES

In case not everyone is aware, there are excellent, free genealogy classes for Older Adults offered on Zoom through Santa Rosa Junior College, open to anyone with a California mailing address.

To find classes: Go to <https://classes.santarosa.edu/>

- Choose your type of device: phone or computer
- Select the Term. The classes below are for Sumer 2021. Scroll down to.....O
- Go to the O, hit the + and select Older Adults Program
- Choose OA 505, Discussion Group

Classes in Genealogy are:

# 8144-DNA in Genealogy, # 8295-Beginning Genealogy, # 8297-Genealogy Database Research

There is a registration process for those without a SRJC ID number and password, but I understand it's not complicated. Registration begins on May 5.

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# NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

**Using "My Maps" on Google Maps**

**A Zoom Talk by Kelly Wheaton**

**June 17, 2021**

**1:00 - Society Announcements & Discussion**

**1:30: Program Starts**



**Kelly will demonstrate how to create custom maps for the places that matter to you because they mattered to your ancestors. She will share examples of MY GOOGLE Maps and explain how to get started. To make maps specific to your needs, she will teach how to annotate a map. Finally, you will learn how to share or embed your maps. A picture is worth a thousand words. Imagine being able to track a migratory ancestor with a customized research map!**

**Kelly is a founding member of the Napa Valley Genealogical Society with 50 years of genealogy experience and 10 years using DNA tools. Kelly is the author of the free online course, "Beginner's Guide to Genetic Genealogy." Her other pastimes include gardening and traveling.**

**Guests can register on this page. A Zoom link will be sent a few days before the program.**

**Members of the Society will receive the Zoom link and do not need to register.**

# MCGS Virtual General Meeting

**FamilySearch**  
**June 24, 2021 • 7:00pm**



**James L. Tanner**

JD Degree; Law, Arizona State University - 39  
years Arizona trial attorney

39+ years in genealogical research and 17 years as a Family  
History Volunteer.

Presently serving at the BYU Family History Library and as a  
Director of The Family History Guide Association. Presenter at  
Expos and Conferences in the U.S., Canada and Europe.

## *The FamilySearch Family Tree*

James Tanner is an expert on FamilySearch

Learn about

- The FamilySearch Tree concept
- Changes to your ancestors
- Following your ancestors
- Restricted Records
- Merging duplicates
- Using the Source Box
- Incorporating outside sources
- Collaborate - notes vs discussion
- Multiple records of the same event



The public is welcome  
Register to join our virtual meeting  
[info@maringensoc.org](mailto:info@maringensoc.org)

## General Meeting:

We will have an online **Virtual General Meeting**

on **Thursday, June 24, 2021** at 7 pm.

## **FAMILY SEARCH**

**Presented by James L. Tanner**

Details concerning online connection will be sent to **Members of MCGS** by  
email **within** one week before the meeting.

You do not need to use the link below to get the link to connect to the meet-  
ing if you are an **MCGS Member**.

**Members of the Public** can receive an invitation by clicking

**[Request to Access MCGS General Meeting](#)**

# Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society

Presents  
Jeffrey Vaillant

**YOU ARE INVITED**

**WHEN:** Monday, August 9th, 2021 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Register via ZOOM below: (forthcoming)

**COST:** No Charge - Visitors welcome

## Researching Your Civil War Ancestor

Researching Your Civil War Ancestor Join Jeff Vaillant in a session where he will share stories and strategies he used in finding his Civil War ancestors. Jeff will provide websites and other sources for you to be successful in locating military and pension and other resources both online and offline. Jeff's ancestor is a Union soldier from the 10th Iowa. Jeff continues to learn and teach as a member of Sons of Union Veterans of California and Pacific. He will also be giving the steps to find information from the National Archives Civil War Pension Files.

Jeffrey Vaillant is career Certified Facility Manager who has worked for federal, state and local agencies, as well as financial institutions, research organizations, consumer games and manufacturing entities. His genealogical studies include the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy (8 years), Institute of Historic and Genealogical Research, Stamford University (3 years), and Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh. He is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, the National Genealogical Society, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and many other societies. He has also served as past president of the California Genealogical Society and the Sonoma County Genealogical Society.

For additional information contact: Tom Mathews,  
Program Chairperson, email: [program@L-AGS.org](mailto:program@L-AGS.org)

## History Shines a Light on Who We Are

In a recent visit to the Point Cabrillo Light Station on the Mendocino coast, I stopped to read a sign in the new exhibit at the base of the lighthouse. The statement reminded me of why history and our efforts to preserve and share it are so important. Here is an excerpt from that statement produced by The Point Cabrillo Lightkeepers Association. Consider adding the light station to your destination list and be inspired.

*“We are eager to share the light station’s history with you because we believe that history provides the context within which we create community. When we remember as a community, we engage each other and relate to the past. In collecting, recording, and preserving our past, we connect in the present and form our future in common.”*

Mark Perkins

### Speakers Wanted

Have a speaker you would like to see at one of our 2021 program meetings?  
If so please let us know and we will try to book them for a virtual program.

Leave a message at NVGS, **707-252-2252** or email [programs@napagensoc.org](mailto:programs@napagensoc.org).



### Trash into Treasure: Recycling Made Easy

Are you getting overwhelmed with your bags of aluminum cans and plastic bottles? It’s time to lighten your load and fatten our coffers.

Just toss your bags over the side gate into the library backyard and we will get them to the recycling center.

Because of your generous donation of recyclables, we have generated \$269.85 for the society in 2021. Keep those cans and bottles coming!”

**THANK YOU!**

### FINDING FAMILY COLUMN

#### A Call for Stories



NVGS is looking for stories to submit to the newspaper. These stories can be how you found a relative, how you traveled to do family history research or even what mistakes you made along the way. Really anything goes, as long as it is a printable family history story.

Some suggested ideas: Genealogy in a pandemic; What I found being stuck inside; I finally crashed the brick wall; Look what I found; That person does not belong in my family.

Put your thinking caps on and write a story, length 500 words is best, and send it to the editor at: [info@napagensoc.org](mailto:info@napagensoc.org). Put in the subject line “Finding Family”.

This column appears in the Napa Valley Register on the first or last Monday of the month.