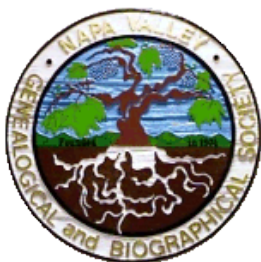


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CALENDAR

Jan 9, 2012, (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2pm NVGBS Library

Jan 10, & 24, 2012, (2nd & 4th Tue.) **Family History Writing Group**, noon,
at NVGBS Library

Jan 14, 2012, (2nd Sat) **Genealogy Software Group**, 1pm NVGBS Library

Jan 19, 2012 **Genealogy Program**, 1:30pm NVGBS Library

Feb 11, 2012, (2nd Sat) **Genealogy Software Group**, 1pm NVGBS Library

Feb 13, 2012, (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2pm NVGBS Library

Feb 14, & 28, 2012 **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGBS Library

Feb 16, 2012 **Genealogy Program**, 1:30pm NVGBS Library

Feb 28, 2012, **WinePress deadline**, articles to Editor, email articles or drop off in
editors box at library.

Napa Valley Genealogy Society's UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Mark your calendars

Jan 19, 2012 "Psychic Roots" Experiences presented by member Janice Brown. Come hear about her unusual and never-to-be-forgotten experiences while re-searching her family history. Join in the fun and share your unusual experience.

NVGBS Library, Thursday afternoon 1:30 pm, 1701 Menlo Ave. Napa, CA

Feb 16, 2012 "Celtic Roots Online" (Ireland & Scotland) Presented by Cath Madden Trindle, CG. Cath is treasurer of FGS and Projects chair for California State Genealogical Alliance and SMCGS. She is well known as a speaker and researcher throughout California. Cath will show the various records that are available online and the online finding aids and indexes. Bring your family names to look up. Join us for this fun and informative program.

NVGBS Library, Thursday afternoon 1:30 pm 1701 Menlo Ave. Napa, CA

A Message from our President

The January General Meeting of the Napa Genealogy Society will be held at 1:30 p.m., on Thursday, January 19, at our Library, 1701 Menlo Avenue, Napa. Our speaker will be Janice Brown who will give a presentation about her unusual experiences while researching her family history. Refreshments will be available at the meeting.

We will also elect and install the Officers and Board of Directors for 2012. We still need a Program Chairperson and a Publicity Chairperson for 2012. If you are interested in either of these positions, please contact me and we can discuss the duties. We will present and adopt the budget for 2012. We hope you will be able to attend this meeting as there are several other important items that need to be discussed and voted upon.

The February General Meeting of the Napa Genealogy Society will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 16, at our Library, 1701 Menlo Avenue, Napa. Our speaker will be Cath Trindle, treasurer of FGS and Projects Chair for California Genealogical Alliance. Cath will show the various records that are available online and the online finding aids and indexes. Refreshments will be available at the meeting.

Please make a note that all future meetings of our Society will be held in the afternoon at our Library, 1701 Menlo Avenue, Napa, except for the Annual Wine Drawing and raffle in August. The Annual Wine Drawing will be held at the Napa Senior Center.

*Dick Bruechert,
NVGBS President*



1911 UK Census Adds Online Records

Ancestry.co.uk has finished adding the second part of the 1911 Census transcriptions. Records covering London, Lancashire, Yorkshire and 17 other counties are now fully searchable.

Unlike any previous censuses, this one provides the actual forms your ancestors filled in, complete with their handwriting and signatures.

Here's a full list of the areas that are now searchable: Channel Islands, Cheshire, Cornwall, Cumberland, Derbyshire, Devon, Durham, Isle of Man, Lancashire, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, London, Norfolk, Northumberland, Nottinghamshire, Royal Navy, Rutland, Wales, Warwickshire, Westmorland, Worcestershire, Yorkshire-East Riding, Yorkshire-North Riding, Yorkshire-West Riding.

You can search the 1911 U.K. Census now at <http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/group/1911uki>. You can search the index free of charge, but a Premium membership is required to view the actual census forms.

Jabber from Janice



Thanks to my FamilyTree Magazine subscription (Feb., 2012, page 13) in "Self Improvement" by Lisa A. Alzo, I discovered that The Proof Standard has been modified and is well worth reading and understanding. It holds us all to a higher standard. This comes from the website of The Board for Certification of Genealogists: www.bcgcertification.org. The board has abandoned the "preponderance of evidence" concept. Information on this decision and the changes can be found at <http://www.bcgcertification.org/resources/prepond.html>. We all would love to find genealogy information on the internet or in books using this standard. Following these guides would give us the opportunity to make a lasting and honest contribution to genealogy for our descendants.

Here is the information direct from the BCG website.

Proof is a fundamental concept in genealogy. In order to merit confidence, each conclusion about an ancestor must have sufficient credibility to be accepted as "proved." Acceptable conclusions, therefore, meet the Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS). The GPS consists of five elements:

1. a reasonably exhaustive search;
2. complete and accurate source citations;
3. analysis and correlation of the collected information;
4. resolution of any conflicting evidence;
5. a soundly reasoned, coherently written conclusion.

Each element contributes to a conclusion's credibility in a different way, described in the table below, but all the elements are necessary to establish proof.

Element of the GPS	Contribution to Credibility
Reasonably exhaustive search.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Assumes examination of a wide range of high quality sources. ◆ Minimizes the probability that undiscovered evidence will overturn a too-hasty conclusion.
Complete and accurate citation of sources.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Demonstrates the extent of the search and the quality of the sources. ◆ Allows others to replicate the steps taken to reach the conclusion. (Inability to replicate the research casts doubt on the conclusion.)
Analysis and correlation of the collected information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Facilitates sound interpretation of the data contributed by each source. ◆ Ensures that the conclusion reflects all the evidence.
Resolution of conflicting evidence.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Substantiates the conclusion's credibility. (If conflicting evidence is not resolved, a credible conclusion is not possible.)

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On Our Library Shelves

Colonial Families of the Southern States of America, by Stella Hardy A History and Genealogy of Colonial Families Who Settled in the Colonies Prior to the Revolution

This classic work on colonial Southern families was originally published in 1911 and revised some forty-seven years later. It contains hundreds of genealogies giving names; dates of birth, marriage, and death; names of children and their offspring, with dates of places of birth, marriage, and death; names of collateral connections; places of residence; biographical highlights; and war records. Over 12,000 individuals are referred to in the text, all of them easily located in the alphabetical index. It must be borne in mind that this work deals strictly with the genealogical history of Southern families whose forebears were established in the colonies prior to the Revolution.

Chief among the families included in this classic multi-family reference are Adams, Alexander, Ambler, Armistead, Ball, Bassett, Blackwell, Bolling, Bouldin, Braxton, Brent, Burwell, Byrd, Carter, Cary, Chilton, Clarkson, Collier, Cooke, Corbin, Creel, Downing, Drake, Duvall, Ferrill, Fishback, Fitzgerald, Fitzhugh, Green, Gwynn, Hammond, Hardy, Harrison, Huddleston, Jennings, Johnston, Keith, Langhorne, Lee, Lightfoot, Marshall, Martin, Mason, Metcalfe, Murray, Neale, Orrick, Parker, Pickett, Raines, Ridgely, Robinson, Scott, Shields, Slaughter, Smith, Steptoe, Stewart, Stuart, Tayloe, Taylor, Turbeville, Washington, Watts, Wright, and Wyatt.

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Researching Your Families History at the
Massachusetts Archives
On-Line or In Person
www.sec.state.ma.us/arc/

The Archives Division of the Secretary of the Commonwealth's Office is the repository for Massachusetts records generated by state government. Archives holdings date from the beginning of the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1628 and document the settlement of lands in Maine and Massachusetts, the arrival of immigrants, and the development of state government. Public records are not in the holdings of the Archives strictly because of inherent genealogical value, but since they often include references to so many Massachusetts people, these documents are a major resource for people engaged in the study of family history.

In addition to the archival records created by Massachusetts state agencies, the Archives has a limited selection of books and microforms to aid genealogists and other researchers.

Access to these materials is provided through the Research Room of the Massachusetts Archives at Columbia Point. It is open weekdays, 9 to 5, except on legal holidays.

Vital Records: 1841-1920

The Archives holds the registration books of births, marriages, and deaths for all Massachusetts cities and towns, 1841 through 1920. Municipal clerks submitted these registration pages to the state annually covering the vital records generated by their offices. While there is some variation in this information, generally the books provide names, dates, residences, occupations, and parental information. Some death records also include the place of burial. The Archives also holds microfilm of added entries and corrections to vital records for the same period. Later records in this collection will be transferred to the Archives at five-year intervals.

Vital records indices, dating 1841-1910, are available on the Massachusetts Archives website at www.sec.state.ma.us/arc. In the future, the 1911-1920 indices will also be available on the Massachusetts Archives website

Vital Records: Pre 1841

City and town clerks in Massachusetts are the custodians of pre-1841 vital records for their respective towns. The printed volumes of Vital Records Prior to 1850, which are organized by town, are available in many research libraries, including the Massachusetts State Library and the Massachusetts Archives.

The Genealogical Society of Utah has an active local records microfilming program; some of this film has been deposited with the Archives. While the types of records, their format, and the quality of the film varies for each municipality, the film includes records normally found in the municipal clerks' offices.

Among these are vital records and corresponding indices, marriage intentions, records of town meetings and boards of selectmen, and early proprietors' records. Occasionally church and cemetery records were microfilmed, along with genealogies.

Vital Records: Post 1920

Vital records after 1920 are located at the municipal clerks' offices or the Department of Public Health, Registry of Vital Records and Statistics (150 Mount Vernon Street, Dorchester, MA 02125). Researchers may contact the Registry of Vital Records at 617-740-2600, or through the DPH website www.mass.gov/dph. Indices of the DPH vital records volumes through 1971 are available at the Archives, although there are no copies of the actual records.

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Researching Your Family History at the Massachusetts Archives

Passenger Manifest (1848-1891) Contents

Massachusetts officials started recording the names of immigrants who arrived by ship in January of 1848, a procedure which continued until July of 1891, when federal records-keeping programs superseded those of the state. Although immigrants arrived at numerous Massachusetts ports, the Archives holds manifests for BOSTON ONLY. These are arranged chronologically according to the date when the ship arrived in port. The Archives holds the original manifests as well as the only microfilm copy available of these Passenger manifests. This collection has been cataloged as HS3.02/1990X (Registers of passengers arriving in Massachusetts ports) in the finding aids of the Massachusetts Archives.

The Archives has an alphabetical card index covering the same years as the registers and providing the same information. This includes the name, age, sex and occupation of the immigrant; the country of birth, last residence and the passenger list number. Also included is the name of the ship, and the date of its arrival in Boston.

Over one million immigrants came through the Port of Boston during this time period. Through the Archives Volunteer program, volunteers are entering this information into a computerized database. This is a long-term project. It is going to take several years to complete.

If the Surname you are interested in does not appear in the database you are welcome to come to the Archives and request the name through the Card Index or write us and we will check the card index for you. This database will be updated monthly.

Massachusetts Archives Collection Database (1629-1799)

The Massachusetts Archives database serves as a searchable, descriptive index and catalog for documents of eighteen volumes of the Massachusetts Archives Collection. These volumes include:

Volume 3: Colonial, 1629-1720	Volume 5: Colonial, 1728-1774
Volume 6: Colonial, 1724-1775	Volume 9: Domestic Relations, 1643-1774
Volume 10: Ecclesiastical, 1637-1679	Volume 11: Ecclesiastical, 1679-1739
Volume 12: Ecclesiastical, 1739-1749	Volume 13: Ecclesiastical, 1749-1756
Volume 14: Ecclesiastical, 1757-1774	Volume 15A: Emigrants, 1651-1774
Volume 23: French Neutrals, 1755-1758	Volume 24: French Neutrals, 1758-1769
Volume 29: Indian Conference, 1713-1776	Volume 30: Indian, 1603-1705
Volume 31: Indian, 1705-1750	Volume 32: Indian, 1750-1757
Volume 33: Indian, 1757-1775	Volume 112: Towns, 1632-1693
Volume 113: Towns, 1693-1729	Volume 114: Towns, 1730-1742
Volume 115: Towns, 1742-1751	Volume 157: Maritime Miscellaneous, 1777-1782
Volume 300: Orders, 1777-1778	Volume 303: Petitions, 1659-1786

While these volumes are loosely organized by subject (please see volume descriptions for a full narrative), the documents actually contain information on a much wider variety of subjects than the volume titles would seem to indicate. The creation of this database is an effort to make these documents more easily accessible.

Massachusetts Archives On-line www.sec.state.ma.us/arc/

Calendar of Upcoming Events of Interest

Jan 15, 2012 Sacramento Public Library, Sacramento, CA presents **Getting Ready for the 1940 Census**: Searching without a name index. Presented by Steve Morse.

Jan 21, 2012 San Mateo County Genealogy Society presents **Getting Ready for the 1940 Census**: Searching without a name index. Presented by Steve Morse.

Jan 24, 2012 Sacramento German Genealogy Society presents **Getting Ready for the 1940 Census**: Searching without a name index. Presented by Steve Morse.

For more information on Steve Morse's lectures go to stevemorse.org.

Feb 4, 2012 San Luis Obispo County Genealogy Society presents **Genealogy Now! Growing Your Family Tree**

Event Information: "Genealogy Now! Growing Your Family Tree," is a day-long seminar featuring nationally acclaimed author and speaker Dr. Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG, CGL, Ron Arons, author of Wanted! U.S. Criminal Records and The Jews of Sing-Sing, and English research expert Apryl Cox, AG. Included in the event will be vendors, project displays, refreshments, a freebie table, and drawings for dozens of genealogy prizes and gift certificates.

Location: Veterans Hall, 801 Grand Avenue, San Luis Obispo, CA For more information go to www.slocgs.org

Apr 21, 2012 Sonoma County Genealogy Society presents their **Spring Seminar** featuring Connie Lenzen, nationally known genealogical lecturer and writer. For more information go to www.scgs.org.

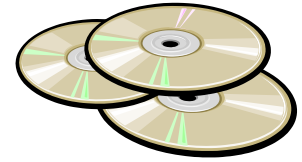
Apr 21, 2012 Sacramento German Genealogy Society's annual **Spring Seminar** presents Warren Bittner, CG—"Tracking down Our German Ancestors".

For more information for to www.SacGerGenSoc.org.

Apr 28, 2012 San Mateo County Genealogical Society presents their **Spring Seminar** featuring Lisa Louise Cook. For more information go to www.smcgs.org.

Volunteer Opportunities Abound

- ◆ Staffing opportunity at the Library Third Wednesday of each month 1-4 p.m. Meet new people and learn about your library. Training provided. Call the library at 252-2252 and speak to the staff on duty.
- ◆ Volunteer your expertise in an area of your choice to help with questions or e-mail. Leave an e-mail for the Staff at nvgbs@earthlink.net
- ◆ Help out at the Library with shelving or special projects. Call the Library (252-2252) and leave a message. Help is always needed.



Publications of the Napa Valley Genealogical and Biographical Society

Computer CD's (in MS Word and RTF Formats)		
Napa County Cemeteries		
Volume 1 – Lower Napa Co. Cemeteries & Index: Napa Memorial Gardens, Tulocay (index only), Napa State Hospital, Stephen Broadhurst, Partrick, God's Acre, Indian Burial Grounds, Perry Burial Site, Wood Family Burial Grounds, Christian Brothers	One CD	\$25.00
Volume2 – Middle Napa Co. Cemeteries and Index: St. Helena Catholic, St. Helena Public, Monticello, Bradshaw, Grace Episcopal, Wragg Canyon, Wooden Valley, Capell Valley, Martinelli, Los Pasadas (does not include the Calif. Veterans' Home	One CD	\$25.00
Volume 3 – Upper Napa Co. , Cemeteries and Index: Pioneer, Bothe, Cyrus Family, Earl Wilms Property, Duvall, Biter Burial Ground, Lommel Road	One CD	\$25.00
All Volumes of Napa County Cemeteries and Indexes	One CD	\$60.00
The Great Register of Napa County, 1880-1894: substituting for the 1890 Census includes (when given) name, age, nativity, registration date, occupation, naturalization place and date, & residence	3 Vol- umes	\$35.00
BOOKS -Soft cover		
Index of Births Registered in Napa Co. through 1905 – includes sex, year born, page number of the county recorders record book	53 pages	\$6.45
Napa County Tax Assessment Records Index, 1884-1893 – includes name, rd. district, year and page # of book & microfilm pages (located at Society Library) Vol. 1 incl. A-Z, Vol. 2 incl.A-Leg, Vol. 3 incl Leg-Z	478 pages	\$52.00
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, St. Helena Public Cemetery, Vol. 1 Office Records	184 pages	\$21.50
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, George Yount Cemetery, Yountville incl. information from old Cemetery Assoc. ledger. Indexed.	56 pages	\$7.00
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County: Stephen Broadhurst, Partrick and Redwood Cemeteries , Indexed	20 pages	\$3.25
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Pope Valley, Monticello, Wragg Canyon, Capell Valley and Wooden Valley Cemeteries , Indexed	41 pages	\$5.40
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Pioneer and Bothe Cemetery , Calistoga, includes information from old Pioneer Cemetery ledger. Indexed.	30 pages	\$4.00
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Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Napa Valley Memorial Gardens , Napa. Indexed	82 pages	\$10.00
Funeral Home Records of W.F. Mercier Permelee of St. Helena, Napa County , pages are copies of the original sheets c1920's. Indexed	219 pages	\$27.00

Soundly reasoned, coherently written conclusion.

- ◆ Eliminates the possibility that the conclusion is based on bias, preconception, or inadequate appreciation of the evidence.
- ◆ Explains how the evidence led to the conclusion.

Applicants for research-category certification are required to demonstrate that they fully understand the GPS and can apply it to research situations. The parts of an application portfolio that specifically test understanding and application of the GPS include the following:

- ◆ CGsm applicants: the kinship determination project and the conflicting or indirect evidence case study.

As a reminder, this is where you may find a certified person to assist in your research. You can enter specifications to ensure your researcher is an expert in a specific field.

<http://www.bgc certification.org/associates/index.php>

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Thank you for your ongoing support. We appreciate our members.

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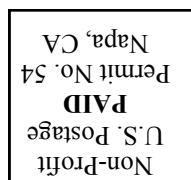
Afternoon Programs

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Except for the month of August which is our Wine Drawing and Social Event.
This event will still be held at the Senior Center.

We have made these changes due to members request.

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