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## NEWSLETTER

NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGICAL & BIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

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### Mission Statement

The Napa Valley Genealogical and Biographical Society is dedicated to the promotion of genealogical, historical, and biographical research, and the preservation of family history. The library serves as a medium to share knowledge through workshops and educational programs.



### A Message from our President

The June General Meeting at the Library was an educational and informative success. Many people visited our Library and were impressed with our collections and the improvements that were made to the building and outside areas. Our Board members have put in a great deal of work in upgrading the library and improving the landscaping. Since all of this work is by volunteer effort, we are asking each member to consider helping us maintain the library through any assistance you are able to give. If everyone can help in some small way, we can continue to be successful.

We are now in our annual fundraising project and would appreciate your assistance with this. Raffle tickets are sold at the Wine Train Station one hour before the departure of the trains. The signup sheet is at the library. All supplies needed will be at the Train Station in a basket under the card table with the rose colored tablecloth. This is a chance to help the Society and to make a positive impression on the public regarding the joy that can be found through researching family ancestry. Please contact me regarding any question concerning your participation.

Our annual Wine Drawing Fundraiser will be held on Thursday, August 16, 2012, at the Napa Senior Center. Members should receive their raffle tickets in the mail, and we hope that you will be able to participate again this year, as this is our only fundraiser. Raffle tickets are \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00, the same as last year. The meeting on August 16 will begin at 6:00 P.M. at the Senior Center. We are asking members to bring a salad or hors d'oeuvres, and the Society will provide pizza, drinks and a dessert. This should be another enjoyable evening. The first prize is 30 bottles of Napa Valley wines, and there are several other prizes in the raffle. We hope you will be able to support our annual fundraising effort.

*Dick Bruechert*  
*NVGBS President*

## NAPA VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY CALENDAR of EVENTS

All members and guests are welcome to attend.

### July

July 9, 2012 (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2 P.M. at NVGBS Library.

July 10, 2012 **Family History Writing Group**, noon at NVGBS Library.

July 14, 2012, (2nd Sat) **Genealogy Software Group**, 1 P.M. at NVGBS Library. (Cancelled for the summer months).

July 19, 2012 Monthly Program, “**Puzzles in Genealogy**,” presented by Karen Burzdak, Mary Herzog, and Sharon Marangoni. They will use real life puzzles to illustrate search techniques. Come join us on Thursday, 1:30 P.M. at the NVGBS Library.

July 24, 2012 **Family History Writing Group**, noon at NVGBS Library.

### August

Aug 11, 2012, (4th Sat) **Genealogy Software Group**, 1 P.M. at NVGBS Library. (Cancelled for the summer months)

Aug 13, 2012, (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2 P.M. at NVGBS Library.

Aug 14, 2012 **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGBS Library.

Aug 16, 2012 **Wine Drawing and Social**, The festivities will begin at 6:00 P.M. at the Senior Center, 1500 Jefferson, Napa, CA

Aug 28, 2012 **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGBS Library.

Aug 28, 2012 **WinePress deadline**, articles to Editor Sandra Hoover, email articles or drop off in editor’s box at library. Email—[sandrahoover@comcast.net](mailto:sandrahoover@comcast.net)

### Calendar of Upcoming Events of Interest

**July 6-7, 2012 Family History Expo**, a two day event held at the Crown Plaza Northeast, 5321 Date Ave., Sacramento, CA. For more info go to [www.familyhistoryexpos.com](http://www.familyhistoryexpos.com)

**July 12-14, 2012 Federation of East European Family History Societies Conference.** Many lectures on Central and Eastern European research will be featured. Your questions may be answered if you have ancestry in any of the countries between the Alps and the Urals and between the Baltic and the Black Seas. Salt Lake City, Utah. Details at [//feefhs.org](http://feefhs.org).

**July 20, 2012 “Military—Part II: Spanish American to Viet Nam”** presented by Rose Mary Kennedy, G.S. 1000 Commodore Dr., San Bruno. 9am-1pm. Cost is \$15, payable in advance. To register, contact Rose Mary Kennedy at [sanbruno.archives@nara.gov](mailto:sanbruno.archives@nara.gov) or call (650) 238-3485.

**Aug 29-Sept 1, 2012 Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference.** “Indians, Squatters, Settlers and Soldiers in the *Old Southwest*,” the largest genealogical conference in the U.S. with 175 educational sessions and an exhibit hall filled with a wide array of vendors and organizations. Hosted by the Alabama Genealogical Society, Birmingham, Alabama. Visit [www.fgs.org](http://www.fgs.org) for a registration brochure or call (888) 347-1500.

## *Jabber from Janice*



We enjoyed the *Mocavo* site when it was totally free, but now it is a paid site but with information still available at no cost. A 7-day free trial is available, but be sure to cancel it if you are not interested in paying the \$79.95/year subscription. I had some inquiries about *Mocavo*, so here is what is on the website.

“*Mocavo* is the world's largest genealogy search engine with more than 6 billion names in the index. On *Mocavo*, users can search across millions of family history resources from one centralized website. Led by industry veteran Cliff Shaw, *Mocavo* has created a vertical search engine built to help genealogists break through their brick walls in research. On top of the millions of web pages indexed, *Mocavo* allows users to publish their own content like ancestor photos and old records. Wrapped up in an experience that encourages sharing with other family members, *Mocavo* is a modern and engaging resource for researching your story. On top of the free products that are given to users, last December saw the launch of *Mocavo Plus*—a paid subscription that unlocks advanced search options and helps to automate research with connections from around the web. After going through Boulder TechStars program and with a Series A round from Foundry Group, *Mocavo* continues to grow a massive search engine that makes research a social and collaborative experience for the user.” Here is the link: <http://www.mocavo.com/>

I registered for the free portion and still found an abundance of information. Searching for names is tricky because an advanced search is only available with a paid subscription. I use Internet Explorer's *find* tool with my search term. It is a very easy with my search word highlighted in yellow.

To use this tool, follow these steps:

- ◆ Open the document you want to examine
- ◆ Click on the Tools icon at the top right, next to the tabs.
- ◆ Click on “File.”
- ◆ Choose “Find on this page.”
- ◆ A box will come up at the left under the menu items “x Find:”.
- ◆ In the box, type the word you are searching (I typed in the surname Cox and then clicked on the word “Next” as I went through the entire document. Cox was highlighted in blue when it went to the search word. All found words throughout the text are highlighted in yellow. “Previous” will go backwards.)
- ◆ If the entered word is not on the page, the “Next” and “Previous” will not be darkened and cannot be used.

This technique is perfect for any pages you are inspecting. It makes searching through long family trees so much more pleasant!

Happy Hunting!  
Janice Brown



## NEW ACQUISITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

### CALIFORNIA

- 979.452 H28ss Images of America, Fairfield  
979.452 H28dn Images of America, Travis Air Force Base

The Images of America series celebrates the history of neighborhoods, towns, and cities across the county. Using archival photographs, each title presents the distinctive stories from the past that shape the character of the community today.

- 979.432 V39pa Paradise Cemetery, 1862—2010, Volumes 1 & 2. Interments and Memorials at Paradise Cemetery. Compiled and published by Paradise Genealogical Society.

### CONNECTICUT

- 974.62 H29sh The History and Genealogies of Ancient Windsor, Connecticut, 1635-1891. Some of the other related families are, Bissell, Bliss, Cady, Cook, Drake, Eaton, Edwards, Eggleston, Ellsworth, Gillett, Grant, Hall, Hayden, Mills, Porter, Shepard, Stiles, Wilson. Indexed

### FAMILY HISTORIES

- 929.2 C284 History of the Carlock Family and Adventures of Pioneer Americans. Originally published in 1929. Includes Kimbrough, Goodpasture, Hoyl, Fite, Fancher, Lee, Wells, Judy, Tracy Settles, Gaddis, Rowell, Moore, Cornelison, Harold, Brown and other related families. Illustrated with charts, maps, drawings, rare old daguerreotypes and many present-time photographs.

- 929.2 L848 Alice Hurt Long Her Ancestors and Family. Includes Hurt, Scudamore and other related families. Pictures, charts, history.

- 929.2 H859 The Howell Family and Allied Lines. Their Emigration from Tennessee, Indiana, Missouri, and Westward to Oregon and California.



### **Annual Wine Drawing and Social**

August is the Napa Valley Genealogy Society's Annual Wine Drawing and Raffle. The festivities will begin at 6:00 P.M. and members are requested to bring an hors d'oeuvres or salad to share. The Society will provide pizza, dessert, and drinks for this evening event.

Location: Senior Center, 1500 Jefferson, Napa, CA  
August 16, 2012, Thursday, 6:00 PM

This is a social event, and we hope to see many members and their guests attend this once-a-year event.

# NVGBS Library Volunteer Schedule July 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 10-1 M. Ricci 1-4 D. Hibbert	4 <b>CLOSED</b> <b>HOLIDAY</b>	5 10-1 M. Woods 1-4 O. Meyers	6	7 10-2 _____
8	9 2:30 Board Meeting	10 10-1 K. Burzduk 1-4 T. Renait <b>12:00 FW Group</b>	11 10-1 S. Marangoni 1-4 M. Vavricka	12 10-1 J. Layland 1-4 D. Bickford	13	14 10-2 S. Hoover <b>1-3 Genealogy Software Group</b>
15	16	17 10-1 M. Herzog 1-4 D. Varland	18 10-1 N. Kesselring 1-4 J. Barber & C. Kluever	19 10-1 B. Shoar <b>1:30 Program Meeting</b>	20	21
22	23	24 10-1 M. Barron 1-4 C. Fisher <b>12:00 FW Group</b>	25 10-1 S. Marangoni 1-4 G. Martin	26 10-1 C. Setty 1-4 D. Bickford	27	28
29	30	31 10-1 M. Barron 1-4 T. Renait				

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 10-1 D. Bruechert I-4 B. Mattila	2 10-1 M. Woods I-4 O. Meyers	3	4 10-2 C. Fisher
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# What Your Relatives can Tell You About the Great Depression

As Emily Anne Croom writes in her book *Unpuzzling Your Past. The Best-Selling Basic Guide to Genealogy*, "Collecting family history also means trying to fit the family into the history of the community, county, state, and nation. You can find the political, economic, and social history of these areas in books and contemporary newspapers, but only family members can share their personal reactions to the public events. . . ."

For example, if your elders are 80 or over, they will have lived through the worst of the Great Depression of the 1930s. They can tell you about the challenges of living through economic crisis--one considerably more severe than the one the world finds itself in right now. How did their parents and other loved ones cope with financial disaster? How long did family members go without work? What do they recall adults saying about the politicians of the time, like FDR, Herbert Hoover, or Huey Long? Did one of their elders work for the Civilian Conservation Corps or one of the other temporary federal agencies created to put people back to work?

If you do have octogenarian relatives, don't let their stories of the 1930s slip away before you have taken the time to add them to your family history. Besides, it's a lot easier than you might think. All you need is a tape recorder--or a pen and legal pad--along with a list of questions concerning the trenchant events of that era, and you are on your way. The following "Questionnaire for the Great Depression and the 1930s," comes from pp. 70-72 of *Unpuzzling Your Past*, and they represent just one of the many checklists, tools, and techniques that proliferate throughout that award-winning book for genealogy researchers. (The same chapter contains similar lists of questions for the 1920s, the 1940s and World War II, the 1950s and 1960s, and the 1970s and after.) For more information or to buy a copy of *Unpuzzling Your Past*, please visit the following URL:

[www.genealogical.com/index.php?main\\_page=product\\_info&item\\_number=1222](http://www.genealogical.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&item_number=1222)

## Questionnaire for the Great Depression and the 1930s

1. To what extent did the Depression change your habits, way of life, school, plans? Did you "feel" the Depression? Did you observe a difference in the way the Depression affected people living in cities and people living in the country or small towns?
2. Did the family move during this decade? Why? How frequently? Where? What household conveniences did you have or lack: electricity, telephone, indoor plumbing, others?
3. Which family members had jobs? Doing what? Were they paid in cash, goods, or scrip? How much was rent? Was it difficult for the family to find housing or jobs?
4. At the time, what did you or the family think of Presidents Hoover and Franklin Roosevelt? Have you changed your opinion since then? Whom did the family support for president in 1928 (Hoover or Smith), 1932 (Hoover or Roosevelt), 1936 (Roosevelt or Landon)? Why? How effective were Hoover and Roosevelt as presidents?
5. Did any family member work for one of the New Deal agencies, such as the CCC, the WPA (Works Progress Administration), or the PWA (Public Works Administration)? If so, who? Which agency? Doing what? How long? Where?
6. Did the family raise, hunt, can, or preserve any of its own food? If so, what? What food items did you find to be scarce or plentiful? Did you live on a farm, in a small town, or in a city? Did you observe or experience any difference in the availability of food in rural and urban areas?
7. Did you experience the "Dust Bowl" that damaged so much of the middle of our country?
8. What sacrifices did you or your parents make during the Depression? Why?

Source: genealogy.com



## 100 Years Ago 1912 Graduates of Napa High School

Birkedal, Frieda

*"Whose high endeavors are an inward light,  
that makes her path before her always bright."*

Camp, Carter

*"He did with cheerful will what others  
talk of while their hands are still."*

Cockrane, Janet

*"A full, rich nature, free to trust,  
truthful and almost sternly just."*

Deming, Edna

*"Serene and resolute and still.  
And calm, and self-possessed."*

Epstein, Jessie

*"Happy am I, from care I'm free,  
why aren't they all contented like me."*

Gosling, Evangeline

*"O, maid so fair, with golden hair,  
And eyes so blue and heart so true."*

Hennessey, Mary

*"Her very frowns are fairer far,  
than smiles of other maidens are."*

Lepori, Olelia

*"Her little nameless, unremembered acts  
of kindness and of love."*

Lindom, Madeline

*"Black were her eyes as the berry that grows by  
the wayside, black, yet how softly they gleamed  
beneath the brown shade of her tresses."*

Lowery, Edward

*"Persuasive speech and more persuasive sighs,  
silence that spoke, and eloquence of eyes."*

Maloney, Estelle

*"We saw her charm but we saw not half,  
the charms her downcast modesty concealed."*

Money, Elma

*"A maid of languid mien  
with eyes of deepest gray."*

Robertson, Frank

*"Tis much he dares and to that dauntless  
temper of his mind he hath a wisdom that  
doth guide his valour to act in safety."*

Rouse, Rosie

*"And they praised her for her virtues."*

Tunison, Ruth

*"She is so light-hearted and gay;  
a general favorite among all they say."*

Whitton, Loyal

*"Every man has his fault and honesty is his."*

### Napa High School Faculty 1912

Glenn L. Allen, Principal

Miss Dora L. Martin

Otto P. Rathke

Miss Cora H. Jaensch

Alex. H. Thomson

Miss Rowena E. Symmonds

Miss Genevieve Wilson

Miss Ida. M. Cowley

Source for the above information was from the 1912 Napanee.

The 1912 Napa Valley High School Napanee is located at our library, NVGBS 1701 Menlo Ave, Napa, CA. There are pictures of the graduates and the faculty in this issue.





### It's Time to Renew Dues!

If you have not already sent in your dues, please do so immediately. Although we love having you as a member, if we do not receive your dues by August 1, you will be dropped from membership; a new application will be required to be reinstated as a member.

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## **New Members**

**Welcome \* Welcome \* Welcome \* Welcome \* Welcome**

### **New Members**

### **Surnames**

New or Returning members:

Christian Roessert  
Email: croessert@yahoo.com

Roessert, Vallario, Julae, Lennon

Roxanne Cartwright Bay  
Email: roxbay@aol.com

Cartwright, Morgan, Malcor, Weaberz

Judith Rock  
Email: jbaboo@comcast.net

Cole, Colvin, Driskell, Richards, Jones

Edna Mulgrew  
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Birmingham, Meere, O'Connell, Longergan, Tierney

Lynne Champlin

Present membership: 225

*Complete addresses and contact information for new members is posted in the hallway, along with members who have been dropped. Please take notice.*

## Requests for Research

You may send your request to NVGBS, Attention Dick Bruechert, 1701 Menlo Ave. Napa, CA 94558, or email Dick at, [kbruechert@aol.com](mailto:kbruechert@aol.com)

## Volunteer Opportunities Abound

- ◆ Staffing opportunity at the Library. 10 am-1 pm shift or 1 pm-4 pm shift once a month. 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](mailto: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.*

## Call Before Visiting our Library

Sometimes we are short on library staffers. We recommend that you call the library before you visit to make sure a staffer is on duty. Library phone # 707-252-2252

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Family/Joint – \$40.00    | <input type="checkbox"/> Life Membership, Family/Joint – \$500.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Out of State – \$15.00    | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior – \$15.00                         |

- I am renewing my membership*

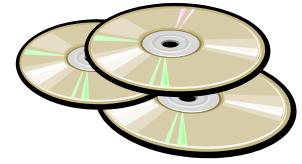
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***Thank you for your ongoing support. We appreciate our members.***



## Publications of the Napa Valley Genealogical and Biographical Society

<b>Computer CD's (in MS Word and RTF Formats)</b>		
<b>Napa County Cemeteries</b>		
Volume 1 – <b>Lower Napa Co.</b> 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 – <b>Middle Napa Co.</b> 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 – <b>Upper Napa Co.</b> , 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
<b>The Great Register of Napa County, 1880-1894:</b> substituting for the 1890 Census includes (when given) name, age, nativity, registration date, occupation, naturalization place and date, & residence	3 Vol- umes	\$35.00
<b>BOOKS -Soft cover</b>		
<b>Index of Births Registered in Napa Co. through 1905</b> – includes sex, year born, page number of the county recorders record book	53 pages	\$7.00
<b>Napa County Tax Assessment Records Index, 1884-1893</b> – 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
<b>Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, St. Helena Public Cemetery, Vol. 1 Office Records</b>	184 pages	\$22.00
<b>Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, George Yount Cemetery, Yountville</b> incl. information from old Cemetery Assoc. ledger. Indexed.	56 pages	\$7.00
<b>Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County: Stephen Broadhurst, Partrick and Redwood Cemeteries,</b> Indexed	20 pages	\$4.00
<b>Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Pope Valley, Monticello, Wragg Canyon, Capell Valley and Wooden Valley Cemeteries ,</b> Indexed	41 pages	\$6.00
<b>Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Pioneer and Bothe Cemetery,</b> Calistoga, includes information from old Pioneer Cemetery ledger. Indexed.	30 pages	\$4.00
<b>Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Holy Cross Cemetery,</b> St. Helena. Indexed	47 pages	\$6.00
<b>Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Napa Valley Memorial Gardens,</b> Napa. Indexed	82 pages	\$10.00
<b>Funeral Home Records of W.F. Mercier Permelee of St. Helena, Napa County,</b> pages are copies of the original sheets c1920's. Indexed	219 pages	\$27.00

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