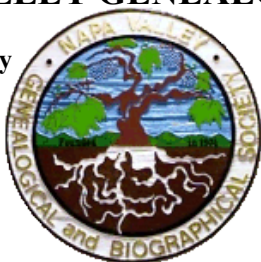


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CALENDAR

Sept 13, & 27, 2011, (2nd & 4th Tue.) **Family History Writing Group**, noon,
at NVGBS Library,

Sept 10, 2011, (2nd Sat) **Genealogy Software Group**, *No meeting, off for Summer*

Sept 12, 2011, (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2pm NVGBS Library

Sept 15, 2011, **NVGBS Program** at the Senior Center, 7:30pm

Oct 8, 2011 (2nd Sat) **Genealogy Software Group**, 1pm at NVGBS Library

Oct 10, 2011, (2nd Mon) **BOARD MEETING**, 2pm NVGBS Library

Oct 11, & 25, 2011 **Family History Writing Group**, noon, at NVGBS Library

Oct 20, 2011, **NVGBS Program** at the Senior Center, 7:30pm

Oct 26, 2011, **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

Sept 15, 2011 "The NEHGS Library in Boston", A short documentary "A Farseeing Vision" about the **New England Historic Genealogical Society** Library and AmericanAncestors.org will be shown. Ruth Jenkins-McIntire will also talk about the Irish research she did in the library before taking a tour of Ireland sponsored by that society.

Senior Center, Thursday, evening 7:30 PM 1500 Jefferson, Napa, CA

Oct 21, 2011 "Toys for Genealogists" Members will show and talk about all their favorite gadgets they use to help with their genealogy research. Plus there will be time for round table discussions.

Senior Center, Thursday, evening 7:30 PM 1500 Jefferson, Napa, CA

A Message from our President

Our annual Fund Raising Event and Social in August was an enjoyable social evening at the Napa Senior Center. The hors d'oeuvres and salads were excellent. The pizza, drinks and cake were provided by the Society and were enjoyed by all in attendance. The first prize of 50 bottles of wine was won by Alan Woodyard, of Cypress, TX. The remaining prizes are as follows; Second Prize - David Nauales - San Jose, CA, Third Prize - R. A. Daugherty, Napa, CA, Fourth Prize - Gloria Scarloss, Napa, CA, Fifth Prize - Paul Hopkins, Pasadena, CA, Sixth Prize - Yuka Suzuki, Cupertino, CA, Seventh Prize - Alexandra Haslip, Napa, CA, Eighth Prize - Lynn Fuller, Marana, AZ, Ninth Prize - Holly Perez, Clovis, CA, Tenth Prize - Donald Hauacki, Friendswood, TX, Eleventh Prize - Raye Fulk, Napa, CA, Twelfth Prize - Wanda Finoro, San Mateo, CA, and Thirteenth Prize - Christine Patterson - Napa, CA.

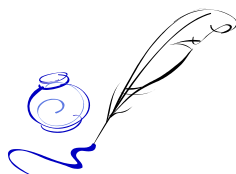
I would like to thank the following wineries that donated wine for our event, Barnett Vineyards, Burgess Cellars, Calafia, Casa Nuestra, Caymus, Ceja, Charles Krug Winery, Collina Dalle Valle, Dutch Henry Winery, Elizabeth Spencer, Gergich Hills, Heitz Cellars, Judd's Hill, C.S. Cellars, Markham, Maycamas Vineyards, Peju, Pina, Saintsbury, Schramsberg, Trefethen, Tulocay Winery, V. Sattui Winery, ZD Wines.

Our fund raising event would not have been possible without the donations and our members and friends who purchased and sold tickets at the Wine Train Station. Thank you everyone.

We have some openings on the Board of Directors for Program Chairperson and Volunteer Chairperson. If anyone is interested in serving in one of these positions on the Board of Directors, please contact me or any member of the Board.

A Beginners Genealogy Class is scheduled for two Saturdays in October. Registration is through the Napa Valley College web site. If you know of someone who is interested in genealogy, please contact Mary Herzog at herzogm@pacbell.net.

*Dick Bruechert,
NVGBS President*



Genealogy without documentation is Mythology

Jabber from Janice



"The Winepress", Volume 37, No. 1 Correction:

The San Joaquin Genealogical Society's library is housed at the Stockton/San Joaquin Public Library, Cesar Chavez Central Branch, 605 North El Dorado Street, Stockton, California, 95202. Their website is: <http://www.stockton.lib.ca.us/chavez/>
There is no specific Genealogy subcategory on the library website but using keyword quick search with the term Genealogy along with San Joaquin County helped narrow my search to specific items, mostly publications of the Genealogy Society.

<http://www.sanjoaquinhistory.org/> is the website for the San Joaquin County Historical Society. The Historical Society maintains an archival collection on behalf of the County. This includes historic records as well as books, manuscripts, business and legal records, maps, photographs and ephemera pertaining to the history of the County.

This website had a "Research" link that lead to some special collections. On one is "Genealogical Research" that leads to an OAC (Online Archive of California) website <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/> that includes pdf digitized items.

I know I have mentioned this before but I need to say it again. Check the <https://familysearch.org/> website. It has a new updated look. You can now choose a very specific collection and then do a search in that collection or you can search a specific time frame. You can do a broad search or narrow it down as appropriate if too many hits are unearthed. You will notice that the IGI (International Genealogical Index) is no longer a separate database to search. You can access that information in the general search. The member submitted LDS Family Tree information is not currently available as it is undergoing an overhaul and will soon be available in a lineage searchable tree format. On the main page are links to the Blog which is well worth checking. Also notice that there is an opportunity to volunteer time indexing. It can be done from home while still in your jammies. No special skills are required. Volunteer when you have time. Just register, sign in, and follow the easy steps shown below:

- Select a batch of 10-50 records to download
- Copy key information from the record to your computer
- Submit the information you have copied back to FamilySearch

We all appreciate the volunteers, why not join in and help the effort!

Today's Humor

I just saw a T-Shirt with this saying...I am sure some of you can identify with this issue:
My Family Tree Has Some Twisted Freakin' Roots

Happy hunting! Janice

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NEW ACQUISITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

Kentucky

- 976.963 V39p Pulaski County Cemetery Records, Vol.'s 1 & 2
976.963 V29p Pulaski County Marriage Records, 1864-1886
976.963 P22p Pulaski County Index to Wills, 1800-1950
976.963 R42p Pulaski County Tax List Index, 1799-1829
976.963 X25p Pulaski County Census 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900

Michigan

- 977.433 V39d Cemetery Records of St. Alphonsus Catholic Cemetery.
Dearborn, Wayne, Michigan

West Virginia

- 975.433 V39m Mason County, West Virginia Cemetery Inscriptions, Vol. 5
975.422 X29c Wood County, West Virginia 1920 Census, Parkersburg
District and City of Parkersburg.
975.436 X25c Roane County, West Virginia 1900 Census, Districts of
Curtis, Geary, Harper & Reedy.

United States

- 973 D3sa Schlegel's American Families of German Ancestry in the United
States, Vol's 1, 2, 3, 4. Indexed

What the NVGBS has been doing

Forty-seven men and women attended a free genealogy presentation at the Napa City-County Library on June 14. These presentations are sponsored bi-monthly by the Senior Council on Aging. Our Educational Committee, headed by Mary Herzog, included Sharon Marangoni, Carole Fisher, and Karen Burzdak. Unable to attend but provided research was Ruth Jenkins-McIntire.

Our focus was to inform the public of the many resources in the Napa Valley available to genealogists that are not available on-line. The list included the Family Search Center, the Napa City-County Library including Calistoga and Yountville, the St. Helena Library, the Napa County Clerk-Recorder-Assessor office, Napa County Courts and the Napa County Historical Society and Goodman Library.

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New carpeting has been installed in the book room of the library. We are working on the computer room getting it ready for the new carpeting.

The new landscaping has gone wild. Sunflower seeds and wild seeds of some sort got into the new soil mix by accident, we are working on taming it down.

**NEW MEMBERS
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What Our Ancestors Died Of

ague - any of several feverish conditions, e.g., malaria (not so odd when you remember how many seamen visited tropical ports in the age of sail, and contracted illnesses)
bad blood - euphemism for venereal disease, especially syphilis
bilious fever - any of hepatitis, malaria, typhoid (caused by bacteria salmonella)
bladder in the throat - diphtheria
carbuncle - large boil (not usually fatal); skin cancer (then often fatal)
consumption - tuberculosis
cramp colic - appendicitis, peritonitis; also simply "colic"
debility - lack of energy or movement, probably due to an unrecognized illness
dentition - teething (hard to imagine this as fatal in itself; probably other complications)
dropsy - congestive heart failure; also noted as "hydrothorax"
falling sickness - epilepsy
flux - diarrhea; hemorrhage
gleet - inflamed membrane in the urethra
green sickness - anemia
horrors - delirium tremens
infantile paralysis - poliomyelitis
jail fever, ship fever - typhus (caused by bacteria rickettsia)
king's evil - tuberculosis in the neck and lymph glands; also called **scrofula** (until Queen Anne, monarchs actually touched the afflicted; popular belief was that the king's touch cured it)
milk fever - children contracted this bacterial disease from milk from cows having brucellosis
mortification - gangrene (common before antiseptics)
nostalgia - homesickness; the belief that immigrants died pining for their native land
old age - applied to people as young as 55 (making some of us positively "ancient")
palsy - paralysis; also uncontrollable jerking of limbs; also entered as "fits"
screws - rheumatism
senility - advanced old age; perhaps Alzheimer's; wrongly applied to young people
visitation by God - many sudden deaths due to natural causes, e.g, strokes, were called this

Below is a website for those who want to see a list of obsolete diagnoses:

<http://www.homeint.org/cazalet/oldnames.htm>

Source: Genealogy.com "What our Ancestors died of, by Terrence Punch

LIBRARY NEEDS YOUR HELP

There are many file cabinets filled with old material. Need help to sort through.

Need someone to search for and make a list of other genealogy libraries like ours.

There are a box of maps that need to be sorted.

CAN YOU HELP PLEASE

Contact the librarian, Sandy, at the library 252-2252 or email sandrahoover@comcast.net

Genealogy Classes Scheduled for October

Two Saturdays: Oct 22 & 29

10:00 am—3:00 pm

Now is your chance to review and update your computer research skills.

Also for genealogy newbies learn how to get started by using family sources, genealogy software, and the internet.

All those friends that have been asking you about genealogy, tell them about the classes.

Classes will be held at the Napa Valley Genealogy Library located at 1701 Menlo Ave. Napa, CA

Register for classes through the Napa Valley College

Course # 62270 Fee: \$40

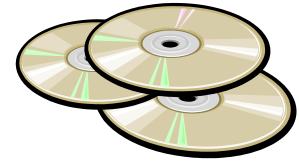
Call: (707) 253-3070 ex. 1301 or ex. 1302

[1940 Census Will be Free on Ancestry.com](#)

Subscription genealogy website [Ancestry.com](#) has decided to make the 1940 census images and index-which will be on the site after the 1940 census is opened next year for research-free to search and view through 2012. That'll be more than 3.8 million images with 130 million records. Even better, **They'll be indexed by 45 fields**, meaning you'll be able to search on the name, street address, county, state, parents' birthplaces and more. The records won't be on Ancestry.com right when the census is released April 2, 2012. Ancestry.com's press release says they'll commence "streaming onto the website in mid' April 2012." Can't wait until mid-April? The record images will be available first on the [National Archives' website](#), but they won't be searchable right away.

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
- ◆ 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
Cemetery Inscriptions, Napa County, Holy Cross Cemetery, St. Helena. Indexed	47 pages	\$6.00
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

Genealogy Resources

- ◆ Pennsylvania State Archives—Like its name implies, this site offers you access to various sections of Pennsylvania's Archives Records Information Access System. Highlights for genealogy researchers include archives for National Guardsmen, Civil War vets, Revolutionary War files, and more. www.digitalarchives.state.pa.us/
- ◆ Archives and Manuscripts: Texas State Library and Archives Commission—Like it sounds, this site focuses on various Texan documents, such as maps, Confederate pension applications, and even the (not yet fully prepared) records of George W. Bush. This site is an amazing resource for those tracing their ancestors through the Lone Star state. www.peeplo.com/Texas+State+Archives
- ◆ Archives of Maryland Online—This site provides quick access to over 471,000 historical documents from Maryland's government. The ability to search fiscal, land, military, and even probate records will help you track your ancestry to and through the great state of Maryland. <http://www.aomol.net/>

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

Calendar of Upcoming Events of Interest

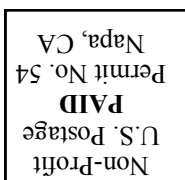
Oct 1, 2011 **The Immigrant Experience: Travels of Our Ancestors; A Journey Along the Great Wagon Road.** Presented by the North San Diego County Genealogical Society. Carlsbad, CA
For further information contact: Tom Gordinier at tgordinier@roadrunner.com or phone 760-435-2536.

Oct 7-8, 2011 **Northern California Family History Expo:** Held at the San Mateo County Event Center, 2495 S. Delaware Street San Mateo, California. For more information go to <http://fhexpos.com>

Oct 22, 2011 **Clark County, NV Genealogical Society Presents: 2011 Fall Seminar Event** held at UNLV Campus 801 E. Flamingo Rd. Las Vegas, NV. For further information go to www.lvrj.com/communitylink/ccngs/ or call 702-895-1807.

Oct 29, 2011 **Federal Secrets Revealed by John Colletta, Ph.D.** Presented by the San Mateo County Genealogical Society. Function held at the Menlo Park LDS Church, 1105 Valparaiso, Menlo Park, CA. For further information go to www.smcgs.org

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