



June 2016 Announcements

June is all about Dads, Grads and Summer

This month we think about and honor our Fathers, Grandfathers, Great-Grandfathers and beyond. Think of that unbroken line of y-DNA linking countless generations of men together. This would be a great month to know more about our paternal lines.



Wiki Facts: In 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson issued the first presidential proclamation honoring fathers, designating the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. Six years later, the day was made a permanent national holiday when President Richard Nixon signed it into law in 1972



- The guided **research trip to Washington DC** is scheduled to take place from November 13-19. We will stay at the Holiday Inn Rosslyn at Key Bridge in Arlington, just a short metro ride from Archives I. Details will be posted soon. This trip will be limited to 20 researchers and will include visits to Archives I and II, the Library of Congress, and the Daughters of the American Revolution Library, plus two group dinners. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact [Linda Okazaki](#).
- **We need BOOKS!**CGS volunteers sell books on eBay to raise money for the Library. If you have non-fiction historical or genealogical books in good condition that you no longer need, please consider donating some or all of your collection to our library. All proceeds from these sales keep the Library running and available for your use. Email [Arlene Miles](#) with questions.
- **Summer Hours** begin on June 9th. The library will be opened on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Ancestry Day by the Bay



[Ancestry Day by the Bay](#) provides a great deal of information on how to get the most out of [Ancestry.com](#) and Ancestry DNA. Proceeds from Ancestry Day by the Bay will benefit the [Angel Island Immigration Station Foundation](#).

Saturday, June 18, 2016 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the South San Francisco Conference Center - 255 South Airport Boulevard, South San Francisco.

This event will feature a full day of classes including:

- Ancestry 101: New & Review
- Getting the Most from Ancestry.com
- Using AncestryDNA to Further Your Family History Research
- Sharing Your Family Story.

California Genealogical Society is hosting an Open House coordinated with Ancestry Day by the Bay on **June 17 from 4 - 6 p.m.** CGS will be open for FREE to non-members and anyone interested in learning more about the library. Please [register for the open house on Eventbrite](#).

Genealogy Summer Camps



Are you a beginner in need of a jumpstart? Or are you a more experienced genealogist who could use some insight and guidance on your more vexing roadblocks?

CGS is offering successive [Thursday evenings this summer beginning July 7 and ending on Aug 25](#). Our expert Genealogy Camp Counselors will be on hand to help you with your research questions.

Schedule your 30-minute one-on-one campfire session today with an expert in one of the following topics: Getting Started, German, French-Canadian, DNA, New York, Adoption, New England, Family Tree, Ireland, and more topics to come.

The camp counselors lineup includes Robert Jackson, Jane Lindsey, Pam Miller, Stephen Harris, Vinnie Schwarz, Therese Hart-Pignotti, Pam Brett and Laura Manion and more to be added.

Who knows, there may even be S'mores...Your consultation fee will support California Genealogical Society and Library's ongoing mission. [Register](#) today for an evening of your choice

Classes

California Genealogical Society & Library
2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland



As usual, here's our wonderful line-up of classes for this month.

Effective April 1st, when registering for a class or event on Eventbrite you will now need to enter your **CGS membership number** to complete registration. If you don't know your number send an email request to membership@californiaancestors.org.



Saturday,
June 4

[Secrets of Pennsylvania Genealogy Discussed](#)

Laura Manion and Linda Darby, who have experience researching in Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Pennsylvania, respectively, will share their knowledge of records and repositories.

Laura Manion and Linda Darby.
10 to Noon



Saturday
June 4

[Intro to Genealogy](#)
with Dick Rees
1 to 3 p.m.



Saturday,
June 11

[Jewish Genealogy: Why Is This Research Different from All Other Research?](#)

This class is an overview of the unique aspects of Jewish culture and history that affect family history research. Topics include history, geography, naming patterns, languages and alphabets, rabbinical genealogies, kehillah records, yizkor books, cemeteries, and other resources.

Janice Sellers
1 to 3 p.m.



Saturday,
June 25

[Scanning Clinic at Family Search Library](#)

Whether getting started or continuing to build your digital archive, learn how to use and become proficient using the fabulous scanning equipment at the Oakland FamilySearch Library.

Participants should bring a small project to scan and a thumb drive.
11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Saturday,
July 9

[San Francisco Western Neighborhoods Project](#)

Woody LaBounty, San Francisco history expert, story teller, story collector and founder, talks about The Western Neighborhoods Project (WNP), a group that celebrates the "Outside Lands" of San Francisco.

A pilot project covering a small portion of the collection with images of the Cliff House, Sutro Baths, Sutro Heights, and Ocean Beach areas, is the first online installment.
1 to 2:30 p.m.



Saturday,
July 23

[The Anatomy of BMD: What You Don't Know About Vital Records](#)

Everyone knows about the "BMD" (birth, marriage, death) vital records, right? It's one of the first records you look for in the hunt for your ancestors. But do you know everything about those records you seek? What do you do when no records exist? This presentation looks at the history of vital records in

		<p>the United States, variations of those records, and alternatives.</p> <p>Gena Philibert-Ortega 10 to Noon</p>
	<p>Saturday, July 23</p>	<p>I'm in the Book: Researching Women in Directories</p> <p>City directories are great but what other types of directories exist that can lead you to information about female ancestors? Surprisingly there are all kinds that include church, community, genealogy, and membership organizations. Learn more about directories, what they contain and most importantly where to find them.</p> <p>Gena Philibert-Ortega 1 to 3 p.m.</p>
	<p>Saturday, July 29</p>	<p>Y-DNA for Genealogy</p> <p>The presentation will include a review of the tests, tools and methodology for using Y chromosome DNA in patrilineal research. There will be discussion of haplogroup determination, interpretation of match lists, the use of surname projects and "deep" ancestry estimates.</p> <p>James Russell 1 to 2:30 p.m.</p>
<p>For additional events check out the San Francisco Bay Genealogy Calendar. Also visit our Eventbrite profile page to see the latest class additions and descriptions.</p>		

Meetings and More

California Genealogical Society & Library 2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland

	<p>Saturday, June 11: CGS Board meetings are open for all CGS members to attend. If you'd like to add items to the Agenda please contact Linda Okazaki. 10 a.m. to noon.</p>
	<p>Saturday, June 18: Family Tree Maker SIG, 1 - 4 p.m. Devoted exclusively to Family Tree Maker™ Software from Ancestry.com. Please register for this event.</p>
	<p>Saturday, June 18: San Francisco SIG, 10 - 11:30 a.m.</p>



If you would like to host a Special Interest Group (i.e. French Canadian, RootsMagic, Mayflower Descendants, Family History Writers, Latinos, Scrapbooking, etc.) please contact [Maureen Hanlon](#). If your Society or Organization would like to use our facility as a meeting space for a nominal fee, please

contact [Linda Okazaki](#).

CGS Volunteers



Several [volunteer](#) positions are vacant.

If you are a member of CGS, please consider sharing your time and talents with the organization that supports your ancestor quests. CGS is looking for a few generous volunteers (training provided for all positions):

Speaking of events.... (see above for the "Ancestry by the Bay" event on June 18), CGS is looking for some generous genealogy enthusiasts to help with our amazing classes and events! If you can help us with any of these volunteers jobs (or want more details), contact [Kathleen Beitiks](#). Training is provided for all jobs!

Events Assistant - Our Events Assistants greet and check in attendees, print and distribute name badges, orient speakers to equipment, introduce speakers, make announcements about upcoming classes (mainly on Saturdays), set up and organize the breakdown of classroom furniture.

Post-Event Survey Manager - Use SurveyMonkey and Eventbrite to send out and communicate results of surveys of our CGS classes. The job can be done with internet access at your home. Surveys are sent almost weekly and need to go out promptly after the conclusion of classes.

Offsite Events Assistant - Help us with various duties involving special offsite events, held 2-3 times a year.

Marketing - Work with us to spread the word about our events and classes. Got ideas for using social media, press releases, posters, or working with print and broadcast media? Let's talk!

120th CGS Anniversary Historian- In 2018, CGS will be 120-years-old! Champagne, party hats and noisemakers will be in good supply, but we also need a volunteer now to help us compile the glorious history of the organization that has helped thousands of people compile their own family histories!

Contact [Kathleen Beitiks](#) for more information,

CGS Blog

Highlights from the California Genealogical Society Blog and Others

Please subscribe to the [CGS Blog](#). If you haven't been receiving our blog posts on a regular basis, be sure to re-subscribe. It is a great source of information about classes, events, volunteers and members. If you would like to publish in our blog please contact [Shannon Reese](#), the blog Editor.

[Got my DNA results. Now what?](#) by Lisa Gorrell

[Laura Spurrier publishes in NEHGS' Western Massachusetts File](#) by Shannon Reese

[They are NextGen](#) by Linda Okazaki

[Gena Philibert-Ortega: Genealogy Double-Header](#) by Shannon Reese

[Spotlight on Genealogy Periodicals: North Carolina!](#) by Nancy Cork

[Spotlight on Genealogy Periodicals: Ohio!](#) by Nancy Cork



Interesting Blog Posts from other sites:

[Ancestry Modifies their Autosomal DNA Chip](#) on DNAeXplained

[Musings on a DNA Sunday](#) by Judy G Russell

[Eske Willerslev Is Rewriting History With DNA](#) by Carl Zimmer in the New York Times

People are Talking

Want to know what people found most interesting on Facebook & Twitter?

by Shannon Reese



Top Facebook Post for May:

[Those Percentages Revisited](#)

by Judy G. Russell, The Legal Genealogist.

Using [#DNA](#) for your [#Genealogy](#)? You'll want to read this.

Talk to CGS on [Facebook](#)



Top Twitter Post for May:

[Gena Philibert-Ortega: Genealogy Double-Header, July 23rd!](#), by Shannon Reese, California Genealogical Society's Blog

Join the CGS conversation on [Twitter](#)

New Membership Perk!

California Genealogical Society & Library



[FindMyPast](#) offers more than 1.7 billion international family history records from around the globe, including more than 1,000 exclusive collections that you won't find online anywhere else.

We are excited to announce FindMyPast is now offering a flat **50% off the annual World subscription** (over \$99 off) for all CGS members! You can find the code on our [Welcome](#) page once you log in as a member. Look for the blue "FindMyPast" in the middle of that page.

If you've forgotten your CGS number please [contact the CGS Membership team](#).

Other Events & Conferences

There are always many other events happening in the Bay Area. For the latest events, check out member Kathryn Doyle's [San Francisco Bay Genealogy Calendar](#) that is updated monthly. Below are just a few of the local conferences that may be of interest in your area.

- [California Map Society's Northern California Annual Conference](#). Saturday June 4-6 at the San Francisco Public Library.
- Southern California Genealogical Society [Jamboree 2016](#) held from June 3 to 5 at the Los Angeles Marriott Burbank Airport Hotel. On Thursday, June 2, 2016, there will be a special symposium, **The Future of the Past: Genetic Genealogy 2016**. This year Jamboree will have two special program tracks: *German & Eastern European* and *African American genealogy*. Registration is now open. Early bird discount ends on April 23. Anyone from CGS attending is encouraged to contact [Linda Okazaki](#) so that we can network and get a group picture.
- [GRIP](#) Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh - Two separate weeks of classes. June 26 to July 1, 2016 and July 17 to 26.
- [36th IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy](#) in Seattle, Washington, USA. August 27, 2016. Registration open January 3, 2016.

Connect with Us

See our [Volunteer](#) page for opportunities or contact [Kathleen Beitiks](#) for information

Volunteer positions available include:

Proof Readers, Instructors, Clerical Assistance, Library Work, Technology and Others.



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Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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