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CGS MEMBERS ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

[Please register](#) and join us for the 2022 CGS Annual Membership Meeting. The meeting will begin at 10 AM, PST. During the meeting, we will vote on the slate of nominees to the board and the 2022 budget. We will also review the 2021 activities and plans for 2022.

Past President, Jane Lindsey, will discuss the 2022 National



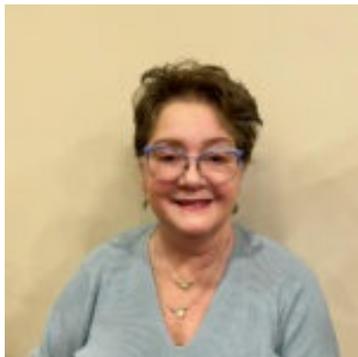
Past President, Jane Lindsay, will discuss the 2022 National Genealogical Society Conference. This annual convention will be held in Sacramento and CGS has been selected to be the host society.

The Zoom meeting will open at 9:30. CGS members are welcome to join early to visit with other members.

2022 CGS Board

The Nominating Committee has proposed six new board nominees for the term 2022-2024. These candidates were presented to and accepted by the board at the October meeting. The general membership will vote upon the slate of directors at the Annual Business Meeting on 8 January 2022.

Meet the new candidates:



Jacqueline Threet Henderson was born and raised in the Bay Area. She has worked in retail (Mervyn's, Nordstrom, imports), two employment agencies, and 10 years in telecommunications (Nextel, Sprint, T-Mobile). In the 1990s she served as secretary for two years and president for four years of a women's stock club. She became interested in genealogy when an uncle no longer wanted to continue researching the family genealogy and passed it along to her. She joined CGS in 2015. In 2017, she joined the Events Committee and currently maintains our communications with ConferenceKeeper and the Bay Area Genealogical Calendar. She also conducts our post-class evaluation surveys. Jacqueline co-hosts the new CGS Members' Roundtable with Lisa Gorrell. She has attended institutes at SLIG, GRIP, and IGHR over the past three years.



Carly Morgan is the owner of Family Tree Notebooks, a shop that sells digital genealogy worksheets for people looking to organize their family trees. Her family has been in the Bay Area for almost two centuries and she has strong ties to the Chinese population of San Francisco, although she lives in Salt Lake City. A former attorney, Carly has been working as a marketer and content creator for more than ten years. She's currently working with the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy and RootsTech to improve their social media reach.



Roger Prince worked as a geological oceanographer at Oregon State University, the University of Rhode Island, and Brown University, where he went on numerous research cruises, published more than a dozen original research papers and a nine-sheet color bathymetric map series of the Peru-Chile trench, and earned a Ph.D. in geophysics. He joined Gulf Oil as an exploration geologist in 1983 and worked in Angola, Papua New Guinea, and other international locations. He moved to the Bay Area in 1985 and later worked in IT systems. He and his family spent five years in Bangkok and Singapore before returning to San Ramon in 2004. He spent the last few years of his career working on IT Reliability/Planning, before retiring in 2011. Roger became interested in family history when he asked his parents who all the ancestors in the unlabeled pictures were. He has published two papers in the NEHGS Register.

Cindy Kim Thompson was born in Hawaii and is descended from Korean immigrants who arrived there in 1904. Her childhood interest in family stories morphed into an obsession with genealogy (particularly over the past 15 years) and annual visits to repositories, cemeteries, plantations, and churches (as well as family) in Hawaii. She has been a volunteer on the CGS Desk Duty and Events Committees and is a member of NGS. Reflecting the roots of her multi-ethnic extended family, her research has focused on immigrant sugar plantation workers in Hawaii, East Asian immigrants to Hawaii and California, and Japanese-American World War II internment. She has a B.A. and M.A.

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Evan Wilson grew up in Birmingham, Alabama, where his love of genealogy was ignited by his grandmother's stories and dedication to research. After completing a Ph.D. in English and Medieval Studies at U.C. Berkeley in 2019, he decided to work toward becoming a professional genealogist. His passion is the intersection of genealogy and social history—studying the ties within families, but also between families and others in their society. His own research is heavily Southern, but he's also dipping his toes into California history and research these days. Other things he gets fired up about include genealogical writing and education, oral history, and the stories of marginalized people and communities.



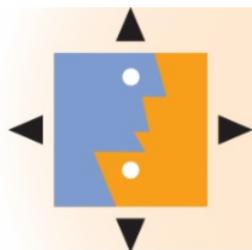
Larry Youngman is a third-generation Californian, born in Oakland, who has been researching his ancestry for close to fifty years. His research efforts have resulted in publishing ten family history books in addition to serving the Mayflower Society as Colony Treasurer and Governor. His ancestry traces back to England, Ireland, Germany, and Bohemia. Larry has managed the CGS website membership section for over fifteen years. Having achieved Scouting's Eagle rank, his volunteer work has also included leading Scout contingents to the east coast, England, Sweden, and Japan. Larry recently retired from his forty-three-year career as a member of senior information technology management teams within multiple corporations, including Clorox, IBM, Gap Inc., Charles Schwab, Citibank, and Raychem. Larry and his wife Pam reside in Pioneer, California, and enjoy visiting their daughters and two grandchildren in Walnut Creek on a regular basis.

Slate of board members for 2022:

- Proposed nominations for their second terms are Grant Din and Joanna Shear.
- Proposed nomination for a third term is Chris Pattillo.

- Continuing in their first terms are Ron Madson and Adelle Treakle.
- Continuing in their second terms are Matt Berry, Jennifer Dix, and James Sorenson.

- Maureen Hanlon and Stewart Traiman will term out in January after serving three terms.
- Richard Kehoe, Theresa Murphy, and Linda Okazaki will step down from the board.



OUR AMERICAN MOSAIC
24-28 MAY 2022 • SACRAMENTO, CA
NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE

The annual NGS Conference - is it on your 2022 calendar?

If you are someone who likes to kick off the New Year with a list of Resolutions or have always wanted to make at least one New Year's Resolution, 2022 is the year for you!

Here's your resolution: Register for the [NGS 2022 Family History Conference](#) in Sacramento (24-28 May) to learn some tips and tricks about researching all your elusive ancestors.

The California Genealogical Society is the "Local Host" for the annual Conference and our volunteers have been

working hard to make it a roaring success. CGS has a dedicated [website page](#) with links and updates to information about the Conference, including the brochure, blog posts and articles from the NGS Magazine.

[Read](#) about all the tours, events, classes and research opportunities the Conference will offer.

Speaking of research opportunities, beginning this month, CGS is offering [free online classes](#) about a few of the top research facilities located in Sacramento and the Bay Area. The classes will give you a head start on digging up information about your relatives of yesteryear.

Do we need volunteers at the Conference? YES! If you plan to attend the Conference, consider contributing a few volunteer hours. The signup form to volunteer will be sent out after the official brochure is available in mid-January. When the brochure is available, all attendees will be able to figure out what days they plan to attend and their availability to volunteer. So, sit tight and look for the volunteer form soon. We will make announcements in the [eNews](#), on the [CGS Blog](#) and on the [CGS website](#).

And.....don't take too long to make that New Year's Resolution: [hotel reservations](#) are filling up fast, and the Conference registration opens up in mid-January.

Need more information? Send an email to: ngs2022@californiaancestors.org

Classes and SIGs

Register on [Eventbrite](#).



We are extremely pleased to continue to offer our ONLINE classes.

All remote classes will now have live closed captioning. If you feel you need a bit of extra help in either of these areas to have a successful experience with our Zoom events, email events@californiaancestors.org and we will be in touch.

The library will be closed the last two weeks of December on the 22, 23, 24 and 29, 30, 31. We'll reopen Jan 5.

	<p>2021 Intro to Genealogy - 1st Saturday Free! Overview and Focused Topics</p> <p>Not sure how to get started with your family research? Interested in refreshing your skills? Join us for a FREE Introduction to Genealogy class on the FIRST SATURDAY of every month.</p> <p>Tuesday, 4 Jan from 6 - 8 pm</p>
	<p>California Research: Center for Sacramento History</p> <p>Presented by Kim Hayden</p> <p>The Center for Sacramento History, a division of the City of Sacramento, is the official historical archives for the City of Sacramento and Sacramento County. In addition to housing public records dating back to 1849, CSH also collects personal material from individuals, families, businesses, and organizations from throughout the county in order to help tell a complete story of the Sacramento region.</p> <p>Tuesday, 11 Jan from 4 - 5:30 pm</p>
	<p>Round Table</p> <p>Facilitated by Jacqueline Henderson and Lisa Gorrell, CG</p> <p>This group is for CGS Members to connect. It is a venue where attendees can share</p>



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2nd Wednesday of each month, next on 12 Jan from 6:30 - 8 pm
Email [Jacqueline](#) or [Lisa](#) for a link to the Zoom meeting.



Family Tree Maker Special Interest Group

Hosted by Ron Madson and Karen Halfon

This Family Tree Maker Special Interest Group is perfect for new FTM users, people who are just FTM curious, and experienced FTM veterans. All Welcome!

Saturday, 15 Jan from 1 - 3 pm



California Research: Government Publications at the California State Library: Finding Genealogy Gems

Presented by Emily Blodget

You're probably familiar with a few government-produced records, like marriage certificates. But what about government publications—the dizzying array of documents intended for the public? Buried within annual reports, government agency directories, legislative hearing transcripts, Congressional reports accompanying private bills, and even environmental and scientific reports, you can find a wealth of information about your ancestors. In this presentation, you will learn about the breadth of government publications available, what you might discover within them, and how to find them.

Tuesday, 18 Jan from 4 - 5:30 pm



California Research: Historical Resources at the California State Library Genealogy in the California History Room

Presented by Elena Smith

Do you want to research your family while you are in Sacramento this year? Get an insider's look at the genealogy resources the California History Room of the California State Library has to offer, along with search tricks usable at many archives. Then join us as we chase down the life story of one Californian in this information-packed class!

Tuesday, 25 Jan from 4 - 5:30 pm



RootsMagic Users Group - SIG

Users of Roots Magic will meet to discuss helpful hints for using the software. For the first meeting, we will demonstrate some features of the new Version 8. We will also discuss how the group would like to move forward on a regular basis.

Saturday, 26 Jan from 6:30 pm



NEW!



California Research: Sutro Library
Journey to the West of the West: Genealogical Treasures at Sutro Library
Presented by Dvorah Lewis

Sutro Library, the California State Library branch located in San Francisco, has one of the largest genealogy collections west of the west (i.e. Salt Lake City). Sutro Library is not just a physical hub for the genealogy community, it is also a virtual hub. Come learn about the highlights of the genealogy collection, how to search online, and how to access once on-site.

Tuesday, 1 Feb from 4 - 5:30 pm



An Introduction to Southern US Genealogy
Presented by Evan Wilson

Learn a set of steps you can take to research Southern ancestors and answer your research questions efficiently and accurately. This talk will model a process of Southern research that moves from relatively simple analysis using direct (or nearly direct) evidence, to higher-level strategies that require the use of indirect evidence and less-typical record types.

Tuesdays, 15 and 22 Feb from 6 - 7:30 pm



Eastern European Special Interest Group
Facilitated by Craig Siulinski

Come, to a Special Interest Group (SIG) discussion, focused on Eastern European Genealogy. Our group is open to all. We meet quarterly starting on February 26, 2022. Stay tuned for future dates.

Saturday, 26 Feb from 1 - 3 pm



California Research: The California Archives
Presented by Chris Garmire

The California State Archives is an enormous repository with many types of information of interest to people with ancestors who lived in California and those who came and had businesses or other interests in the State. Chris will cover the history of archives, how to access many types of records including census, military, court, and other genealogical records of interest. Chris will cover both the in-person and virtual guidelines for accessing the archive's great resources.

Tuesday, 15 Mar from 4 - 5:30 pm



Searching for Irish Names

Presented by Maureen Hanlon



Having trouble finding your ancestors in Irish records? It may be that they used one or more of many variants, both for surnames and first names. Learn about the O', Mc, and Mac, the vowel and consonant substitutions, the influence of Vikings, Normans, English, and the Church that will help you identify likely relationships. Also, hear about the different searching rules on the major Irish websites.

Saturday, 19 Mar from 10 - 11: 30 am



California Research: Special Collections at the Sacramento Public Library. A Fruitful Confluence: Doing Your History and Genealogy Research at Sacramento's Central Library.

Presented by David Munger & James Scott

Just like the American and Sacramento rivers form an ideal place to live, the Sacramento Public Library's Genealogy and Sacramento Room holdings mesh to provide one of Northern California's more robust family and local history collections. From vital statistics to city directories to books made of poison and teeth, join librarian David Munger and archivist James Scott for a deep dive into the most useful, most compelling, and just plain fun to look at research items living at Sacramento's historic main library.

Tuesday, 22 Mar from 4 - 5:30 pm

Class Recordings and other events



[What's Available on the CGS Website and in the Library](#)

Chris Pattillo talks about resources available at our library to help guests prepare for a library tour. This recorded presentation was originally given at the Placer County Genealogical Society. Chris gave the talk while live on our website, showing the attendees not only what is available at our library and where to find things but also explained what resources are available on our website that they can access from home. For anyone interested in learning more about what is in our library, where to find things, or what can be found on our website this is a very helpful and informative video. [Check it out.](#)



The Advanced DNA SIG facilitated by [Mark McLaren](#) is open for new members. If you'd like to join please contact Mark.

Volunteers

Time to start your CGS New Year's resolution list

It seems hard to believe that the beginning of 2022 is only a few weeks away! The month of December is a good time for CGS members to start thinking about adding "volunteer at CGS" to their New Year's resolution list. If you have been thinking about contributing some of your time and talent to our 123-year-old organization, take a look at our list of [Volunteer](#)

[Opportunities](#). See something that looks interesting? Want more information about a particular volunteer position?





Remember - CGS has been around since 1898 and is operated solely by volunteers. We couldn't do it without you!

Contact [Kathleen Beitiks](#) if you have any questions about [CGS volunteer opportunities](#).

Meetings & More

CGS Board

8 January - During the Annual Meeting

The CGS Board will meet online via Zoom. Everyone is welcome to attend by [registering on Eventbrite](#). Please sign in early to make sure you are able to see the program. We will send joining instructions the night before which will give you access.



Agenda

- Officer Reports
- Election of Officers

If you would like to host a Special Interest Group then please contact [Maureen Hanlon](#).

Blogs

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.



We welcome your stories! If you have an idea for a blog post, a family history story you want to share, or would like to be an occasional or even regular guest contributor, please contact Blog Editor [Jennifer Dix](#).

CGS Blog

- [Fall 2021 Nugget is here!](#) -- by CGS
- [Applied Genealogy registration open January 2](#) -- by CGS

Other Genealogy Blogs

Our Third Annual Member Blogs Listings. Each year we honor our CGS members and bloggers by featuring their writings in this "Other Genealogy Blogs" space. Our members' blogs can always be found in the left column of the main [CGS Blog page](#).

- [Ancestral Discoveries](#) -- by Janice M. Sellers
- [Chinese Exclusion Act Case Files](#) -- by Trish Hackett Nicola
- [Genealogy Bargain\\$](#) -- by Thomas MacEntee
- [Jacqueline's Jaunts](#) -- by Jacqueline Henderson
- [Latino Genealogy and Beyond](#) -- by Ellen Fernandez-Sacco, PhD
- [Mam-ma's Southern Family](#) -- by Lisa Gorrell
- [My Trails Into the Past](#) -- by Lisa Gorrell
- [Pattillo Thornally Ancestors](#) -- by Chris Pattillo

- [Finding Nonmaternal Ancestors](#) -- by Chris Patton
- [Speaker for the Dead: A Genealogy Blog](#) -- by Stewart Blandón Traiman



Using DNA Source Citations Online or In a Genealogy Research Report
by Family History Fanatics

Events & Conferences

There are always many other events happening in the Bay Area and across the nation.
For the latest events, check [Conference Keeper.org](#).

Local Events

[Family History Library Webinar Series](#)

[Bay Area Genealogy Calendar](#)
maintained by the Sutro Library

National & International Conference Schedule

All events are subject to cancellation during this global pandemic emergency. Please check with each event's website prior to making plans to attend.

2022

[Salt Lake Genealogical Institute \(SLIG\)](#)
January 9-14, SLC, Utah - Now Virtual

[SLIG Academy for Professionals](#)
January 30 to April

[RootsTech 2022](#)

[Ohio Genealogical Society Conference](#)
April 27-30, Great Wolf Lodge, Mason

[National Genealogical Society](#)
May 24 - 28, Sacramento, CA

[Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh \(GRIP\)](#)
June 19-24 and July 10-15

[Midwest African American Genealogy Institute \(MAAGI\)](#)
July 12 - 14

[Genealogical Institute on Federal Records \(Gen-Fed\)](#)

[The Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research \(IGHR\)](#)
July 25 - 29

[42nd IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy](#)

[New York State Family History Conference](#)

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