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Holiday Hours

Library Closed Weekend before Fourth of July

The California Genealogical Society Library will be closed Saturday, July 2, 2011, for the Independence Day holiday weekend.

Extended Summer Hours

Library Open Until 8:30 p.m. on Thursdays through August

Building on last summer's successful program, the California Genealogical Society Library is open from 9:00 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. every Thursday through August. Informal evening discussions are offered from 6:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. Participants of all levels of research experience are welcome to network and join the conversation. To view the full schedule and list of topics, read more at the blog.

Two Talks by Member Virginia Kysh

Friday, July 8, 2011, 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. CGS Library, 2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland, California

Join member Virginia Kysh for some genealogy fun and tips from the experts. Virginia will start things off with *A Few Favorite Things* - a "poor genealogist's" version of Oprah's famous giveaway. Next Kysh will share some insights learned from the pros in *Some Things We Can Learn from the Professionals*. <u>Learn more at the blog</u>.

Register online.

July Membership Meeting: So Many Books, So Little Time

Saturday, July 9, 2011, 1:00 p.m. CGS Library, 2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland, California



Join CGS librarians Laura Spurrier and Barbara Hill for *So Many Books, So Little Time! Demystifying the California Genealogical Society Library -* a discussion of the vast resources at the society's library. <u>Learn more at the blog.</u>

Mapping Madness with Ron Arons

Saturday, July 16, 2011, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. CGS Library, 2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland, California

Member and author Ron Arons will discuss numerous websites where one can find historical maps. He will

review two Goliaths of online mapping: Microsoft and Google, as well as other interesting online, maporiented tools. Learn more at the blog.

Register online.

Finding Your Ancestors Through Latino/Hispanic Genealogy, A Two-Part Series

Saturday, July 23, 2011, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 6, 2011, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
CGS Library, 2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland, California



Join professional genealogist Sheila Lee Prader and Dr. Ellen Fernandez-Sacco for two Saturday workshop sessions on finding your Latino/Hispanic ancestors. Session I - Beginning Research in Spanish Records: An Introduction - will cover getting started with family and original sources, getting organized with forms and extracts and an overview of parish records.

Session II - *Digging Deeper: Record Types and Specific Locations of Origin* - will be held on Saturday, August 6, 2011, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. <u>Learn more at the blog</u>.

Register online.

Chinese Research for Beginners with Douglas Joe

Saturday, July 30, 2011, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. CGS Library, 2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland, California

This class is for beginners without Chinese language skills to learn how to start researching their Chinese ancestry. The first half of the class is designed for the tech-challenged and will emphasize the basics of Chinese genealogy, including nuances and taboos and how to overcome these obstacles. In the second portion, Doug discusses the internet and computer resources. Attendees without computer skills are welcome to bring a friend who is computer literate. Learn more at the blog.

Register online.

Encore Presentation: Celtic Roots Online

Friday, August 5, 2011, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. CGS Library, 2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland, California



Back by popular demand! If you missed Cath Trindle's class in March, you will not want to miss her encore presentation! Learn how to navigate the Scotland government web sites to retrieve basic records like statutory registers, census, old parish records, and testaments. Cath will also look at the growing selection of Irish records available online and touch on some online genealogical resources for those with Welsh ancestry. Learn more at the blog.

Register online.

New Netherland Genealogy

Saturday, August 13, 2011, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. CGS Library, 2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland, California

In 1624, the Dutch West India Company established settlements in what is now New York and New Jersey which they ruled for the next forty years. Known as **New Netherland**, its history is fascinating but unfamiliar to most Americans. John Moore and Dorothy Koenig will present an overview of the colony and the genealogical sources that can help you.

Register online.

Last Chance to Sign Up!

Allen County Public Library Research Tour, August 21-28, 2011



There are still a few spots available so sign up now for the fifth CGS
Research Tour to Fort Wayne, Indiana. Join Director Jeff Vaillant for this trip to the Allen County Public Library Genealogy Center. Whether you have visited before or this is your first time, you will enjoy your week at the best public genealogy library in the United States. For more information, download the registration flier.

Register online.

I've Tested My DNA, Now What?

Saturday, August 27, 2011, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. CGS Library, 2201 Broadway, Suite LL2, Oakland, California

Katherine Hope Borges, co-founder and director of <u>The International Society of Genetic Genealogy</u> (ISOGG), is coming to CGS to answer your questions about DNA. Learn how to understand your test results and the next steps to take.

Register online

Can You Help?

Internet Presence and Online Calendars

Do you have a couple of spare hours a month? The Publications and Marketing Committee needs volunteers to add CGS events to online calendars and social media sites.

<u>Qualifications</u>: Familiarity with social network and online calendars sites helpful but not required. Ideal for members at a distance since all communications will be done via email.

<u>Time Commitment</u>: One or two hours per month, from home, at your convenience.

Please email Kathryn Doyle if you can help. Note in subject line: "Online Calendars."

Coming in September

Save the Dates!

9/10 Membership Meeting: Putting Flesh on the Bones, Ron Arons

9/17 Chasing Your Civil War Ancestor, Jeffrey Vaillant

9/26 Using Timelines, Lavinia Schwarz



Editor's Picks: Suggested Links From the Blogosphere

A Tapestry of Oil by Ryan Baum

Facebook in Genealogy from Walking My Tree

Cyndi's List Launches a New Web Site from GeneaPress

San Joaquin County Obituary Index Project by Sheri Fenley

Family Tree Magazine Posts 101 Best Websites by Diane L. Richard

Can't Find Church Baptismal Records? - Perhaps There is an Explanation by Janet lles

California Ancestors: From Here, There, and Everywhere!

Photo Tributes to the CGS Family

Edited by Lorna Wallace

This month, member Virginia Turner honors her great-grandparents.



This family

photograph was taken during an afternoon spent at Fish Canyon, north of Duarte, California, in the San Gabriel mountains. Pictured are my great-grandparents Samuel C. Bartholomew (1845-1922) and Christina Ertel Bartholomew (1841-1928), their daughter Grace Bartholomew Petty (in white blouse), their grandson Melville Petty (1913-2000) and niece (in white hat) Florence Smith (1894-1984).

At the time, about 1918, a hike up Fish Canyon was an easy family trek. A huge quarry has blocked off the original route, so today a new path has been built and some say it is very dangerous.

Samuel Bartholomew migrated to Pasadena, California from Harrison County, Iowa, in 1906. He invested in a date palm farm in the Coachella Valley, but he never become a rich man. The Bartholomews lived the remainder of their lives in Pasadena. Grandson Melville Petty operated a tire company there on Colorado Boulevard for many years.

-Virginia Turner

Call For Submissions - Are you member with a great family photo to share? If you would like to pay tribute to your ancestor in a future edition of the eNews, please <a href="mailto:emailto

Did you miss these posts in the California Genealogical Society & Library blog?

Wordless Wednesday

New Shelves in the Library!

Quick Report from Jamboree 2011

The California Nugget, Spring 2011, Volume III, Issue 1

Jeff Vaillant's Top Ten Reasons to Go to the Allen County Public Library



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