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June 2018 Announcements



LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH

June marks the anniversary of the beginning of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer liberation with the anniversary of the Stonewall Riot that took place in New York in 1969. LGBTQ folk have always been part of our collected history and you will find us your family's history. Though it may be difficult to find records about LGBTQ relationships, the clues are there.

On the 23rd of June, Stewart Traiman will present [LGBTQ Genealogy](#) at CGS. This class will cover several genealogy records and how to find the hidden clues.

A podcast on [Bespoken Bone](#) will tell you more about his upcoming LGBTQ event.



June also honors our Fathers, Grandfathers, Great Grandfathers and beyond. Think of that unbroken line of yDNA linking countless generations of men together.

Here are a few articles on what can be learned from yDNA.

[What is a Y-Chromosome DNA \(Y-DNA\) STR test? What will I learn?](#) on FamilyTreeDNA

[Y Chromosome DNA Tests](#) on International Society on Genetic Genealogy Wiki

[Working with Y DNA - Your Dad's Story](#) on DNAeXplained - Genetic Genealogy





[Caribbean American Heritage Month](#)

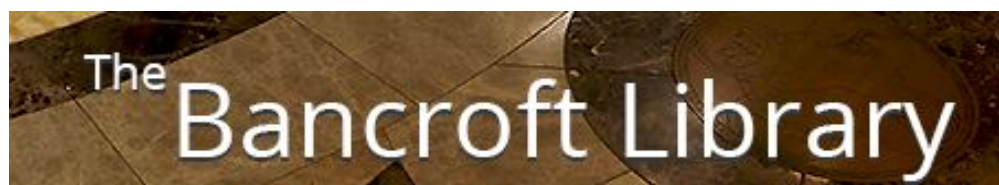
Since 2005 June is also the month to take a deeper look into Caribbean roots with the following resources.

[The Caribbean Genealogy Library](#) on St. Thomas

[Institute of Caribbean Studies](#)

[FamilySearch Wiki](#) on Caribbean Records

Bancroft Library Field Trip



[University of California Bancroft Library Field Trip](#)

Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

The Bancroft Library is the primary special collections library at the University of California, Berkeley. It is one of the largest libraries of manuscripts, rare books, and unique materials in the United States. Its collection of 600,000 print volumes, and millions of manuscripts and photographs is unrivaled in its coverage of the Western America and early California: the Spanish era, Native Americans, maps and atlases, the Mexican War, the Gold Rush, mining, land surveys more.

Join us on a CGS members only, 1 1/2 hour tour, plus the option to research until closing time, 4:00 p.m. To find out more about the library [click here](#).

A Library guide will show us how to use the facility and what materials might be the most useful to genealogists.

We will all meet outside the Bancroft Library entrance at 11 a.m. Transportation is on your own.

Contact [Lorna Wallace](#) with questions,

CGS 2018 Allen County Public Library Research Trip



For Intermediate Level Researchers

[Thursday August 16, 2018 to Wednesday August 22, 2018](#)

(with option to add research days or attend the FGS conference)

Join **Jane Knowles Lindsey** for a research trip for Intermediate level researchers to [Allen County Public Library](#) in Fort Wayne, Indiana the largest public genealogical library in the country.

To date we have eight members signed up for this Intermediate Genealogy Trip (9 including me). There are a few spaces left. NOTE: We also have rooms set aside for the FGS conference if CGS members wish to go to just the conference and do not have a room.

Deadline to sign up for this trip is June 15th. Rooms will be released.

Email [Jane Lindsey](mailto:jane.lindsey@californiaancestors.org) for more info.

Classes and SIGs

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



Here is our wonderful line-up of classes and Special Interest Groups for this month.

When registering on Eventbrite you'll need your CGS membership number to complete the registration. If you do not know your membership number send a request to: membership@californiaancestors.org.

	<p>Introduction to Genealogy</p> <p>A free class on the fundamentals of genealogical research.</p> <p>Saturday, June 2, from 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m</p>
	<p>RootsMagic Special Interest Group</p> <p>The RootsMagic SIG welcomes all users and would-be users of this popular genealogy software.</p> <p>Thursday, June 7, from 2 - 4 p.m.</p>
	<p>San Francisco Special Interest Group</p> <p>Join the conversation with the CGS San Francisco Special Interest Group (SF-SIG). We uncover records, view historical photographs and maps, read historical newspapers, manuscripts and other San Francisco records.</p> <p>Saturday, June 16, from 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.</p>
	<p>Family Tree Maker Special Interest Group</p> <p>This CGS Special Interest Group (FTM-SIG) has been formed devoted exclusively to the popular robust and easy-to-use Family Tree Maker™ Software from Software MacKiev. Join FTM-SIG facilitators Ron Madson and Karen Halfon</p> <p>Saturday, June 16, from 1 - 4 p.m.</p>
	<p>LGBTQ Genealogy</p> <p>Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Queer folk have always been a part of our history and family stories. The confirmed bachelor or spinster aunt in our trees may not have been single. Perhaps they did have partners but there is no legal documentation or family</p>

acknowledgement. This class will explore census, newspapers, obituaries, military records, photographs, phone books and archives for clues on our ancestor's sexuality. We will also explore LGBTQ History and many individual stories giving context to the available records. Discovering our LGBTQ ancestor's stories will enrich our entire family history.

Saturday, June 23, from 1 - 3 p.m.



[Reliving Their Lives: Experiencing, Researching, and Writing World War I to the Jazz Age](#)

How do you make those names, date, and places you have for your ancestor come alive? Combining social history with family history helps you to better understand your ancestor and ensures a family history story that even non-genealogists will love. In this workshop we will travel back in time to learn more about events and life from the World War I years to the end of the Jazz Age.

Sunday, July 22, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.



[Mind Mapping Workshop](#)

This lab will introduce participants to mind maps, graphical outlining tools normally used in Corporate America for brainstorming and product idea generation, but also by attorneys to explain their cases to their clients and to juries, and in education with students. Mind maps can also be used by genealogists to organize data and perform complex and revealing data correlations to understand research findings more clearly.

Saturday, July 28, from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



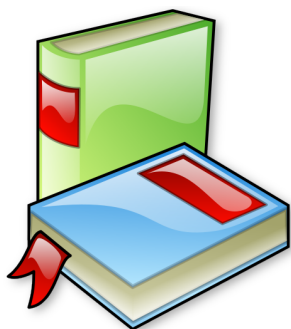
[East European Special Interest Group](#)

Come, discuss a new Special Interest Group (SIG) focused on Eastern European Genealogy. We are still refining how the group will meet, where, when, and more. Join and help us create this group, together!

Saturday, Aug 25, from 1 - 3 p.m.

Also [visit our Eventbrite profile page](#) to see the latest class additions and descriptions.

Librarian Needed



Are you a bibliophile?

Do shelves of genealogy books make you weak in the knees with excitement?

Do you have library work experience?

Do you like working with a group of fun, dedicated volunteers?

If so, CGS is looking for a volunteer to lead our library team and we would love to hear from you!

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

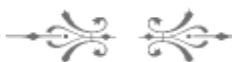
Volunteers

Give a hand to a 120-year-old!

The roster of the California Genealogical Society is filled with members who lament the fact that they did not have time to volunteer when they initially joined. However, life changes - and many members now find that they have some extra time to give back to the organization that has been aiding family researchers since 1898. If you are one of our members who now has a few hours a month (or occasionally) to help keep CGS a thriving resource for ancestor hunters, please take a look at our Volunteer Form for ideas on how you can contribute. We have a list of ways you can help - and welcome suggestions that may fit your own area of experience/expertise! Questions?



Contact [Kathleen Beitiks](#).



We are looking for volunteers to help with upcoming events:

- Aug 11-12 [Aloha Festival](#)
- Oct 13 Nikkei Pilgrimage

If you can give your time, provide 1:1 consultations, or talk about DNA please contact [Linda Okazaki](#) with your interest.

[CGS Volunteer Form](#)

NEHGS in Oakland



SAVE THE DATE!

Great News! On Saturday, **September 22** NEW ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY (NEHGS) is coming to Oakland.

The Saturday event will be at the Oakland Airport Hilton. Two well-known speakers will be making presentations.



ROBERT CHARLES ANDERSON, FASG, Director of the Great Migration Study Project will speak about

- Puritan Pedigrees: The Deep Roots of the Great Migration to New England and
- Thirty Years of the Great Migration Study Project 2018 marks the 30th anniversary of this project!



CHRISTOPHER C. CHILD Senior Genealogist, Newbury Street Press and Editor, Mayflower Descendant

- Settlement Into and Out of New England.
- Ongoing Scholarship Regarding Mayflower Research covering common genealogical Mayflower myths/errors as well as areas left to be researched.
- Breaking Down Genealogical Brick Walls in Early New England Using a number of case studies--

including one involving DNA.

During the day there will be membership tables for both NEHGS and CGS, book sales, door prizes, and more. CGS will also have a Silent Auction to add to the festivities!

On Friday, September 21 in conjunction with the Saturday seminar, CGS will offer a limited number of personal consultations at our library on New England topics with Mayflower Historians and CGS members with expertise in New England.

Look for registration to be active mid-July.

Silent Auction

AUCTION ITEMS NEEDED FOR OUR SEPTEMBER 22nd SEMINAR WITH NEHGS.
CAN YOU HELP?

Silent auctions held at past California Genealogical Society events have been very successful fund-raisers and are 100% profit for our Society. Do you have something that might be a sought-after auction item? Use your imagination! Here are a few examples:

- **New or gently used items**, Glass or crystal pieces, handmade items such as quilts or afghans. One member is donating a beautiful new Dooney & Burke leather satchel.
- **Special Opportunities** - a sail on the Bay, a private tour of something not readily available to the public, or tickets to a special event. One member donated a cruise on their boat on the Delta.
- **Services** - Donate hours for genealogical research, software tutoring, entering genealogy into a database, organizing files. etc.
- **Theme Baskets and/or small items for Theme Baskets**
 - Supplies: baskets, filler, ribbons, cellophane.
 - Coffee or Tea Basket with mugs/cups, muffin mixes etc.
 - Happy-hour basket" Wine, glasses, appetizers, napkins etc.
 - Scented soaps, oils, lufa for a "Spa basket".
 - Picnic basket or Tail Gate basket.
- **Your ideas! All suggestions welcome!**

Please contact [Jane Lindsey](#) with your ideas.

Meetings and More

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Board Meeting -- June 9, from 10 a.m. to Noon.

Membership Meeting -- July 14. from Noon to 2:30 p.m.

The membership committee is launching a new format for membership meetings to provide more opportunities for members to network and to be better informed about our society.

PLANNED AGENDA

- 12:00 - Members and their guests are encouraged to bring lunch and join others for casual conversation. We will have special nametags that include some family names and places where you are researching.

- 1:00 - A welcome and introductions along with an update of what is happening at CGS.
- 1:20-2:20 - Two or three members will provide 20 minute talks on an interesting topic or discovery. (Maybe you have one you would like to share) This month we will have:
 1. Tales From the Research Committee revealing some amusing/interesting discoveries they have uncovered.
 2. Stewart Traiman will talk about plans to develop a CGS member interest database that can be used to connect with other members.
 3. Your ideas for this segment
- 2:20 - 2:30 - Announcements & reminders from our members - a new database, a special meeting, a fun discovery.
- 2:30 - Adjourn and Mingle with others.

If you would like to host a Special Interest Group (i.e. French Canadian, Mayflower Descendants, Family History Writers, Latinos, Scrapbooking, etc.), then 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 [Vicky Kolakowski](#)

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.



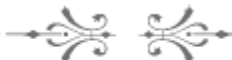
We want and need your stories. If you have an idea for an article, ongoing series of posts or monthly column, then please contact Blog Editor [Jennifer Dix](#) to discuss.



[2018 Cresap Family Reunion at Asilomar, June 28-July 1](#) -- by Jennifer Dix

[Nancy Peterson honored with NGS Award of Merit](#) -- Jennifer Dix

[Notes from the field: 18th Annual Family History Library Trip](#) -- Jennifer Dix



Here are a few interesting blog posts from other sites:

[Why You Should Look for Archive in Museums](#) -- by Lisa Louise Cooke

[Some Genealogy Sites Closing Due to EU's General Data Protection Regulation](#) -- by Dick Eastman

[A new DNA Matrix Chart is now Available in Charting Companion](#) -- by Dick Eastman

[5 Tips for an Adoption-Related Search](#) -- Brianne Kirkpatrick on MyHeritage

[When you can benefit from a professional genealogy consultation](#) -- by NYG&B

Finding Japanese American Roots in Japan and the U.S.

The National Japanese American Historical Society will host two one-hour workshops for Nikkei

interested in researching and connecting with family in Japan. "U.S.-Japan CONNECT!" has been working for the past five years helping Nikkei families locate information about their ancestors as well as contacting living relatives in Japan.

It all started during an informal conversation between Satsuki Ina, raised in San Francisco, and colleague, **Hiroshi Yanagisawa** in Nagoya, Japan, that led to a life-changing meeting with Satsuki's mother's family in Nagano-ken. Since that time, many requests from Nikkei have led to similar searches and reunification of long lost relatives.



Dr. Ina pointed out that, "a tragic consequence of the war between Japan and the U.S. was the cut-off between Japanese immigrants to the U.S. and their descendants, from their historical and ancestral families in Japan. And the intense Americanization process that followed the war rendered many second and almost all third generation Japanese Americans no longer able to speak or read Japanese. As a result, many of us have been unable to search our family roots in Japan."

Mr. Yanagisawa, a graduate from Illinois State University and long-time staff at Seto City, Board of Education, will be in the Bay Area to conduct two one-hour workshops to explain the process he has developed for locating families in Japan. Anyone interested in pursuing a family search in Japan can complete an Intake Form to determine possibilities based on information available. Cost and timing will be discussed at the workshop.



Co-presenter at both sites will be the California Genealogical Society. On the 28th, the Oakland Asian Cultural Center will be the host and co-presenter. Also on the 28th, **Marisa Louie Lee**, experienced genealogist and former archivist at the National Archives and Records Administration office in San Bruno, will speak about Japanese American records available at that site which researchers can get free access to.

- **June 27, 2018 at NJAHS at 1684 Post Street, 6 pm - 7 pm.**
- **June 28, 2018 at Oakland Asian Cultural Center, 388 9th Street, 7 pm - 9 pm.**

Other 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](http://ConferenceKeeper.org).

Local Events

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



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Webinar: Soy Boricua: Researching Your Puerto Rican Roots

Tuesday, June 12, 2018 - 7:00pm

PRESENTER: Renée K. Carl

EVENT LOCATION: Online webinar - free and open to the public

EVENT SPONSOR: New York Genealogical and Biographical Society


NYG&B Event



Research at the National Archives and Beyond!
Blogtalk Radio
June 14, 2018

Ellen Fernandez-Sacco, PhD

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6pm pacific, 7pm mountain, 8pm central, 9pm eastern
www.blogtalkradio.com/bernicebennett



Chinese Genealogy Workshop

Monday thru Wednesday
 July 30 - August 1, 2018 -- 9:00 AM - 5 PM

Chinatown / North-Beach Center
 City College of San Francisco
 808 Kearny Street (at Washington)
 Room 503 (AM) & Room 404 - Student Lounge (PM)
 San Francisco, CA 94108

Major National and International Conferences in 2018

[Family History Library Webinar Series](#)

2018		
May 31 - Jun 2	<u>49th Annual Jamboree 2018</u>	Burbank, California
Jun 2 - 7	<u>The Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR)</u>	Athens, Georgia
Jun, Jul and Aug	<u>Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP)</u>	Pennsylvania or New York
Aug 6 - 10	<u>38th IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy</u>	Warsaw, Poland
Aug 6 - 10	<u>Eastern European Family History Conference</u>	Salt Lake City, Utah
Aug 10 - 11	<u>Celtic Connections Conference</u>	Auburndale, Massachusetts
Aug 22 - 25	<u>Federation of Genealogical Societies</u>	Fort Wayne, Indiana
Aug 31 - Sep 2	<u>Secret Lives Conference 2018</u>	Leicestershire, UK
Oct 4 - 6	<u>APG Professional Management</u>	Kansas City, Missouri

	<u>Conference</u>	
Oct 26 - 27	Illinois State Genealogical Society	Springfield, Illinois
Nov 2 - 4	Texas State Genealogical Society	San Antonio, Texas
2019		
Jan 21-26	Salt Lake Genealogical Institute (SLIG)	Salt Lake City, Utah
Feb 27 - Mar 2	RootsTech 2019	Salt Lake City, Utah
Jun 15 - 28	International German Genealogy Partnership (IGGP)	Sacramento, California
	National Genealogical Society	Grand Rapid, Michigan

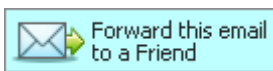
Connect with Us

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



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



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