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**August 2018 Announcements**



### Summer Extended Hours Return

Thanks to the generous service of Therese Hart-Pignotti, our CGS Library will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursdays in August.

There are a 1000 reasons to visit the CGS Library, literally. We have literature on every state in the nation that will help your genealogical quest. We have international holdings for Canada, We have a large collection of city directories for the San Francisco Bay Area, California and beyond. Our manuscript collection contains pedigree charts, private letters and other data is exclusive to our library. You are welcome to use our computers for access to Ancestry, Fold3, Newspaper Archive, FamilySearch and many other vital websites.

Come to CGS and have some summer fun!



Ready to get your Aloha on? Come join us at the [23rd Annual Aloha Festival](#) on August 11 and 12. CGS will have a booth so please say hello.

**Japanese American Pilgrimage - Saturday October 13**

For the fifth year in a row, the California Genealogical Society will join the Nichi Bei Foundation and participate in a Nikkei Pilgrimage. This year, the event will return to Angel Island, where guests will walk through the barracks where thousands of immigrants were detained and interrogated. Volunteers from the California Genealogical Society will provide complimentary family history consultations, helping attendees to learn about their immigrant ancestors. If you would like to be a volunteer genealogist at this all-day cultural event, please contact [Linda Okazaki](#) for details. Training materials and lunch will be provided. You may read about past pilgrimages on our [blog](#).



### NEHGS in Oakland



# American Ancestors®

by NEW ENGLAND HISTORIC GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

### [REGISTRATION NOW OPEN](#)

**Saturday September 22nd** NEHGS COMES to OAKLAND featuring Robert Charles Anderson, FASG, Director of the Great Migration Study Project and Christopher C. Child, Senior Genealogist of Newbury Street Press and Editor of Mayflower Descendant.

**Friday, September 21st** 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. Preregistration is required for consultations.

[Register Today for the Conference!](#)

[Register Today for a Consultation!](#)

### Silent Auction

#### **SILENT AUCTION SEPTEMBER 21ST at the "NEHGS COMES TO OAKLAND" EVENT!**

#### **CAN YOU HELP?**

Thank you to members who have donated some great items for our auction! Silent auctions held at past California Genealogical Society events have been very successful fund-raisers and are 100% profit for our Society.

We are still looking for some quality items that will be popular at the event.

We have a good number of smaller items. What we need now are some unique items people might find exciting:

- Special items related to New England Old Maps, etchings etc.
- New or gently used items quality items. We have a new Dooney & Burke leather satchel and a brand new Seiko watch that have been donated.
- Special Opportunities - a Sail on the Bay, a private tour of something not readily available to the public, tickets to a special event.
- Services - Donate hours for genealogical research, software tutoring, entering genealogy into a database, organizing files, etc.
- Theme Baskets (Happy Hour, Tailgate party, Spa basket, Sitting by the Fire basket, Coffee Lovers basket, Tea time basket)

#### Supplies NEEDED:

- Baskets, filler, ribbons, cellophane.
- Small items for Theme Baskets: teas, coffee samplers, muffin mixes, appetizers, new soaps.

Email [Jane Lindsey](mailto:jane.lindsey@californiaancestors.org) with your ideas! All suggestions welcome!






## 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](mailto:membership@californiaancestors.org).

	<p><b><a href="#">RootsMagic Special Interest Group</a></b></p> <p>The RootsMagic SIG welcomes all users and would-be users of this popular genealogy software.</p> <p>Thursday, Aug 2, from 2 - 4 p.m.</p>
	<p><b><a href="#">Introduction to Genealogy</a></b></p> <p>A free class on the fundamentals of genealogical research.</p> <p>Saturday, Aug 4, from 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m</p>
	<p><b><a href="#">Talk and Discussion on DNA for Adoptees</a></b></p> <p>Are adoptions part of your family history? Are you wondering if DNA can help you in identifying family lines of adopted ancestors or descendants? Have you already started this journey and have successes or questions? Would you be interested in meeting others doing similar searches?</p> <p>Thursday, Aug 16, from 6 - 7:30 p.m.</p>
	<p><b><a href="#">San Francisco Special Interest Group</a></b></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, Aug 18, from 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.</p>
	<p><b><a href="#">Family Tree Maker Special Interest Group</a></b></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, Aug 18, from 1 - 4 p.m.</p>
	<p><b><a href="#">Irfanview - A Free Easy to Use Photo Editing Program</a></b></p> <p>At the Oakland Family History Center</p> <p>This workshop is comprised of two topics. The morning will focus on installing and learning the basics of the easy to use Irfanview image editing</p>

	<p>program. In the afternoon session you will refine and grow these basic skills as we learn how to create an easy, fun, and very cool framed graphic family tree!</p> <p>Saturday, Aug 25, 2018, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.</p>
	<p><b><a href="#">Eastern European Special Interest Group</a></b></p> <p>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!</p> <p>Saturday, Aug 25, from 1 - 3 p.m.</p>
	<p><b>A special DNA and Adoption Panel presentation</b></p> <p>DNA Testing is transforming genealogical research and is having a huge impact on families with adoptions. Join us to hear our six panelists who will share the perspectives as adoptees, parents and consultants who are building family trees with adoptions. Details being finalized to include an Ancestry.com spokesperson as well. They will share what they have learned about using this advancement for genealogy and their guidelines and insights for dealing with the emotional and ethical issues that arise. Check our EventBrite for registration and details soon.</p> <p><b>Save</b> Saturday, Sep 29, from 1 - 3 p.m.</p>
<p>Also <b><a href="#">visit our Eventbrite profile page</a></b> to see the latest class additions and descriptions.</p>	

### 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

Are you a CGS member who might be thinking about volunteering for our 120-year-old organization? If so, we have some sweet committee opportunities for you:

- Assist with Events (organizing onsite or offsite events such as lectures, field trips, etc.)
- Library (shelving, cataloging, etc.)
- Communication (marketing, blog, newsletter, press releases, etc.)
- Technology (computer maintenance, website, databases)
- Membership (outreach)
- Development (fundraising, grants research, etc.)
- Remote (work from home on online survey tabulations, etc.)
- Other



Feel free to submit the CGS [Volunteer Form](#) or contact [Kathleen Beitiks](#) for more information!

## Meetings and More

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



#### Board Meeting --

There will not be a Board meeting in August.

Join us in September for the presentation of Strategic Plan for CGS's future.

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](#).

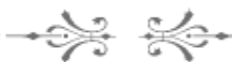
## CGS Blog

### 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.



[The Hearts of the Fathers](#) -- by Jennifer Dix

[Prominent Ancestors: A Mixed Blessing](#) -- by Chris Pattillo

[A trip to the Bancroft Library](#) -- by Jennifer Dix



### Here are a few interesting blog posts from other sites:

This month we focus on blogs from our CGS Members:

[Fannie Seto More - resident of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada; family in Seattle](#) -- on Chinese Exclusion Act Case Files

[How to Make the Most of Your Family Heirlooms](#) -- by Denise May Levenick

[Dr. John Waller \(1645-1716\) My 8th Great Grandfather on My Father's Side](#) -- by Chris Pattillo

[State Lineage Societies and Pioneer Programs](#) -- on The Educated Genealogist by Sheri Fenley

## 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**

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



**Spend a Day With  
Thomas MacEntee  
Get a Genealogy  
Do-over™  
October 6**

**Four Amazing Genealogy Sessions in One Day!**

Thomas MacEntee, nationally-known genealogist, will give you the tools and techniques to clear out the clutter and build a better family tree. Find out how to start your own Genealogy Do-over™ plus three other sessions:

- How Do I Know What I Don't Know? Fast-track your Genealogy Education
- Successful Cluster Searching
- Searching For Living Persons

For info and to register, go to Events section at [www.cccgs.net](http://www.cccgs.net)


Sponsored by the Contra Costa County Genealogical Society  
Event held at Pleasant Hill Senior Center, 233 Gregory Lane PH  
9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

~ San Mateo County Genealogical Society ~

## *Exploring DNA & Genetic Genealogy*

with

# CeCe Moore



- I Have My Results, Now What?
- Creating & Utilizing Genetic Networks in Your Research
- Breaking Through Brick Walls with DNA
- DNA Stories from "Finding Your Roots with Henry Louis Gates, Jr."

**Saturday ~ November 3, 2018 9:00 am – 3:00 pm**

Don't miss this opportunity to hear one of the top genetic genealogists of our time. CeCe Moore is the founder of The DNA Detectives, co-founder of the Institute for Genetic Genealogy, and speaker, educator, and expert researcher & scriptwriter for the TV show "Finding Your Roots with Henry Louis Gates, Jr." CeCe is an innovator in the use of DNA for unknown parentage research.

Please go to [smcgs.org/programs/seminars](http://smcgs.org/programs/seminars) for more information.

### Major National and International Conferences in 2018

#### [Family History Library Webinar Series](#)

<b>2018</b>		
Jun, Jul and Aug	<u><a href="#">Genealogical Research Institute of Pittsburgh (GRIP)</a></u>	Pennsylvania or New York
Aug 6 - 10	<u><a href="#">38th IAJGS International Conference on Jewish Genealogy</a></u>	Warsaw, Poland
Aug 6 - 10	<u><a href="#">Eastern European Family History Conference</a></u>	Salt Lake City, Utah
Aug 10 - 11	<u><a href="#">Celtic Connections Conference</a></u>	Auburndale, Massachusetts
Aug 22 - 25	<u><a href="#">Federation of Genealogical Societies</a></u>	Fort Wayne, Indiana
Aug 31 - Sep 2	<u><a href="#">Secret Lives Conference 2018</a></u>	Leicestershire, UK
Oct 4 - 6	<u><a href="#">APG Professional Management Conference</a></u>	Kansas City, Missouri
Oct 26 - 27	<u><a href="#">Illinois State Genealogical Society</a></u>	Springfield, Illinois
Nov 2 - 4	<u><a href="#">Texas State Genealogical Society</a></u>	San Antonio, Texas
<b>2019</b>		
Jan 21-26	<u><a href="#">Salt Lake Genealogical Institute (SLIG)</a></u>	Salt Lake City, Utah
Feb 27 - Mar 2	<u><a href="#">RootsTech 2019</a></u>	Salt Lake City, Utah

Jun 15 - 28	<a href="#">International German Genealogy Partnership (IGGP)</a>	Sacramento, California
May 8 - 11	<a href="#">National Genealogical Society</a>	St. Charles, Missouri
May 30 - Jun 2	<a href="#">49th Annual Jamboree 2018</a>	Burbank, California
July 21 - 26	<a href="#">The Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research (IGHR)</a>	Atlanta, Georgia

### Connect with Us

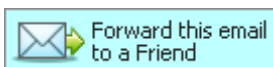
See our [Volunteer](#) page for opportunities or contact [Kathleen Beitiks](#)

## Become a member of CGS



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Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Summer Hours - Thursday open until 8 p.m.



Email [Stewart Blandón Traiman](#), eNews Editor with any questions.

