



The Digger

Mt. Diablo Genealogical Society

October 2020

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

Hello Rossmoor Genealogists,

I hope you will tune in to our first Zoom meeting on Friday, September 18th at 10:00 a.m. Our speaker will be Gena Philibert Ortega who will speak on "Researching Genealogy During a Pandemic." Gena has spoken to us before and has been very well received. She is a professional genealogist and really knows her stuff!

While cleaning out cupboards & drawers during our downtime, my sister & I came across some wonderful pictures. A notation on the back of the picture says that this is "great grandmother." But is it my grandmother's mother or my grandfather's mother? I am curious about the paper or envelope she is holding in her left hand. What could that be? I hope you are able to find family pictures also, even if it raises more questions than answers.

Margaret Ready



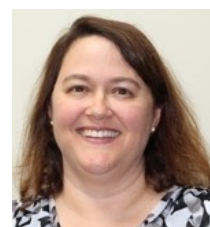
UPCOMING ZOOM MEETINGS:

Don't forget to check your email Thursday for your invitation to this Friday's Zoom Meeting along with Gena's Handout.

September 18, 2020 ZOOM Meeting 10:00 a.m.

Gena Philibert-Ortega, "Researching Genealogy During a Pandemic"

If anyone wants to send questions early, they can send them to this email address - mdgsmeetings@gmail.com



October 16, 2020 ZOOM Meeting 10:00 a.m.

Gena Philibert-Ortega

In October she will be presenting:

"Celebrating the Vote: 100 Years of Women's Suffrage." This topic will cover a brief history of how women gained the right to vote, why not everyone voted and records available regarding voting.

November 20, 2020 ZOOM Meeting 10:00 a.m.

Thomas MacEntee—"Subject to be announced"

Up Coming Event



25 - 27 FEBRUARY, 2021

Introducing RootsTech Connect: A **Free Online Conference Experience**

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2020 CCCGS Fall Webinar

D. Joshua Taylor Presents "What's Your American Story?"



LIVE WEBINAR

FOUR GENEALOGY SESSIONS OVER TWO SATURDAYS

Saturday, October 10 and 17 (9:00 a.m. to Noon PDT)

D. Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS, Host of *Genealogy Road Show* (PBS) will help you trace your American roots from Colonial times forward. The webinar will be live, allowing attendees to ask questions of Josh at the end of each session. A syllabus and notes for the sessions will be available for download.

PLUS: Door prizes both days! Attendees will have access to the recorded webinar for 30 days!

<https://cccg.net/store.php?sid=5>

Spotlighting Other Societies

October & November

Contra Costa County Genealogical Society

- 10 OCT Fall Webinar (*see advertisement for registration page 4*)
D. Joshua Taylor, "What's Your American Story, Part 1"
17 OCT D. Joshua Taylor, "What's Your American Story, Part 2"
12 NOV Grant Din "Stories of the Sacramento Delta" Zoom
Time and Date: 6:30 – 8 p.m. 2nd Thursday

San Ramon Valley Genealogical Society

- 20 OCT Irene Rossman "Unknown DNA Matches" Zoom
17 NOV Beverly Lane "Women's Suffrage" Zoom
Zoom Meeting Tues. 10-12

Genealogy Society of Vallejo-Benicia

- 1 OCT Mel Orpilla – "Filipino Community in Vallejo" Zoom training
5 NOV Lisa Gorrell "Fleshing Out Your Family Using City Directories" Zoom training
Meetings held Thurs. 1:30 p.m.

Livermore-Amador Genealogy Society

- 12 OCT Susan Goss Johnston "What Became of Aaron Case" – Zoom
9 NOV Laura Jolley "Learn How to Organize Family Photographs" - Zoom
Meetings Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Solano County Genealogical Society—Currently closed

Meetings Sat. at 11:00 a.m.

East Bay Genealogical Society-Currently closed

Meetings 2nd Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.

Other News & Online Resources:

Bay Area Genealogy Calendar <https://www.library.ca.gov/sutro/genealogy/calendar/>

California Genealogical Society <https://www.californiaancestors.org/>

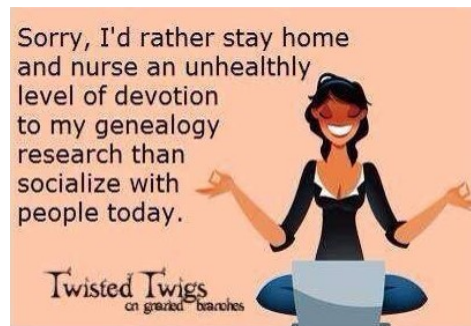
Reminder that the Family History Libraries are closed



This year's board members have agreed to continue their service into 2021. The board also agreed to extend all 2020 memberships through 2021.
So no one has to pay dues for this coming year.



In Remembrance:
Former member,
Karen McQueen passed away
August 16, 2020 in St. Louis



Something New on our Website

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What interesting discoveries have you made while researching you Tree? Please share with the Club Members	0	0	-

Go to mdgs.webs.com, under the **More** tab, click **Members Only**, and **Sign In**. There is now an **Forum** option to post any interesting discoveries you would like to share, or ask a question of other members. **Check it out!**