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MISSION: Our mission is to stimulate an interest in studying family history and genealogy, and assist persons who are researching their family history. Whether a person begins their search with documents and a name, or through a DNA test, searching for family members is what we do.

VISITORS WELCOME!

Welcome Spring!

Time to Plan Your Upcoming Genealogy Adventure –
Visit an Ancestral Town and/or Cemetery.



Join us for:

- ❖ **Discussion Group** – First Tuesday of the month from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, In-Person at the Roseville Main Library Conference Room (225 Taylor Street) and also using ZOOM – Genealogy questions welcome, plus sharing of genealogy ideas. (Jan-May & Jul-Nov)
- ❖ **General Meeting with Speaker** – Second Tuesday of the month from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. In-Person and Zoom at the Maidu Community Center (1550 Maidu Drive in Roseville) and an occasional evening Zoom meeting. A brief general meeting will be followed by a presentation on genealogy research topics. (Jan-May & Jul-Nov)

Unearthing your Ancestor's Stories in Historical Newspapers

Join us to discover how to uncover rich details and histories about your ancestors through a comprehensive examination of historical newspaper collections from around the globe with Daniel Horowitz.

When: 14 March 2025 at 10:30 am

Where: Sacramento FamilySearch Center
at 2725 Eastern Avenue, Sacramento,
California

This is a free event.



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RGS Meeting Calendar - Upcoming RGS Speakers and Workshops

C=Conference D=Discussion IP=In Person

O=Other S=Speaker Z=Zoom

Email RGS at rgsca3@gmail.com for Zoom access information.

2023	Format		Date	Topic
RGS	D	IP & Z	Mar 4	Discussion Group , followed by Board Meeting
RGS	S	IP & Z	Mar 11	Church Records – Glenda Lloyd
RGS	D	IP & Z	Apr 1	Discussion Group , followed by Board Meeting
RGS	S	IP & Z	Apr 8	History of Roseville and its Families - Roseville Historical Society
RGS	D	IP & Z	May 6	Discussion Group , followed by Board Meeting
RGS	S	IP & Z	May 13	Writing and Publishing Your Family History – Richard Hansen
RGS	June		NO Meetings	

ONGOING RGS ACTIVITIES

Ask A Genealogist at the Library – Come by to talk or ask questions. Or schedule an appointment for a one-hour session at another time. Saturday dates will return in the summer.

Martha Riley Library Dates

March 2025 (Wed)

- 5-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 12-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 19-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 26-1:00pm–3:00pm

April 2025 (Wed)

- 2-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 9-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 16-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 23-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 30-1:00pm–3:00pm

Maidu Library Dates

March 2025 (Thurs)

- 6-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 13-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 20-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 27-1:00pm–3:00pm

April 2025 (Thurs)

- 3-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 10-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 17-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 24-1:00pm–3:00pm



✚ **BOOK-A-GENEALOGIST** Schedule a **FREE** one-hour appointment with a genealogist. Send an email to rgsca3@gmail.com with the subject line: Book-A-Genealogist.

✚ **LENDING LIBRARY (MEMBERS ONLY)** Send an email to rgsca3@gmail.com with the subject line: Lending Library

Editor's Note: Thank you to all who shared information for the RGS Newsletters the past 5 years. This is my last month as Editor. Carolyn Lewis and I are working on the newsletter together this month, and Carolyn will take over as editor for the May/June 2025 issue. Please welcome her to this position and submit family history information or articles you have to share.

Journey to Your Roots

The Benefits of Joining a Genealogical Society – by JRS

Are you curious about your family tree and its stories? Joining a genealogical society can be a valuable experience for those wanting to discover their ancestry. Here is why becoming a member is worth considering:

1. Guidance and Resources:

Genealogical Societies are treasure troves of knowledge. Members have access to genealogists and historians who can provide guidance. They may also offer libraries and databases, making it easier to search for historical records, rare documents, and other resources that might be difficult to access otherwise.

2. Educational Opportunities:

Many societies host workshops, lectures, and seminars on diverse topics related to genealogy. These events provide opportunities to learn research techniques, understand historical contexts, and keep up to date with the latest technological advancements in genealogy.

3. Preservation of History:

Genealogical societies often engage in projects that preserve local histories and family records. By contributing to these projects, you play a part in safeguarding the past for future generations. This preservation work ensures that historical data is not lost over time.

4. Access to Special Collections:

Many genealogical societies have partnerships with archives, museums, and other institutions, granting members exclusive access to special collections and historical documents. This can significantly enhance your



research efforts, offering insights that might be unavailable to the general public.

5. Technological Tools and Assistance:

In today's digital age, many societies provide their members with access to advanced genealogical software and online tools. Additionally, they often offer technical support to help you effectively utilize these resources in your research.

6. Publication Opportunities:

If you have made significant discoveries or have fascinating stories about your ancestors, many genealogical societies offer platforms for publication. This can be a way to share your research.

7. Enrichment and Support:

Joining a genealogical society can be an enriching experience that connects you with your heritage, offers learning opportunities, and provides a supportive community of fellow enthusiasts. A genealogical society is the perfect place to start your journey.

Genealogy Tips

"One-Step Webpages" by Stephen P. Morse has an amazing bit of information all in one place. One can find tools for finding immigration records, census records, vital records, and for dealing with calendars, maps, foreign alphabets, and numerous other applications. <https://stevemorse.org/>

Educational Opportunities

1. **From May 23-26** the National Genealogical Society will hold its **2025 Family History Conference – Tales and Trails** in Louisville, KY. Go to <https://conference.ngsgenealogy.org/> for details and registration.
2. **Saturday, May 31** Root Cellar's Annual Spring Seminar featuring **The Legal Genealogist, Judy G. Russell**.

Where: Maidu Community Center, Roseville, California.

She will present the following topics:

- Dower and Dowry: Women, Property, & Legal Records
- Follow the Money! Records of the Record Makers
- NARA MythBusters: Your Family IS in the Archives
- DNA and the Hidden Half of the Family

This is a fee-based event. Registration is expected to open March 1.

See the Root Cellar website for more information - <https://rootcellar.org/>.



Extra!

Genealogy vs Family History—Have you ever wondered which term to use to describe your search to learn more information about your family? The *FamilyTreeMagazine.com* website offers a good discussion about the terms. Examples of tasks genealogists do that fall under each of the terms is shared. Visit <https://familytreemagazine.com/general-genealogy/what-is-genealogy-family-history/>

Do you love both Fiction and Genealogy? Neely Tucker shared a fantastic article by Candice Buchanan at the Library of Congress' *Timeless* blog for October 2024 under the Genealogy category. Check it out! "Genealogy Research: Fact and Fiction." <https://blogs.loc.gov/loc/2024/10/genealogy-research-fact-and-fiction/>

See the next page for some *Genealogy Humor*.

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H U M O R

HUMOR ONLY GENEALOGISTS CAN APPRECIATE

Just when you think you've found them all,
Up pops another ancestor.

Still searching, after all these years!

Life is too short and you are dead too long.

Others work from sun to sun! But a
genealogist's work is never done.

Genealogists never lose their jobs, they
just go to another branch!

Genealogists never die, they just lose their
census.

Genealogists never die, they just haunt
archives.

Genealogists never die, they just haunt
cemeteries.

Genealogists never die, they just get filed
away.

Try genealogy. You can't get fired and you
can't quit!

Once I gave up on reality, I had so many more
options.

Sure, a real job would be nice, but it would
interfere with my genealogy!

Don't sit under the family tree with anyone
else but me!



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