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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 2024!
What Genealogical Treasures will you find this Year?

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)

SAVE THE DATES!!

January, February, March, and April 2024 offer multiple opportunities for genealogical and California historical researchers to learn more about your ancestors and locating information on where they lived.

Visit page 7 for more information.

Even if you don't have California ancestors, the skills you learn are useful in other areas.

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ONGOING RGS ACTIVITIES

Ask A Genealogist at the Library – come by to talk or ask questions.

Roseville Main Library

Jan (Thurs)

- 4-1:00pm–3:00pm

Feb (Thurs)

- 1-1:00pm-3:00 pm

Maidu Library

Jan (Thurs)

- 11-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 18-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 25-1:00pm–3:00pm

Feb (Thurs)

- 8-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 15-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 22-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 29-1:00pm-3:00pm

Martha Riley Library

Jan (Wed & Sat)

- 3-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 10-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 17-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 20-**Sat** 12:00-2:00pm
- 24–1:00pm-3:00pm
- 31-1:00pm-3:00 pm

Feb (Wed & Sat)

- 7-1:00pm–3:00pm
- 17-**Sat** 12:00-2:00pm
- 21-1:00pm-3:00pm
- 28-1:00pm–3:00pm

📧 **BOOK-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

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.

2024	Format		Date	Topic
RGS	D	IP & Z	Jan 2	Discussion Group followed by Board Meeting.
RGS	S	IP & Z	Jan 9	Documenting Your Treasures - Glenda Lloyd
RGS	D	IP & Z	Feb 6	Discussion Group followed by Board Meeting.
RGS	S	IP & Z	Feb 13	Finding Ancestors in Online Newspapers - James Baker
RGS	D	IP & Z	Mar 5	Discussion Group followed by Board Meeting.
RGS	S	IP & Z	Mar 12	TOPICS: Common Surnames and Female Research (title to be determined – Nancy Calhoun.

-- Genealogists live in the past lane. --



Genealogy Information



Which port of entry did your ancestors use to enter US soil?

Angel Island – An immigration port on the West Coast

Not all immigrants to America were met by the Statue of Liberty. For those travelling by sea, in addition to the immigration ports in the northeast, there were ports on the southeast coast, the southern coast, and the west coast of America. Each area had its own immigration processing station. There were also ports of entry for immigrants using land routes in the north and south.

Immigrants to America arriving on the West Coast between 1910 and 1940 on ships that came from the East, or came around the horn and up the west coast were met by the wooden building of the Angel Island Immigration Station.

Many times, Europeans or travelers holding first or second class tickets would have their papers processed on board the ship and were allowed to disembark. Asian and other immigrants, including Russians, Mexicans, and others, as well as those who needed to be quarantined for health reasons, were ferried to Angel Island for processing. This process continued for about 30 years, until the Angel Island Administration Building burned to the ground in August 1940. The immigration station was relocated to a mainland San Francisco facility by November of that year.

During World War II, the station was used as a prisoner of war processing center by the military. After the war the site was abandoned, and in 1963 Angel Island was established as a state park. Today Angel Island Immigration Station is a National Historic Landmark

Sources: <https://www.aiisf.org/history>





Did your ancestors travel on the Cumberland Road to their new destination?

The Cumberland Road

The Cumberland Road, also known as the National Road or the National Turnpike, was the first road in U.S. history funded by the federal government, and promoted westward expansion, encouraged commerce between the Atlantic colonies and the West, and paved the way for an interstate highway system in the 20th century.

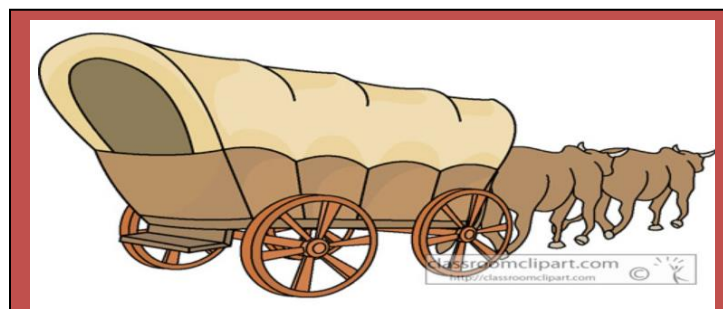
Construction for this road was authorized in 1806, and work was begun in 1811 at Cumberland Maryland. It was extended 650 miles to Vandalia, Illinois and work stopped in 1838.



Sources:

<https://education.nationalgeographic.org/resource/cumberland-road/>

https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Cumberland_Road





Genealogy Tips

Are you doing Sacramento, California research? Try searching this website:

Golden Nugget Library's
Sacramento County
Genealogy Databases

<https://goldennuggetlibrary.sfgenealogy.org/sacindex.html>

Genealogy and *History* go “hand in glove”. Both are needed when researching family history as together they provide the context for the times in which the people lived.

Genealogy Hints & Ideas

Shared by Alan Vanetta. Thank you, Alan.

Preserving Newspaper Articles & Clippings

Dissolve a Milk of Magnesia tablet in a quarter cup of club soda overnight. Pour into a pan large enough to hold the flattened clipping. Soak the clipping for one hour, and then pat dry. Do not move the clipping until completely dry. Estimated life: 200 years.

Steps for Preserving Documents

The basic premise for preservation of any clipping or photo is simple. Air and light do damage. Keep the documents enclosed, preferably in sealed archival quality page protectors, then keep in a box (archival quality storage box).

<https://momarion.genealogyvillage.com/newspapers/newstopic.html>

DO NOT LAMINATE!!! The glue will eventually start to eat away at the document.

Newspapers (but not photos!) must be de-acidified, before you enclose them in plastic.

(Note – newspaper ink needs one full year to dry, so do not seal clippings from the past 365 days)

Enclose in an archival quality page protector (if using regular page protectors, purchase those with greatest thickness of plastic.)

Label on the outside of the page protector.

Store collection in a box, away from the light.

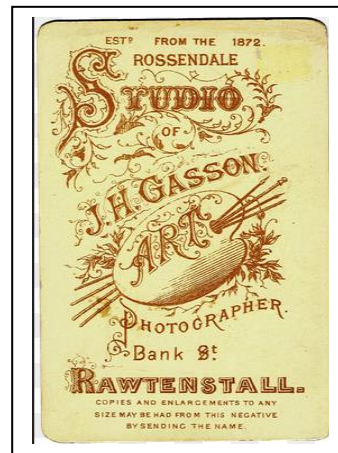
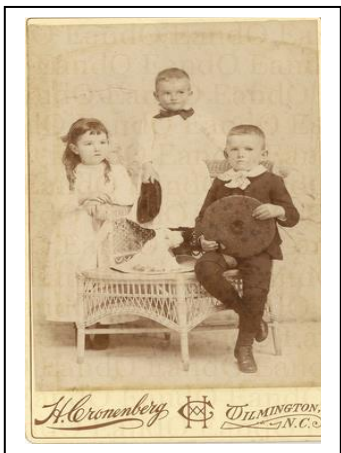


More Tips For the Genealogist

Because newspaper articles can be used as evidence to support genealogical conclusions, it is **important** to **keep a complete and accurate citation** with all copies or transcriptions. Make certain you **record the title of the newspaper**, its **place of publication**, the **date of the issue**, and the **page number**.

To preserve your own newspaper clippings for genealogical purposes, glue or tape a small piece of paper on the back extending beyond the text. Write on that paper the complete citation. Since modern newspapers deteriorate very rapidly, mount and photocopy those clippings you want to preserve.

Have You Ever Heard of a Cabinet Card?



The **Cabinet card** got its name from its suitability for display in parlors, especially in cabinets, and was a popular medium for family portraits. It was popular in the late 1800s and is easy to recognize: they are mounted on cardstock with an imprint of the photographer and location just below the photo or on the back of the photo. The web site listed below is an Index of "Photographers of the 19th Century" of these antique cabinet cards.

<https://cabinetcardphotographers.blogspot.com/p/photographers-of-19th-century-index.html>

Generation Names

- Lost Generation – Born: 1883 – 1900
- The Greatest Generation – Born: 1901 – 1927



- The Silent Generation – Born: 1928 – 1945
 - The Baby Boomer Generation – Born: 1946 – 1964
 - Generation X – Born: 1965 – 1980
 - Millennials – Born: 1981 – 1996
 - Generation Z – Born: 1997 – 2012
 - Gen Alpha – Born: 2013-2023
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Educational Opportunities

January-April 2024

- ✚ Check out the Sacramento FamilySearch Center class offerings at:
https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Sacramento_California_FamilySearch_Center/Classes.
- ✚ Check out the Sacramento Regional Genealogical Council website for area presentations at: <https://srgcouncil.org/index.php>.

SAVE THE DATES for Genealogy!

Upcoming Special Genealogical Events

- ✚ 29 February – 2 March 2024 – **Roots Tech 2024** – Hosted In-Person in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County, Utah and Virtually (No cost)
 - ✚ 9 March 2024 – **18th Annual African American Genealogy Seminar** Hosted virtually (No cost)
 - ✚ 1-6 April 2024 – **Digging For Family Treasures** – Hosted In-Person in Sacramento, Sacramento County, and other Sacramento Regional Areas in California (No cost)
 - ✚ 27 April 2024 - **Root Cellar Spring Seminar** – Hosted In-Person in Roseville, Placer County, California. (Registration Fee)
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Editor's Note

Do you have a “new” find on an ancestor or a “helpful hint” you learned? If you would like to submit an idea or article to be published in the RGS newsletter, please email your submission to rgsca3@gmail.com with the word “Newsletter” in the subject line.

Another Year. Another Ancestor.



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Have you begun an ancestor chart for a new family branch recently?

