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Newsletter suggestions and articles are always welcome. Contact the Editor at asknagsprescottaz@gmail.com or see me at the monthly meetings.

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Gen Society News

NAGS Board and Committee Member Changes

Hello, I am Rita Kraus, your new NAGS Bulletin editor. A big thanks goes to Lisa Staltari for a good job with her newsletter editing. Best wishes to Lisa in her new endeavors in Tucson. I hope I can adequately fill her position. I thank the Board for this opportunity.

Other Board changes include the resignation of Treasurer Linn Sampson due to health reasons with Dick Hiatt filling the position. We wish Linn the best of health. Our Social Media Chair Sherry Kramer has moved to Florida and Deb Zdanowicz has replaced her. Best wishes to Sherry in her new home.

I invite all to be a part of the newsletter. Please forward articles, pictures, suggestions, and anything that would be of interest to other genealogists to asknagsprescottaz@gmail.com. I look forward to bringing you interesting, thought provoking articles to aid you in climbing your tree.

Read and enjoy. Rita.

December Membership Meeting Recap

Our December 2017 Membership Meeting was well attended and it was not to be missed. Members were especially interested in the techniques and sources the presenters had used to research and create their history.

Many members brought favorite finger-foods from recipes handed down from generations. Family food traditions bring memories and family history to life. NAGS is exploring programs to follow-up on this interest... for example, on how to produce charts of family members.

The highlight of the meeting was the many family histories charted and displayed in various creative formats.



Local Society News



Prescott Valley and Prescott Public Library Genealogy Departments

Our Board has been notified that our long association with the Prescott Valley Public Library will end early in 2018. The Library has decided to close the Genealogy Room and we must remove our collection of books and periodicals. Mentoring sessions will no longer be held there.

Since NAGS isn't in a position to establish an inde-

pendent library of its own, the Board is in the process of analyzing the collection and determining how to best disperse it.

The periodicals have already been removed and many of the books will be offered to members, mainly as door prizes at meetings. The Prescott Public Library has accepted a number of the books for its genealogy research collection. Our goal is to find places where these research materials will be valued and used.

The Prescott Public Library has welcomed an additional third mentoring session each month with the possibility of a fourth one in the future.

Sharlot Hall Museum Library and Archives

A new research location. The Sharlot Hall Museum Library and Archives is establishing a small genealogy library section to complement their on-line genealogy services. They will be organizing and cataloging some of our reference materials from the Genealogy Department of the Prescott Valley Library. The genealogical area should be set up and ready to go in a few months.

Location -

115 S. McCormick Street

Library & Archives Hours -

Wednesdays - Fridays: 12 Noon - 4 p.m.

Saturdays: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Email -

archivesrequest@sharlot.org

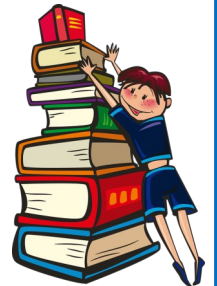
Library & Archives

Reference Desk -

928-277-2003

For Appointment

Call 928-445-3122 X14



Membership Renewals



Its time to renew your NAGS Membership before the new year kicks into full gear. Take a moment and renew your membership for 2018. Drop your dues off at the next meeting or mail them to PO Box 695, Prescott, AZ 86302.

It promises to be an exciting year that you won't want to miss.

Address Changes? Don't miss out!

If you have changed your mailing address or email address or both, please let the NAGS office know so you don't miss out on mailings and newsletters. Keep yourself informed. Send change of addresses to our Membership Chairperson, Martha Welch at asknagsprescottaz@gmail.com.



FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

Dick Hiatt—FHC Liaison and Volunteer



A great resource not to be overlooked—If you are new or you haven't visited the Family History Center for a while, it's a good time to get acquainted. This gem is a great resource for your Genealogy research. It's located in the LDS Church at 1001 Ruth Street.

The use of the LDS Family History Center/NAGS Genealogy Center is free, and all are welcome. NAGS volunteers are on hand to answer questions and lend assistance during the posted hours. Available resources include computers for your website research, genealogical magazines, many books, microfilms, microfiche and readers. Not all records are immediately available, but can be loaned from the Family History Library in Salt Lake City for a small fee.

Many **thanks** to the NAGS members who volunteer their time and knowledge to assist researchers.

Research sites available for free use:

19th Century British Newspapers
Alexander Street Press
American Ancestors
Ancestry
ArkivDigital Online
Find My Past
Fold3
Geneanet
Heritage Quest
My Heritage
Newspaper Archive
Paper Trail
ProQuest Obituary Listings
The Genealogist

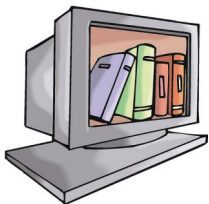
FHC Hours:

Monday & Wednesday.....10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.

FHC Special Closings:

Jan. 15 - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Feb. 19 - Presidents' Day
May 28 - Memorial Day
June 25 - July 09 - Summer Break
Sept. 3 - Labor Day
Nov. 12 - Veterans' Day
Nov. 21 - 23 - Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 19 - 31- Christmas Break
Reopens on Wednesday, January 2, 2019

Telephone number: 928-778-2311



CALENDAR OF GEN SOCIETY EVENTS—2018

Upcoming Meetings and Topics



- January 27 Monthly Membership Meeting—John Thorne’s presentation “The Boston Tea Party and the Last Surviving Member” highlights the history of the Boston Tea Party and David Kennison, John’s 4th great grandfather’s interesting life and roll in American history. John’s extensive genealogical research has revealed that David Kennison’s life has been well documented in historic publications and featured in *Ripley’s Believe It or Not* and in the 1976 bicentennial *Book of Americana*. Please join us for an interesting story and an example of where your research can take you.
- January 28 to NGS Research Trip to Salt Lake City, Utah. Space is limited. For details
February 4 contact http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/conferences_events/research_trips/
- February 24 Monthly Membership Meeting—In Planning
- March 23 FHC of Arizona in Mesa—Special pre-seminar evening session with Thomas W. Jones at the LDS Chapel, 1415 E. Southern Ave., Mesa, Arizona 6:30 p.m.
- March 24 FHC of Arizona — Genealogical Seminar and Annual Meeting Featuring Thomas W. Jones at the LDS Chapel, 1415 E. Southern Ave., Mesa, Arizona. Check-in 8:00 a.m.
- March 24 Monthly Membership Meeting— In Planning
- April 14 Special Presentation—Lee Campbell—“Computer Programs to Help Organize Your Genealogy Data” at the Prescott Public Library starting at 9:30 a.m.

Our fourth Saturday Monthly Membership Meetings for the remainder of the year are April 28, May 26, June 23, July Dark—no meeting, August 25, September 22, October 27, November 24, and December to be determined.



Monthly Membership meetings are held at the LDS Church with social time at 1:30 p.m. and meeting at 2:00 p.m. on Ruth Street unless otherwise indicated. Suggestions and volunteer program presenters are always welcome. Contact your program chairperson, Barbara Wich. The Program Committee is working to bring you some interesting and informative presentations in the upcoming months. Please reserve the 4th Saturday of the month for NAGS membership meetings. Please park at the rear of the building and enter through the double doors in back. Meetings will be held in Room 20.

TOP WEBSITES FOR GERMAN RESEARCH

Many of you have German ancestors. What we now call Germans a century ago were Prussians, Bavarians, Palantines, Hessians, Saxons and Swabians who all spoke various dialects of German and were united only in their dislike for each other. Listed are a few of the top websites for German research. Have you used all the following in your research? Are any of them new to you? Give them a try. (If you do not read German, you may desire to use the Translate feature on Google Chrome.)



1. Cyndi's List: Germany/Deutschland - <https://www.cyndislist.com/germany>
2. German Emigrants Database - <https://www.deutsche-auswanderer-datenbank.de/> (In German)
3. Emigration from Southwest-Germany, Landesarchiv Baden-Wuerttemberg - <https://www.auswanderer-bw.de> (In German)
4. Evangelical (Protestant) Church in Germany Archive - <https://www.vkaekd.wordpress.com/> (In German)
5. Evangelical Central Archive Berlin found - <https://www.ezab.de> (In German)
6. FamilySearch: A Genealogical Handbook of German Research - <https://www.familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Germany>
7. Find Your Roots in Germany - <https://www.roots-in-germany.de>
8. Genealogy in Pfalz - <https://www.krebs-onl.de/pfalz/>
9. German Genealogy Regional Research - <https://www.genealogienetz.de> (In German)
10. LEO German-English Dictionary - <https://www.dict.leo.org>
11. Palatines to America—<https://www.palam.org>
12. Center for Jewish Family History—<https://www.cjh.org>



You know about the Vietnam Wall. How about the Immigrant Wall?

The American Immigrant Wall of Honor is a permanent exhibit that honors the history and origins of Americans who have helped shape our nation. The first names on the monument were inscribed on this wall of honor in 1990. The wall now has more than 700,000 names memorialized on stainless steel panels, each panel measuring 4-feet tall by 2-feet wide. Each individual panel contains nearly 700 names. For most panels, names appear alphabetically in six columns. An Immigrants' Names List can be searched at http://www.wallofhonor.org/wall_of_honor.asp.

If interested, you can commemorate your ancestor at this wall. There is a fee. Research the Ellis Island Foundation website for more information—libertyellisfoundation.org/.

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