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Notes from the President and Board Members

Hello Springtime!



The Prescott Public Library is a great resource for finding unique reference material and periodicals. The library's catalog system is part of the Yavapai Library Network Catalog which encompasses materials housed at all these locations: Prescott Public Library, Yavapai County City & Town Libraries, Sharlot Hall Library and Archives, Yavapai College, Prescott College, K-12 Libraries, Highland Center for Natural History, Phippen Museum Library, Smoki Museum Research Library, and Yavapai County Law Library.

Prescott Family History Center Hours

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

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Genealogy on!

We hope you find this newsletter interesting. Newsletter suggestions and articles are always welcome. Contact the Newsletter Editor at asknagsprescottaz@gmail.com or see Rita at the monthly meetings.

Local Gen Society News

Our Genealogy Mentoring Program

Mentoring sessions are held at the Prescott Public Library between 1—3 p.m. on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Thursdays of each month. Volunteers can help you get started or help break through those 'brick walls' or provide general help for any level researcher. Reservations are recommended to accommodate the number of researchers with NAGS mentors and computers. Check our website for the schedule. To reserve your space at the Prescott Public Library, call them at 777-1519.

Missing—Can you help?



Our newsletter library is missing several older editions. If you have saved older issues, we would appreciate you loaning them to us to copy/scan to our file. These are the missing newsletters: **October 2017, October 2013, July 2013, and October 2012.** If you have any of them, just email us at asknagsprescottaz@gmail.com and we will contact you.

Find Us On Facebook —

NAGS has a Facebook page. To access click the Facebook symbol on our web site, or from home, type in "Northern Arizona Genealogical Society." Once there, view the page and give us a 'Like'!



Riksarkivet

Your Swedish Ancestry

In 2017, the Riksdag (Swedish Parliament) decided that the Swedish National Archives would be given SEK 10 million for the purposes of making its digital collections freely available in accordance with a proposal from the Swedish Government. The digital collections were made free of charge on 1 February 2018. Check it out.

[https://sok.riksarkivet.se/om-soktjansten?](https://sok.riksarkivet.se/om-soktjansten?infosida=fri-tillgang)

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Fry's Grocery Community Rewards Program



Fry's Grocery gives back to the community through a community rewards program. Every time you swipe your Rewards card a portion of the sale goes to your selected non-profit organization. Help NAGS earn reward money by shopping at Fry's. Enroll your Fry's VIP card in this program and select Northern Arizona Genealogical Society as your chosen organization. With your enrollment in this program, between .5 to 1.0 percent of your total bill is returned to us.

To enroll, sign up with your Fry's V.I.P Card. Go to www.fryscommunityrewardprogram.com and sign in. This will lead you directly to Fry's Community tab where you can follow the instructions. You can find us by typing in our name or use NAGS membership number 56216.

After enrollment, every time you shop at Fry's and use your VIP card, NAGS receive this benefit. Some purchase items do not apply toward the rewards such as prescriptions, gas, gift cards, stamps, alcohol, and tobacco.

Participants must re-enroll each year to ensure our organization continues to receive this benefit. We will remind you to re-enroll in August. A notice will appear in the 3rd quarter newsletter with instructions. Thanks for your participation.

AmazonSmile

Amazon.com also has a give back program. We are now registered with them as a charitable non-profit organization entitling us receive 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Simply go to smile.amazon.com and select Northern Arizona Genealogical Society as your chosen charity. Then whenever you shop, NAGS receives this benefit. This is another great way to support our group.

Resources

The *Internet Genealogy Magazine* is available at the Family History Center. The current issue is on the table and past issues are on the library shelves. Please do not remove the magazine from the library. A copier is available for you to copy any information you may want to keep.



The Board has decided not to renew the *Family Tree Newsletter* subscription. The newsletter is conveniently available on-line and at the Prescott Public Library.

Family History Center

Our History Center at the LDS Church will be closed these days:

May 28—Memorial Day Observance

June 25—July 9—Summer Break

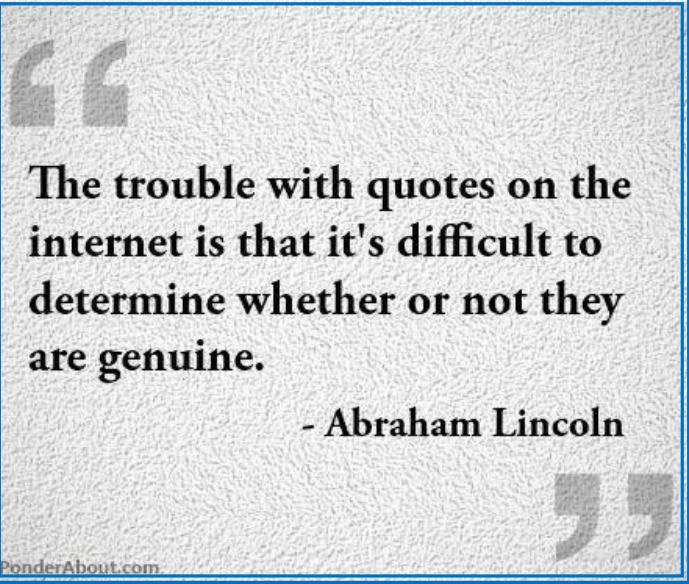
A Relationship Quiz—

What relation is your grandmother's cousin's son to you?

It's important to know the proper ways of describing relationships within families when getting involved with genealogy. Using a relationship chart like the one available at <http://www.islandregister.com/cousin.html> can help. You identify the common ancestor of the two people you are connecting. Then for the first person, count the number of generations between them and that common ancestor down the left side of the chart and do the same for the second person across the top of the chart. Follow the chart to the right and down to find the relationship between the two people. In this case, you are the great-great grandchild of the common ancestor and your grandmother's cousin's son is the great grandchild. Thus you are second cousins once removed.

Gen Tips - Old and New

Stuck? Review your research and create a timeline for the person or family. Each record documents a person in a place and time; your timeline should list the date and the person's location for each record you've found. This is another way to spot mistakes (how can a child be born here when his parents are over there?) and long stretches of time when your relative is unaccounted for.



Gen Etiquette

- ♦ Always be willing to collaborate- don't take and take information from people without giving any information back.
- ♦ Be specific in your information requests. When reaching out to someone who might have a connection to you, make sure that you are specific in who you are researching and how you think they might fit into the other person's research.

COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT



Member-At-Large

Raylene Junkins Hiatt

Raylene holds the Member-At-Large position on our Board of Directors. This position is usually held by a person who has been a past-president of NAGS like Raylene. A member of the board 'At Large' has the same authority as other board members. She attends board meetings as a resource person with voting status on the board. She helps to analyze problems, review facts and gather information and alternatives. Specific duties are assigned by the President of the Board. The position is responsible for the election of officers with Raylene chairing the Nominating Committee who follows the process of

the election of officers as directed in the By-Laws of the Northern Arizona Genealogical Society.

Raylene is a founding member of the Northern Arizona Genealogical Society. She has been an avid genealogy enthusiast for most of her life. Her passion for research is shown when speaking with her and in the remarkable history charts she has created displaying the many generations of her family's story.

Watch this "Spot" for a description and information regarding our genealogical committees.



RootsWeb Security Issue

On December 20th, 2017, a security researcher alerted Ancestry.com's security team that a data breach had occurred. An unsecured file located on a RootsWeb server holding email addresses, login and password was exposed and potentially compromised. This meant any RootsWeb and Ancestry.com customer using the same credentials (email address, username and password) on both systems were at risk. Ancestry.com reacted promptly to this breach and took RootsWeb and Fold 3 offline temporarily until the issues were resolved.

Ancestry reviewed the file to check if the leaked account information overlapped with any of the existing accounts on Ancestry websites. During that process, the security team confirmed around 55,000 or less than 1% of Ancestry's total customer group were affected. Those customers were contacted immediately.

RootsWeb didn't host any sensitive data like social security numbers or credit card numbers. The pro-

grammers at RootsWeb completed a "deep analysis" of the site's design to ensure that all data is saved and preserved.

RootsWeb mailing lists are now available to use, meaning you can now send and receive email on RootsWeb email lists as before. In addition to making the site more secure, they have upgraded their backend system to provide an easier-to-use interface to manage your email list subscriptions.

As of March 6th, any email that is sent will go directly into a new archive. RootsWeb is in the process of importing the old archives into the new archives and due to the massive amount of content, that process will take time. To get started managing your subscriptions, go to Setting Up My New Mailman Login.

Progress updates are posted on the RootsWeb homepage:
<http://www.rootsweb.com>.



OPERATION ANCESTOR SEARCH



Sons of the American Revolution teams with Ancestry and NAGS Member to find Veterans Heritage

A long-time NAGS member and former Board member, Sharon Atkins, volunteers time with our veterans. Sharon is a professional genealogist who shares her skills and use of Ancestry and other tools to help our veterans learn about their family history.

Operation Ancestor Search is a free genealogy program offered to veterans who are in military hospitals, veterans' hospitals and armed forces retirement homes across the country. A program of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, it is operated by local affiliate chapters and program sponsors across the county. Operation Ancestor Search helps soldiers and veterans, their families and their caregivers discover their roots and better understand themselves through family history.

OAS began in 2009 at the original Walter Reed Army Medical Center as a program of the District of Columbia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. The program became a tremendous success and its popularity among the wounded warriors and caregivers quickly grew. Soon thereafter, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution adopted the program nationally and with the support of Ancestry.com, OAS began expanding to other locations across the country.

Locally, Sharon volunteers via the Prescott Chapter of the SAR. They volunteer on the 2nd Saturday of each month for two hours to work with veterans at the Prescott VA Hospital. Each vet is provided a year subscription to Ancestry.com for free. They learn how to build their family tree on Ancestry and how to navigate the website. Hopefully after the class, they continue to use the program to explore their family history. Sharon tells of a young veteran who knew literally nothing of his past. Through Ancestry.com

he was introduced to his grandfather who fought in WWII. When he saw his grandfather in uniform he exploded with tears of joy. He jubilantly informed everyone in sight of his discovery. Sharon was gratified to see the joy and happiness of this veteran discovering his past.

There is a limited number of computers with access to the internet, so each vet may only have an hour to work on the website. Resources and volunteers are limited. It is the hopes that as the program becomes recognized in the community, more resources will become available to our vets.

Since this research began, the Prescott Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution Coordinator for the OAS, Tim Prater, says they are no longer able to use the VA Computer Room due to numerous technical problems. The U.S. VETS - Prescott has since expressed interest in providing computer support for this program. Tim anticipates having the change of location up and going by the end of March.

NAGS has talent. If you have a couple of hours a month to spare, consider using that time to help a vet. You do not need to be a professional genealogist, you already possess the skill to help someone get started on their genealogical journey. If you or someone you know is upgrading their computer or has a working one sitting idle, please consider donating it to the veterans for their research. It means so much to them.

For more information contact Tim Prater, Vice President of the Prescott Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution Society, at timpratr86323@gmail.com.



New Gen Tool Now Available

New Genealogy Tools Now Available



Technology is constantly advancing making our Gen research easier and fun. Here are three that have recently become available. You may want to check them out.

1. The first is *RootsFinder*, a free, easy to use, online family tree program. With today's genealogy research being technology driven, this program offers so much more to genealogy researchers at all levels. Both newer and experienced researchers can find this easier and safer to use. The technology is especially a draw for younger people who grew up with computers and find this software can be fun with tools like *Webclipper*, *ToDo Creator* for pictures, stories, and videos.

The program provides hints within their own database as well as search suggestions to other websites such as FamilySearch, FindMyPast, AmericanAncestors, BillionGraves, FindAGrave, Ancestry, MyHeritage and more. They have also developed two new Chrome Browser Extensions to make research and recording information faster and more accurate.

Find out more about *RootsFinder* at <https://www.rootsfinder.com>.

2. The second is JoyFlips. This new technology tool meets the demand for easy print photo scanning and family history preservation. It makes it possible to use photos along with stories in the voices of family members and to create and to share videos. It also

offers long-term data storage of photos, stories and documents. Photos can be imported from your phone, computer, Facebook or FamilySearch, or with a built-in scanner for paper photos and documents with ease. Voice and text can be added to photos. These and so many more features are available. It just gets easier.

Check it out at <http://www.joyflips.com>.

3. MyHeritage recently announced the launch a new pro bono initiative to help adoptees and their birth families reunite through genetic testing. They are providing 15,000 MyHeritage DNA kits, worth more than one million dollars, for free, to eligible participants.

Participation in this project is open to adoptees seeking to find their biological family members, and to parents and other family members looking for a child they had placed in adoption years ago. Preference will be given to people who are not able to afford genetic testing.

If you have already tested with another DNA service, you can upload your DNA data to MyHeritage for free to participate in this project.

Applications are open until April 30, 2018. Visit their website for more information.



*If we knew what we were doing,
it wouldn't be called research!*

Lineage Societies



Thanks to John Thorne for introducing us to Lineage Societies in his January presentation. A lineage society is an organization of those people who can prove direct descent to a person or group such as the So-

ciet of Descendants of Lady Godiva or the Flagon and Trencher Society who archive a collection of information concerning taverns, tavern keepers, tavern customs, recipes, menus, and all other data that may pertain to the colonial business.

There are lineage societies devoted to occupations, specific occupations, colonial groups, alliances, beliefs, and historic events to name a few. I've included a few for your reference. There are many more on line and their websites can be researched.

PARTIAL LIST OF LINEAGE SOCIETIES

Alamo Defenders' Descendants Association
Civil War Descendants Society
Colonial Dames of America
Daughters of the Republic of Texas
Descendants of Mexican War Veterans
Descendants of Sheriffs and Constables of Colonial and Antebellum America
Flagon and Trencher
First Families of Ohio
Germans From Russia
Hereditary Society of Teachers
Holland Society of New York
Huguenot Society of America
Mayflower Society
Military Order of the Purple Heart
Military Society of the War of 1812
National Society Descendants of Textile Workers of America
National Society of Washington Family Descendants
Naval Order of the United States
Order of Descendants of Colonial Physicians
Order of Descendants of the Justiciars
Order of the Founders of North America 1492-1692
Society of Descendants of Scotland

Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge

Sons of Confederate Veterans

Thomas Rogers Society

United Daughters of the Confederacy

United Empire Loyalist Association of Canada

United States Cavalry Association

Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge

Vietch Historical Society

Virginia Huguenot Society

Winthrop Society

Women Descendants of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company

SHOULD I JOIN A LINEAGE SOCIETY?

Joining a lineage society honors an ancestor and certifies the accuracy of your family history. It's about documenting an unbroken line of evidence and verifiable facts over hundreds of years. These societies have archives that verify findings. You can get a deeper understanding of your ancestors lives and gather insight to who you are and what experiences they had that molded you. Events and struggles in their lives bring events in history to life.

A look at the number of lineage societies may lead to you to one that fits your ancestor. A search on their website will answer a lot of your questions and if you decide to join, here are a few thoughts:

- Check the ancestral eligibility requirements (dates of service, year of settlement, etc.).
- Check your eligibility requirements.
- Check for ancestors who have already been proven.
- Send copies of the documentation, rather than the originals.
- Label the documents according to the rules of the society.
- Keep a copy of your application so you can easily answer any questions that arise.
- Submit your application well in advance of any deadlines, in order to give yourself time to gather more documentation if needed.

LOCAL GEN SOCIETY EVENTS—2nd QUARTER 2018

Upcoming Meetings & Other Events



- April 4,11,18,15 Creative Writing Classes on Wednesdays at the Prescott Public Library's Elsa Conference Room with Dorothy Cora Moore, author of *Writing Made Easy-How to Develop a Tight Plot & Memorable Characters* and the epic novel, *The Atlanteans*. Discover how to get an article such as a biographical sketch or genealogical story or other writing ready for publication. For more information contact Dorothy at dotm@cableone.net or 928-778-1211
- April 14 Special Presentation by Lee Campbell—"Computer Programs to Help Organize Your Genealogy Data" at the Prescott Public Library. Learn how to digitize and organize family photos and build your family tree using various computer programs. Each attendee will be entered into a drawing to win a gift card! The program starts at 9:30 a.m. For more information, contact the Ask a Librarian Desk at 928.777.1526.
- April 28 Monthly Membership Meeting
- May 26 Monthly Membership Meeting
- May 31-June 2 Jamboree 2018—Los Angeles Marriott Burbank Airport Hotel, Burbank, CA. Sponsored by the Southern California Genealogical Society. Admission is free. For Details: <http://genealogyjamboree.com/>
- June 8 California Genealogy Society presents their 5th Annual Genetic Genealogy Conference *Diving Into DNA* at the Los Angeles Marriott Burbank Airport Hotel, Burbank, CA. This conference provides the opportunity to hear from some of the top leaders in the field of genetic genealogy, with topics suitable for all levels of experience with using DNA for genealogical research
- June 15-17, 2019 International German Genealogy Partnership Conference, Sacramento, CA. - For more information: <https://iggpartner.org>
- June 23 Monthly Membership Meeting

Our fourth Saturday Monthly Membership Meetings for the remainder of the year are 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 on Ruth Street with social time at 1:30 p.m. and meeting at 2:00 p.m. 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. Be sure to park at the rear of the building and enter through the doors in back. Meetings are usually held in Room 20.

Those who can, do. Those who can do more, Volunteer.

SCHEDULE OF UP-COMING WEBINARS



Webinar genealogical on-line courses are a great way to expand your knowledge and learn something new or review previously learned information and skills. Here are a few upcoming sessions:

- April 7 California Genealogy Society Webinar - *Land Records: Using Indexes & Deeds to Move Your Research Forward* by Michelle Goodrum. The local courthouse, auditor, or recorder holds records regarding the purchases and sales of ancestor's property. Often you can identify their migration history. The records may identify other family members and close associates. Learn how to locate and understand these genealogical documents. Time - 10:00 a.m. Pacific. Time.
- April 19 California Genealogy Society Webinar – *Finding Females: Maiden Name Not Known* by Craig R. Scott, CG®, FUGA. Research is not complete without a maiden name. Usually a difficult problem if not immediately obvious. Learn how to deal with the problem. A professional genealogical and historical researcher for more than thirty years, he specializes in problem solving, publishing and the records of the National Archives, especially those that relate to the military. He was a faculty member and coordinator at IGHR and SLIG for many years. Time - 6:00 p.m. Pacific.
- May 5 California Genealogy Society Webinar – *Researching Your Revolutionary War Ancestors*. Michael L. Strauss, AG® is a professional Accredited Genealogist and a nationally recognized genealogical speaker employed as a forensic investigator for more than 25 years. Strauss has a BA in History and is a United States Coast Guard veteran. He is a qualified expert witness in court in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Virginia and a licensed Private Investigator. Time - 10:00 a.m. Pacific.
- May 16 California Genealogy Society Webinar – *The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly Truth About Family Histories* by Shannon Combs-Bennett, PLCGS. Just because it was published does not make it correct. However, you can use many types of published sources as clues for further research. In this presentation learn how to vet information contained in published family history books to make your research that much better. Shannon Combs-Bennett, PLCGS is an author, lecturer, and researcher based out of northern Virginia. She presents on a variety of subjects from genetics to methodology and is currently enrolled in the Strathclyde University genealogy program. Time - 6:00 p.m. Pacific.
- May 17 Florida State Genealogy Society Webinar—*Your Next Research steps: Using Timelines to Organize, Analyze and Evaluate Evidence* by Annette Burke Lyttle. She owns Heritage Detective, LLC, providing professional genealogical services in research, education, and writing.
Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4924344630713480961>. Time—8:00 p.m. EST.
- June 20 California Genealogy Society Webinar – *Who do you Trust with Your Trusted Research* by Kristi Sexton, MSA. With technology today, it is easy to complete and build our family tree online or even on the computer. But what are you doing to protect your information? To protect all the hours of research you have done? What do you do with your hard copy paper file? What happens to my research when I'm gone? Kristi Sexton, MSA has been working on genealogy for nearly 3 decades and has most recently been elected as the President of The Orange County California Genealogical Society (OCCGS) in Huntington Beach. Lecturing, teaching, training, and travel are at the forefront of her life. Time - 6:00 p.m. Pacific.

California Genealogy Society Webinars are free and open to the public. Register by clicking the links below.

- You MUST Register to participate in live sessions.
- Click on the Webinar Title you want to attend listed below.
- Register with our partner website, **GoToWebinar.com**.
- Enter your name and email address and answer a few questions. You will receive confirmation of your registration by email.
- You will receive reminders before the webinar. The reminder email will have information on accessing handout material.
- On the day of the session, click the link that you received in your invitation to GoToWebinar.com to join the online session.

Need to know what time it will be where you live? Go to [TimeZone Converter.com](http://TimeZoneConverter.com) or WorldClock.com.



New Members

Please welcome the following new members to our organization:

New Member	Surnames Being Researched
James Fortney	Fortney, Dunnam, Culp, Hagen, Bright
Evelyn Zimmerman	
Linda Delozier	Campbell, Higgins
Tia Kirkland	Nilsson, Nelson
Karen Olson	Laquaglia, Shank
Karen Woerner	Harvilchuck, Halshak, Walton
Maureen Franklin	
Gary Goddard	Robbins, Cullory
Marilynn Stone	
Vickie Jo Scott	

When you see these new members, be sure to introduce yourself, ask about their surnames and encourage them to participate in the NAGS activities. We welcome everyone to many years of continued membership, fellowship, research and volunteer opportunities within the Society. Be sure to pick up your NAGS lanyard and name tag from Martha Welch, Membership Chairperson, the next time you attend the Membership Meeting.

If you figure there's 25 years between each generation, 500 years ago there were 1,048,576 people involved in creating YOU!

YOU are special!

From Teach Me Genealogy -
www.tmgenealogy.com

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