

QUESTING HEIRS GENEALOGY SOCIETY

JANUARY QHGS MEETING

Sunday, February 18, 2018

Hal Horrocks

1:15 PM

“Colonial Records and How to Find Them”

2:45 PM

“English Parish Registers”

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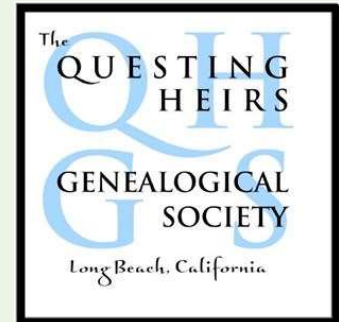
Questing Heirs Membership Renewal

If you have not already done so, please renew your membership by the February meeting. This will be the last newsletter you will receive if you do not renew. Don't miss out on informative articles and notices of local genealogical events.



An individual membership is only \$25.00, and a family membership is \$37.50. A renewal form can be found on page 10.

Meet others who share your interest in family history. Attend lectures by our speakers. Participate in club field trips and increase your knowledge of genealogy by learning new things.



Monthly Meetings

Our monthly meetings are held on the third Sunday of the month at 1:15 p.m. at the Lakewood Masonic Center, 5918 E. Parkcrest Street, in Long Beach California. See map on the last page.

Membership Levels

Individual: \$25.00
Family: \$37.50

QHGS is an IRS recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. Donations are tax-deductible.

QHGS is a member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies

Our February speaker is Hal Horrocks

Hal Horrocks is a native of Long Beach and a 45-year Orange County resident currently living in Costa Mesa. Hal Horrocks is a professional genealogist, teacher, author, and lecturer and has been doing family research for 20 years. He is a member of several professional genealogical associations and is the current immediate past-president of the Orange County California Genealogical Society (OCCGS) headquartered at the Huntington Beach Central Library. Hal owns his own small manufacturing company located in La Habra and is a graduate of CSULB. He has been lecturing to genealogical and other societies for the last 12 years on a range of subjects that include why people get involved in genealogy to conducting research in early England.



“Colonial Records and How to Find Them”

As family historians, as we get further back into our ancestor’s lives, it becomes more difficult for us to find the records we need to fill out our family trees. The records for the Colonial period of our history are there, we just have to figure out how to find them. This presentation will explore ways to find the records from 1610 to 1776 that will help us in our search.

“English Parish Registers”

Parish Registers are the backbone for English research from the 1550’s to 1837. Though still used after 1837 they are supplemented with civil registrations for birth, marriage, and death certificates. Prior to 1837 all the genealogy information was generated by the Church of England. This presentation will dig deep into the three main registers, Baptism, Marriage, and Burial. There are many other areas that we will explore including the different types of Parishes and Chapels to help you find those elusive records.

Southern California Genealogical Society 49th Annual Jamboree 2018

Los Angeles Marriott, Burbank Airport Hotel, Burbank, California

Three great conferences in one place!

- ✓ Genetic Genealogy Conference, “Link Through DNA”, Thursday, May 31
- ✓ Family History Writers Conference, “Loving Your Family Legends”, Thursday, May 31
- ✓ Genealogical Jamboree, “Unlock Your Lineage”, Friday and Saturday, June 1 and 2

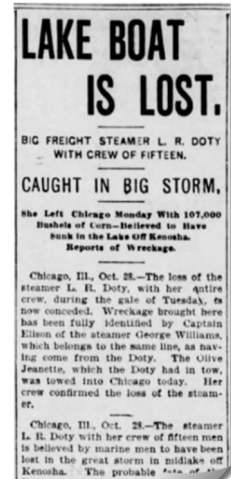
For more information and to register, go to <http://genealogyjamboree.com/>

On January 29, the **FamilySearch Blog** posted an article “Finding Your Family in U.S. Marriage Records”. You can find the full article at <https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/>. There are different categories of marriage records: intentions, marriage bonds, marriage applications and licenses, consent papers, returns and registers, and marriage certificates. Marriages join families together and often the records contain vital details about family relationships. There are several good links in this article to other marriage records.

Newspaper Articles are a great source to fill in details you might be missing on your family tree. Sometimes they can even bust family myths. If you are lucky enough to find newspaper articles about your family, you can enrich the story of how they lived, why they moved, family relationships, and other facts not found on census records. In 1898 the L.R. Doty sank during a violent storm on Lake Michigan. It would not be until nearly 112 years later in June of 2010, that divers found the Doty 300 feet deep in Lake Michigan. All the crew was lost at sea. An ancestor was one of those who died.



In the **Newspaper Obituary** for Anna Backens, the reader can glean many details of her life. Anna’s maiden name, immigration information, church affiliation, children, grandchildren, where she lived, and much more are part of the obituary. This is a great start to filling in her life’s story. You can then start verifying the details with valid sources and records. At the time of her death, she had 10 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren. She was a widow and had outlived her five children.



The Daily Northwestern Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Questing Heirs Fundraiser - Tuesday, March 20, 2018
 Mark your calendars!

Papalucci’s Autentico Ristorante
 4611 E. 2nd Street, Long Beach, CA 90803

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Please join other Questing Heirs members, family and friends at a fundraiser at Papalucci’s on March 20th, 2018. Papalucci’s has great appetizers, soups, salads, pizzas, chicken, fish, desserts and more! They now have gluten free pizza and ravioli.

For more information about what is on the menu, go to <http://www.papaluccis.com> and click on the ‘menu’ tab. Click on the ‘about’ tab and read about owner Dan Tarrantine, our generous sponsor, who will donate 20% of the evening receipts to QHGS between 4:00 PM and closing time

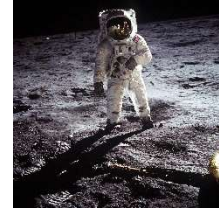
Enjoy an evening out in Belmont Shore while making our fundraiser a success!

Questing Heirs Genealogical Society's 50th Year

Questing Heirs Genealogical Society was founded in 1969 for the purpose of collecting, preserving and publishing data relating to genealogy.

What were you doing in 1969?

There were approximately 358,000 residents of Long Beach in 1969. Richard Nixon was the President of the United States. On July 20th Neil Armstrong proclaimed, "That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind" as he set foot on the surface of the moon. The New York Jets beat the Baltimore Colts in Super Bowl III, while the New York Mets defeated the Baltimore Orioles in the World Series. The Boeing 747 made its first passenger flight.



People were listening to the Archies Sing "Sugar, Sugar" or "Aquarius (Let the Sunshine In)" by the 5th Dimension. Movie theaters filled with people watching "Easy Rider", "True Grit", and "Hello Dolly". And on a 600-acre dairy farm in the Catskill Mountains of New York, 400,000 people came together for the Woodstock Festival. The novel "The Godfather" by Mario Puzo made the best seller list.

How Has Genealogy Research Changed since 1969?

Genealogists and hobbyists often did their research by looking through paper records and searched rolls of microfilm. They would comb through pages of census records hoping to link families together. Typed letters were sent to counties with self-addressed envelopes, hoping to receive a birth, marriage or death record. Other letters were sent to distant relatives asking for information. Sometimes it took months to get a response before one could move on to the next question. Sharing photos was not an easy thing to do.

Researchers advertised in genealogy journals asking for help with a surname. Vacations might be spent in Salt Lake City at the Family History Library. Family trees and family group sheets were hand written or typed. There were no home computers or software so that names and dates could easily be filled in. If you were lucky, there was a genealogical society with meetings near your home.

Do you remember a world without easy access to online records in your own home using a computer? How much longer did it take us to solve family mysteries without the comparison of DNA samples? We can now reach out to relatives on Facebook. We can see the burial sites of our ancestors thanks to volunteers who post digital photos on the web. There are webinars and uncounted ways to learn more about another time on the internet.

Treasures Shared

What is family history without the stories behind the data? Photos, handwritten letters, and other precious family memorabilia from the past add such depth to the stories of how our ancestors lived. Putting family stories in writing can be a great gift to future generations. Supporting those stories with valid sources, photos, and artifacts might seem like a daunting task. But as a younger genealogist in the family reminds me, it is better to start small than not start at all.

BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Receive our monthly newsletter which contains informative articles and notices of local genealogical events.

Meet others who share your interest in family history.

Attend lectures by our speakers.

Our presentations are helpful no matter what level of genealogical expertise you possess. Past topics have included DNA testing and genetic genealogy; military records at the National Archives; and effective ways to use the FamilySearch website.

Participate in club field trips to destinations of genealogical interest.

Past trips have included a docent-led tour of the Los Angeles Public Library.

Increase your knowledge of genealogy by learning:

How to document sources.

How to make effective searches on genealogical websites.

How census records can aid research.

Where to find vital records and how to use the information they contain.

How to write an online query that will produce results.

How technology has changed the way we approach genealogy today.

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Please Check One: Individual Membership (\$25.00) _____
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The QHGS membership year begins September 1st and ends August 31st.

FINANCE REPORT

December 2017

Mike Powers

Previous Balance

\$6,403.13

Income

\$1.11

Expenses

\$405.81

New Balance

\$5,998.43

of which \$1,484.06 is

restricted to

educational expenses

REFRESHMENT REPORT

Sandy Hollandsworth

Our February hosts

will be:

CC & Dick Brennan

Sandy McDonald

Tina McKillip

Maxine Pitts

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Cynthia Day-Elliott

Attendance at our

January meeting: 43

Learning Opportunities

Orange County California Genealogical Society Genealogy Bash” and Book Faire

The Orange County California Genealogical Society Proudly Presents “A Day with Judy Russell” on Saturday, March 3, 2018. Judy will be presenting four exciting topics:

- ✓ More Than Just Names: Advanced US Census Research
- ✓ NARA Myth busters: Your Family IS in the Archives
- ✓ When Worlds Collide: Revolving Conflicts in Genealogical Records
- ✓ “Don’t Forget the Ladies” - A Genealogist’s Guide to Women and the Law

The presentations will be in the Huntington Beach Central Library Theater. There will be over 1,000 books and periodicals on sale. Visit the website, www.occgcs.com, for all the information and online registration.

Family History Library Classes & Webinars

February 12

“Using the FamilySearch Catalog Effectively”

February 20

“Your British/Irish Research Questions Answered”

February 22

“Exploring Census Records Using the Digital Archives of Norway”

To view all classes and times:

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

New PBS Program

“We’ll Meet Again” airs on your local PBS station on Tuesdays. This documentary series introduces viewers to two people who were affected by momentous events in American history in each episode. Significant historic events are explored through the eyes of ordinary people who experienced them. For more information on the show, go to <http://www.pbs.org/meet-again/home/>

The remaining episodes in the seasons are:

“Lost Children of Vietnam” on 2/6

“Heroes of 9/11” 2/13

“Freedom Summer” 2/20

“Coming Out” 2/27

Southern California Genealogical Society and Family Research Library

February 21

“Navigating the Seven C’s of Genealogy” by Thomas MacEntee

March 10

“The Scots-Irish Migration into North America” by Peggy Clemens Lauritzen

To view more information and register go to:

<http://www.scsgenealogy.com/webinar/jes-index.html>

Legacy Family Tree Webinars

February 20

“Using Swedish Taxation Records to Solve Tough Genealogical Problems” by Jill Morelli

February 28

“Find your Roots in German Farm Histories” by Gail Blankenau

March 7

“Overcoming Brick Walls Caused by Record Loss” by Mary Hill

March 9

“Secrets in the Attic: Break Down Brick Walls with Home Sources” by Denise May Levenick

For more information see:

www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com

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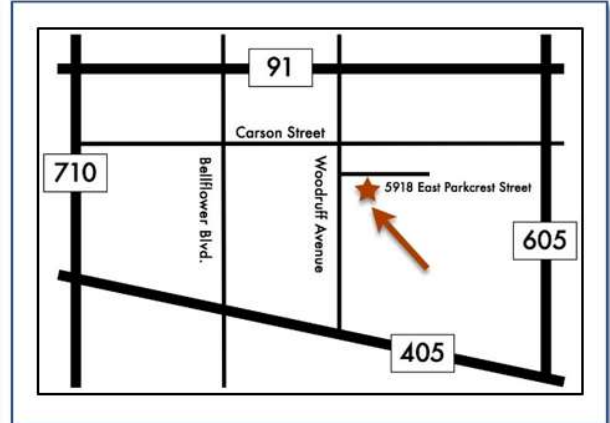
March 17, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

“Spanish Patriots during the American Revolution” with Letty Rodella

California State University Dominguez Hills.

For more information:

<https://www.csudh.edu/olli/courses/history-social-sciences/>



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