

QUESTING HEIRS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

• **Our October Presentation** •
Southern California Chapter of the
Association of Professional Genealogists

Panel Discussion for Both Hours

The next QHGS meeting is
Sunday October 20, 2019 at 1:00 pm

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Our monthly meetings are held on the third Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. at the Lakewood Masonic Center, 5918 E. Parkcrest Street, in Long Beach California. See the map on the last page.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

Dues are \$30 per year for an individual or \$45 per year for a family.

Look for us on the Web:

<http://www.qhgs.info/>

or on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/QuestingHeirs/>

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• OCTOBER REMINDER •



It is QHGS membership renewal time. You can find the renewal form on page 76 and additional details on page 74.

If you have already renewed, thank you so much!

• Our October Presenters •

Association of Professional Genealogists Southern California Chapter

We are excited to have the opportunity to host four professional genealogists at our next meeting. If you have attended a panel discussion before at a genealogy conference, you know how valuable these can be. You don't have to have a degree or initials after your name to be a researcher for others. Get ready to take some notes!

Our October meeting will feature an ask-a-professional panel discussion with guests from the Southern California Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists (SCCAPG). After brief introductions, the panelists will take audience questions related to professional genealogy. Topics might include such things as preparing to become a professional genealogist, running a successful genealogy business, and/or hiring and working with professional genealogists. Bring your questions and join us for an informative and enjoyable afternoon.

The panelists are:

Kimberlie Guerrieri, MA is a professional genealogist, author, and educator. As the founder of The Ancestry Agency, she spends her days helping people discover their family histories and solve some pretty cool mysteries. She recently appeared on "We'll Meet Again" with Ann Curry on PBS.

Jean Wilcox Hibben, PhD, MA is a genealogical speaker, musician, and folklorist. She taught speech communication before leaving academia to pursue two passions: folklore and family history. Jean has held board positions with the Genealogical Speakers Guild, the Association of Professional Genealogists, and the International Society of Family History Writers and Editors. She is the current president of SCCAPG.

Christina "Tina" McKillip has been doing family research for 30 years and adoption research in California for 25 years. Tina doesn't have a certification in genealogy research but relies on genealogy meetings, seminars and webinars to educate herself. Tina has her own business of viewing and extracting vital records in Los Angeles County for various clients. Tina is a new member of APG and SCCAPG and currently the President of Questing Heirs Genealogical Society.

Cyndy Richardson – A bio was not available at time of publication.

‘A New Leaf’, A new Television Series by Ancestry

A new TV docuseries is starting on NBC called 'A New Leaf' on October 5th. It will be hosted by Daisy Fuentes and will highlight everyday people. Each week they will follow people using family history, sometimes AncestryDNA and genealogy to help families learn more about their ancestors and family history. To read the complete blog see: <https://blogs.ancestry.com/ancestry/2019/09/24/a-new-leaf-a-new-television-series-by-ancestry-to-debut-on-nbc-this-fall/>

National Archives Record Group Explorer

The National Archives just announced a new tool called 'Record Group Explorer' to help users navigate their records. Records held by NARA are organized into numbered groups made up of a major government entity, such as a bureau or independent agency. Some examples include: RB319 Army Staff, RG241 Patent & Trademark Office and RG36 U.S. Customs Service. It will be updated monthly so there could be additions each month. For more information see: <https://www.archives.gov/findingaid/explorer>

•QHGS President's Message •

Hope you enjoyed our September speaker, Sara Cochran, as she gave us a lot of information on preserving our documents and photos. Hopefully you are using the materials that were handed out. These were paid for with our speaker funds. If you would like to make a donation towards the cost, you can put it in our donation can at the next meeting.

Thank yous:

Laurie Angel - for keeping our Facebook page up to date with information on our meetings and speakers. She also posts other items of genealogical interest. If you are on Facebook, check us out.

Sandy Hollandsworth - for keeping the refreshment signup list up to date and following up with reminder phone calls.

John McCoy - for being there each month to set up equipment for our speakers.

We appreciate all of you!

Don't forget to send in your membership dues or bring to our October meeting.

If you have any questions, concerns, ideas or suggestions, please let me know. You can find my contact information in the member directory or contact me at: questingheirs@gmail.com

Christina "Tina" McKillip

• We Need You! •



The position of QHGS First Vice President is open and we need you! Terry Hamilton is our current First Vice President but her term ends in December 2019. Over the last two years, Terry has done a fabulous job putting together speakers and programs for our monthly QHGS meetings. Would you be interested in setting up the genealogy presentations and speakers at our monthly meetings?

We have a great group of volunteers at the Questing Heirs Genealogical Society and we would love for you to join our team. Terry will help the new VP transition to their new duties.

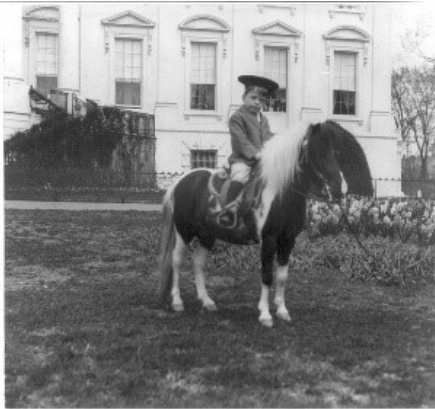
Please let our nominating chair, Sandy McDonald, know as soon as possible if you are interested in this position by sending an email message to her at questingheirs@gmail.com.

QUESTING HEIRS GENEALOGY SOCIETY

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2020

October: Nominations
November: Election
December: Installation of Officer

Do you Remember Door to Door Photographers?



When my parents were growing up, it was common for photographers to walk down the street and take photos of children on ponies. They often carried with them a collection of props so that the children could dress in western costumes. Then they would sell these photos to the parents. The photo on the right of my Mother was taken in the 1930s. The photo on the left is of Quentin Roosevelt taken in 1902 in front of the White House.



In the 1950s and 1960s, the Foremost Dairy truck would go from street to street in parts of Southern California once a year taking photographs. They offered a calendar with the dairy's advertisement and the child's photo printed on it to participants. They also offered prints for purchase. Do you have either of these types of photos in your collection?

• Cup of Coffee Question •

Quentin Roosevelt was born in 1897 to President Theodore Roosevelt and his wife Edith. The couple had five children together: Theodore, Kermit, Ethel, Archibald and Quentin. Use your research skills to find out what year Quentin died. A winning entry will be picked from the correct answers at the next meeting. Win a \$10 gift card for courtesy of Janice Miller.

_____ 1918 _____ 1919 _____ 1948



• Rootstech Presentations Online •

Did you know that Rootstech.org has videos of the sessions and presentations online? In fact, they have presentations going back to the 2015 conference. These are all free and all you need to do is go to the video archive web page of <https://www.rootstech.org/video-archive> to see them.

There are over forty (40) sessions from the 2019 Rootstech conference posted online. A sample of some of the presentations from this year's conference are:

- ✓ 'What's New on FamilySearch' with Ron Tanner
- ✓ 'Essential Considerations for DNA Evidence' with Blaine Bettinger
- ✓ 'What You Don't Know About Ancestry' with Crista Cowan
- ✓ 'The Research Road Map. Your Path to Success' with Amy Johnson Crow
- ✓ 'Perilous Assumptions: Revisiting Those First Finds' with Kris Rzepczynski
- ✓ 'Connecting Your DNA Matches' with Diahan Southard
- ✓ 'The Silent Language of the Stones. Reading Gravestones through Symbols and Carvings' with Joy Neighbors

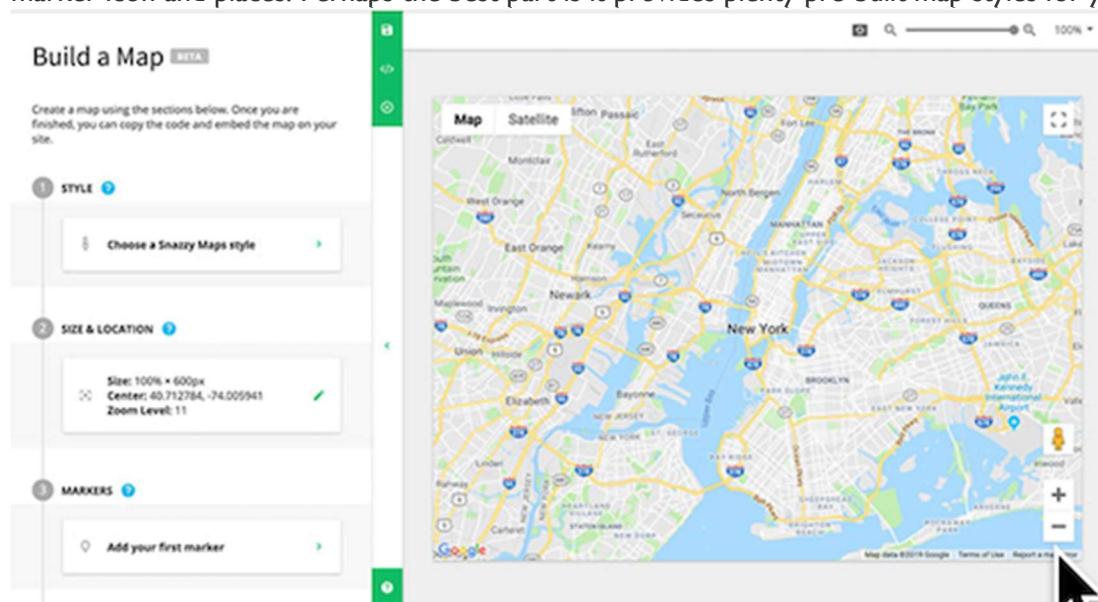
• How to Create and Customize Google Maps •

by Dick Eastman posted on September 12, 2019

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Want to make a map of great-great-grandparents' homestead? How about a map showing a family's migration over the centuries? Google Maps is a natural for such uses except that most people don't know how to create custom maps using Google's mapping service. However, now there is an online tool that simplifies the process.

[Snazzymaps](https://snazzymaps.com) is a tool that aims to make it easier for anyone to customize Google Map. It has a nice and friendly user interface. You can build the map with just a couple of selections from the select box and you don't even have to write code. There are many options for you to control the look of the map. You may also insert your custom marker icon and places. Perhaps the best part is it provides plenty pre-built map styles for you.



Snazzymaps doesn't require any software installation; just open a web browser, go to <https://snazzymaps.com/> and start using it. Since it is a web-based application, Snazzymaps works equally well on Windows, Macintosh, Chromebooks, Linux, iPad, Android tablets, and most any other kind of modern computer. It should even work on your "smartphone" although I suspect the small screen size of phones won't be practical for creating maps. You probably want at least a tablet computer or larger screen

You can find Snazzymaps at <https://snazzymaps.com/> while an introductory, "how to get started with Snazzymaps" article may be found at: <https://www.hongkiat.com/blog/create-map-with-googlemapbuilder/>.



• It is QHGS membership renewal time! •

The Questing Heirs Genealogical Society membership year runs from September 1st through August 31st. Your dues help fund speakers and other activities throughout the year. Please complete the form on page 76 and return it at the next meeting to Cynthia Day-Elliott or to the address at the bottom of the newsletter page.

• Learning Opportunities •

Family Tree Webinars

October 9 – '50 Records that Document Female Ancestors' by Gena Philibert-Ortega

October 30 – 'Seven Steps to Manage Digital Files' by Denis May Levenick

November 6 – 'Understanding Ethnicity Estimates' by Mary Eberle

For more information: <https://familytreewebinars.com/upcoming-webinars.php>

Southern California Genealogical Society Webinars

October 16 – 'Faith of Our Fathers: United States Church Records' by Peggy Clemens Lauritzen

November 2 – 'Mastering the Library and Archives Canada Website' by Kathryn Lake Hogan

For more information: <http://www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/jes-index.html>

Conferences and Events

- ✓ Orange County FamilySearch Library 'Family History Expo' on Saturday, October 12, 2019. Some of the speakers include: Doug Ayer, Jean Hibben, Janis Chandler, Linda Serna, Vera Broyles, Marilyn Pope, Hellen Woods, Don Garcia, Hal Horrocks, Richard Hartman, Letty Rodella and Kristi Sexton. For more information, see: <http://www.ocfamilyhistory.org/Website/fhd20182.html>
- ✓ South Orange County California Genealogical Society: Four presentations by Dr. Fritz Juengling on Saturday, October 19, 2019. For more information see: <http://www.socgcs.info/2019-Seminar-Flyer.pdf>
- ✓ VCGS: Annual Seminar with John Phillip Colletta, PhD on October 19 at Camarillo Public Library. For more details see: <https://venturacogensoc.org/eventListings.php?nm=349&page=1&nr=50&ec=4&tf=12>
- ✓ Orange County California Genealogical Society: Save the date, Saturday, March 7, 2020 for 'A Day with Paul Woodbury'. Details will be available in December 2019 at www.ocgcs.com
- ✓ Orange County Jewish Genealogical Society: Steve Morse - One Step Pages. This is a great opportunity to hear Steve Morse speak on October 27th at Temple Beth Shalom in Santa Ana. Five dollars (\$5) for QHGS members and \$10 for the general public. Check back on the OCJGS website for more details at www.ocjgs.org
- ✓ RootsTech 2020 in Salt Lake City runs February 26 to February 29. Conference registration and hotel reservations have already begun. For more information see <https://www.rootstech.org/salt-lake>

Blogs to Read

- ✓ 'How German Address Books at Ancestry.com are Helping Bust Brick Walls' at <https://lusalouisecooke.com/2019/09/09/german-address-books-ancestry/>
- ✓ 'When There's a Surprise in DNA Results' at <https://www.amyjohnsoncrow.com/when-theres-a-surprise-in-dna-results/>
- ✓ 'Writing Your Family History' at <https://www.thearmchairgenealogist.com/p/ultimate-guide-to-writing-family.html>

MEMBERSHIP REPORT by Cynthia Day-Elliott
At the August meeting there were 26 members and 4 visitors in attendance.

REFRESHMENT REPORT by Sandy Hollandsworth
Snacks for October meeting: Terry Hamilton, Diana Transue, Lauren Oliver, Sandy McDonald

QUESTING HEIRS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEMBER APPLICATION OR RENEWAL

I am a New member
 Current member renewing

Name _____

Spouse's Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip+4 _____

Phone () _____

E-Mail Address _____

Member Type:	Individual (\$30)	\$ _____
	Family (\$45)	\$ _____
	Donation	\$ _____
	Total Paid	\$ _____

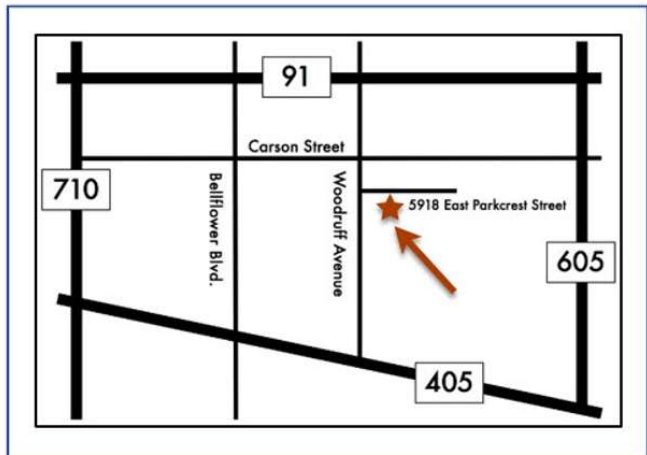
The membership year runs from September 1st through August 31st.

Please take a few minutes to list/update your surname research and location preferences so our Program Chairman can engage speakers who will interest you.

Also, the information will be printed in the directory.

Surnames you are researching: _____

Areas of your research (countries/states/counties): _____



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Questing Heirs Genealogical Society Board

- President..... Christina McKillip.....(2019-2020)
- 1st Vice President – Programs..... Terry Hamilton.....(2018-2019)
- 2nd Vice President – Membership..... Cynthia Day-Elliott.....(2019-2020)
- Secretary Diana Transue(2019)
- Treasurer Christine Elia(2018-2019)
- Director – Hospitality..... Tina Yanis(2019-2020)
- Director – Newsletter..... Janice Miller.....(2019-2020)
- Director– Publicity..... Jerry Hardison.....(2019)
- Past President..... Sandy McDonald.....(2019-2020)

QHGS Volunteer Positions

- Digital Archivist..... Vacant
- Research/Historian..... Tina Yanis
- Refreshments Sandy Hollandsworth
- Social Media/Facebook Coordinator..... Laurie Angel
- Webmaster..... John McCoy

Submissions for the November 2019 Newsletter
 Must be received by noon on October 25, 2019

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