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**QUESTING HEIRS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA**

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**Next Meeting is Via Zoom on  
May 15, 2022 at 1:00 PM with  
Social Time starting at 12:30 PM**

**Special Guest Speaker: Robin R. Foster of  
Genealogy Just Ask, LLC  
Up Your Game: Intermediate Course On  
Researching and Analyzing**

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**MONTHLY MEETINGS**

Our monthly meetings are held  
on the third Sunday of the month  
at 1:00 p.m.

**Please note that  
meetings will continue  
to be virtual  
and will be held via  
Zoom until further notice**

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**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:

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**10 THINGS NOT TO ASK A FAMILY HISTORIAN**

1. Don't you already have enough books?
2. Have you finished your tree yet?
3. Didn't you already tell me this story?
4. Shouldn't you be doing housework or something else?
5. Didn't we already go to this cemetery?
6. How much did you spend on that subscription?
7. So, do you have all your research organized yet?
8. Do you really need all these binders and folders?
9. Where are you going to put all this?
10. Didn't you say "one more website" hours ago?

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**May 15, 2022 Speaker**  
**Robin R. Foster of Genealogy Just Ask, LLC**  
*Up Your Game: Intermediate Course On Researching and Analyzing*

Robin has been researching and helping people discover and share information about their ancestors since 1985. As a blogger and columnist, she works to heighten awareness of genealogical and historical resources through social media.



Putting forth a great pioneering effort to share her knowledge on social platforms not originally used to disseminate genealogical information, she was among the first to use Pinterest for genealogy.

Robin serves as a Team Lead for FamilySearch Wiki Support, a family history consultant in the Greenwood Ward of the Greenville, SC Stake of the Church of JESUS CHRIST of Latter-Day Saints, a volunteer at the Lawrence Local History and Genealogy Room of the Greenwood County Library, and a volunteer at the Greenwood, SC Family History Center.

### QHGS President's Message



The 1950 U.S. Census finally arrived to many waiting genealogists. How many of you stayed up all night trying to find your family? I decided not to participate since I knew I wouldn't be able to stop.

I tried the NARA (National Archives) site as it was indexed by head of household. I couldn't find my parents (as children) and several other family members. The computer indexing didn't work well so I searched for a friend of the family whose name was unusual and surprisingly their page was indexed correctly.

I went to the Steve Morse site ([www.stevemorse.org](http://www.stevemorse.org)) and used his Enumeration District (ED) finder. I was fortunate as my mother applied for Social Security in early 1950 and her SS-5 application had her address. Not knowing the area in Massachusetts, the ED finder guides you with easy steps and I found the right enumeration district. It had 45 or so pages so it was a bit tedious at this point but I found her living with her family along with others which wasn't previously known.

The main complaint on social media seems to be the famous "No One Home" for many residents. There seems to be a universal page for the updates for these folks. I have not come across anyone not at home yet so I can't tell you how it works.

Yesterday I received my first Ancestry hint for the 1950 Census. It was for a great aunt and it was a bingo! This is so much fun.

Do you have a genealogy find or a 1950 Census story that you want to share with us like Bridget did below? Send our Newsletter Editor your story at [questingheirs@gmail.com](mailto:questingheirs@gmail.com).

If you have any comments or suggestions, let us know.

Christina "Tina" McKillip

## Member Stories & Contributions

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I finally make my appearance on the census...As a boy?

On April 8th, I received an email from MyHeritage, which was “delighted to announce” they had completed publishing an image-only collection of the 1950 U.S. Census. I was delighted, too, and had no problem scrolling through the pages until I found my old address. I didn’t expect any surprises but I found one.

The enumerator had listed me as Richard Dole, son, of hard-to-distinguish race (a W superimposed on a 3), male, 3 years old. The only thing clear and correct was my last name and birth in California. I can understand how it happened. Bridget and Richard sound a lot alike, and photos of the time confirm I was usually dressed in my brother’s hand-me-downs (we were both listed as three, but I was two).

Luckily, I was one of those chosen for further information at the bottom of the page. I imagine that during those extra couple of minutes my mother must have referred to me as “she,” because the enumerator had crossed out “Richard” and “son,” and above it wrote “Bridget” and “daughter.” Thank goodness for that!

But the M for male still stands. Hopefully the indexer will be less confused than the enumerator was!

~~Bridget Dole~~

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**From Bob Prager**

### **New England Town Records**

Info at <https://www.americanancestors.org/events/new-england-town-records>

May 26, Noon to 1 PM PDT

"Town records from New England can contain a wealth of genealogical information. These records can contain records of births, marriages, burials, mortgages, name changes, and more that can help you fill in the details of your ancestor's life. In this webinar, Genealogist Ann Lawthers will delve into this important resource for New England and demonstrate how you may get the most out of these records for your own family history."

## Upcoming Webinars

### Legacy Family Tree Free Webinars

#### [Legacy Family Tree Webinars : Upcoming Webinars](#)

(Click on the above link to register for any of the webinars below)

## May 2022

All times listed are PDT

Date	Time	Speaker	Topic
Tuesday, May 3	7:00 PM	Helen Smith	Government Gazettes as a Genealogical Resource
Wednesday, May 4	11:00 AM	Dana Leeds	Quickly Organize Your DNA Matches with the Leeds Method
Friday, May 6	11:00 AM	Calvin Dark	McMasters' Will: The Scheme That Made Us Virtually Free
Tuesday, May 10	11:00 AM	MyHeritage	Drawing Insights from Your Family Photos
Wednesday May 11	5:00 PM	Irene Heffran Monley	Finding Your Delaware Ancestors
Tuesday, May 17	5:00 PM	Mark A. Wentling, CG	Five Wives & A Feather Bed: Using Indirect and Negative Evidence to Resolve Conflicting Claims
Wednesday, May 18	11:00 AM	Pauline C. Merrick	Indirect Evidence – A Case Study
Friday, May 20	11:00 AM	Colleen Robledo Greene, MLIS	Working More In-Depth with Mexican Civil Registrations
Tuesday, May 24	11:00 AM	Urin Gonen	Jump-starting Your Research with Instant Discoveries™
Wednesday, May 25	11:00 AM	Seema Kenney	The Staff of the U.S. Census
Saturday, May 28			Monthly Online Genealogy Conference: Germany
Tuesday, May 31	7:00 PM	Fiona Brooker	The Bones – New Zealand Civil Registration

## Southern California Jamboree – August 2022

As part of our collaboration with helping publicize Jamboree 2022, the Southern California Genealogical Society has presented us with one (1) Standard Registration to this event. Questing Heirs at their July meeting will choose one lucky Questing Heirs member. To participate you must be a current Questing Heirs member in good standing with dues up-to-date. For more general information, click on the graphic below or on the individual session links.

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**jamboree 2022**  
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<b>Solving Your DNA Puzzles</b>  <b>August 19-20</b>	<b>JamboFREE</b>  <b>August 22-24</b>	<b>Preserving Your Family Tales</b>  <b>August 26-27</b>
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[www.genealogyjamboree.com](http://www.genealogyjamboree.com)

### **Solving our DNA Puzzles – August 19-20, 2022**

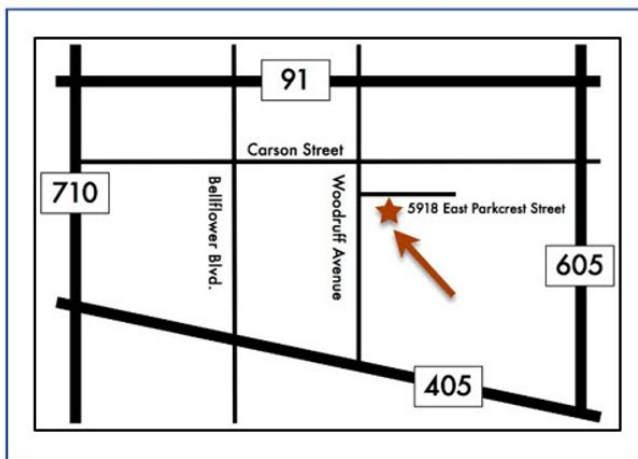
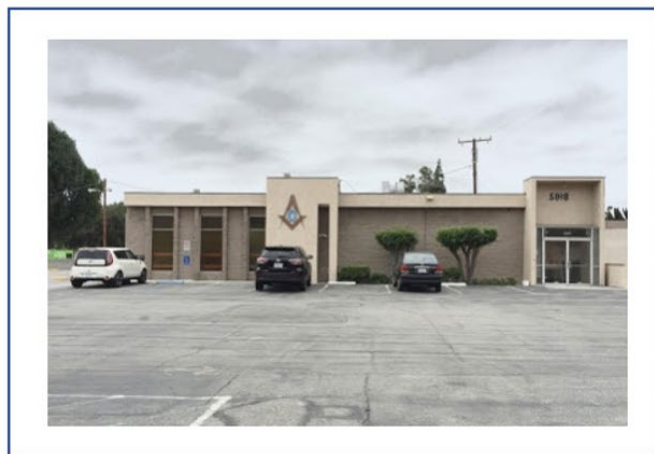
[Genetic Genealogy 2022 - SCGS Genealogy Jamboree 2022](#)

### **Preserving our Family Tales – August 22-24, 2022**

[JamboFree 2022 - SCGS Genealogy Jamboree 2022](#)

### **Preserving our Family Tales – August 26-27, 2022**

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Research/Historian .....	Tina Yanis
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Social Media/Facebook Coordinator.....	Diana Transue
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