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

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**The meeting on December 18, 2022 will begin at 2:00 PM. This meeting will be a hybrid meeting utilizing Zoom and also meets in person for those who wish to attend at St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church.**

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**MONTHLY MEETINGS**

Our monthly meetings are held on the third Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m.

**St. Thomas of Canterbury  
Episcopal Church  
5306 E. Arbor Road  
Long Beach, CA 90808  
Between Bellflower Blvd. and  
Clark next to Pan American  
Park or via Zoom**

**Our Guest Speaker is our own Diana Transue presenting on: How to Create A Private Facebook Family Page**

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

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**QHGS Membership Renewal Reminder**

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The Questing Heirs Genealogical Society membership year runs from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>. Your dues help fund speakers and other activities throughout the year. Please complete the form on page 6 when you have a moment and mail the completed membership renewal form and your check to our post office box at: Questing Heirs Genealogical Society, PO Box 15102, Long Beach, CA 90815-0102

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## QHGS President's Message



It has been a pleasure serving as President of this society. I want to thank Board members (past and present) whom I have worked with over the last three years. Your guidance, ideas and service to our society is greatly appreciated.

During my term, we had the job of learning to Zoom to keep our society moving forward during COVID times. Luckily I had been using this way to communicate with friends and family and although still challenging, we made it work and I thank you for your support. Another unexpected job was finding a new meeting room for when we were able to meet post COVID. With the help of others, we found a home at St. Thomas of Canterbury. I thank Reverend Sharon for her hospitality and ease of transition.

Please consider joining our Board in the future. We elect half of our Board each year so next year is another opportunity to join us and make decisions for the future. I will continue on in the role of Past President so I'm not going away anytime soon.

Happy Holidays to all!

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

Christina "Tina" McKillip

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WHO WERE ELECTED AT  
OUR NOVEMBER MEETING TO THE 2023-2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

PRESIDENT: TERRY HAMILTON  
2ND VICE PRESIDENT (MEMBERSHIP): CYNTHIA DAY-ELLIOTT  
DIRECTOR - NEWSLETTER: CHERYL SIMMONS  
DIRECTOR - HOSPITALITY: TINA YANIS

THANK YOU TO THE NEW AND RETURNING BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

## December 18, 2022 Speaker

### Diana Transue, presenting on: How to Create a Private Facebook Family Page



Hi, my name is Diana Gloeckner Transue and I love my hobby of genealogy! Recently a group of five cousins and I put together a wonderful family reunion in West Virginia. We hosted over 125 cousins from my maternal side of the family. I am delighted to share with you how this all started with a Facebook Family Page.

**For members joining our meeting in person, please bring any store bought finger foods such as appetizers or dessert/cookies. Drinks, plates and utensils will be provided. For our Zoom members, join us online with your favorite snack.**

**We will have share time too. If in person, bring a thumb drive (if needed) and for those on Zoom, you can share your screen.**

## Member Stories & Contributions

### Read any good books lately?

#### **INHERITANCE** **A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love**

**by Dani Shapiro**

Dani Shapiro is a well-known novelist who took a DNA test on a lark. But we all know how life-changing some larks turn out to be.

She was shocked to find out that her beloved dad, who had passed away years earlier, was not her biological father... that the cultural heritage she clung to was not hers in the genetic, provable way she thought it was... that her mother had secrets.

This is the story of 54-year-old Dani's journey from a confident I-know-who-I-am woman to an investigator on a quest to find her biological father. As she digs deep into the story of her origins, she's also forced to dig into the meaning of identity and family. When she finds her biological father, will she forge a relationship with him and her new-found siblings?

This is a well-written, thoughtful book that delves into questions about how our personal experiences and biology make us who we are. It's food for thought served in a fast-paced, satisfying read. I recommend it.

Submitted by Bridget Dole

## Upcoming December Webinars

### Legacy Family Tree Free Webinars

#### [Legacy Family Tree Webinars : Upcoming December 2022 Webinars](#)

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

**All times listed are PDT**

#### **Lloyd's of London: its history and its records for shipping**

Paul Milner FUGA, MDiv - Tue, Dec 6, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Lloyd's Shipping Lists, and the allied publications are the go-to resources for information about merchant shipping over 100 tons worldwide since 1696. Lloyd's of London created its first news sheet in 1696. Its successor Lloyd's List issued in 1734 was a weekly journal of news about ships arriving in English and Irish ports. The New Lloyd's List ran as a rival beginning in 1769, and replaced it 1773, dropping New after 1788. The frequency of publication changed to daily with annual indexes, advertisements were introduced in 1854. Lloyd's Weekly Shipping Index began publication in 1880. Further changes were made especially during WWI and WWII with additional records being created. Shipping records are still being produced. The Lists created by Lloyd's are the go-to place for shipping over 100 tons worldwide to get information on the vessels, their masters, and their owners. The presentation will show examples of the different records and how to interpret and understand the information contained. We will look at what is online, and where to look when not online. Plus, once identified where can one look for more information about the ships and the people involved.

#### **Creating a DNA plan for Geoff's brick wall**

Diahan Southard, Wed, Dec 7, 2022: 11:00 AM PST

Despite his best efforts, Geoff Rasmussen's long standing brick wall hasn't come down yet. John Williams, born in New York City between 1840-1854, was the son of John Williams. Family tradition says that "he was orphaned at the age of 10 and shifted around until he was 16". Geoff thinks it's time to add a little genetic genealogy to his plan. On hand to help him develop this DNA plan is DNA expert Diahan Southard. Join us and learn techniques that you can apply to your own family tree.

#### **Trendy Tech Tools for Your Research: Yay or Nay?**

Cyndi Ingle, Fri, Dec 9, 2022: 11:00 AM PST

Everywhere we turn we hear from someone recommending the latest and greatest apps and tools to use in our research. But should we try to use all of them? Some of them? None of them? How do you choose what is best for you? We will go over the research process and help you decide which of your own activities need special tools and which work well with the standard tools we all should use.

#### **Wayward Girls: A Context Case Study**

Stephanie O'Connell, Tue, Dec 20, 2022: 5:00 PM PST

Young women who rebelled against nineteenth-century moral conventions were deemed delinquent. For some seeking social independence resulted in a reformatory sentence. This case study highlights strategies used to overcome missing records and the importance of historical context.



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Canterbury  
5306 E. Arbor Rd.  
Long Beach, CA**



**Questing Heirs Genealogical Society Board**

- President..... Christina McKillip..... (2019-2022)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Programs ..... Jerry Hardison..... (2020-2022)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Membership ..... Cynthia Day-Elliott..... (2021-2022)
  
- Secretary ..... Bridget Dole..... (2022-2023)
- Treasurer..... Bob Prager..... (2022-2023)
- Director – Hospitality..... Tina Yanis ..... (2019-2021)
- Director – Newsletter..... Cheryl Simmons ..... (2021-2022)
- Director– Publicity..... Diana Transue..... (2022-2023)
- Past President..... Sandy McDonald..... (2019-2023)

**QHGS Volunteer Positions**

- Digital Archivist..... Diana Transue and Cynthia Day-Elliott
- Research/Historian ..... Tina Yanis
- Refreshments..... Sandy Hollandsworth
- Social Media/Facebook Coordinator..... Diana Transue
- Webmaster ..... Mike Powers

**Submissions for the January 2023 newsletter  
must be received by noon on December 23, 2022.**

The newsletter has been published since 1969 by Questing Heirs Genealogical Society, Inc. Submissions, including queries, corrections, or any questions regarding the newsletter should be sent to Cheryl Simmons, QHGS, P.O. Box 15102, Long Beach, CA 90815-0102, or emailed to [tamparoots@gmail.com](mailto:tamparoots@gmail.com). We are not responsible for the accuracy of material published, but will gladly print corrections. Newsletter illustrations: QHGS logo designed by Mike Powers. Photo on page 2 by Christina McKillip and Diana Transue. All other illustrations are in the public domain and come from New York Public Library, Library of Congress, Wikimedia Commons, Dover Royalty Free Clip Art, with permission from Twisted Twiggs or through a subscription to Clip Art.com as cited.

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In order to receive the monthly newsletter, one must be enrolled as a member of the Society. To join, please contact Membership Chair Cynthia Day-Elliott at:

[Questingheirs@gmail.com](mailto:Questingheirs@gmail.com)

# 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 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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The 2023 membership year runs from January 1 through December 31.

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Areas of your research (countries/states/counties): \_\_\_\_\_

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