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QHGS Annual Meeting on Sunday November 20 “Emigration Records: Tracking Immigrants from the Other Side”

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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 St., in Long Beach, California. **(map on page 94)**

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**“Tracking Immigrants from the Other Side”
 Annual Meeting and Election of Officers**

**MEETING
 AGENDA**

NOVEMBER 20, 2016

Starting at 1:15 p.m., Ted Gostin will present **“Emigration Records: Tracking Immigrants from the Other Side.”** This lecture reviews different types of records: emigration passenger lists; convict transport records; permissions to emigrate; police registrations; and passports and passport applications, and compares the information they contain to that in U.S. passenger lists.



**ABOUT
 OUR SPEAKER**

TED GOSTIN



Mr. Gostin has been conducting genealogical research since 1980 and has worked as a full-time professional genealogist since 1994. He has twice been President of the Jewish Genealogical Society, Los Angeles, and has taught genealogy for several adult school and university extension programs. Mr. Gostin has helped plan and organize three national genealogical seminars, and has been a featured speaker at a half-dozen such conferences. He lectures widely on Jewish genealogy, Southern California resources, and naturalization and immigration records. Mr. Gostin is the author of *Southern California Vital Statistics: Volume 1, Los Angeles County 1850-1859*, and the owner of Generations Press publishing company. He was featured on the Larry Lamb episode of the original BBC version of the popular genealogy television show *Who Do You Think You Are?* He is very active in the international Jewish genealogical community, and maintains contact with genealogists throughout the world. Mr. Gostin is also an active member of the Association of Professional Genealogists.

Questing Heirs Genealogical Society Announcements and Reports

QHGS PROGRAM NEXT MONTH

SUNDAY DECEMBER 18



Mark your calendars—it's the **QHGS Annual Pot Luck Luncheon** with installation of our officers, show and share from our members, and several rounds of Past President Jeanette Jones' invention—Genealogy Bingo!!!! A chart will be published in the December newsletter so you can plan which specialty to bring: appetizer, salad, main dish, or dessert. Come share food, friendship, and (of course) genealogy.

DON'T FORGET TO RENEW

QHGS DUES ARE DUE

Membership Chairman and 2nd Vice-President Kathy Latham would like to thank all of the Questing Heirs members who have renewed their dues. At press time for the newsletter, she reported that 75 people have paid and are members in good standing, able to vote at our annual meeting this month. Don't forget to renew—do it today and make sure you don't miss an issue of the newsletter.

SANDY MCDONALD IS OCTOBER WINNER

QHGS GIVEAWAY

We have begun giving an item of genealogical interest to one of our meeting attendees. When speaker Barb Randall picked "27" as the sign-in number, October's winner turned out to be member Sandy McDonald! She received a copy of Martin E. Hollick's book, *New Englanders in the 1600s* which was donated by Maxine Pitts for our contest. Thanks, Maxine.



FINANCE REPORT

Mike Powers

September Income
\$1,533.10
September Expenses
\$1,576.54
F & M Bank Balance
\$5,752.73,
of which \$1,999.06
is restricted to
educational expenses

REFRESHMENT REPORT

Sandy Hollandsworth

Our November Hosts

will be

**Laurie Gilmore
Cathy Rokicki
Kathleen O'Daniels
and
Sue Tisdall**

Many thanks
to
our
October
hosts

Janice Miller
Susan Roberge
Linda Ryan
and

Fred Speckmeyer

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Kathy Latham

Attendance
at

October's meeting: 46

Learning Opportunities and Special Events

WEBINARS TO WATCH

Minnesota Genealogical Society

“Using the Non-Population Schedules for Context and Evidence,” by Jill Morelli, on **Wednesday, November 2, at 5:00 p.m. PDT**. Five different non-population schedules will be reviewed illustrating how they can be used to answer genealogical questions. Register: <https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/675106008574459137>.

Illinois State Genealogical Society

“Principles of Effective Evidence Analysis,” presented by George G. Morgan on **Tuesday, November 8, at 6:00 p.m. PST**. Evidence comes in many forms and with varying amounts of content. This lecture focuses on studying evidence to determine reliable and less-than-reliable sources of information. Register: <https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/5160689038658812674>.

Legacy Family Tree

Go to <http://www.familytreewebinars.com/upcoming-webinars.php> to learn more about the following **webinars which will be presented between November 2 and November 30**: “Analysis and Correlation—Two Keys to Sound Conclusions,” “PedigreeMap of Your Family History,” “Publishing a Genealogy E-Book,” “Using Notarial Records to Build a Family History,” “Dating Family Photographs,” “Family History for Adoptees,” and “Multi-Media Story Telling.”

Southern California Genealogical Society

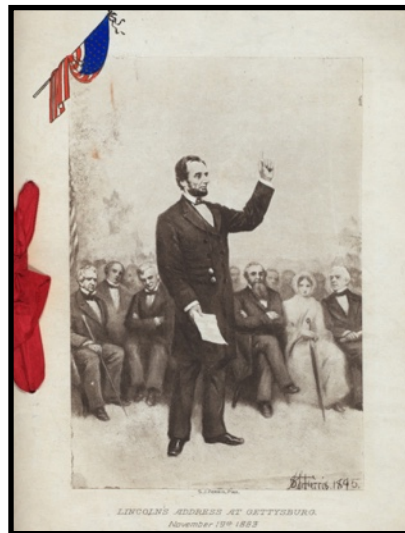
Go to <http://www.scgsgenealogy.com/webinar/jes-index.html> to register for the following webinars: “Weaving the Research Quilt” and “How You Can Find Out Everything About Your Ancestor.”

Wisconsin State Genealogical Society

“Passenger List Research: Castle Garden, Ellis Island, and Other Ports of Entry,” by Bob Heck on **Tuesday, November 15, at 5:00 p.m. PST**. We will learn about the history of passenger lists, where to find them, and what information may be available in the records. Register at the following website: <https://attendeegotowebinar.com/register/161668163288972546>.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

On **Saturday, November 19, at 2:00 p.m.**, the Drum Barracks Museum in Wilmington joins in the national remembrance and celebration of President Abraham Lincoln’s Gettysburg Address. **Free admission**. More



information: <http://www.drumbarracks.org/index.php/en/>.

LONG BEACH VETERANS DAY PARADE

The 20th Annual Long Beach Veterans Day Parade, “A Salute to Those Who Served,” will be held on Saturday, November 5. Step-off is at Atlantic and Harding at 10:00 a.m. The Parade proceeds south on Atlantic to 56th Street, then returns north on Atlantic back to Harding. It has grown far beyond anything former Councilman Jerry Shultz imagined back in 1996. His original goal was to create a patriotic event in Long Beach. Now in its 20th year, the Parade has grown into a family-oriented event that attracts close to 15,000 people. Today the parade has a military grand marshal, an honorary grand marshal, and a celebrity grand marshal. Now, more than ever, we need to let our troops and veterans know that they are supported and that we appreciate their service to our Country. The Committee urges everyone to attend this event and SALUTE THOSE WHO SERVED. For more information, please visit the website: <http://www.lbveteransdayparade.com/>.

Genealogy Seminar in Whittier

WHITTIER AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 34TH ANNUAL SEMINAR

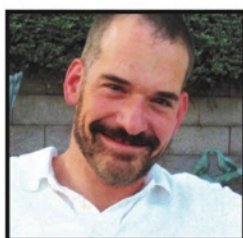
PRESENTS



Michael D. Lacopo, DVM

Saturday, January 28, 2017

7604 Greenleaf Ave, Whittier, CA 90602



Dr. Michael D. Lacopo is a retired small-animal veterinarian. He takes a scientific approach to his research as he does to his profession. Researching since 1980, he has lectured internationally and written for numerous periodicals and journals. A self-described “all-American mutt,” his research skills cover a broad range.

Born and raised in northern Indiana, Michael grew up surrounded by extended family always willing to tell tall tales. Intrigued by his maternal family’s claim to be kinfolk of Abraham Lincoln, and his paternal family’s stories of murder and mayhem, he took to genealogical research to substantiate these family stories.

Genealogical research as a hobby was in its infancy in the 1980s. Combing libraries, archives, cemeteries and courthouses as a teenager, Michael gained the skills needed to become a keen researcher. He tackled his first major research challenge by finding his adopted mother’s birthparents in 1982. You can read about this adventure at his blog at Roots4U.blogspot.com with some engaging story-telling, plot twists and new findings!

Michael has lectured nationally including at the NGS Conference, FGS Conference, SCGS Jamboree, and other regional societies.

Seminar Schedule

- 8:00 Doors open. Registration.
- 9:00 Welcome & Introduction
- 9:15 **More Than The Census - Our Families Did Exist Between Those Ten Year Intervals**
- 10:15 Break - Browse vendor booths
- 10:45 **Estate Files: Are You Getting The Most Out of Them?**
- 12:00 Lunch - Browse vendor booths
- 1:00 Door Prizes
- 1:30 **Incorporating Social History Into Your Research**
- 2:30 Break- Browse vendor booths
- 3:00 **Finding Dead Ancestors is Easy: Finding Living Relatives Can Be a Challenge!**
- 4:00 Adjournment

Browse sales tables and vendor booths during registration, breaks and lunch time.

REGISTRATION FORM ~ NO REFUNDS

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Name _____ Phone _____

Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Check box for Handicap Parking

Qty	Registration Info	No Refunds	Fee	Amount Paid
	WAGS Members early registration (deadline January 21)		\$35	
	Non-Member early registration (deadline January 21)		\$40	
	Late registration, member & non-member (after January 21 and at the door)		\$45	
	Lunch optional (<i>make selection below.</i>) No orders after January 23		\$12	
	Record Your Check #	TOTAL ENCLOSED:		

Lunch Choice

A or B

Corner Bakery Box Lunch includes chips, fruit cup, and cookie.

- A. TURKEY Sandwich on roll** (lettuce, tomato, Swiss cheese, mustard on the side)
- B. ROAST BEEF Sandwich on roll** (lettuce, tomato, cheddar cheese, mayo on the side)

Mail Registration to: WAGS Seminar, P O Box 4367, Whittier, CA 90607

<http://www.wagswhittier.org/index.php>

Genealogy Resources: Orphan Records Online

Do you have an orphan in your ancestral line? If you do, these websites may help you locate more information about that individual or lead you to orphanage records.

“How to Find the Parents of Orphans,” Part 1

<http://statelibrarync.org/news/2015/07/how-to-find-the-parents-of-orphans-part-1/>

Part 2

<http://statelibrarync.org/news/2016/02/find-parents-orphans-part-2/>

Part 3

<http://statelibrarync.org/news/2016/05/find-parents-orphans-part-3/>

“Researching Orphans in Genealogy,” by Carmen Nigro

<http://www.nypl.org/blog/2013/11/07/researching-orphans-genealogy>

“Tips for Researching Orphaned Ancestors,” by Diane

<http://blog.familytreemagazine.com/insider/2010/03/30/TipsForResearchingOrphanedAncestors.aspx>

Orphanage Records at Ancestry.com

https://www.ancestry.com/wiki/index.php?title=Orphanage_Records

Orphanage Records at Genealogy Today

http://data.genealogytoday.com/contents/Orphanage_Records.html

Orphans Home Web Site

<http://www.ancestor.com/getting-started/orphans-home-web-site/>

San Francisco Genealogy: Record of Orphans, Half Orphans, Etc. on State Aid 1903-1910

<http://www.sfgenealogy.com/sf/orphans/sforphans.htm>

Orphans in New York and Canada

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ote/orphans/>



“Indiana Orphans” at the Allen County Public Library, is a search engine specifically designed to find information about individuals who were raised by someone with a different surname than their own: children who were adopted from orphanages, raised by a relative with a different surname, or who lived in the house of someone to whom their relationship is not known. The data has been culled from a variety of sources, but primarily from published county histories and genealogical society newsletters. Visit http://www.genealogycenter.info/search_indianaorphans.php.

New York Orphans and Orphanages

https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/New_York_Orphans_and_Orphanages

“Lutheran Orphans’ Home and Asylum, Germantown PA 1892-1914”

at Access Genealogy <https://www.accessgenealogy.com/pennsylvania/lutheran-orphans-home-asylum.htm>

Orphan Trains

https://www.ancestry.com/wiki/index.php?title=Orphan_Trains

National Orphan Train Complex at https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/National_Orphan_Train_Complex

“Suffer the Little Children – Orphan Trains in America,” by Carolyn Barkley

<http://www.genealogyandfamilyhistory.com/children-orphan-trains-in-america/>

“Orphans and Guardians”

<http://www.genfiles.com/articles/orphans-guardians/>

If any of these websites help you, we’d love to hear about your discovery. Please write an article for the newsletter and tell us who you found and how you discovered the true identity of your orphan.

—Penny Nugent

Veterans Day: Honor Your Military Ancestors

Apply for a Presidential Memorial Certificate

A Presidential Memorial Certificate (PMC) is a gold-embossed paper certificate bearing the official signature of the President of the United States. It honors the memory of a **deceased** honorably discharged Veteran and expresses the country's grateful recognition of his or her service in the Armed Forces.

History

This program was initiated in March 1962 by President John F. Kennedy and has been continued by all subsequent Presidents. Statutory authority for the program is Section 112, Title 38, of the United States Code.

Administration

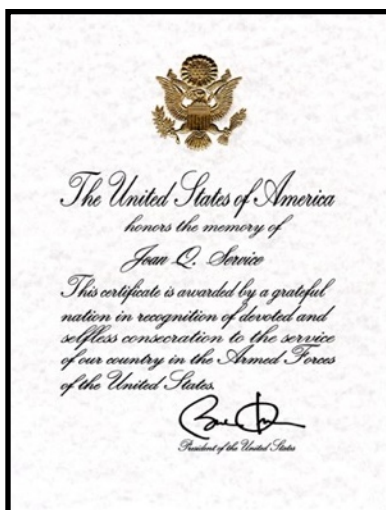
The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) administers the PMC program by preparing the certificates which bear the current President's signature expressing the country's grateful recognition of the Veteran's service in the United States Armed Forces.

Eligibility

Eligible recipients include the next of kin and loved ones of honorably discharged deceased Veterans. More than one certificate may be provided.

Application

Eligible recipients, or someone acting on their behalf, may apply for a PMC in person at any VA regional office or by U.S. mail or toll-free fax. **Requests cannot be sent via email.** Please be sure to enclose a copy of the Veteran's discharge and death certificate to verify eligibility, as the VA cannot process any request without proof of honorable military service. Please submit copies only, as the VA will not return original documents. An application form in pdf format is available at <http://www.va.gov/vaforms/va/pdf/VA40-0247.pdf>. Instructions for ordering a PMC using the VA Toll Free Fax Line are available at <http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/faxpmc.asp>.



About Veterans Day

In November 1919, President Wilson proclaimed November 11 as the first commemoration of Armistice Day with the following words: "To us in America, the reflections of Armistice Day will be filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory, both because of the thing from which it has freed us and because of the opportunity it has given America to show her sympathy with peace and justice in the councils of the nations...." The original concept for the celebration

was for a day observed with parades and public meetings. On June 1, 1954, President Eisenhower signed legislation changing the name of the legal holiday from Armistice Day to Veterans Day. More information: <http://www.va.gov/opa/vetsday/vetdayhistory.asp>.

A History of Veterans Day

<http://www.history.army.mil/html/reference/holidays/vetsday/vetshist.html>

Veterans Day Information on Wikipedia

Media files may be accessed from Wikimedia Commons at the bottom of the Wikipedia page: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Veterans_Day.

Veterans History Project

Experience first-person stories of wartime service through personal artifacts, audio and video interviews, and 28,188 items at the Library of Congress: <https://www.loc.gov/vets/>.

Genealogy Research in Military Records

Use the National Archives website at <https://www.archives.gov/research/military/genealogy.html> to discover how military records can augment your genealogical research.

National Veteran's Historical Archive

http://www.angelfire.com/in4/nat_vet_hist_arch/

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QHGS October 16 Meeting



Barbara Randall gave two dynamic presentations: one about Irish research, and the other about using the National Archives website.



Can you find yourself in the group photo above?