

QUESTING HEIRS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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QHGS Meeting on Sunday, August 20

Our Featured Speaker Will Be

Claudine Burnett



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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 64)

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

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Life (Family): \$900.00

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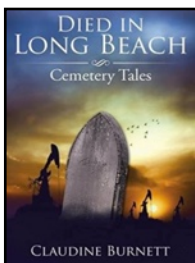
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“Died in Long Beach” Cemetery Research Methods

MEETING AGENDA

AUGUST 20, 2017



ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

CLAUDINE BURNETT



Starting at 1:15 p.m., Claudine Burnett will present **“Died in Long Beach–Cemetery Tales.”** Have you ever wondered how to do cemetery research? Our speaker has excellent experience doing just that! She will talk about those who died or are buried in Long Beach. Politicians, city founders, visitors, influenza victims, Civil War veterans and accident victims will be discussed, as well as the hospitals, doctors, undertakers and others who cared for the dead and dying. You’ll learn that what makes Long Beach’s Sunnyside and Municipal cemeteries different from all others is the question of whether the bodies said to be there still remain! You’ll also learn about the “cemetery wars” of the 1920s which erupted when oil was discovered on Signal Hill. Claudine will have books for sale, so come prepared to purchase one of more of them. **After our break, Cynthia Day-Elliott** will lead a discussion about spreadsheets—what they are, and how they can be used to keep track of genealogical information.

Claudine Burnett has actively been pursuing Southern California history since 1971. She is the former head of the Literature and History Department of Long Beach Public Library and is a member of various historical societies. Her credentials include a B.A. in history from the University of California, Irvine; a Master’s in Information Science from the University of California, Los Angeles; and a Master’s in Public Administration from California State University, Long Beach. She has written many books and articles on Southern California history for which she has received numerous awards. She has also appeared on national radio and television. Named one of the City of Long Beach’s most influential people in the cultural arts by the *Long Beach Business Journal*, and described by the *Long Beach Press Telegram* as “one of this town’s finest historians,” Ms. Burnett’s books are sure to open up new sources of information for history enthusiasts. Learn more about Claudine’s books, blogs, and histories at <http://claudineburnettbooks.com/>.

Questing Heirs Genealogical Society Announcements and Reports

NEWSLETTER
EDITOR NEEDED

VOLUNTEER TODAY!



After four and a half years, **your editor will be stepping down on December 31, 2017**; so, if you want QHGS to continue producing a monthly newsletter, **it's time for someone to volunteer!** Back in the day, a newsletter was necessary because not many Society members had access to the internet; but at the present time, many genealogical societies no longer have a monthly newsletter—they let Facebook posts and announcements on their Society's webpage do the job. What do you think? **Do we really need a newsletter?** If you don't want the monthly bulletin to end, volunteer! There is no need to make future issues exactly like the previous issues. Every new editor has changed the newsletter format to his or her liking. It's time for a new look, a new length (maybe a shorter format of four pages), and a new focus. We are the genealogical society in Long Beach that helps people discover our wonderful hobby—if you want a newsletter that covers speakers, events, and our 50th Birthday celebration in March of 2019, volunteer!

FUNDRAISER
A GREAT SUCCESS

THANK YOU, PAPALUCCI'S



Our fundraiser at Papalucci's Ristorante on June 20th was a great success, thanks to the participation of many QHGS members. **Owner Dan Tarrantine contributed 20% of his evening's profits to our club and presented Member-at-Large Cathy Rokicki with a check for \$320.00.** This will be a welcome addition to our treasury! To thank Dan, Cathy wrote the following note:
“Dear Dan Tarrantine,
We want you to know we so appreciate your generosity and hospitality at our fundraiser for Questing Heirs Genealogical Society last month. It was a great time for our members to meet socially and share great food, while supporting our club. At our next meeting, everyone was still thinking up adjectives to describe the experience: the garlic balls were “delish,” the lasagna was “just great” and the carbonara was described simply as “wow!” The service staff made everyone feel welcome. We thank you so much for your support.
Questing Heirs”

FINANCE REPORT

Mike Powers

June Income
\$27.45

June Expenses
\$636.40

F & M Bank Balance
\$4,562.28

of which \$1,724.06
is restricted to
educational expenses

REFRESHMENT REPORT

Sandy Hollandsworth

August Hosts

will be

**Barbara COOPER,
Jeanette JONES,
Sandy MCDONALD,**

**and
Linda RYAN**

Many thanks

to our

July Hosts

Sandy Hollandsworth

Sandy McDonald

Janice Miller and

Rita Rivera

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Cynthia Day-Elliott

Attendance
at our

July meeting: 40

**A
Warm Welcome
to
our
guests!**

Online Learning Opportunities

WEBINARS TO WATCH

Minnesota Genealogical Society

“Looking for a Man Who Didn’t Want to Be Found,” presented by Diane L. Richard on **Wednesday, August 2, at 5:00 p.m. PDT.** Register: <https://register.gotoweinar.com/register/8995103909792889602>.

Illinois Genealogical Society

“Ten Years is a Long Time: Census Substitutes for the In-between Years,” presented by Amy Johnson Crown, CG, on **Tuesday, August 8, at 6:00 p.m. PDT.** This presentation will discuss records that can be used to fill in the gap between censuses. Register: <https://attendeegotoweinar.com/register/2394575075177831939>.

Legacy Family Tree

Go to <http://www.familytreeweinars.com/upcoming-webinars.php> to learn more about the following **webinars which will be presented between August 2 and August 30:** “Tracing Your West Country Ancestors,” “A Taxing Matter: Using Tax Lists in Genealogy,” “Using Pictures with Legacy Family Tree,” “Analyzing Probate Records of Slaveholders to Identify Enslaved Ancestors,” “Finding Your Ancestors in German Directories,” “How to do Mexican Research and Be Successful,” and “Getting Started with Evidentia.”

Southern California Genealogical Society

Go to <http://www.scsgenealogy.com/webinar/jes-index.html> to register for the following webinars: “Using atDNA to Verify and Expand Genealogy,” presented by Emily Aulicino on **Saturday, August 5, at 10:00 a.m. PDT** and “Ports of Entry,” by Kim von Aspern-Parker on **Wednesday, August 16, at 6:00 p.m. PDT.**

Wisconsin State Genealogical Society

“How Advertising Brought Our Ancestors to the Midwest,” by Annette Burke Lytle on **Tuesday, August 15, at 5:00 p.m. PDT.** Business owners, land speculators, and communities wishing to grow turned to various forms of advertising to entice people to migrate to the Midwestern territories and states. Register: <https://attendeegotoweinar.com/register/7811156382466636803>.

FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY WEBINARS

FamilySearch Learning Center Information:

On the Family History Library Classes and Webinars page at https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Family_History_Library_Classes_and_Webinars you will find a list of all the FREE webinars that will be taught.

Important Reminder: all class times are scheduled in Mountain Time.

August 2017 Schedule:

- 2 Ask Your United States Research Questions
- 7 Using the FamilySearch Catalog Effectively
- 8 Starting Family Tree: Navigating, Adding a Person, Standardizing Views, and Printing
- 8 British Case Study
- 8 Genetic Genealogy: An Introduction to DNA
- 10 DNA: I’ve Tested – Now What?
- 15 Starting Family Tree: Preserving Memories Using Photos and Documents
- 17 Tracing Ancestry in English Census Records
- 21 Researching in Prussian Poland
- 22 FamilySearch WIKI
- 22 Kissing Cousins or Not? Understanding British Generations, Kith, Kin, and Relationships
- 22 Finding Records of Chinese Americans
- 24 Using Metasuche/Metasearch on Genealogy.net
- 24 Genealogical Treasures at findmypast.co.uk.
- 24 Organizing Your Family History Research
- 29 Family Tree: Research Help and Searching the Records
- 31 Your British/Irish Research Questions Answered

MICROFILM ORDERING ENDS

FamilySearch plans to discontinue its 80-year-old microfilm distribution service. The last day for ordering microfilm will be August 31, 2017. FamilySearch will continue to preserve the master copies of its original microfilms in the Granite Mountain Records Vault as added backup to the digital copies online.

Local Learning Opportunities

SANTA ANA HISTORY

“In the Good Ol’ Summertime”

Open House at the Dr. Willella Howe-Waffle House, 120 Civic Center Drive, Santa Ana (corner of Sycamore and Civic Center) on **Saturday, August 5, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Enjoy a tour of the beautifully restored 1889 Victorian-style Dr. Willella Howe-Waffle House and Medical Museum, home and office of one of Orange County's first female physicians. Learn about some favorite summer pastimes of Orange County residents in the late 1800s and early 1900s, while admiring the lovely antique furnishings and decor. Then relax and enjoy tea, cookies, and iced lemonade included as part of your tour. Don't forget to wear your “summer whites” and bring along your umbrella to shade you as you sip on a refreshing drink in the garden! Before you depart, visit the gift shop to purchase interesting books on local history, and vintage gifts and ephemera. You'll be sure to find something perfect for yourself or the history lover in your life. Adults \$5, Seniors and Members \$4, Students K-12 \$3. To purchase tickets and read more, go to <http://santaanahistory.com/>.

LIVING HISTORY: CIVIL WAR DAYS

Plan NOW to attend this Event Labor Day Weekend

The Huntington Beach Historical Society is proud to host the **23rd annual Civil War Days Living History Event** in Huntington Beach Central Park (located behind the library on Gothard between Slater and Talbert). Come out to see a grand display this Labor Day Weekend, on **Saturday, September 2nd and Sunday, September 3rd**. Camps are open to the public at 10 AM on Saturday and Sunday. **Battle Times: Saturday: 1:30 and 4 PM / Sunday: 11 and 2 PM.** Meet President Lincoln, General Grant, President Jefferson Davis, and many many other historical figures from the war. Visit “Reedsburg,” the historic town of civilian folk to learn about daily life in the 19th century. Listen as President Lincoln gives his Gettysburg Address on both days. This event is always Free to the Public! For more information please go to <https://www.hbhistory.org/civilwar>.

SO CAL SOCIETY MEETINGS

Orange County California Genealogical Society

“Digital 4 Keeps,” by Mike and Annette Helsper at 10:30 a.m. and “I Thought I Was Organized—So Don't Do What I Did,” by Charlotte Bocage at 12:00 p.m., on **Saturday, August 5**, at the Huntington Beach Central Library, 7111 Talbert Avenue, Huntington Beach.

Corona Genealogical Society

“Creating Personal and Family History,” presented by Mary Anne Vincent on **Monday, August 7, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.** at the Corona Public Library, 650 South Main Street (at 6th), Corona.

Genealogical Society of North Orange County

“Facebook for Genealogy,” by John Colleen Greene on **Wednesday, August 16, 7:15 p.m.** at Yorba Linda Community Center, 4501 Casa Loma Ave. (at Imperial), Yorba Linda.

South Bay Cities Genealogical Society

“The 1940 Census,” by Joel Weintraub on **Wednesday, August 16, 7:00 p.m.** at the Katy Geissert Civic Center Library, 3301 Torrance Blvd., Torrance.

South Orange County Genealogical Society

“How and Why the Scots Migrated,” by Judith Brooks on **Saturday, August 19, 10:00 a.m. to noon** at the LDS Church Building at 27978 Marguerite Parkway (between Medical Center Drive and Hillcrest Drive), Mission Viejo.

Whittier Area Genealogical Society

“From A Box In The Closet: Organizing and Digitizing Your Family Photos,” by Sara Cochran on **Saturday, August 19, at 1:00 p.m.** at the Masonic Lodge, 7604 Greenleaf Avenue, Whittier.

Los Angeles Public Library's Genealogy Garage

“Can Maps Aid Your Research?” by LAPL map librarian Glen Creason. Glen will lead a tour of the department's map collection, and how you can use them in your research. Attend this lecture on **Saturday, August 19, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** at the LAPL in the History and Genealogy Dept., Lower Level 4, 630 W. 5th St., Los Angeles.

Become a Board Member for the 2018–2019 Term

Give something back to your local Society by serving on the QHGS Board and you'll learn about our genealogy club from the inside! You may be thinking, "Oh, I could never do that," but guess what—every person on the board thought the same thing at some point, and then found out that yes, it *was* possible! You won't start "cold" because we will mentor you. **Most importantly, the 2018–2019 term includes QHGS' 50th anniversary in March of 2019!** We'd like to plan celebrations for this milestone, so please consider one of these five positions, and say "yes" when the nominating committee asks for volunteers in September.



President (one-year term):

1. Is subject to the control of the Board
2. Supervises the affairs of the Society
3. Performs all duties incident to his/her office
4. Presides at all meetings of the Board and of the members of the Society
5. Executes contracts in the name of the Society



First Vice President (two-year term):

1. Plans programs for the monthly meetings
2. Contacts and engages speakers
3. Coordinates any special events sponsored by the Society
4. Performs the duties of President in the President's absence



Secretary (two-year term):

1. Takes minutes at all Board meetings
2. Has custody of the charter and seal of the Society
3. Takes care of the Society's email account
4. Carries on all correspondence as necessary
5. Gets and distributes mail from the Society's post office box



Treasurer (two year-term):

1. Is responsible for all funds received by the Society
2. Keeps accurate records of income and disbursements
3. Pays bills and purchases approved by the Board
4. Prepares and presents an annual budget
5. Makes accounts available for inspection annually



Director-at-Large (two-year term):

1. Represents the general membership of the Society and is responsible for bringing member concerns to the Board
2. Is responsible for the oversight of at least one committee and/or assists other officers
3. Performs other duties as assigned by the Board

QHGS June 16th Field Trip



Orange County FamilySearch Library



Questing Heirs Genealogical Society, Inc.



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Webmaster Mike Powers

FAMILYSEARCH CENTERS

FSC stands for FamilySearch Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. FSCs are open and free of charge to members of the general public interested in doing genealogical research. Information about the **Los Angeles FSC** is available at https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/Los_Angeles_FamilySearch_Library. Local FSCs are in **Long Beach** at 3701 Elm Avenue in Bixby Knolls, phone (562) 988-0509; **Los Alamitos**, (714) 821-6914; and **Cerritos**, phone (562) 924-3676. Call before you visit as their hours may change from time to time.

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To join, please contact
Membership Chair
Cynthia Day-Elliott
at 562-427-9663

Sunday August 27th from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

ORANGE COUNTY JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

Judy Bart Kancigor

at

TEMPLE BAT YAHM,

1011 Camelback Street, Newport Beach



What Did They Eat?

Your Ancestors' Recipes are Clues to Your
Roots!

COME JOIN US AND LEARN HOW YOUR JEWISH ANCESTRY IS RELATED TO YOUR BUBBIES'
BOBKA, LATKES AND GEFILTE FISH

A FUN AFTERNOON OF RECIPES AND STORIES CONNECTING OUR PAST WITH THE FOODS
WE GREW UP WITH