



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

**Hybrid meeting: October 19, 2025
beginning at 2:00 PM PDT**

**St. Thomas of Canterbury Episcopal Church
or attend via Zoom**

Speaker: QH President Bob Prager
Locating Mary Dalton's Home

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**

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MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

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

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

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Girl in Red Chair With Pumpkin. , 1899.
[Norwalk, Ohio: publisher not transcribed]
Photograph. <https://www.loc.gov/item/2018695235/>.

QHGS President's Message Bob Prager



I received an email announcing that elephind.com, a free digitized newspaper site, had been recently improved, and decided to check it out. I went to look for my Risleys. It offered many hits, and I found this in the Oneonta Daily Star for 20 November 1896 (on the <https://www.nyshistoricnewspapers.org/> site):

These Risleys are probably related to me, but I don't know how – yet. It did remind me just how quirky the language used in old papers could be!

E E Risley of Fish Eddy arrived in Oneonta yesternay morning, on a visit to his wife, who has been in town the past two months, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Risley, 24 London avenue. In the afternoon of yesterday Mrs. Risley, to mark her appreciation of the arrival of her husband, made him a present of a fine baby girl.

Speaker this Month: QH President Bob Prager

Topic Description: Locating Mary Dalton's Home

Since I'm the speaker this month, I'll be talking about how I found the location of the cottage my great-grandmother Mary Dalton grew up in in Ireland. I'll cover some general sources of Irish genealogical information, how I used them to determine the exact location, and present some photographs of the (still-standing) cottage I took when we visited Ireland a few months later.

I'm still writing the handout, and I've included links to all the sites I used and some of the books I found helpful.



Great News!

Newsletter Editor: Diana Transue has volunteered to do the newsletter!! She will come with new ideas to keep you informed of upcoming events. The newsletter is dependent on member contributions, so if you have a story to tell (even if it's just a paragraph), send it to the editor.

Future Topics at Questing Heirs Meetings:

November: Breaking Down Those Genealogy Brick Walls!

December: Annual Holiday Potluck with Sharing of Our Successes

Free! Legacy Family Tree Webinars

Early British and Irish Census Project

Presented by Amy Harris, PhD, AG - Wednesday, October 22, 2025 @ 11:00am PDT

<https://familytreewebinars.com/webinar/early-british-and-irish-census-project/>

Most British and Irish pre-1841 census records have only statistical information. However, approximately 1400 returns have named individuals. The Early British and Irish Census Project (EBIC) brings all the information from those returns into one searchable, free-to-the-public database (ebc.byu.edu, will soon be ebic.byu.edu). The database covers the period before civil registration and the more comprehensive censuses. It helps researchers find early nineteenth-century and late eighteenth-century people who can be difficult to trace due to increased mobility and increased religious nonconformity.

Colonial New York Research

Presented by Kory L. Meyerink, MLS, AG, FUGA - Wed., October 29, 2025 @ 11:00am PDT

<https://familytreewebinars.com/webinar/colonial-new-york-research/>

New England, British, Dutch, or German, your early New York ancestors can be difficult to identify and trace. Where did they settle, and why? Where did they move to? Where did they come from? Here are the procedures and sources you need to find the next earlier generations of your family.

QH Board Nominations for 2026-2027

1st Vice President: Tina McKillip

Secretary: Nina Gustin

Treasurer: Cynthia Day-Elliott

Nominations will be taken from members at the October meeting. If you are interested, please nominate yourself or have someone nominate you as long as you are in agreement. Questing Heirs members will vote on these nominations at our annual General Meeting in November.

Consider volunteering on our Board for a couple of positions that expire next year. We need members with new ideas to join us.

Thank you, Susan Roberge for your VERY generous donation to our society!



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Questing Heirs Genealogical Society Board

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QHGS Volunteer Positions

- Digital Archivist.....Christina "Tina" McKillip
- Research/Historian.....Tina Yanis
- Social Media/Facebook Coordinator.....Jerry Hardison
- Webmaster.....Mike Powers

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