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January Presentation

Tuesday, Jan. 20th, 2025 at 10am

“Who Needs It Anyway? Getting Around the Missing 1890 Census ” (Via Zoom)

By Sara Cochran”



The loss of the 1890 Federal census is a source of great frustration for American Genealogists, but all hope is not lost! Learn strategies and gather tips for success in locating your family in other records between the 1880 and 1900 Federal censuses.

Sara is a full-time professional genealogist with over thirty years of research experience. Her research has taken her to nearly every state in the USA and Ireland. She especially enjoys breaking down brick walls, discovering the stories of black sheep ancestors, and helping individuals preserve their photographic legacy.

Sara holds a Boston University Genealogical Research Certificate, a Bachelor's Degree in Library Science, and is an alum of the ProGen Study Group. She is a member of DAR and other lineage societies, the Association of Professional Genealogists, and the Genealogical Speakers Guild. You can find her online at TheSkeletonWhisperer.com. ■

A link to the Zoom meeting will be sent out to all members a few days prior to the meeting. If you have any friends or family that would like to attend, have them contact Scott Hefner at president@srvgensoc.org prior to the meeting for the link. If you have any Zoom questions or issues, please contact Scott at 925-765-7184 or Bill George at williamcgeorge@gmail.com.

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President's Message

By Scott Hefner



As happens with many people, the approaching end of another year leads me to pause and reflect on the year passing, and at the same time speculate about the upcoming year and what it will bring. In this month's message I'd like to share my musings with you, at least as it relates to history, genealogy and our Society.

We reached the 40th year of our Society's existence in 2025, and many of you joined us on May 20th, either in person or via Zoom, as we celebrated our Anniversary. While I've only been a member of the Society for 5 years, I recognize what it takes for an organization to survive and thrive for that long: the hard work, enthusiasm, and dedication of many people over an extended period of time. Many genealogy groups are struggling these days to retain members and to get people to volunteer to help run their organization, but we have been blessed to avoid those problems so far. We have experienced some turnover in membership but have also been able to attract new members, and have an enthusiastic and engaged Board of Directors, Committee Chairs, and other volunteers who help keep the Society functioning at a high level.

Our Society has a history of hosting interesting and provocative speakers, and 2025 continued that tradition. While most meetings were still via Zoom and not in person, this gave us the advantage of having access to a wide range of speakers from essentially anywhere in the world. We were able to listen to speakers from Florida, Colorado and Illinois as well as California this year, and learned about detecting fraud and fantasy in our research, making use of maps, getting more out of census data, preserving and protecting our genealogy photos and documents, and much more.

In addition to our Zoom meetings, we also had two in-person meetings that were great fun: the 40th Anniversary celebration and the always enjoyable and fattening Holiday Gathering and Cookie Exchange. Of course, our various Special Interest

Groups continued to meet and, based on those I participated in, enjoy great leadership, enthusiastic members, and are packed with ideas and information.

I'm looking forward to another great year in 2026. We again have another great slate of speakers scheduled, and a special field trip to the Oakland Family Search Center in March which should be very interesting and exciting.

Of course, 2026 will be the 250th year of our country's existence, and I expect the year will bring much discussion and celebration of our history, significant events and milestones, presidents and other major figures that shaped our past. Along with many other organizations, our Society is exploring activities and events to celebrate the occasion. We would welcome input and suggestions from our members about what we might do to promote the celebration.

As always, I appreciate the support all of you give to our Society and am looking forward to an interesting and exciting year ahead. Wishing all of you a happy New Year!■

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER

Susan Wiesner

Notes on the November Speaker, Melinda Kashuba “Detecting Genealogical Fraud and Fantasy”

By Margaret Goetze



Melinda Kashuba presented the ways to Detect Genealogical Fraud and Fantasy. For more details, please download the handout included in the meeting invitation. The recording of the presentation will be on our website for 30 days.

Many people hope to find famous or infamous characters in their family tree, or at least some unique and interesting stories. Stories get passed on and fantasy can sometimes slide into errors or even fraud. Melinda shared tips on how we can spot red flags, test claims and document responsibly. The adage Trust but Verify continues to apply.

Melinda shared the stories of a number of people who were intentionally fraudulent. Their motivation was to sell family histories by surname or target the wealthy to search for their family records. Conveniently they were able to find previously undiscovered wills, deeds and letters to the delight of their clients, however they did so by creating forged documents.

Within FamilySearch there is a list of intentional frauds. Many are “unguarded” which means you may find them and not realize that they are likely to contain fraudulent records. Some of these people drew in legitimate genealogists to enhance their credibility.

Names to be aware of are Gustave Anjou who targeted the wealthy, including the Woolworth family, and charged thousands of dollars. William F. Horn published the Horn Papers full of events that had not happened in Pennsylvania and Maryland. By the 1950s people realized he had fabricated “facts” however you can easily find his books today.

Harriet Bainbridge de Salis was a prolific writer who engaged a genealogist. She eventually forged wills and documents and sent them to the genealogist to enhance their credibility in her writing. Brian Leese and Beatrice Bayley are two other well-known frauds who misled people.

Look for these red flags in your genealogical research:

Pedigree charts that only have names with no records

Missing generations

Unexplained name changes

Key references that cannot be verified or were destroyed

Melinda recommends we follow the Genealogical Proof Standard and keep a copy of Elizabeth Shown Mills book Evidence Explained close by to reference.

Here’s her guidance on how to create a quick GPS template when we look to validate a source or pursue a research question. Even in our own research, errors can creep in by our mistakes, or by accepting tree information from other people, so the GPS can be applied for all research. (*cont’d on next page*)

Creating a quick GPS template:

Form a research question. Elements of a research question to include:

- Specific name of a person
- At least a date
- A location, detailed as possible.

"Who is the father of Joseph Sweet who was born in 1810 and died between 1870-1879 in Hants County, Nova Scotia?"

The rest of the template:

- Sources examined & cited.
- Correlation highlights, include a visual or two: map, timeline, or table.
- Conflicts & next steps to solve them.
- Conclusion (3-5 sentences) with a rating of confidence in your conclusion.
- What are the next two actions to take? ■

Do you have a Revolutionary War Veteran ancestor?

In getting ready for our country's 250th anniversary in July, your board members thought it would be an interesting project to collect the names and information on the patriot ancestors of our membership.

If you do know this information for any of your lines, please submit the name of your ancestor and any information you might have on him, such as enlistment place, service information, etc. If you don't know yet, and have ancestors who lived in the colonies in the mid to late 1700's, now is the time to do some research! Let us know if you need help.

Send submissions or questions to Karen LaDuca at kblquilt@comcast.net and our committee will get to work on putting the information together to post on our website. ■

By Karen LaDuca



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 2026

- 20 Tuesday-10am, the January General Meeting will be held via Zoom Link. Sara Cochran will present **Who Needs It Anyway? Getting Around the Missing 1890 Census.**
- 27 Tuesday-10am The Board Meeting will be held via Zoom. All members are welcome.

February 2026

- 17 Tuesday-10am the February General Meeting will be held via Zoom Link. Katy Bodenhorn will present **Hidden in Plain Sight ... Plus Using "Full Text Search" Tool on Family Search.org.**
- 24 Tuesday-10am The Board Meeting will be held via Zoom. All members are welcome.

March 2026

- 17 Tuesday-10am the March General Meeting will be as a Field Trip/Excursion to the Family Search Center in Oakland.
- 24 Tuesday-10am The Board Meeting will be held via Zoom. All members are welcome.

April 2026

- 21 Tuesday-10am, the April General Meeting will be held via Zoom Link. Kate Norton Kelley will present **Reuniting Families with Lost Photos**
- 28 Tuesday-10am The Board Meeting will be held via Zoom. All members are welcome.

May 2026

- 19 Tuesday-10am, the May meeting will be a General Meeting to be held in

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person at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Alamo.

- 26 Tuesday-10am The Board Meeting will be held via Zoom. All members are welcome.

June 2026

- 16 Tues-10am, the June General Meeting will be held via Zoom Link. Scott Norrick will present **America at 250 Years! Researching Your Scott Norrick Revolutionary Ancestors** via Zoom

SRVGS SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS HISTORY

By: Bill George, SRVGS SIG Coordinator

Our San Ramon Genealogical Society has been in existence since 1985, after a January 15, 1985 SRVGS organizing meeting at the Danville Library, followed by our 1st newsletter published in February, 1985.

I was curious to see what Special Interest Groups we've had in the past. There are at least 24 that I noted by checking the newsletters on our website. A past president, Ed Mason, around 2015, scanned and OCR'ed all our paper newsletters. This allowed me to make this SIG list going back to when the Society was started.

The German, Irish and Publishing SIGs have run more or less continuously, starting as far back as January, 1989.

Early special interest groups that came and went were Southern, Family Tree Maker, Computer, English, Internet, New England, Roots, Portuguese, Scandinavian and UK .

Later on Azores, Macintosh, Master Genealogist, Legacy and TNG groups started and ran for a while.

Eventually our current seven Special Interest Groups took shape, with FamilySearch, AI, DNA and Italian added in the past few years to the German, Irish and Publishing SIGs.

Your desire to learn and host a special area of interest is what drives these groups. Aside from the enjoyment of each other's company, everyone grows with the sharing of discussions. So if there's an area you're burning to learn about or just share what you know with others, come and start a group. Here's a list of our groups so far.

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| 1. AI | 10. Irish | 18. Publishing |
| 2. Azores | 11. Italian | 19. Roots-Users |
| 3. Computer | 12. Legacy | 20. RootsMagic |
| 4. DNA | 13. Macintosh | 21. Scandanavian |
| 5. English | 14. MacGen | 22. Southern |
| 6. FamilySearch | 15. Master | 23. TNG |
| 7. FTM | Genealogist | 24. UK |
| 8. German | 16. New England | |
| 9. Internet | 17. Portuguese | |

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SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS FOR JANUARY, 2026

By: Bill George, SRVGS SIG Coordinator

In January, 2026 six of the seven Special Interest Groups will meet at their normal dates/times, four on Zoom and one in person at the Danville FamilySearch Center. The FamilySearch SIG and AI SIG will take a break due to their SIG leader's vacation. All SIG members receive emails from their leaders on how to join each meeting. If wanting to attend a SIG for the first time, contact the SIG leader to be added to their monthly announcement email. Guests are welcome, but encouraged to join the Society.



FamilySearch SIG, will NOT meet in January due to our leader, Bill George's vacation. Learn the many aspects of this free, comprehensive genealogy web site. You may contact SIG Leader Bill George at williamcgeorge@gmail.com.



Irish/Scottish Research, Wednesday, Jan. 14th, (the 2nd Wednesday) from 10:00am-12:00noon in a Zoom meeting. They share information from the internet, journals, DNA and books. Leslie Stewart is the SIG leader. You may contact Leslie Stewart, SIG Leader, at lwvleslie@gmail.com.



Italian SIG, Wednesday, Jan. 21st, (the 3rd Wednesday) 1:00pm—3:00pm in a Zoom meeting. Share and learn new techniques for researching your Italian ancestors. Please contact Karen LaDuca at kblquilts@comcast.net to be provided the Zoom link to the meeting.



DNA SIG, Thursday Jan. 22nd 10:30-Noon (usually the 3rd Monday). Note change of date and time, this month only. This SIG assumes a basic knowledge of Genealogical DNA testing and therefore is only open to those who have completed the SRVGS Intro to DNA class or successfully completed Mark's Basic Skills Quiz. You may contact SIG Leader Mark McLaren at greatscot@earthlink.net.



Publishing SIG, Thursday, Jan. 15th. (the 3rd Thursday) 10:30am - 12:00pm in a Google Meet meeting. Contact Kathy Javdani at kjjsc@aol.com for info on how to join the meeting. Share information and ideas on how to publish and preserve your research. **Francie Lloyd**, is the SIG Leader and can be reached at frances_lloyd@comcast.net.



AI SIG, will NOT meet this month due to our leader, Bill George's vacation. Learn the many aspects of AI used for Genealogy. See also a website <https://aisig.ancstor.org> that will have helpful AI URLs and an agenda. You may contact SIG leader Bill George at williamcgeorge@gmail.com.



German Research SIG, Wednesday, Jan. 28th, (the 3rd Wednesday, this month only) from 1:00pm—2:45pm at the Danville Family Search Center, 2949 Stone Valley Rd., Alamo. This is an in-person meeting only, no Zoom. Members share information from a variety of sources. You may contact SIG Leader **Karen LaDuca** at kblquilts@comcast.net. ■



EDUCATION

By: Kathy Javdani

Happy New Year!! Let's make 2026 the year to expand our genealogy knowledge.

☞ The California Genealogy Society Library, www.californiaancestors.org is open on Thursday through Saturday from 10-2. Refer to the society's website for specific procedures for Saturday visits and to register for the following activities. Note any fees. Also, visit the society's website for access to available recordings and videos. CGS Members are no longer required to register for most events. Members can log into the CGS website, and find Zoom, handout and survey links directly before the event. If you prefer to register and to receive the reminder emails, you may continue to do so. The speaker may not have handouts ready until the evening before the event.

- On Sat. Jan. 3rd from 10-12, the **Introduction to Genealogy Group** will hold a hybrid meeting. The topic will be Genealogy Basics Overview.
- On Sat. Jan. 17th from 10-12, Sandra Huber will lead the **San Francisco SIG** via Zoom. Contact sfsig@californiaancestors.org for more information.
- In addition, on the 17th from 1-3, Ron Madison and Karen Halfon will host a hybrid session of the **FamilyTree Maker SIG**. Register at the <http://-ftm-sig.org> or contact Ron at 650-576-4495 or Karen at 415-922-225 for further information.
- On Wed. Jan. 21st from 6:30-8, Lisa Gorell will examine the **General Land Office: Get the Most Out of the BLM-GLO Website** in a hybrid presentation.
- On Sat. Jan. 24th from 1-2:30, online Roger Prince will present **Transcription and Abstraction of Original Records with the assist from AI**.

- On Mon. Jan. 26th from 7-8:30 the **DNA Skills SIG** with Mark McLaren will meet online. Contact Mark at greatscot@earthlink.net for details.
- On Wed. Jan. 28th from 6:30-8 the **RootsMagic Users Group SIG** with Keith Montgomery will meet online. Contact Keith at kmontgomery@californiaancestors.org to register.
- On Sat. Feb. 7th from 10-12 the **Introduction to Genealogy Group** will hold a hybrid meeting. The topic will be Using the Census.
- The Mayflower Descendants SIG is no longer meeting. Contact Robert at rtrapp@californiaancestors.org for help with Mayflower ancestry and how to join The Society of California Mayflower Descendants

☞ Check the website of Oakland Family Search Center, www.familysearch.org/en/centers/oakland_california/classes, for a long list of free in-person and hybrid classes and SIGs. The FSC offers classes and research groups on a variety of family history topics. Some are led by individuals who are members of partner organizations, such as the California Genealogical Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, Mayflower Society, and others. Many classes are available both in-person and via zoom.

- On Wed. Jan. 7th from 10:30-10:45 a staff member will offer the **15 Min. Weekly Tip: AI Use for Genealogy**. Hybrid.

- Also, on the 7th from 11-12, there will be a discussion of **What to Do With Your Christmas Pictures**. In person.
- On Wed. Jan. 14th a staff member will offer the 15 Min. **Weekly Tip: AI Use for Genealogy**. Hybrid.
- On Wed. Jan. 21st a staff member will offer the 15 Min. **Weekly Tip: AI Use for Genealogy**. Hybrid.
- On Wed. Jan. 28th a staff member will offer the 15 Min. **Weekly Tip: AI Use for Genealogy**. Hybrid.

☞ The New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS), www.americanancestors.org/education/online-classes, has a growing Online series of presentations, library, and more. If you have questions or feedback, contact Online Education. Register for its webinars on the society's website.

- On Tue. Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27, and Feb. 3 from 3-4:30 Rhonda McClure will offer a seminar on **Getting Organized: Research, Files, Findings**. \$125
- On Sat. Jan. 10th from 11-12, Judith Lucey will share **Recipes & Remembrance: Preserving Family Food Traditions**.
- On Mon. Jan. 12th from 3-4, James Dodson will discuss his book, **The Road That Made America: A Modern Pilgrim's Journey on Great Wagon Road**.
- On Thu. Jan. 15th from 12-1, Rhonda McClure will explore **The Dos and Don'ts of Online Family Trees**.
- On Sat. Jan. 17th from 11-12, Elizabeth Peay will present **Discover Your Revolutionary Roots: Researching Patriot Ancestors**. \$15
- On Wed. Jan. 21st from 3-4:15, Ryan Woods will discuss his book his new book on the American Revolution, **The Fate of the Day**. \$15

- On Thu. Jan. 22nd from 11-12:30, Melanie McComb will examine **Origins and Migrations: Where Did They Come From? Where Did They Go?** \$25

Unable to attend the live broadcast? A recording of the free events will be posted on the NEHGS website the following day. Many courses with fees are available on demand following their initial presentation.

☞ The Allen County Public Library's Genealogy Center offers many webinars. Go to <https://acpl.lib.in.us/genealogy> to see the current list and to register online. Also, explore the Genealogy Center Videos at <https://acpl.lib.in.us/explore-genealogy/our-services>. Recorded Genealogy Center programs can be found on the Genealogy Center section of the library's YouTube channel.

- On Tue. Jan. 6th from 11:30-12:30, Kelsey Kirby will explore **Tracing Southern Families Through Brick Walls**.
- On Tue. Jan. 13th from 11:30-12:30, Martha Runnette will discuss **Researching Your Enslaver Ancestors**.
- On Thu. Jan. 15th from 3:30-4:30, Margaret Kapustiak will present **Food of My Forefathers: Applied Genealogy: The Cultural Context of Traditional & Ethnic Foods**.

☞ Legacy offers numerous free webinars every month. Go to <https://familytreeweekly.com> to register.

- There are 15 webinars offered in January. Please see the website for details and registration instructions

☞ The State Historical Society of Missouri has produced nearly 100 On Demand programs through its virtual program series and past events. Freely available through the Society's website, <https://shsmo.org>, on demand topics include genealogy, art, scholarship, signature lecture series, and more.

☞ Here are some other webinars, blogs, and podcasts that are available.

- Auntiejenstrees.blogspot.com
- Extreme Genes: Family History Radio <https://extremegenes.com/blog>
- The Genealogy Guys Podcast www.genealogyguys.com
- The Genealogy Squad www.facebook.com/groups/genealogysquad
- Lisa Louise Cooke's Genealogy Gems <https://lislouisecooke.com/podcasts>
- Thomas MacEntee's www.genealogybargains.com
- Judy Russell's www.legalgenealogist.com
- Family History Fanatics www.familyhistoryfanatics.com/blog
- Connie Knox <http://genealogytv.org>

And there's more....

The following are sites with large amounts of valuable information:

- The National Archives- www.archives.gov/research/genealogy offers a genealogy tutorial, genealogy research topics and a variety of charts and forms.
- The DAR Library – www.dar.org/national-society/genealogy provides help on the variety of genealogical topics. Also see the upcoming events schedule at www.dar.org
- The Sutro Library hosts the Bay Area Genealogy Calendar, www.library.ca.gov/sutro/genealogy/calendar This calendar provides information about events throughout the Bay Area.
- ConferenceKeeper.org lists conferences, events, calls for papers, contests, grants, volunteer opportunities, tours and more. To sign up to receive *Tami at Conference Keeper* which lists events that have been recently added, go to mail@sendfoxmail.com.

- The Sacramento Public Library Genealogy Program has a YouTube channel. Visit its playlist at https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLwtrWI_IBMJszRsNrcDauSLtHwGWXeQ6

Events from Local Societies

- On Mon. Jan. 12th from 7-8:30 the **Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society**, www.l-ags.org, will host a hybrid meeting. Lisa Vogeles will be the guest speaker. She will present **Travel Your Tree: Where Ancestry Meets Adventure**. The link to register for the meeting is on the site under speakers.
- On Thu. Jan. 8th at 6:30 the **Contra Costa County Genealogical Society**, [https://cccgcs.net](http://cccgcs.net), will hold its monthly meeting via Zoom. The guest speaker, Diana Elder, will share **A Beginner's Guide to Using Airtable for Genealogy**. Register under events on the society's website
- On Wed. Jan. 14th from 10:15-12, the **Santa Clara County Historical and Genealogical Society**, [https://scchgs.org](http://scchgs.org) will hold its monthly hybrid meeting. Nancy Moffett, the guest speaker, will explore **Gen Techniques "Locating US Military Records"**. Register under events on the society's website.
- On Thu. Jan. 15th at 1 the **Napa Valley Genealogical Society**, [https://napagensoc.org](http://napagensoc.org), will hold its annual meeting in the hybrid format. Guest speakers Diana Dillon and Shannon Murray Kuleto will present **Sharing Our (Napa Valley)History & Culture**. Register on the society's website.
- On Sun. Jan. 11th from 1-2:30, the **San Francisco Bay Area Jewish Genealogical Society**, www.sfbajgs.org/calendar.html, will have its monthly meeting in person on at the Oakland Family Search Center at 4766 Lincoln Ave., Oakland. The subject of this meeting will be **The JewishGen Yizkor Book Project**. Check the website for further information and to register.
- On Tue. Jan. 27th from 10-12 the **Sacramen-**

to German Genealogy Society, <https://sggs.us>, will offer a presentation on Zoom. Speaker and topic not yet confirmed. Register on the society's website under calendar.

Upcoming Special Events

- From February 1 – 8th, 2026, Matt Berry will lead the **California Genealogy Society's Research Tour to Boston**. There are only 15 spaces available. For details and to Register by October 31 go to www.californiaancestors.org/2025-boston-research-trip/
- From March 5-7th **RootsTech 2026** will be held in a hybrid format. Registration is now open at www.familysearch.org/en/rootstech/registration .
- From May 27-30th the **National Genealogical Society 2026 Family History Conference** will be held in Fort Wayne, Indiana in a hybrid format. Register at <https://conference.ngsgenealogy.org>. ■

IN MEMORIUM

*With sadness we report the passing of long time member,
Jean Hunt*



Something different
for an upcoming
meeting...!

For our March Meeting we are taking a trip to tour the Oakland FamilySearch Center and its extensive resources.

WHEN: Tuesday, March 17, 2026

TIME: 10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.

WHERE: 4766 Lincoln Avenue, Oakland, CA 94602

We will have a guided overview of the FamilySearch Center, its many resources and meet the volunteers available to assist with your research.

If you've never been to this location, you'll be impressed with all they have available. Even if you have been, there will surely be something new that you didn't know about.

You are welcome to stay onsite the rest of the day to further your research and get assistance from their many volunteers.

If you are interested in Carpooling we will meet at the Danville Sycamore Park and Ride at 9:15.

If you plan to attend, or have questions, please email Karen Olynger at karenolynger@gmail.com and let her know:

- your name and phone number even if you plan to drive separately so we know how many people to expect.
- If you want to Carpool, and if you can be a Driver let her know how many people you can drive.
- If you plan to leave after our initial session, or plan to stay longer for research.■

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**** The FSC has been having phone issues that are still not resolved. Contact Kevin Ganschow at (925)209-5489 or gans5@sbcglobal.net if you need to reach the FSC, ask questions, or schedule time at the FSC.**

The Family Search Center is open for business. See scheduled open hours below. The FSC contains nine computers (with flash drive slots), scanners, a printer, lots of reference books, Wi-Fi access, and friendly docents to help you along your genealogy path! Digital resources include:

- ♦ Alexander Street (US social and cultural history)
- ♦ American Ancestors (from New England Historic Genealogical Society)
- ♦ Ancestry Institution
- ♦ ArkivDigital (Sweden)
- ♦ FamilySearch
- ♦ FamNet (New Zealand)
- ♦ Findmypast (United Kingdom)
- ♦ Geneanet (France, Belgium, Netherlands)
- ♦ Fold3 (military)
- ♦ Geneanet (France, Belgium, The Netherlands, Sweden, and Germany)
- ♦ Goldie May (organizing tools)
- ♦ MyHeritage Library Edition
- ♦ Irish Ancestors
- ♦ Newspaper Archive
- ♦ Paper Trail (19th century westward American migration documents)
- ♦ Puzzilla
- ♦ 19th Century British Library Newspapers

Hours are:

Monday..... 10:00am – 1:00pm

..... 6:30pm – 9:00pm

Tuesday..... 2:00pm – 5:00pm

Wednesday..... 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Appointments outside of normal hours may be arranged by calling (925)837-7010.

Note that the FSC is always looking for volunteers to man the center during the above hours. This is a good opportunity to help others and get some of your own research done. ■