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## President's Message

Monika Hall

Hello Hi-Desert Genealogical Society,

Are you looking for someone? What's stopping you? Hand over hand you can make your wishes come true in your research. Have you crafted the characters in your research? Are your relatives waiting to talk to you? Are you in concert with your family? How do you rate your research, is it a Mercedes Benz or a junk vehicle? Are you a caregiver of your family history or a shop steward? Remember that genealogists are great people and are valuable to their family. Don't keep your research in a private reserve; spread it around to your family. Have you had your daily dose of genealogy? Don't pass it over, it should be like a best friend to you and should be shared. I relish the times I find something in my research.

I would like to thank all the members who came out to Oggi's Pizza Restaurant in Apple Valley. That was a great fund raiser.

Have a Happy Holiday Season and God bless each and every one of you. Always tell your family and friends you love them. Great things are in store for our Society next year. I want to thank everyone for all your help this year. Everyone is awesome.

Thank you ☺

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## Christmas Party

*Saturday December 8; 1:30pm to ???*

Our Christmas Party is being held at Los Domingos Restaurant, on the northwest (NW) corner of State Highway 18 and Apple Valley Road. The restaurant is in the back area of the shopping/business center. The address for the restaurant is: 17790 Wika Road, Apple Valley, California 92307. Wika road is the street that parallels North of Hiway 18 at Apple Valley Road.

Arrivals begin at 1:30 pm., meal at 2:00 pm. Saturday, December 8, 2012. We will be ordering from the menu as we arrive.

The reservation number must be set by November 4, 2012. If you wait past that date you are not guaranteed a seat with the rest of the group. The restaurant will be happy to seat you in their main dining room.

Since we go "dark" in Nov and Dec, this is our last opportunity to get together as a group, this year. Please don't forget to call Ann Minter at 760-490-3222, leave a voice message with your name, number and how many will be attending or email [ann.minter@gmail.com](mailto:ann.minter@gmail.com) & leave the same information. Hope to see you there! ☺

*"I don't know who my grandfather was, I am much more concerned to know what his grandson will be."  
-- Abraham Lincoln*

## Editor

*Success!*

Bill Luther



This is the last newsletter for the year and as intended, is being released at the beginning of the last quarter. I will try my best to maintain this schedule, that is; release of the newsletter will be before the first General Meeting of the quarter. As we go "dark" for the months of November and December, watch the website and Facebook for any notices of upcoming events or interesting news. Have a safe and Happy Holiday Season, and I will see you at the Christmas party or next year. Take Care,

*Bill*

E-mail me at [ancesgen@verizon.net](mailto:ancesgen@verizon.net) ☺



## Library Update

*More books on the shelves*

**Jackie Fielder**

As we approach the end of the year and meetings come to a close, I hope that you are able to take some time to visit our Apple Valley Library. We will observe the Holiday week of Thanksgiving, no staff. In addition there will be no Staff available the last two weeks of December as well as the first week of January 2013.

### **New Books on the shelves:**

*Blair County, PA Cemeteries, St. Patrick's, New Jersey*

*Brethren Roots Southern PA.* (Newsletters of Blair County)

*The Saratoga County, New York Vol.11-15*

*Pennsylvania, Swedish American Genealogist Vol., 6-16.*

If you have any questions please feel free to email me,

[fielderj@verizon.net](mailto:fielderj@verizon.net) or call: Phone 760-246-7033 ☎



## HDGS News

*Fashion Show / Spaghetti Dinner (Fundraisers)*

The spaghetti dinner at Oggi's Pizza & brewing Co. Tuesday September 25<sup>th</sup> was, in my opinion a great success, both as a fund raiser and a fun get together. Families and friends started arriving at about 4:30 pm. Those in attendance know Ralph Wareing and I were the drink servers. I have a new appreciation of what servers have to deal with. My gratuity scale has increased. Sharol Goates and Odena Jones had the harder assignment of serving the food. They worked very hard for our money and we owe them a big **Thank You.** Anyway, the fund raising numbers were very good, and the camaraderie was evident. Fund raiser or not, we should do this more often.

Planning for the Fashion Show is cancelled. There is too much to do and no volunteers to help. We are proceeding with the idea of creating baskets for drawings or auctioning off at meetings or events. Can we get a few put together for door prizes at the Christmas party? If you would like to create and donate a basket, contact Sharol, she has plenty of empty baskets ready to be filled. [kicsusa@msn.com](mailto:kicsusa@msn.com)

A recipe book is also in the works. Please remember to bring your recipes to the General Meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup> of October. 😊

## Free Genealogy Toolbar

*Info at your fingertips,*

Looking for a cool tool to help you find your ancestors? *GenealogyInTime Magazine* has a popular free toolbar used by thousands of genealogists that will help take your genealogy research to the next level. It is easy to use with very useful features.

Working with **Internet Explorer** and **Mozilla Firefox**, the Genealogy Toolbar provides:

- Direct access to the powerful and very popular Genealogy Search Engine. It searches over 1.9 billion free ancestral records on over 1,000 genealogy websites from around the world.
- Access to the Family Tree Search Engine which searches genealogy forums and online family trees.
- Listings of the newest genealogy records on the internet.
- A direct link to the Top 100 Most Popular Genealogy Websites to make it convenient for you to access the most popular genealogy content on the internet.
- An innovative and unique genealogy feed. It picks up real-time postings from the largest genealogy websites (from the Top 100 List) plus hundreds of popular genealogy blogs from around the world.
- A direct link to FamilySearch.
- A direct link to the Google Newspaper Archive, one of the largest free newspaper archives in the world.
- A direct link to A Million Short Search Engine, which specializes in searching less popular websites on the internet.
- A link to the Genealogy News Gadget, which provides genealogy news feeds from hundreds of sources.
- A button for Google gmail and a button for conveniently sending a tweet about any page on the internet.
- A meter with website statistics to help you determine the popularity of a website.

Great News! We are happy to report that our very popular Genealogy Toolbar now works with Chrome in addition to Internet Explorer and Mozilla Firefox. Just download and run it.

"I don't normally install *Toolbars*. I installed this one. It is a handy genealogical tool". Ed. ✂

# Hispanic Research Days

*Doing Hispanic research? Mark these days!*

## From Ann Minter,

Looking for an opportunity to focus on your research without distractions and with direction? Then join us:

**The THIRD Tuesday** of each month 1 to 9 p.m. at the SCGS Family History Library in Burbank, CA 417 Irving Dr. where you will have access to more than 30,000 reference volumes plus the ability to order Family History Library microfilm from Salt Lake City. Next meetings 16 Oct and 20 Nov 2012.

**The FIRST Wednesday** of each month 3 to 9 p.m. at the Family History Library (FHL) in West L.A. 10741 Santa Monica Blvd. where you will have access to microfilm, reference volumes, plus the ability to order Family History Library microfilm from Salt Lake City. Next meeting 7 Nov 2012

**The THIRD Saturday** of each month 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the L.A. Central Library in downtown Los Angeles, Central Library, 630 W. 5th St Lower Level 4 - History & Genealogy Dept.

These programs provide you with the assistance you need to further your research. Our experts specialize in California, Colorado, Mexico, New Mexico and Texas research. In association with the Genealogical Society of Hispanic America - Southern California.

All Three Days: **Free & Open to the Public** Contact: Donie Nelson 310-204-6808. [doniegsha@earthlink.net](mailto:doniegsha@earthlink.net)

**Facebook:** Genealogical Society of Hispanic America - Southern California; P.O. Box 2472, Santa Fe Springs CA 90670

If you are conducting Hispanic research, take advantage of these programs. They may assist you in lowering your frustration level 📖

## Upcoming Speakers

*Bios and topics*

### Sharol Goates

**January 16, 2013;** John Macomber, will be speaking about **Find-a-Grave**. *"There is an app available, I have it on my tablet"* –Editor John is a recent graduate of San Jose State University, with his Masters in Library and Information Science working towards certification as a professional genealogist. He has worked on family history for eleven years and for the last year has taught genealogy professionally at Perris Library. He currently works at Victor Valley College as a reference librarian.



## Membership

### Pam Jackson



I am always amazed in talking to folks how little information they have on their family. Having my great-grandparents in my life until I was in my 30's, I consider myself very lucky indeed. Some of the people who contact me barely knew their grandparents (if at all). Obtaining their parent's marriage license can be a challenge.

The telephone calls from our announcement in the newspaper have slowed considerably. Occasionally I will receive a call and I encourage the caller to give us a try. Many are looking for advice or someone to assist them in their search. I share with them that our goal is to educate and network within our group and the genealogy community.

As I share in my conversations, sharing your addiction with someone else helps!

We currently have 52 members, 5 Lifetime & 2 Library Memberships for a total membership of 59. 🌿

## Books from NEHGS

### Now Available:

#### *Western Massachusetts Families in 1790*

In 1790 Western Massachusetts was a crossroads for New England families heading west into New York or north into Vermont. The transient nature of families living in this area, especially during the post-Revolutionary War years, presents certain genealogical challenges. *Western Massachusetts Families in 1790* contains fifty genealogical sketches of heads of households and a listing of their children. Contributed by NEHGS members and edited by Helen Schatvet Ullmann, CG, FASG, these compiled sketches provide a major addition to the published research on this region. 6 x 9, paperback, 300 pp., \$29.95 (member price \$26.96)

### Classic Reprints

Did you know that the NEHGS Book Store offers library-quality copies of over 10,000 rare and out-of-print books? Some titles ordered by recent customers include:

*Index of Wills for New York County (New York City) from 1662 to 1850* (Item P5-NY0449H, \$49.50)

*Scandinavian Immigrants in New York, 1630-1674* (Item P5-NY0137H, \$47.00)

*Alphabetical Index of Revolutionary Pensioners Living in Maine* (Item P5-ME0120H, \$30.00) 📖

# Webinars SCGS & Legacy

*What's a Webinar?*

A webinar is an educational class. It's led by a professional or specialist in the topic and is delivered over the Internet. Speakers typically provide a hand-out or article to accompany the slideshow. Sessions include a Q&A period and some include special offers or drawings for door prizes.

The live broadcast of each session is **open to the public and FREE** to all (space is limited to 1000 attendees). Webinars are recorded, archived, and available for the next twelve months day or night, in the members-only section of the SCGS website. A one-year individual membership costs only \$35 and affords access to all JES webinars.

You can learn all about these Webinars (schedule, how to sign up, etc.) from the SCGS website at: <http://scsgsgenealogy.com/JamboreeExtensionSeries2012.htm>

Here is the schedule for the rest of the year:

**Thanksgiving Special Saturday 3 Nov 2012** - 10am PST; Roy Chan

## ***"Immigrant Voices - Angel Island Immigration"***

This presentation will highlight the oral history work of the Foundation's Immigrant Voices project. Select immigration stories will be shared along with ways which you can contribute to this growing public archive: <http://www.aiisf.org/immigrant-voices>

**Saturday, 1 Dec 2012** - 10am PST; Daniel Horowitz  
***"Sharing and Preserving Memories in a Digital Era"***

Today you have a lot of options to store and share all your research material, including text, images, videos, documents or sound.

**Wednesday, 19 Dec 2012** - 6pm PST  
Schelly Talalay Dardashti ***"Jewish Genealogy 101"***

Learn the fundamentals of researching your ancestors with Jewish roots.

Another weekly source of very informative webinars is available on **Legacy Family Tree's** website.

**24 Oct;** Your Civil War Ancestors: Begin Your Research

**31 Oct;** Breaking Down Your Irish Brick Wall

**7 Nov;** Researching Your Canadian Ancestors

**14 Nov;** Genealogy for Novices: Where Do We Begin?

**28 Nov;** The Big 4 U.S. Record Sources

**5 Dec;** Researching Your Irish Ancestors: Beyond the Basics.

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Take a look at:

<http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/Webinars.asp>

Look at the schedules and take advantage of these very informative seminars in the comfort of your own home. This can keep you busy during our "dark" months. ☹

*"Why waste your money looking up your family tree? Just go into politics and your opponents will do it for you."  
-- Mark Twain*

## Genealogy Garage Workshops

*Help with Genealogy at the LA Public Library*

**From Ann Minter,**

On Saturday, October 20, 2012 thru the month of November on the third Saturday of each month, from 11 am-12 noon, **Genealogy Garage workshops** for family researchers at all levels of expertise will be held at the Central Library of the LAPL 630 W. 5th St., Los Angeles, CA 90071 • History & Genealogy Dept., Lower Level 4. Whether you are a beginner or have been researching for years, here is an opportunity to "tune-up" your current research skills or learn something new about family history research.

To RSVP: CALL Central Library Info: 213-228-7000, then ask for the History and Genealogy Dept. Tell them you are making a reservation for the Genealogy Garage workshop on [give the specific date]. Give them your name and an e-mail address or phone number so you can be notified in case the workshop is cancelled.

Workshop leaders will focus on one topic per workshop and the topics will be announced on the LAPL calendar of events and via e-mail. Genealogy Garage is designed to be interactive, so bring your questions! Other items to bring: pedigree charts, family group sheets, pens/pencils, paper, and/or your laptop computer. Genealogy Garage workshops will be limited to 10 attendees, so please RSVP as noted below. At the end of each workshop there will be a tour of the Genealogy dept. conducted by Charlotte Bocage. Stay and we will help you research afterward.

Directions to Central Library and parking info available at <http://www.lapl.org/central/>. Use this link for directions:

<http://www.lapl.org/central/directions.html>



# Online Genealogy Searches

*A Guide to Performing*

Anyone doing research online has, at one time or another, done a search on Google or one of the many other genealogical search engines available to us today.. But, how many of us are really familiar with all the shortcuts, or the various query terms that can target specific areas of our research? *GenealogyInTime Magazine* has come to the rescue with the following article; “A Guide to Performing Online Genealogy Searches”.

The article keys on ancestral searches using the powerful [Genealogy Search Engine](#) and the [Family Tree Search Engine](#). Both search engines are free and combined they search 5.7 billion free online genealogy records from the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Ireland, Europe, Australia and New Zealand.

The article suggests the following: “Use the **Genealogy Search Engine** to find ancestral records and use the **Family Tree Search Engine** to see if anyone else is talking about your ancestors through online genealogy forums and family trees. There is no overlap in search results between the two search engines. Most people tend to focus their initial effort on the Genealogy Search Engine and then consult the Family Tree Search Engine when they are looking for fresh leads.

The philosophy of using two genealogy search engines is to make you more efficient in searching for your ancestors. Basically, it allows you to focus your efforts on the type of record that is most valuable to you (ancestral records) instead of mixing in family tree output into the search results, which most people find to be of lower value.”

Use of the wildcard (\*) is discussed along with the OR operator (OR must be capitalized), the exclusion (-) operator and Date Range. Examples of complex queries are given that can be used as templates for your own queries. Here is an example of a complex query: [“john p\* smith” OR “smith john p\*” “NY” OR “New York” 1910..1912 -Albany]. Here the searcher is, of course, looking for John P. Smith. The wildcard is there in case his entire middle name also appears. The OR operator is used to include documents where his last name may be listed first. It is also used to include New York or its abbreviation. The date range is used to narrow the time frame and the (-) is used to eliminate any results that include Albany. You would not want to start your search with a query this specific. Start by keeping your search as simple as possible then

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progressively build up to more complex searches as warranted by your results.

The searcher can ignore “case sensitivity” standard punctuation, and small join words such as; “a, and, the”, etc. Search engines will ignore all of the above.

The article is three short pages and is a quick and informative read. Well worth the time, especially if your searches have been unproductive. It can be found at:

[http://www.genealogyintime.com/GenealogyResources/Articles/a\\_guide\\_to\\_performing\\_online\\_genealogy\\_searches\\_page03.html](http://www.genealogyintime.com/GenealogyResources/Articles/a_guide_to_performing_online_genealogy_searches_page03.html)

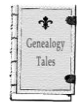
*GenealogyInTime Magazine* has 15 other articles devoted to Google genealogy searches. Such as:

- Hot Tips on How to Use Google for Genealogy Searches
- Ten Innovations in Online Genealogy Search
- How to Use Google Advanced Search for

“Anybody can make history, only a great man can write it.”  
-- Oscar Wilde

## Writers Group

*Meeting Date and Time*



The first meeting of the HDGS writing group is scheduled for Thursday, 18 October at 1:00pm. We will be meeting at the Victorville City Library 15011 Circle Drive, Victorville. It is a small meeting room and will handle about eight people. From the reaction I have had to forming a group, this should be sufficient. It is easy to schedule, centrally located and no forms were filled out in order to use the space.

Now, what to write about? The SCGS group has an assignment to write a family tale, about a parent, grandparent, etc. Do not write simple facts and figures. Write a tale that will hold someone’s interest, be entertaining make the reader want to know more. Anyway think about it. As a second choice write about a school you attended, a teacher, an event in school, special occasion, etc. Let’s get to know one another. What are your aspirations as a writer? I personally do not plan on writing a novel. I simply want to write about my life and that of my ancestors. I want them to live in others imaginations as they live in mine. ✍

Please send me an email if you plan on attending.

[ancesgen@verizon.net](mailto:ancesgen@verizon.net)

# October is Family History Month, What's Happening

Upcoming Events ! Also in the last Newsletter

## Sat., Oct. 20; A Family History Seminar, "Breathing Life Back Into Your Ancestors"

Presented by South Orange County California Genealogical Society - 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Doors Open 8:00 a.m.) at City Hall, Saddleback Room, 100 Civic Center Drive, Corner La Paz & Marguerite (North end of the city hall directly across the library parking lot.)

Featuring: Loretto Dennis (Lou) Szucs; V.P. of Community Relations for Ancestry.com

### Topics:

- What's New and How to Best Use Ancestry.com
- Beyond Names and Dates: Finding Biographical Details
- Finding Naturalizations, Passenger Lists, and Immigrant Origins
- A Dozen Ways to Jumpstart Your Family History Project

Pre register by Oct 17; \$20, \$25 at the door

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~casocgs/2012%20Seminar%20Flyer.htm> ☞

**Sat., Oct. 20;** The Torrance Family History Center presents: **The "Ins and Outs" of Family Search** (everything you ever wanted to know about the best free genealogy site on the Internet) Time: 8:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 22605 Kent Avenue, Torrance, CA 90505 ☑

## Family History Center

In the LDS Church located on the corner of Bear Valley Road and Ridgecrest. For more information call 760-243-5632

### Library hours (call to confirm):

Tuesday; 9 am to 5 pm, Thursday; 9 am to 8 pm

Friday; 9 am to 1 pm, Saturday; 10 am to 2 pm

Hours provided by Jackie Fielder

Assume these take effect in October

Classes on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings to be announced. ☺

## Early 2013 Events

What's on tap next year?

**Jan 6-13, 2013; NGS research trip to Salt Lake City,** is announced for 2013. Visit the NGS website for more information. <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org>

**March 21-23, 2013; RootsTech Salt Lake City** is the largest genealogy conference in the United States, and is held just down the road from the Family History Library. See brief article "Roots Tech 2013" this issue.

**May 8-11, 2013; NGS 2013 Family History Conference** will be held at the **Las Vegas Hotel and Casino** (formerly the Las Vegas Hilton). Hotel Registration open: the LVH is accepting reservations for attendees for NGS 2013.

**June 6 - 9, 2013; SCGS 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Jamboree** "Travel the Path to the Past." Thursday through Sunday, June 6 through 9, 2013 at the Los Angeles Marriott Burbank Airport Hotel, Burbank, California. Thursday will be a day of hands-on workshops. See the blog for more information. <http://genealogyjamboree.blogspot.com>  
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"When a society or a civilization perishes, one condition can always be found. They forgot where they came from."  
-- Carl Sandburg

## RootsTech 2013

Early Registration opens until Dec.31, 2012!

If you are considering one genealogy conference to attend in 2013, RootsTech should be high on your list. Held in Salt Lake City March 21-23, 2013, it is the largest genealogy conference in the United States, and is held just down the road from the Family History Library. RootsTech has announced the opening of its early bird registration for RootsTech 2013. For more information, go to [RootsTech.org](http://RootsTech.org).

RootsTech is a unique conference focused on helping individuals learn and use the latest technology to get started or accelerate their efforts to find, organize, preserve and share their family's connections and history. The first annual conference was held in 2011, in Salt Lake City, Utah. Hosted by FamilySearch and sponsored by leading genealogical organizations, the conference includes hands-on demonstrations and forums to provide a highly interactive environment and accelerate learning. Content is geared to young and old, beginner to advanced levels. \*\*\*

# Message from the past:

Posted Online: Aug. 04, 2012, 12:40 pm

Laura Anderson Shaw, [landerson@qconline.com](mailto:landerson@qconline.com)

Kathy McCabe ran her fingers over her great-grandfather's journal and passed it to her brother.

The ink was faded, and the browned pages were falling away from the leather binding.

"It's warm and touching to physically touch something that he had touched," said Ms. McCabe's brother, Dr. Bill McCabe, of Coal Valley.

"To hold something that he held," Ms. McCabe added.

Their great-grandfather, Thomas McCabe, wrote in that journal back in the early 1870s when he was alone in seminary school, the East Moline woman said. "This (journal) was all he had."

Through the journal, Ms. McCabe, Dr. McCabe and their sister, Mary Ulfig of Coal Valley, learned details about their ancestor's life. Thomas wrote about his day-to-day life; his first wife, Annie Spear; his second marriage to a woman named Josephine M. Peasley; and more.

It's hard to believe that a year ago, the three siblings didn't even know the journal existed.

Somehow, "out of the clear blue sky," Dr. McCabe said, the three were united with Thomas' journal.

It's a story of almost unbelievable connections and coincidences that will inspire anyone who's hunting down a family history.

Over the last few years, Ms. McCabe, Dr. McCabe and Ms. Ulfig have become increasingly interested in their heritage. They've learned more about it with help from the Internet, and now their great-grandfather's journal is revealing further clues.

Sitting at the dining-room table at Ms. Ulfig's house in Coal Valley, Dr. McCabe carefully turned the pages of the journal, and the family began telling its story.

The siblings began piecing together their family tree after joining Ancestry.com and other online genealogical sites a few years ago. Meanwhile, Megan Smolenyak, a genealogist, speaker and consultant who writes for the Huffington Post news website, began a quest to reunite "orphaned heirlooms" with their families.

Barbara Corotto from California saw the story about Ms. Smolenyak's quest online. Her father, a collector

who once lived in Bloomfield, Iowa, had carted many of his finds with him when he moved across the country. The collection was in storage, but Ms. Corotto had gone through the boxes to inventory and repack the items. It was then that she had run across the journal.

It had Thomas McCabe's name written in it, and a well-documented account of his life. Ms. Corotto contacted Ms. Smolenyak, who easily found Dr. McCabe's "bread crumbs," as he said she called them, spread out all over the Internet on genealogical sites.

Ms. Smolenyak emailed Dr. McCabe to tell him someone in California had found his great-grandfather's journal, sent him some pictures of the pages so he knew it wasn't a scam, and asked if he wanted it back.

"It's really kind of goose-pimply," Dr. McCabe said.

Dr. McCabe said after the diary made its way to the Quad-Cities, he was the first to read it. Then he got together with his sisters.

"I cried," Ms. McCabe said. "I just couldn't even believe (it)."

"We're criers," Dr. McCabe added.


Since receiving the diary, the siblings have enjoyed leafing through it and attempting to decipher the intricate, worn writing, they said.

"(We) tried to read every word," Dr. McCabe said. Because the pages were falling apart and the ink was quite faded, "we scanned it so we could increase the contrast," he said.

The family had learned a lot about Thomas through their research, including the facts that he married Annie Spear in 1865; their grandfather, William, was born in 1866; and Annie passed away in 1869.

But until they got the diary, they hadn't known she died while giving birth to a second son, whom they heard was called Mac. They also hadn't known that Thomas went to seminary, or that he was a painter and glazier, too.

The diary has helped to bring a great-grandfather to life for the siblings. "I can think of him as a person instead of a (spot) on the family tree," Ms. Ulfig said.

***"Lesson learned here? Get your information out into the ether of the Internet. You never know what you might turn up." Editor*** 

# HI-DESERT GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

## **Membership**

New and renewing members; \$20.00 Couples; \$30.00  
Corporate memberships; \$25.00  
Please make checks payable to HDGS.

## **Available Resources**

The Genealogy Books belonging to the Society are located  
in the Newton T. Bass Apple Valley Branch Library  
14901 Dale Evans Parkway,  
Apple Valley, CA 92307

## **Website**

<http://www.cagenweb.com/hdgs/>

## **Facebook**

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/ancesgen/>

## **HDGS Meeting**

The HDGS meets at 7:00 pm on the third Wednesday of  
every month except November and December at:  
Victorville ELKS Lodge, No. 1877  
14041 Hesperia Rd., Victorville, CA 92392  
Non-member visitors are welcome at all meetings.

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Newsletter Ed.	Bill Luther	<a href="mailto:ancesgen@verizon.net">ancesgen@verizon.net</a>
Book Reviews	Need Volunteer	
Historian	Cherie Volger	<a href="mailto:cevolger@aol.com">cevolger@aol.com</a>
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