



GOLD DIGGERS

Tuolumne County Genealogical Society

Sonora, California

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General meetings held each month (except December) at the
Tuolumne County Library Conference Room, 480 Greenley Road, Sonora, CA.

SEARCHING FOR BOARD MEMBERS

The following Tuolumne County Genealogical Society Board positions are currently open for the 2021/2022 term. Please read the position duties and consider joining a great group of people. Board meetings are held on the third Monday of each month, except December. We meet at Papa's New Roost at 9:30 a.m., but many come earlier to enjoy breakfast and to get to know each other better. You may contact any Board member for further information or to say you'll be willing to serve.



EDUCATION DIRECTOR ~ The Education Director is in charge of the TCGS annual seminar, typically held in the fall. There is a committee of long-time TCGS members who will assist the director with the seminar, so you won't be doing it all alone. As this is a "once a year" event, when the seminar is over, the Director can sit back and relax!

DIRECTOR AT LARGE ~ The main duties of a Director at Large are to attend the monthly Board meetings, learn about the Society as well as each Board position, and give support and feedback to the Board. It is hoped that each Director at Large will consider taking a Board position in the future.

A Warm Welcome, Please!

I wish to extend a very warm welcome to Ann Knight who has stepped forward to accept the position of Website Administrator. She comes with great experience in the IT field (far more than I ever had) and is eager to begin a new venture into website management. She will be a marvelous asset not only to our public face on our website, but also as a new member of our Board of Directors. I hope she can hear the cheers and applause going up for her now!!!



While I have enjoyed my years on the Board as the Website Administrator, I've recognized over the past year that my input there was getting stale. It was time for a change. I do look forward to remaining on the Board as the Recording Secretary for another year and will be a back-up for Ann when she and hubby are travelling.

~ Lorna Dillon Wick



President's Message by Phil VanSwoll

Many of us have received our series of vaccine shots and are more and more ready for action! We can't wait for everything to get back to "normal" and have the ability to move about freely and get together with our friends again. The wheels of society (government?) don't seem to move that quickly, however, and there are still many restrictions placed upon us. We have still not heard when we will be able to hold our general meetings in the community room at the library, and the museum is still not officially open for visitors. Your Board of Directors is meeting monthly via Zoom, and we will keep you posted as soon as we hear about anything opening up.

We want to welcome Ann Knight on board as our new website manager. She has an extensive IT background, and we really appreciate her volunteering for the job. Lorna Wick has done an outstanding job at this position for a long time (check out tcgen.org to see what she has created) and we hate to lose her, but she is working closely with Ann to guarantee a smooth transition. We are so fortunate to have such talented and dedicated people working for us – not only in this position, but on your Board, and all our volunteers!

Remember – we are here for you! If you have a question, or a problem with your research you can't resolve on your own, don't hesitate to ask any of your Board members for assistance. If we don't know the answer, we will do everything we can to find someone who does.

~ Phil E. VanSwoll

THE 24-HOUR GENEALOGY WEBINAR MARATHON

Legacy Family Tree Webinars will be presenting their second-annual 24-hour genealogy webinar marathon on **April 8-9, 2021**, entirely **FREE**, where you will learn to trace your ancestors from the world's top genealogists and educators.

From creating your own YouTube channel to DNA, from Cherokee ancestry to Canada and England, there's something for everyone . . . in every time zone. Pop in for a session or two or stick around for the full 24 hours ~ it's completely up to you. There will even be time for Q & A and door prizes. If you can't join in real time, all recordings will be available absolutely free for a week. To register (FREE), go to:

https://familytreewebinars.com/intermediate_page.php?diplay_nm=24

A Book Report ~ from TCGS Member Nancy Dorrien

Before Covid-19, when we used to go to genealogy meetings at the Tuolumne County Library and when some wonderful person would bring books of interest from our own library, I found a genealogical crime mystery written by Nathan Dylan Goodwin, who is from Hastings, Sussex, England. I was unaware such a book existed and once I read it, I was hooked. I have now read every book Nathan has written.

Nowadays authors all have websites and a Facebook presence, and they encourage you to "interface" with them. So, I started to send Nathan some words of delight and encouragement. I began to receive an answer each time I sent something which I assumed came from a robot. One day I received an answer that took me by surprise because it said, "Thank you. Are you aware that you are not reading the books in order? It's alright to read them any way you want, but I thought I would tell you." I was so surprised!!!! Obviously, some human is reading all the comments.

I have recently read "*The American Ground*." This novel is set against the backdrop of a real moment in time and a real place. The American Ground is a piece of land outside Hastings, Sussex in the 1820s. This happens to be the town that Nathan comes from.

This book is the third Morton Farrier, Forensic Genealogist book. You get to go through all the techniques that a genealogist goes through. I have actually learned a few tricks by reading these exciting and fascinating books.

So, don't go nuts sheltering in place. Call Lori East or any board member and they will arrange to get one or more of Nathan Dylan Goodwin's books to you.



The Library Corner by Kristine Childres

It has been one year, this month, since we had our last general genealogy meeting. Many of us have been busy painting, writing, gardening, cooking, reading, learning DNA and working on our family history. In some ways, the time has gone fast and in other ways, it has been a long, long year.

Many of our members have been busy getting an education through webinars. Recently, several of our members watched "Me and My 1,000+ DNA 4th Cousins." This webinar taught us more about DNA. Legacy Family Tree Webinars (<https://familytreewebinars.com/>) has webinars every Wednesday and Friday. They are free for up to one week after the original webinar or you can subscribe and watch them any time. Just an overview of a few recent ones: Researching Ancestral Locations in Prussian Genealogy Records; Polish Genealogy Online—Portals and Databases; Mistakes I Have Made: Confessions of a Repentant Genealogist; and Death and Burial Practices in World War I and WWII.

Family Tree is not the only place you can go to learn. Check out The Family History Guide (<https://www.thefhguide.com/>) which is full of videos and articles from FamilySearch, Ancestry, My Heritage and Find My Past.

In February, many of our members were on RootsTech Connect 2021 (<https://www.familysearch.org/rootstech/rtc2021/>). From Wednesday through Saturday, we sat staring at our computers while people taught the gambit of genealogical information. If you are rusty and haven't done any genealogy, it is time to get back to work. It won't be long now before we are able to gather together and discuss a subject that we love, hate and enjoy. So check out these webinars and when we are together again, we can discuss what we have learned.

Recent queries have been made to the library for the following surnames:

McCormick * Travers * Treadwell * Holland * Boudin * King

Please take care, have hope and be safe.

~ Kristine



REMEMBER TO CHECK OUT THE TCGS FACEBOOK PAGE!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1196762117353602>

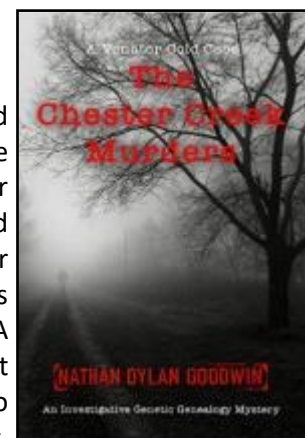
YOU MAY FIND SOME NEW INFORMATION OR IDEAS TO HELP WITH YOUR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH. OR MAYBE **YOU** HAVE SOME TIPS TO POST AND SHARE WITH OTHERS.

Looking for a New Book to Read?

Judy Herring received an email recently from Nathan Dylan Goodwin announcing the publication of a new genetic genealogy book, which he hopes will be the start of a new series. A copy is available at the TCGS library. Contact Lori East to make arrangements to borrow it.

"The Chester Creek Murders ~ by Nathan Dylan Goodwin

When Detective Clayton Tyler is tasked with reviewing the formidable archives of unsolved homicides in his police department's vaults, he settles on one particular cold case from the 1980s: The Chester Creek Murders. Three young women were brutally murdered ~ their bodies dumped in Chester Creek, Delaware County ~ by a serial killer who has confounded a slew of detectives and evaded capture for over 38 years. With no new leads or information at his disposal, the detective contacts Venator for help, a company that uses cutting-edge investigative genetic genealogy to profile perpetrators solely from DNA evidence. Taking on the case, Madison Scott-Barnhart and her small team at Venator must use their forensic genealogical expertise to attempt finally to bring the serial killer to justice. Madison, meanwhile, has to weigh professional and personal issues carefully, including the looming five-year anniversary of her husband's disappearance." ~ *Amazon.com*



NEW INDEXED RECORDS ON FAMILYSEARCH ~ ADDED SINCE JANUARY 2021

Australia, New South Wales, Assisted Immigrants Inwards, 1828-1890 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/3661064>

Australia, Victoria Petty Sessions Registers, 1858-1985 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2485052>

Canada, Ontario Tax Assessment Rolls, 1834-1899 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4130007>

Colorado, Military Discharge Records, ca. 1919-1972 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4111361>

England, Devon, Plymouth, Militia Records, 1625-1831 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4138686>

England, Devon, Plymouth, Parish Chest Records, 1556-1950 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4138681>

England, Hertfordshire, Marriage Bonds, 1682-1837 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4149578>

England, Middlesex, Westminster, Marylebone, Census, 1821 and 1831 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4138684>

Florida, Military Discharge Records, ca. 1837-ca. 1970 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4114268>

France, Mayenne, Parish and Civil Registration, 1427-1897 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/3657627>

Georgia, Military Discharge Records, ca. 1890-ca. 1966 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4113736>

Georgia, Tax Digests, 1787-1900 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4130006>

Germany, Bavaria, Catholic Church Records, 1650-1875 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/3398459>

Germany, Saxony, Diocese of Dresden-Meissen, Catholic Church Records, 1621-1976 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4127804>

Hawaii, Hawaii State Archives, Probate Packet Records, 1814-1917 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/3463463>

Idaho, Military Discharge Records, ca. 1917-ca. 1960 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4114267>

Illinois, Military Discharge Records, ca. 1862- ca. 1965 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4113738>

Iowa, Iowa City, Voter Registers, 1897-1904 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4132312>

Iowa, Military Discharge Records, ca. 1862-ca. 1976 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4114270>

Liberia Census, 2008 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2527274>

New Zealand, Electoral Rolls, 1865-1957 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/3662227>

Nicaragua, Cemetery Records, 1922-2007 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4125301>

Norway Census, 1870 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4135961>

Pennsylvania, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Births and Baptisms, 1520-1999 (Local family history center access) ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4138679>

Pennsylvania, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Congregational Records, 1620-1991 (Local family history center access) ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4138685>

Pennsylvania, Historical Society of Pennsylvania, World War II Casualty Cards, 1933-1947 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4138682>

Uruguay, Catholic Church Records, 1726-2000 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4134697>

Virginia Voter Registration, 1902-1970 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4113737>

West Virginia Voter Registers, 1866-1890 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4123916>

FAMILY SEARCH WEBINARS FOR APRIL AND MAY 2021

Although we will not be having a general TCGS meeting in April or May, there are still opportunities for you to learn something new or brush up on something old. And . . . these webinars are FREE!

APRIL 2021: https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/img_auth.php/f3/April_FHL_Webinars.pdf

MAY 2021: https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/img_auth.php/0/01/May_FHL_Webinars.pdf

TUOLUMNE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY ANNUAL ELECTION

ARTICLE IX – ELECTIONS:

The regular meeting in May shall be known as the ANNUAL MEETING, and shall be for the purpose of electing and installing officers and directors, receiving reports of officers, directors and committees, and for any other purpose that may arise.

- A. The President shall appoint in January a Nominating Committee of five (5) members, consisting of two (2) from the Board of Directors, and three (3) from the general membership.
- B. The proposed slate of officers shall be mailed to all members not less than thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting.
- C. Nominations will be accepted from the floor; however those nominated must express their consent.
- D. No write-in names will be accepted.
- E. Absentee ballots will be accepted, if requested at least twenty (20) days before the Annual Meeting and received by the Society BY MAIL, before the annual meeting.
- F. The President will appoint an Election Committee, which will count the ballots and announce the results after a secret ballot.
- G. Each member or institution voting shall be entitled to one (1) vote.
- H. A simple majority of votes of members voting is necessary to elect.
- I. A second ballot will decide a tie-vote.
- J. No member may hold more than one (1) elected office at a time.

Due to the COVID pandemic, the general membership will be voting by way of a mail-in ballot. You may mail your ballot via USPS or email your vote to info@tcgen.org. Your ballot, located on page 6 of this newsletter, must be received by May 10, 2021.

This is the slate of officers for the next year, beginning May 2021. Please consider all of them.

The names in **bold type** are the **NEW CANDIDATES** to be voted on. The rest of the officers/directors have all agreed to continue on in their titles. If you have anyone you would like to nominate and they have agreed to run, you may write his/her name on the ballot.

For this election only, the provision of the Bylaws prohibiting write-in names has been suspended.

ELECTED OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE BOARD

President: Phil VanSwoll

Corresponding Secretary: Dee Baumann

Vice President: Sherry Blake

Library Director: Lori East

Recording Secretary: Lorna Wick

Registrar: Betty Sparagna

Treasurer: Judi Lewis

Education Director: WRITE IN (OPTIONAL)

Way & Means: Kathy "Cookie" Boone

APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS

Immediate Past President: Pat Perry

Web Administrator: Ann Knight

Newsletter Editor: Pixie Bolles

DIRECTORS AT LARGE

Susie Pahrman and **TO BE DETERMINED**

Tuolumne County Genealogical Society (TCGS)

BALLOT

May 2021

You may vote by mail by returning this ballot to:

Tuolumne County Genealogical Society
PO Box 3956
Sonora, CA 95370

OR

You may vote by email at:

info@tcgen.org and indicate Aye or Nay.

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2021:

President - Phil VanSwoll
Vice President - Sherry Blake
Recording Secretary - Lorna Dillon Wick
Treasurer - Judi Lewis
Registrar - Betty Sparagna
Library Director - Lori East
Education - Write In (optional) _____

Per the Bylaws, those nominated must express their consent.

Corresponding Secretary - Dee Baumann
Ways and Means - Kathy "Cookie" Boone

CHECK ONE:

AFFIRMATIVE (AYE) _____ NEGATIVE (NAY) _____

YOUR MAILED OR EMAILED BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 10, 2021.

DID YOU MISS ROOTSTECH CONNECT 2021?

Never fear! While RootsTech Connect 2021 has come to a close, the conference will live on all year long. You can still enjoy the keynote sessions, watch educational classes, and save content to your playlist.



At this site, you can also subscribe to receive notifications when new sessions are added and hear about RootsTech updates.

Take advantage of this opportunity to keep connected and learn new things until we can meet again in person.

<https://www.familysearch.org/rootstech/rtc2021/>

2020 YEAR END INCOME AND EXPENSES

1/1/2020 through 12/31/2020		
INCOME		6,227.58
	Christmas Brunch	18.00
	Dues	3,170.00
	Fundraiser Income	
	AmazonSmile	252.95
	Badges	0.00
	See's Candy Fundraiser	2,236.40
	T-Shirts	0.00
	Tote Bags	0.00
	Miscellaneous Fundraisers	0.00
	Interest Income	28.23
	Library Income	
	Copies and Donations	130.00
	Publications	32.00
	Research	135.00
	Other Library Income	0.00
	Memorial Donations	225.00
	Seminar	0.00
	Workshop Income	0.00
EXPENSES		5,240.53
	Bank Service Charges	23.03
	Christmas brunch Expense	0.00
	Fundraisers Expense	
	Badges	0.00
	See's Candy Fundraiser	1,843.20
	T-Shirts	0.00
	Hospitality Expenses	0.00
	Insurance Liability	550.00
	Library Expense	
	Computer	87.75
	Copy Machine	970.21
	Misc. Library expense	
	Office Supplies	0.00
	Postage	55.00
	Postal: PO Box Rent	254.00
	Main Library-Meeting Room	0.00
	Miscellaneous	0.00
	Publications Expense	
	Gold Diggers Newsletter Expense	
	Copies printing	682.39
	Postage	341.00
	Seminar Expense	0.00
	Speaker Fees	0.00
	Subscriptions	389.00
	Taxes	
	IRS 990E	39.95
	Sales Tax	5.00
	Secretary of State	0.00
	Web Site Expense	0.00
	Work Shop	0.00
OVERALL TOTAL		987.05

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



Register for free at: <https://familytreewebinars.com> If you are able to watch the seminar live, you MAY win a door prize like **Pixie Bolles** did in February! If you cannot watch the live seminar, recordings are usually available for free for 7 days after the live event. Afterwards they are available as part of an annual membership (\$49.95). At the beginning of 2021, there were 1,415 classes in the library.

April 2021

- **In Their Own Words: Genealogy in the Slave Narratives** by Renate Yarborough Sanders ~ 4/2
- **Four More Sources for New Zealand Family History** by Fiona Brooker ~ 4/6
- **DNA for Dog Lovers** by Shellee Morehead PhD CG ~ 4/7
- **The new and Improved Legacy Family Tree Webinars website** by Geoff Rasmussen ~ 4/13
- **Jewish Genealogy with JewishGen.org** by Deborah J. Kroopkin ~ 4/14
- **An African Canadian Family History Mystery** by Mags Gaulden ~ 4/16
- **Turning Raw Information into Evidence: Tips for Drawing and Explaining Conclusions** by J. H. (Jay) Fonkert, CG ~ 4/20
- **3 Ways to Advance your Research with Correlation** by Shannon Green ~ 4/21
- **Recent updates to MyHeritage's historical record search engine** by Dana Drutman ~ 4/27
- **94% European and 6% Nigerian ~ Tracing My Missing Nigerian Ancestor** by Yetunde Moronke Abiola ~ 4/28
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May 2021

- **Comparing Australian Content on the Giant Genealogy Websites** by Sunny Morton ~ 5/4
- **Solving a Brick Wall with DNA ~ A Case Study** by Larry W. Thomas ~ 5/5
- **Researching the Descendants and Ancestors of the Weeping Time People** by Brian Sheffey ~ 5/7
- **Latest updates to MyHeritage Genetic Groups** by Ran Snir ~ 5/11
- **DNA Downer: Strategies for Dealing with DNA Fatigue** by Blaine Bettinger Ph.D. J.D. ~ 5/1
- **The Paternal Ten: Searching for Missing Heirs** by Claire Ammon, CG ~ 5/18
- **Notion for Genealogists** by Lisa Alzo ~ 5/19
- **Researching Canadian Nurses, Pilots and Sailors in the First World War** by Kathryn Lake Hogan ~ 5/21
- **Advanced DNA Features on MyHeritage** by Ofer Karp ~ 5/25
- **How Testing Multiple Relatives can Turbocharge Your DNA Research** by Michelle Leonard ~ 5/26

If you want to understand today, you have to search yesterday.

~ Pearl S. Buck

Have You Tried a Genealogy Podcast?

Looking for some interesting listening material? Try a genealogy-related podcast. Here are some suggestions from Facebook genealogy fans. If you currently listen to a favorite podcast, or if you give one of these a try, please tell us your opinion. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Research Like a Pro ~ <https://familylocket.com/the-research-like-a-pro-genealogy-podcast/>

Ancestors Alive! Genealogy: From Paper to People ~ <http://ancestorsalivegenealogy.com/>

Genealogy Happy Hour ~ <https://genealogyhappyhour.com/>

Genealogy Gems ~ <https://lisalouisecooke.com/podcasts/>

The Family Tree Magazine Genealogy Podcast ~ <https://www.familytreemagazine.com/genealogy-podcast/>

The Genealogy Guys Podcast ~ <http://www.genealogyguys.com/>

Extreme Genes ~ <https://extremegenes.com/>

Cutoff Genes Podcast ~ <https://cutoffgenes.libsyn.com/>

Spit ~ <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/spit/id1422827494>

And even more suggestions from Cyndi's List ~ <https://www.cyndislist.com/podcasts/general/>





APRIL 2021

GENERAL MEETING

~~April 12, 2021 ~ 2:00 p.m.~~

Sonora Public Library ~ Conference Room

BOARD MEETING

April 19, 2021 ~ 9:30 a.m.

Via Zoom

MAY 2021

GENERAL MEETING

~~May 10, 2021 ~ 2:00 p.m.~~

Sonora Public Library ~ Conference Room

BOARD MEETING

May 17, 2021 ~ 9:30 a.m.

Via Zoom



BOARD MEETING

At the **February 15, 2021** meeting, the Board set October 9, 2021 as a tentative date for the Annual TCGS Seminar. Jan Jorn-Baird reported she is willing to assist someone else with the seminar, but she would like to be relieved of Education Director duties in order to pursue other activities. The Board voted to purchase a new desktop PC for the genealogy library at the museum.

At the **March 15, 2021** meeting, the Board agreed that the portion of the Bylaws prohibiting the acceptance of write-in names would be temporarily suspended for this year's election only due to our inability to meet and vote in person. The Board also agreed any write-in candidate must have the express consent of the nominee. Lorna Wick introduced Ann Knight who will be assuming the role of Website Administrator. Facilities have been reserved at the LDS church for the annual seminar tentatively scheduled for October 9, 2021. Dates for the 2022 TCGS trip to SLC are expected to be announced in April 2021.



**IRISH AND
DNA / COMPUTER TECH
SIG NEWS**

Until the Community Meeting room at the County Library is available for our use, the Irish and DNA/Computer Special Interest Group meetings will be conducted via Zoom. Each group will be meeting on the **second Monday of EVERY month ~ Irish at 10 AM** and **DNA/Computer Tech at noon** (except December). If you would like to attend one or both of these meetings, download the Zoom app to your phone, tablet, or computer. To request an invitation to the DNA meeting, contact Lorna Wick at justlorna40@gmail.com. To request an invitation to the Irish meeting, contact Kathy Boone at cookie48@mlode.com. You will receive an invitation that will include a link to the requested meeting.

TCGS BOARD MEETINGS

Until the TCGS Board is able to meet at Papa's New Roost, the monthly Board meetings will be conducted via Zoom. These meetings will be at the usual date and time ~ third Monday of the month at 9:30 a.m. If you are not on the Board and would like to attend the meeting, please download the Zoom app to your phone, tablet, or computer and contact President Phil VanSwoll at pvanswoll@outlook.com to request an invitation to the meeting. Your invitation will include a link to the meeting.



~ from Twisted Twigs on Gnarled Branches Genealogy



To **Bill Anning** for his generous donation to TCGS for the support of DNA and other technology initiatives. A portion

of Bill's contribution will be used for a subscription to Zoom which will allow the DNA group to meet for longer than the allotted free 40 minutes. Lorna Wick, the facilitator of the DNA/Technology Special Interest Group, has done such an outstanding job, the group wanted to meet for longer than 40 minutes and occasionally more often than once a month. Bill came to the group's rescue and they will now be able to meet as often and for as long as the group desires.

All TCGS members are invited to participate in the monthly DNA/Technology Special Interest Group meetings where there is always something new to learn! See page 9 for more information on how to join this monthly meeting.

Condolences

TCGS extends sincere sympathy to the family of

Charles Harold Wesley

12 Dec 1932 ~ 12 Jan 2021

If you traveled with TCGS to Salt Lake City in 2013, you will remember Harold ~ the lone man among the group of women. Harold was definitely the life of the party!

In Memoriam

On February 19, 2021, we sadly lost another member of our TCGS family ~ **Michelle Mulneaux Tuttle** ~ following her brave and fierce battle with cancer. Michelle and her husband Michael joined TCGS in 2017. In 2018, they took an exciting and rewarding trip to Ireland in search of Michelle's ancestral home. Their trip and what happened when they knocked on *just the right door* were the subject of our March 2019 general meeting program. Michelle was a knowledgeable genealogist, with a gentle and kind personality. This bonny lass and her beautiful smile will be greatly missed by so many. Sincere condolences are extended to Michael and all of Michelle's family. If you would like to make a donation in Michelle's memory, scholarships have been created in her name at Tuolumne County Women's Network (*Michelle Tuttle Scholarship*) and the University of California-Berkeley (*Michelle Mulneaux-Tuttle Fellowship*).



*The roots of a family tree
begin with the love of two hearts.*

WELCOME NEW MEMBER
Cecilia Frierson ~ Oceanside, CA
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 122

**DEADLINE FOR
JUNE / JULY NEWSLETTER
MAY 17, 2021**

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES

When you shop on Amazon, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to TCGS when you sign up and shop through AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com).

Amazon.Smile donation to TCGS Mar 2021: \$95.50

Cumulative Donation: \$763.86

Visit tcgen.org for more information and instructions for signing up for this fundraising opportunity!



Tuolumne County Genealogical Society

P. O. Box 3956, Sonora, California 95370-3956

LIBRARY: 158 Bradford Street, Sonora

www.tcgen.org - info@tcgen.org

Membership Application

New Membership Renewal Reinstatement

Name _____

(Please include member's maiden name if applicable)

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip + 4, Country _____

Phone Number (____) _____ Email Address _____

Please **select a membership level** for which you are including a check. Your membership begins when your application has been processed. Effective June 1, 2019, rates are:

Individual \$25 Yearly Patron \$50 Yearly

Family \$35 Yearly Lifetime \$300

Donation \$ _____

The *Gold Diggers* newsletter will be sent to you electronically unless this box is checked:

Send by USPS mail.

If your mailing label is **RED**, payment is due.

If you have already mailed your check,
please disregard this notice.

For New Members:

In the interest of providing better programs for our membership, please tell us something about yourself. Are you just getting started in genealogy? Do you have ancestors in Tuolumne County? What family names are you researching? This is entirely optional.

Make check payable to TCGS and mail with application to TCGS, PO Box 3956, Sonora, CA 95370. Your cancelled check is your receipt.

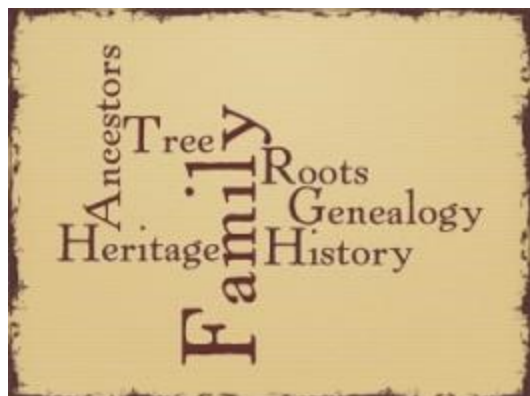
DUES ARE PAYABLE ON ANNIVERSARY DATE OF APPLICATION

I hereby acknowledge and consent that, unless otherwise copyrighted or instructed, any family histories, biographies, or other materials that I donate to the TUOLUMNE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, including the above information, may be published in the Society quarterly, newsletter, or other publications, and may be used in exchange with other Societies and/or in the Society's library. All materials donated to the Society become the property of the Society and the donor acknowledges that they will not be returned.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

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Officers / Board Members

President: Phil VanSwoll
Vice President: Sherry Blake
Recording Secretary: Lorna Dillon Wick
Treasurer: Judi Lewis
Registrar: Betty Sparagna
Library Director: Lori East

Education: Jan Jorn-Baird
Corresponding Secretary: Dee Baumann
Newsletter Editor: Pixie Bolles
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