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

JUNE 13, 2022 ~ 2:00 PM ~ JUSTIN FLORES

Excerpts From the Life of a Mexican Who Turned Welsh in One Day



With his interest piqued by a niece who had her DNA tested, our speaker for June decided to pursue DNA testing for himself.

Justin Flores knows what it must be like to have amnesia! Since receiving his DNA test results in April 2019, he awakens each day with the reality that he has a family of which he had no memory. Discovering them and getting to know them and the love with which they have blessed him has been, according to Justin, one crazy ride.

You may remember Justin from his years as the radio personality of “Justin In the Morning” on Star 92.7. More recently, he has served as Pastor at Heritage Christian Church in Sonora. Justin was the “Master of Ceremonies” at the Tuolumne County Historical Society’s program *When Shadows Whisper*.

Join us as Justin shares his story of discovering the family and heritage he never knew he had.



Join the Tuolumne County Historical Society in celebrating the Courtyard Brick Wall and a very special lady!
June 25, 2022
5-8 p.m.

JULY 11, 2022 ~ 2:00 PM ~ PROGRAM TO BE DETERMINED

TCGS is in need of a Vice President who is the Chair of the Program Committee.

With no Vice President, will we have NO programs? Can YOU help???

Go to <https://tcgen.org/> for the most up-to-date information on meeting programs.



President's Message by Phil VanSwoll

We were able to hold our first general meeting in many months back in April, and it was great to see so many of you again. We had our "annual" meeting in May, primarily for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year, and we had a very nice turn-out for our meeting this year. As you will see elsewhere in this newsletter, our board is complete except for the positions of Vice President and Education Director. I would encourage anyone so inclined to give serious consideration to joining the excellent group of outstanding volunteers who comprise your board. If you are interested, but have questions, please contact any one of us for more information.

There has been some interest expressed in holding our general meetings in the evening, rather than during the afternoon. If you are one who would benefit from such a change, please let us know. We want to do anything we can to make attendance at our meetings convenient for everyone.

If the newsletter you are currently reading came to you as a hard copy in the mail, please be aware there are considerable costs to your society to make this possible. About half our membership receives their newsletter by e-mail, which is the preferred method. Because of the extra expense involved in printing and mailing hard copies, there will be a discussion at our next meeting as to the necessity of making an additional charge for those who wish to continue receiving their newsletter in this manner. We are sincerely interested in your thoughts in this matter.

I will look for you at our next meeting on June 13!

~ Phil E. VanSwoll



TCGS 2022 Annual Meeting and Potluck

WANTED: EDUCATION DIRECTOR

The Education Director is responsible for classes, workshops, and seminars. The 2022 Annual Seminar is scheduled for October 8 . . . but it won't happen without YOUR help. Please consider stepping up to help us put on a great learning experience for our members. You will have a FULL committee to help in any way you need. Contact any Board member for more information.



If you attended the TCGS Annual Meeting on May 9, did you taste Marie Tiraschi's wine cake? The recipe was handed down to her from her mother and is very similar to Brenda Hix's recipe. If you asked Marie for the recipe, here it is!

Mary Ghiorso's Wine Cake circa 1970's

- 1 package Duncan Hines yellow cake mix
- 1 large package instant vanilla pudding
- 1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
- 3/4 cup pale dry sherry wine
- 3/4 cup salad oil, AKA Wesson oil
- 4 eggs

Beat all together for a full 5 minutes. Bake in a slightly greased angel food cake pan at 325 for 1 hour. I found that after 50 minutes, I start checking as it will burn in my oven if left for an hour.

Remove cake and pour mixture over warm cake immediately.

Mixture (topping)

Mix together (I just whisk the 2 ingredients in a measuring cup to make it easier to pour over cake):

- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1/3 cup pale dry sherry



The Library Corner by Kristine Childres

Hello fellow members,

If you are interested in the following books, you will find them at the Carlo De Ferrari archives. As mentioned before, the archives are open to the public 9-4, Tuesday through Thursday. Call Andy Mattos for an appointment at (209) 536-1163.

"Record of the Massachusetts Volunteers 1861-1865" (two volumes)

"Journey of the Italians in America"

"The Indian Wars of the United States," by Edward S. Ellis, copyright 1892

One of the 12 pay sites that the Family History Center provides free to patrons is Alexander Street, which is a Civil War site. This collection contains 2,000 authors and approximately 100,000 pages of diaries, letters and memories, including 4,000 pages of primarily unpublished manuscripts. Their hours are 10-4 Tuesday through Thursday and Wednesday evening 6:30-8:30. Call ahead to make sure their staff is available on the day you want to come (209) 536-9206.

Enjoy the spring in all its glory,

~ Kristine

Member **Carolyn Coates** asked that the following information regarding **Books We Own** be shared with you:

"Books We Own is a list of resources owned/accessed by individuals who are willing to look up genealogical information and email or snail mail it to others who request it. This is a free service—volunteers may ask for reimbursement of copies and postage if information is provided via snail-mail. The project began in 1996 as a way for members of the ROOTS-L mailing list to share their resources with one another. Today, there are approximately 1250 volunteers. The Books We Own website is hosted by RootsWeb.



Resource owners are volunteers with a limited amount of time and resources to spend looking up information. Before using this service, please review helpful tips for making requests: <http://sites.rootsweb.com/~bwo/tips.html>.

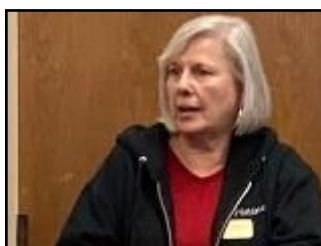
Jenny Renlen has served as Books We Own webmaster since February 1998, and is the third webmaster since this project was begun."

More information on Books We Own can be found here: <http://sites.rootsweb.com/~bwo/bwo-usigs.pdf> and here: http://www.fiskelibrary.org/NewsLetter/2007December_newsletter.pdf.

We Meet Again!!!

April 11, 2022 ~ Our first meeting since February 2020 was filled with lots of visiting, catching up, laughter, and news of what we learned and accomplished during the last two years. **Judy Herring** shared a helpful tip. When you sign up for a webinar, it's possible for an automatic reminder of the webinar ~ including date, time and subject ~ to go directly to your calendar. **Lori East** compiled a chronologically ordered family history binder. **Barbara Farkas** was able to send some family photos to a relative who had none. **Kristine Childres** told about a site for New York State newspapers ~ <https://nyshistoricnewspapers.org/>

During the second half of the program, Lori East gave everyone a brief, but informative overview of the recently released 1950 census. Have you found YOUR family in the census yet?



Have You Ever Thought of Writing Your Own Obituary?

Yvonne L. Miles

Louisville ~ Well, it finally happened, I died. At 68 years of age, I stopped harassing people on 9 March, 2022. I was a retired paralegal and had been in the legal field for over 40 years and loved every minute of it ~ especially being the official Dubois Circuit Court Reporter in Jasper, Indiana. Murder trials were fascinating to me. But the best civil case was the “Chicken Blowout” trial.

As most of you know, I was an avid IU Basketball fan. I also cheered for any team that played and beat UK.

I am survived by my wonderful husband, Brian J. Miles and his immediate family. I also leave behind my awesome, sweet little family of my son, Michael F. Sutton and his wife, Laura (Scheuer) and my brilliant grandson Dashel whom I will miss the most. Dashel was the light of my life. The time I spent with him was precious. I always said that the best day of my life was the day Dashel was born.

My dear father, Ralph E. Beuscher, Sr. preceded me in death in 2018. My acerbic mother, Violet (Berry) Buescher, preceded me in death in 1994.

I am also survived by several nieces and nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews, and cousins. I have two siblings still living, neither of whom deserve mention here. Also surviving is my sweet 20-lb. black cat, Coltrane. My first beloved cat, Tori Sue Torkelson, was cremated and will be scattered with me.

I graduated from South Knox High in Vincennes, Indiana, in 1972 with the best classmates ever. We had a blast in the late ‘60s and early ‘70s. Peace to you all and Keep On Truckin’.

In order to finally have the smokin’ hot body I’ve always wanted, I chose to be cremated and my ashes spread at an undisclosed site. I still want to stay on this side of the grass! The idea of being buried just kills me (pun definitely intended).

Please come by to say farewell and celebrate my awesome trip through life. Two drink tickets for everyone coming through the door. The party will be held in Louisville, Kentucky, at a later date. Brian and Michael have instructions on how to notify everyone. Be ready to hear all my favorite songs (including my Funeral Playlist), tell stories, and have a drink or two on me! Memorial gifts may be made to the Kentucky Humane Society, NOT the United States Humane Society.

Peace, Love, and Happiness to Everyone!

~Published in The Courier-Journal, posted online on March 10, 2022



Useful Websites for Irish Research

- Libraries Ireland ~ <https://www.librariesireland.ie/>
- Federation of Local History Societies ~ <https://localhistory.ie/>
- Irish Genealogy Toolkit ~ <https://www.irish-genealogy-toolkit.com/>
- Ireland Genealogy Projects ~ <https://www.igp-web.com/>
- Irish Archives Resource ~ <https://iar.ie/>

Can't Find It In a Name Search?

OCR (Optical Character Recognition) turns scanned images into text. If you are unable to locate your ancestor in a census record, try substituting some of the letters in their name.

For this capital letter	Try substituting this/these letters
A	D, O, P, Q, U, V
B	R
C	E, O, S, T, X
D	A, Q, U, V
E	C, L, S
F	I, T
G	I, J, Q, S, Y
H	K, M, W
I	F, G, J, Q, T, Z
J	G, Q, T, S, Y
K	H, X, Z
L	E, S, T, Z
M	N, W
N	T, W, Z
O	A, C, U, V
P	A, Q
Q	A, D, G, I, J, P
R	B
S	G, J
T	C, F, I, J, N
U	A, V
V	A, U, W (for pronunciation)
W	H, M, N
X	K
Y	G, J
Z	I, K, N

~ Contra Costa Genealogical Society, Genealogy— Improving your Searches Facebook page



The Whaling History Website Connects People With Their Whaling Ancestors

<https://whalinghistory.org/>

Researchers, historians, and genealogy enthusiasts now have an expanded resource to explore the history of the whaling industry and the individuals who were part of the global enterprise, with recent additions to the Whaling History website, a joint project of Mystic Seaport Museum and the New Bedford Whaling Museum.

The data presented combines many sources including logbooks, journals, ship registers, newspapers, business papers, and custom house records. Users can find and trace whaling voyages and ships to specific logbooks, as well as the list of crew members aboard many of the voyages.

A popular feature of the site is a dialog where users can search crew lists to discover if they have a relative who shipped out on a whaling voyage.

The foundational fabric of Whaling History features three databases that have been stitched together – the American Offshore Whaling Voyage (AOWV) database, the American Offshore Whaling Log database, and an extensive whaling crew list database. All data is open to the public and is downloadable for any researcher to use with other tools and systems.

At the heart of the current site are seven interconnected databases. Three of them relate to American offshore whaling: one describing every known voyage from the 1700s through the 1920s, another transcribing location information from whaling logbooks, and the third containing crew lists for these voyages. Two of the databases relate to the British Southern Whale Fishery (1775–1859): one describing every known voyage, whaling or sealing, to the south of Britain, and one containing the corresponding crew lists. The sixth database describes whaling voyages from British North America, including Nova Scotia and New Brunswick from 1779–1845. And the seventh describes voyages from France.

More details here: <https://www.mysticseaport.org/press-release/website-connects-people-with-their-whaling-ancestors/>

~ From Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter, 24 Mar 2022



Organizing and Storage Tips for Your Genealogy Research

Do you need advice on how to organize and store your genealogy research so you can easily keep track of everything? Here's exactly what you need to do:

<https://ancestralfindings.com/organizing-and-storage-tips-for-your-genealogy-research/>

~ AncestralFindings.com

SFgenealogy

SFgenealogy began as part of the USGenWeb project in 1996. In November 2002, the founders left USGenWeb and established SFgenealogy.com. In July 2015, SFgenealogy incorporated as a non-profit foundation and became SFgenealogy.org. As part of the celebration, the website has been redesigned for modern access and now includes more of the San Francisco Bay Area. In addition, they have added over 200 scanned yearbooks from their collection. They still have a lot of conversion of old web pages to finish, but are excited to present their new website. Check it out here:

https://www.sfgenealogy.org/?fbclid=IwAR37_YwGa6Et9Rna1O5vPoFtupw8-7mULCmDAGm94cSPg_IQaC6yOXcVPs

New York City?!?!?

Public Digitized Vital Records Now Online for Free!

The largest collection of publicly available New York City birth, marriage, and death records is now online and free to access!

The New York City Municipal Archives has been working to digitize the millions of birth, marriage, and death records it holds since 2013. With the project now 70% complete, 9,318,625 digitized records from the late 1800s to the early 1900s are now available online as of March 2022.

Visit the NYC Department of Records and Information Services website for a complete listing of records available online.

<https://a860-historicalvitalrecords.nyc.gov/digital-vital-records>

THE UNION DEMOCRAT ~ JUNE 10, 1922
BIG NIGHT AT HIGH SCHOOL

THE UNION DEMOCRAT
JULY 8, 1922
4TH OF JULY ACTIVITIES

The dedication of the gymnasium and the graduation of the class of 1922 of the Sonora high school will take place this Saturday evening in the gymnasium and a splendid program has been arranged for the combined events. The dedication address will be delivered by Hon. J. B. Curtin; Hon. S. C. Irving, former principal of the Sonora grammar school, will talk on "Past and Present;" Hon. W. D. Stephens, governor of California, will make the commencement address; Chas. H. Segerstrom will present the diplomas; the valedictory address will be by Miss Adelaide Sylva. The program is interspersed with instrumental and vocal numbers.

The graduates, numbering 40, form the largest class ever graduating from the school, and Principal V. A. Dunlavy is proud of the record made the past term in all departments and especially of the large class which passes out this year. The graduates are:

Armand Julian Baer, Mary Therese Best, Fred Bogio, William Henry Booker, George Albert Buzzini, Mildred Agnes Canavan, Blanche Burnetta Ciarlo, Wade Hampton Coffill, Catherine Louise Criddle, Ednetta Robinson Davis, John Baptist DeFerrari, Louise Valentine DeFerrari, Charlotte Eugenia Dennis, Eleanor True Fanning, Thomas Willis Gibbons, Otto Arthur Guizo, Lillie Leonore Harry, Wendell Horace Herold, Joseph Lloyd Klein, Lena Margaret Lertora, Mabel June Loomis, William Roy Lukey, Gladys May Lyon, Earl Sugg McDonald, Winifred Mae McFarland, Eugenia Marguerite McMahan, Austin Swier Menzes, James Henry Phillips, Hazel Marguerite Price, Patricia Price, George Ragsdale, Evelyn Martha Russell, Hope Elphine Shine, Golden Mary Silver, Gertrude Ruth Sims, Adelaide Catherine Sylva, Anne Evelyn Sylva, Mary Elaine Symons, Grace Lucille Westwood, Lola Maude Wivell.

James Reed and wife of Stockton spent the Fourth in Sonora with the lady's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Meyers.

Percy Weston, the oil man, spent the Fourth here to escape the heat of his home town of Modesto.

Henry Shaw, formerly a resident of Sonora, is now located at Cooperstown. He celebrated the Fourth in Columbia.

Leslie Miller, who is employed at Don Pedro, spent the Fourth in Sonora at the home of his mother, Mrs. Susie Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Cabezut and children were visiting relatives in Sonora and Columbia early this week. Mr. Cabezut is a Sonora born boy and his wife a Columbia born girl. They celebrated the Fourth in Columbia and met many of their childhood friends. "Seves" is prospering in the bay town and made the trip in his big, high-powered car.

THESE NEW CITIZENS JUST MISSED INCLUSION IN THE 1950 CENSUS

MUZIO ~ In San Jose, Friday, June 30, at the Community Hospital, to the wife of John J. Muzio, Jr., formerly Joyce Petersen, of Sonora, a son, John Joseph, III, at 6:11 p.m. o'clock.

ARMSTRONG ~ In Sonora, July 4, at the Columbia Way Hospital, to the wife of Wilbur Armstrong, of Tuolumne a son.

VON BERG ~ In Sonora, July 1, at the Columbia Way Hospital, to the wife of Victor Von Berg, Tuolumne, a son.

PEEK ~ In Sonora, July 1 at Tuolumne County Hospital, to the wife of Billie Wayne Peek, of Tuolumne a son, Billie Wayne Peek, Jr., at 4:49 p.m.

HARNES ~ In Sonora, July 4, at the Tuolumne County Hospital, to the wife of Charles Harnes, Tuolumne, a

daughter, Janifer Lee, at 12:11 p.m.

~ *The Union Democrat, 6 July 1950*

ARMSTRONG ~ In Sonora, July 7 at Sonora Hospital, to the wife of David Thomas Armstrong, of Sonora, a son, at 8:05 p.m.

BROOKS ~ In Sonora, July 8, at Sonora Hospital, to the wife of Leonard Brooks, of Sonora, a son, at 2:07 a.m.

BERAMUS ~ In Sonora, July 10, at Sonora Hospital, to the wife of Clifford Beramus, of Sonora, a son, at 5:25 a.m.

BARR ~ In Sonora, July 10, at Sonora Hospital to the wife of Rev. George Barr, R.F.D. 2, of Sonora, a daughter, at 8:25 a.m.

~ *The Union Democrat, 13 July 1950*

HAWKE ~ In Sonora, July 15, at Columbia Way Hospital, to the wife of William Hawke, of Sonora, a son at 12:55 p.m.

CAPUCCINI ~ In Sonora, July 17, at Sonora Hospital, to the wife of Vincent Capuccini, Tuolumne, a son at 9:30 am.

DRYNAN ~ In Sonora, July 12th, at the Sonora Hospital, to the wife of Bruce W. Drynan, of Hathaway Pines, Calaveras County, a son, at 4:55 a.m. o'clock.

CARTER ~ In Sonora, July 12, at the Sonora Hospital, to the wife of Claude Carter, of Sonora, a daughter, at 2:28 p.m.

~ *The Union Democrat, 20 July 1950*

NEW INDEXED RECORDS ON FAMILY SEARCH ~ ADDED SINCE MARCH 2022

Argentina, Chaco, Civil Registration, 1889-1946 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4450393>
Australia, Albany, Inward Passenger List, 1873-1924 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4451678>
Canada, Border Entry Lists, 1908-1918 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4123954>
Canada, Immigration Records, 1919-1924 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/3875202>
Canada, Registers of Chinese Immigration to Canada, 1885-1949 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4138687>
France, Bas-Rhin, Parish and Civil Registration, 1525-1912 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4116416>
France, Calvados, Census, 1836 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4279958>
France, Côtes-d'Armor, Parish and Civil Registration, 1467-1920 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4320583>
France, Haute-Garonne, Parish and Civil Registration, 1539-1993 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4235684>
New York, Birth Indexes outside of New York City, 1881-1942 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4460198>
Prisoners of War, 1715-1947 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4459223>
Romania, Civil Registration, 1865-1903 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4325043>
Ukraine, Cherkasy Church Books, 1734-1930 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4133834>
Ukraine, Zaporizhzhia Church Books, 1774-1935 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4135959>
West Virginia, Census (Mortality Schedule), 1870-1880 ~ <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/4373185>

TOTAL TCGS MEMBERSHIP: 114

Do You Know the Difference Between the Family History Library and the Church History Library?

Both are located on the downtown headquarters campus in Salt Lake City and each library holds massive collections of historical records. But their purposes are very different and each serves unique purposes. Here is an online guide that explains the differences between the two libraries:

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/blog/difference-between-family-history-library-church-history-library>



ARCHON COMPUTER REPAIR
Mac and PC Repair
Computer repair that comes to your home or business
Serving Tuolumne and Calaveras County
Call to make an appointment ~
209-743-1433 (voice or text)
archoncomputers@hotmail.com

TCGS member **Judy Herring** shared this link to the official homepage of English historical, genealogical mystery crime writer, Nathan Dylan Goodwin. You can find information about his latest released book, other books, pages, blogs, videos, contact information, and more. Check it out here:

<https://www.nathandylangoodwin.com/>

You Can Now Explore All of "The Book of Kells" For Free Online

The Book of Kells ~ held in the Library of Trinity College Dublin ~ is a masterpiece of medieval illumination and manuscript craft. The legendary volume is now available in new high-resolution scans for free online browsing.

<https://digitalcollections.tcd.ie/concern/works/hm50tr726?locale=en>

You can read more about The Book of Kells here:

<https://mymodernmet.com/book-of-kells-online/>

Website Administrator Ann Knight does a fantastic job keeping our website up-to-date! The most current TCGS news can be found at:

<https://tcgen.org/>

Check it out!



Register for free at: https://familytreewebinars.com/upcoming-webinars/?list_view=true&multiple=true

All live webinars are free and their recordings are free to watch for the first 7 days. With a webinar membership (\$49.95), you get additional benefits outlined here: https://news.legacyfamilytree.com/legacy_news/webinars/

June 2022

- **Using DNA to Solve Interlinked Mysteries** by Michelle Leonard ~ June 1
- **Studying Free People of Color in Apprentice Records** by Ari Wilkins ~ June 3
- **Documents + DNA + Method + a little bit of Luck: Combining Tools to Find Biological Family** by Elizabeth Williams Gomoll, CG ~ June 8
- **Identifying Common Ancestors with DNA** by Shahar Tenenbaum ~ June 14
- **Advanced Lightroom Techniques for Photo Editing** by Jared Hodges ~ June 15
- **A 19th Century Ontario Enigma ~ A Case Study** by Janice Nickerson ~ June 17
- **Negative Evidence: Making Something Out of Nothing** by Denise E. Cross, CG ~ June 21
- **Irish Emigration to North America: Before, during and after Famine** by Paul Milner ~ June 22
- **Monthly Online Genealogy Conference: BMDs/Vital Records** ~ June 25
- **Celebrating Family Events with MyHeritage** by MyHeritage ~ June 28
- **A Deep Dive into the Map Collections of the Library of Congress** by Rick Sayre, CG, CGL, FUGA ~ June 29

July 2022

- **Ole Master Record All Us In The Good Book ~ Using the Slave Owner's Bible Records** by Char McCargo Bah ~ July 1
- **The Madness of 'Mc' Surnames** by Carol Baster ~ July 5
- **What's New at DNAPainter** by Jonny Perl ~ July 6
- **Montana Genealogy Treasures** by Janet Thomson, Ed.D. ~ July 13
- **Colonial Spanish & Mexican Censuses & Census Substitutes** by Henrietta Christmas ~ July 15
- **Ancestors' Religions in the U.S.** by Carolyn L. Whitton, CG ~ July 19
- **1 hour to master the camera settings** by Jared Hodges ~ July 20
- **Monthly Online Genealogy Conference: Military Records** ~ July 23
- **Exploring Your Ethnicities on MyHeritage** by Ran Snir ~ July 26
- **Is it POSSIBLE to Retire from Genealogy?** By DearMYRTLE and Russ Worthington ~ July 27

Can't Find an Ancestor's Marriage Record? Check for Local "Gretna Greens"

Over the past several centuries, there have always been places that couples could, for various reasons, run away to and get married.

In more recent times, it was because perhaps no blood test was required, or no waiting period, no age limits, or parental consent. These runaway spots are often referred to as **Gretna Greens**, so called because of the famous place on the Scottish border where English couples eloped after the English Clandestine Marriage Act was passed in the 18th century.

If you are looking for a record of your ancestors' marriage, and can't find it in the home county, you might think a bit broader, depending on where they lived. There are many cases of people marrying in unexpected places. One couple from North Carolina slipped into Clayton in North Georgia's Rabun County to wed. A Tennessee couple married in Rossville, Georgia, in Walker County, adjacent to Catoosa County, so a researcher would need to check both courthouses for the actual record.

There's more in an article by Kenneth H. Thomas Jr. and published in the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* at <https://www.ajc.com/news/cant-find-an-ancestors-marriage-record-check-for-local-gretna-greens/I3BBCTQORRGZ3EPKY3HTP2IY/>

~ Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter, 13 May 2022

WHERE TO DO GENEALOGY RESEARCH LOCALLY

FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

LDS Church
19481 Hillsdale Drive
Sonora, CA 95370 ~ Call 1-209-226-3231
for alternative dates and times
Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Wednesday evening ~ 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

TUOLUMNE COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY

158 W. Bradford Street
Sonora, CA 95370 ~ 1-209-532-1317
Hours: Thursday ~ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Email: info@tcgen.org
Website: www.tcgen.org

TUOLUMNE COUNTY HISTORY CENTER

158 Bradford Street
Sonora, CA 95370 (behind the museum)
1-209-532-4227

TUOLUMNE COUNTY LIBRARY

480 Greenley Road
Sonora, CA 95370 ~ 1-209-533-5507
Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Closed: Sunday and Holidays

CARLO DE FERRARI ARCHIVES

480 Greenley Road
Sonora, CA 95370 (behind the library)
Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00 to 4 p.m. ~ 1-209-536-1163

By appointment only

COLUMBIA STATE PARK ARCHIVES

Corner of Main and Fulton
Columbia, CA 95310 ~ 1-209-536-2646
Call to ensure facility is open
Email: columbialibraryarchives@gmail.com
Open Tuesday 12 to 3 p.m.,
Thursday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
2nd Saturday of month 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.
Alternative hours available by appointment

GRAVESTONE CLEANING TIPS

BillionGraves

Whether or not you intend to clean a gravestone yourself, an article by Cathy Wallace and published in the *BillionGraves* website contains helpful information for all genealogists. Topics include:

- Why should you clean a gravestone
- When should you NOT clean a gravestone?
- Sources of gravestone damage
- Understand laws and regulations
- Sources of gravestone damage
- Headstone cleaning tips
- Gravestone cleaning supplies
- Methods for gravestone cleaning

<https://blog.billiongraves.com/gravestone-cleaning-101/>
~ *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter*, 12 April 2022

**DEADLINE FOR AUG-SEP NEWSLETTER
JULY 18, 2022**



Genealogical Translations, a Facebook group, was established to provide amateur family researchers a place to have their genealogical documents translated. They are a global volunteer group whose members help other members by offering free translation of their genealogical documents such as vital records, postcards, obituaries, and more, in languages including Dutch, French, German, Hebrew, Hungarian, Italian, Latin, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and many others. If you have need of translation of old documents or if you have foreign-language skills and are able to offer translation assistance, or simply want to learn about the group, please join them at:

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/
GenealogicalTranslations](https://www.facebook.com/groups/GenealogicalTranslations)

~ *From The Genealogy Squad Facebook Page*

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:

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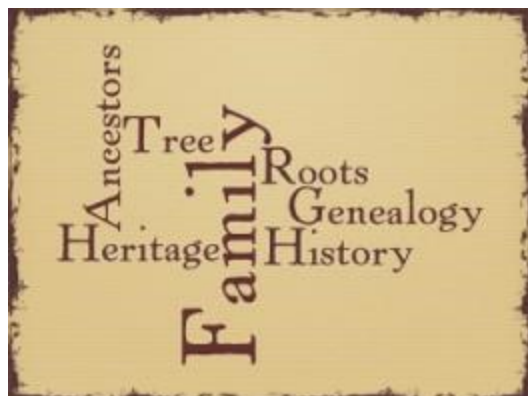
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