

# Saddleback Valley Trails

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Monthly meetings are held on the third Saturday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to Noon at the Main Mission Viejo LDS Church Building, 27976 Marguerite Parkway, Mission Viejo, between Medical Center Drive and Hillcrest Drive. Membership is open to anyone interested in genealogy. Individual membership fees are \$20 per year, joint membership \$25. SOCCGS is not affiliated with the LDS Family History Center.

**October 20, 2018**

**South Orange County  
California Genealogical Society  
Presents**

**A Family History Seminar**

**Saturday - 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

**(Doors Open 8:00 a.m.)**

**Mission Viejo City Hall, Council Chambers, 100 Civic Center Drive, Corner La Paz & Marguerite (South end of the City Hall - directly across the library parking lot)**

**"Successful Tools for Genealogy Research"**

**Featuring**

**Thomas MacEntee**

**Topics**

**"10 Ways to Jumpstart Your Genealogy"**

**"Mind Mapping Your Research Plans & Results"**

**"How Do I Know What I Don't Know"**

**"After You're Gone: Future Proofing Your Genealogy Research"**

Please refer to the September newsletter for a description of the topics.

**Reminder: Use the registration form on Page 11 to send in your reservation, or download the form on our website at [www.socccgs.info](http://www.socccgs.info)**

**Special Note regarding Access to the Seminar:**

You may not be able to access La Paz Road off the I-5 Freeway (from Chrisanta Drive to Marguerite Parkway) on the day of the seminar because of the "Walk Against Drugs" event. You may have to exit at Oso Parkway (south of La Paz) and travel east to Marguerite Parkway. Turn left on Marguerite Parkway and travel north to Civic Center. Then, turn left into the library parking lot.



## October is Family History Month

### President's Message By Bill Bluett

I've been thinking about the topics that Thomas MacEntee will be presenting at our seminar this month. There will be some great hints and examples of how to get started on a number of his helpful suggestions that will be discussed. One area that will be touched upon is some of the automated tools that are available for planning your research. One tool I like to use is a **"timeline"** which helps me to find where the informational gaps are in my research for a particular family or individual. Focusing on a specific period of time helps me in selecting which records or documents I need to find.

Another area that Mr. MacEntee will focus on is how to discover records that are available that would be appropriate for your research purposes. There will be instruction on the most efficient method of researching those records once they are located. More records are coming "online" continually that you may not be aware of. Keeping up to date on the availability of those resources is an important aspect of research. One of my enjoyable resources to research are the many **"historic newspaper"** websites. It is possible that a month from now a resource that I need may have been added to a website. So, I need to keep checking back on a continual basis.

One of the primary topics our seminar speaker will discuss is a key item. How are all your years of genealogy research going to be preserved and who will it be passed onto when you're gone? One key thing that is important is how well the research is organized so that it can be presentable to whoever it is passed onto in the future. I can personally say that I have a lot of information that I need to pull together so that it is presentable to anyone who reads through it. That could be a key factor on how well it will be preserved in the future. The other question: who will inherit your work? Who will it be passed on to? Some of you (hopefully) already have a family member that is interested in genealogy and is willing to carry on the "genealogy baton". Some of you may still be wondering - who in the family would be willing to do this? And, there may be some folks that feel that they have no one of interest in the family. If that is the case, Mr. MacEntee may give some advice or options in those types of circumstances.

So, there will be much to learn, a lot to think about, and some future planning that may need to be put into action based on the helpful presentations that Thomas MacEntee will be presenting to us on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully, we can come away from this seminar with more ideas, insight, and ways that we can improve upon our genealogy research.

**Genealogy Search Tip of the Day** <http://searchtip.genealogytipoftheday.com>

*FamilySearch* has announced the update of the following database:

[Wisconsin State Census, 1855](#)

[Canada Census, 1871](#)

[Iowa, Birth Records, 1921-1942](#)

Please note: the database is not complete for all locations for the period indicated. It is also difficult to see just what years are included for what counties.

## Safari News ~Bill Bluett

The **San Diego California FamilySearch Library** will be our destination on October 24th. The location is 4195 Camino Del Rio South which is near the intersections of the I-15 and I-8 Freeways. This facility has been tremendously upgraded to include 57 computers with many online genealogy websites, 10 microfilm readers, scanners, copiers, 40,000 microfilm rolls, 76,000 microfiche, 10,000 books, magazines and publications, and 420 compact discs. So, this looks like the place to go! We will meet at the LDS Church parking lot at 9:00 a.m. for this safari. You might want to bring a brown-bag lunch on this trip and \$\$ for your driver. Because of the distance to this library, we will most likely stop for dinner before heading for home. Prior to our journey to San Diego, you might want to check out the information on the library website at: [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/San\\_Diego\\_California\\_FamilySearch\\_Library](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/San_Diego_California_FamilySearch_Library).

## September Meeting ~Bill Bluett



Our guest speaker for the September meeting was **Gary Fredericksen**. The topic selected was “**Identifying Old Photos**”. Gary gave our members an interesting selection of old photo examples and how to find helpful clues that could possibly determine the time period, location, and who might be in the photo. One thing I found interesting and helpful was Gary’s chronological display of actual photos and the types of process that was used. The examples that were laid out were as follows: **Daguerreotype** (1839-1860), **Ambrotype** (1850-1865), **Ferrotypes/Tintypes** (1850-1900), **Carte de Vista** (1860-1880), **Cabinet Cards** (1859-1900), **Convex Ovals** (1880-1920), **Paper on Card Stock** (1890-1915), and **Postcards** (1900-1920). This information

might at least help to identify what type of old photos that you may have in your possession. We thank Gary for a most interesting topic.

Prior to his program, our members enjoyed some great refreshments provided by five of our dedicated members. Our contributors this month were: **Bob Lozano, Pat Weeks, Tina Murtha, JoAnn Nothhelfer, and Melissa Cottrell**. Thank you to **Sharon Keener and Bunny Smith** and those who helped with cleanup.



## The 2019-2021 Nomination Committee’s Report ~Bunny Smith, Parliamentarian

As Chairman of the SOCCGS Nomination Committee, it is my honor to present the new slate of nominees:

President – Francie Kennedy

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Please plan to attend the November General Membership Meeting, the Nominating Committee will announce the nominees for office on the Executive board for a vote.

**Membership**  
**~Sue Naegeli**

We had 78 members, 5 new members and 3 guests at our September Meeting. Total Membership is 321.

**New Members who joined at this meeting:**

**Luan Jones** , Mission Viejo; **Phyllis Ulrich**, Dove Canyon; **Kerry Kowalski**, Mission Viejo; **Debi Blohm**, Mission Viejo, **Judy Polito**, Mission Viejo.

**Additional New Members who joined during the month of August:**

**Metty Thomason**, Mission Viejo; **Kathleen Abramson**, Irvine; **Doris Waters**, Huntington Beach; **Susan Jaeger**, Mission Viejo.

**Guests:**

**Scott Huddleston**, Laguna Niguel; **Barb Rooks**, Laguna Niguel; **Tanya Goffman**, Mission Viejo.

**How the guests found us** (a new question I've been asking on paper):

2 – Mission Viejo Library

1 – Mission Viejo City newsletter

**Ireland/Scotland SIG**  
**No Meeting in October**

**England Census Records**  
**By David Flint**

Are you an English researcher? Have you traced your people back through the English Census records? Would you like to learn about the English Census? If so, you may want to join our England Special Interest Group meeting in October, where I will present a program on English Census Records: 1841-1911.

Many experienced researchers recommend beginning your English family history research with the Census, and then work back to older records to trace your ancestral lines in England and Wales. In our next England SIG meeting we will take a detailed look at English Census records, including discussion and demonstrations on how to use the census in your research, and where to use England Census records online.

Please join us at our meeting on **Monday, October 8**. We will meet at 10:00 a.m. in the Saddleback Room at the Mission Viejo City Hall. If you have any questions about the meeting or our SOCCGS England SIG, please contact me at [davidflint@cox.net](mailto:davidflint@cox.net).

**4<sup>th</sup> Friday Class, October 26, 2018**  
**Building a Solid Lineage, One Generation at a Time.**

It is becoming easy to plug in a name in a Genealogy program and come out with a family line that goes all the way back to Charlemagne. But is it correct? What sources have they used? Everyone else says it is true? They can be used as guides to find the proof you need to satisfy your questions. Bunny Smith will be presenting a presentation on how to build a solid lineage with documentation to back up family lines. What you need and where to easily find them. Hope to see you there! Mission Viejo City Hall, Saddleback Room, 10am – 12pm.



## **A Day at the 2018 SOCCGS Family History Seminar** **By Bill Bluett**

**Book Sale Table** – Kathie Mauzey will greet you at this table, which is a Ways & Means project for SOCCGS. Genealogy related books and magazines as well as fiction and nonfiction books which will be offered for sale.

**The Jewelry Table** – It's back again this year. Victoria Crayne and her helpers will offer a selection of mostly vintage costume jewelry. Great bargains await! This is a SOCCGS Ways & Means project as well. **Victoria Crayne is requesting costume jewelry for this table. Please contact [vcrayne65@gmail.com](mailto:vcrayne65@gmail.com) or (949) 587-1853**

**Genealogy Class info and Sales** - Gary Schwarz and Marilyn Kowalski will be at this table offering information and a few items. Proceeds will benefit the SOCCGS Library.

**Jacquelyn Hanson Table** – Author Jackie is a member of SOCCGS. Her historically accurate books written about her family are a wonderful read. They are entertaining and educational which is a great combination!

**Legacy Table** – One of our members will conduct demonstrations of the Legacy Family Tree genealogy program. This is a well-rounded and easy-to-use genealogy program for both beginners and experienced genealogists. You can join the Legacy class on the third Thursday of every month at 10 AM.

**Writing Class Table** – There will be a writing class participant at the table to answer any of your questions about writing your family history. Look through our class book that include many contributed examples.

**DAR/SAR Table** – Bunny Smith is available for information regarding the “Daughters of the American Revolution” and “Sons of the American Revolution.” Persons interested in either organization may stop by the table.

**Opportunity Prizes** – Donna Rathman will display a number of gifts that will be raffled off during the day. Be sure to stop by the display tables and take a look.

**Grand Prize** – Our speaker, Thomas MacEntee, will make the drawing of the day for an Ancestry subscription.

**World Deluxe one-year subscription.** Don't delay! We are closing in on our October 20<sup>th</sup> seminar with Thomas. Make your reservations now! SOCCGS is a non-profit organization. Donations are tax deductible.

**Use the form on Page 11** to send in your reservation or download the form on our website at [www.socccgs.org](http://www.socccgs.org), or [www.socccgs.info](http://www.socccgs.info).

### **Salt Lake City Trip Update** **By David Flint**

Reservations for our 2019 Salt Lake City trip have been coming in steadily since they opened in September, and the rooms are booking up fast. As of this writing we have only seven of our 20 rooms left! I wanted you to know that the response has been very good, so if you are still thinking about going with us next year, don't wait too long to make your reservation.

**The trip date for next year is March 3-10, 2019.** We will stay at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel and spend a full week of research at the Family History Library. Detailed information about the trip is posted on our website at [www.socccgs.org](http://www.socccgs.org) and a deposit of \$100 will reserve your room. If you have any questions, contact David Flint [daviflint@cox.net](mailto:daviflint@cox.net)

**Registration form on pg 12**

## DNA Workshop September 28, 2018



There were 30+ members in attendance at the DNA Workshop presented by Arlene O'Donnell and Barbara Taylor. Each member had a chance to ask a question. Barbara and Arlene answered all questions and clarified how to interpret your DNA results, what to do with the results, and how to contact others that are in your DNA circle. The workshop was a great success.

### October is Family History Month

Since being passed by Congress in 2001, Family History Month has been observed annually during the month of October. Here are some OC events celebrating Family History Month:

#### **GSNOCC ([www.gsnocc.org](http://www.gsnocc.org)):**

Wednesday, Oct. 10 (6-8:15pm) Yorba Linda Public Library Community Room

**Hal Horrocks** – Genealogy: Bring Your Ancestors to Life

**Linda Serna** – Genealogy as Detective Work

Wednesday, Oct 17 (7-8pm) Yorba Linda Community Center

**Jean Wilcox Hibben** – Beware the Enchanted Forest: Perils & Pitfalls of On-line Trees

#### **OCJGS ([www.ocjgs.org](http://www.ocjgs.org)):**

Sunday, Oct 14 (1-3pm) Temple eth Sholom, 2625 N. Tustin Ave., Santa Ana

**Celebrating Family History Month** - OCJGS will be holding our first Annual Event in celebration of Family History Month. Come see what your ancestor's trip through Ellis Island might have been like, learn how to get started in researching your Jewish Genealogy and find tips on using social media in your research.

### **FREE National Archives Virtual Genealogy Fair October 24, 2018 (7:00am to 1pm PDT)**

Every year, the National Archives hosts a virtual Genealogy Fair via live webcast on YouTube. The sessions offer family history research tools on Federal records for all skill levels. Thousands of family historians participate in the live event.

As a virtual attendee, you can:

- Attend free of charge and registration!
- Watch the entire day on YouTube.
- Sign up for chat during the live event. In advance, [create an account on YouTube](#).
- Participate with the presenters and other family historians during the live event.
- Join us – from wherever and whenever.
- Watch individual sessions and download the materials at your convenience -- live or after the event.

<https://www.archives.gov/calendar/genealogy-fair>

## From Our Members

**Francie Kennedy** - I just read about this inaugural event on Facebook, had not heard about it before: Orange County Archives in Action, Regional Archives Bazaar, Saturday, Nov 3, 2018, 9am-4pm, Bowers Museum, 2002 N. Main St., Santa Ana. Free and open to the public  
<https://sohanews.files.wordpress.com/2018/09/orange-county-archives-in-action-flyer.pdf>

**Lynn Lillard** – I just picked up my 1930 Los Angeles map today which is Number 1 in the series. The map states that the following maps will be available in 2018: Yosemite Valley 1916, Coast Route from Los Angeles to San Diego 1924, and Rim of the World Drive 1915. Thought members may want a “heads-up” as to what will be available through the end of the year. The lady who gave me my folded map also had large unfolded maps available.

**Editor Note:** See Sep newsletter “From Our Members” maps available at the Auto Club.

## October Free Webinars

**Legacy** is presenting several free webinars in October:

**Oct 3 – 11am** – Remote Research in the Databases of the Daughters of the American Revolution Genealogical Research System – Rick Sayre

**Oct 5 – 11am** – Legacy 9 Unlocked (part 7): Adding Email Correspondence – Geoff Rasmussen

**Oct 9 – 11am** – On the Go: Using Your Mobile Device for Genealogy – MyHeritage Webinars

**Oct 10 – 5pm** – In Search of My Brother’s Mother – An Adoption Story – Beth Foulk

**Oct 12 – 11am** – Strategies for Using FamilySearch – Shannon Combs-Bennett

**Oct 16 – 5pm** – Using Emigrant Guides for Genealogical Research – Julie P. Miller

**Oct 17 – 11am** – Ho to California! The Draw of the Gold Rush – Peggy Clemens Lauritzen

**Oct 19 – 8am** – Past Conflict Repatriation: The Role of Genealogists and Methodology in Fulfilling our Nation’s Promise – Jeanne Bloom.

**Oct 19 – 9:30am** - Deeper Analysis: Techniques for Successful Problem Solving – Elissa Powell

**Oct 19 – 12pm** – John Jacob Kramer: Case Study of Mistaken Identity Among Revolutionary War Soldiers – Rebecca Whitman Koford

**Oct 19 – 1:15pm** – Using Indirect and Negative Evidenced to Prove Unrecorded Events – Tom Jones

**Oct 19 – 2:30pm** – The Discriminating Genealogist: Telling Good Evidence from Bad - Judy G. Russell

**Oct 23 – 11am** – True Stories of Families Reunited Thanks to Genetic Genealogy – My Heritage Webinars

**Oct 24 – 11am** – 10 Eastern European Genealogy Resources You Might be Missing – Lisa Alzo

**Oct 26 – 11am** – Researching Your French and Indian War Ancestor – Craig R. Scott

**Oct 31 – 11am** – Privacy Issues with Online Family Trees – E. Randol Schoenberg

**Nov 2 – 11am** – Legacy 9 Unlocked (Part 8): The Smoking Gun – Geoff Rasmussen  
Register at [www.familytreewebinars.com](http://www.familytreewebinars.com) If you miss the live Legacy webinar, recordings are in the archives and free to watch for the first 7 days after the broadcast.

## **Southern California Genealogical Society:**

**Oct 6 – 10am** – The GPS, Document Analysis, and Citations, Oh My! – Sara Gredler

**Oct 17 – 6pm** – The YDNA Test Should Be Your Favorite – Diahann Southard

**Nov 3 – 10am** – Facebook for Genealogy (Even If You Hate Facebook) – Susan Rogers

Register at [www.scgsgenealogy.com](http://www.scgsgenealogy.com) click on Programs and Webinars

## **Illinois Genealogical Society**

**Oct 9 – 6pm** – Chicago Rises from the Ashes: The Columbian Exposition Gives Perspective to the Family History – Jean Wilcox Hibben

Registration: <http://ilgensoc.org>

## **BROTHERS TOGETHER**

(Oscar Glenn Potter)

By Linda Kidde

In northeastern France, two days before World War I ended, relentless fighting continued to shatter lives. Yet another young soldier was wounded in action that day and brought to a nearby field hospital. Damage to his abdomen was fatal. Private First Class Oscar Potter died at 8 p.m. on November 9, 1918. The next day Oscar was buried outside the village of Nouart. He had no box, only an army blanket and burlap. His Grave #5 was temporary.

The previous month, on October 4, Oscar's younger brother, Carl, died from pneumonia. A victim of the savage Spanish Influenza among many soldiers, Carl was placed in a wooden box with a blanket and in his uniform. He was buried in a French military cemetery near the town of Belfort. The brothers, almost one year apart in age and one month apart in death, were hastily buried about 200 miles from each other.

Thousands of miles away in America, the Potter parents were informed that first one, and then the other, son was gone. In April 1919, Mr. Potter sent a handwritten letter to the Graves Registration Service requesting: "Oscar G. Potter and Carl W. Potter are both my sons and would like to have them both returned together if possible." The War Department had to decide how to process family requests.

With French approval, six permanent American cemeteries were set up. Moving fallen men from temporary to permanent sites was a gruesome task. The Graves Registration Service assigned soldiers the work of exhuming bodies and examining them. When Oscar's turn came, he was removed from the unplotted village cemetery and, still wrapped in his blanket and burlap, was placed in a wooden box. Oscar was transported to the permanent Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery and buried in Grave 74, Section 97, Plot 2.

In the French military cemetery, Carl was originally buried in Grave #272. Two years later in 1920, Carl was disinterred and reburied in Grave #16 in the same French cemetery.

The War Department decided to allow families the choice of final grave site location: a permanent American cemetery in France; a government cemetery in Arlington, Virginia; or a private cemetery selected by individual families. In October 1919, surveys were sent to 80,000 next of kin asking their opinions.

The Potter parents replied to the Quartermaster General in Washington, D.C. Since their first letter in April 1919, they changed their minds. In a handwritten letter signed by both of them on September 1, 1920, they wrote: "We have thought the matter over and have made up our minds to let the remains of Pvt. Carl W. Potter remain in France in a permanent American cemetery."

Nine months later, they had a new opinion. In a telegram to the Graves Registration Service, dated June 10, 1921, Mr. Potter requested the bodies of Oscar and brother Carl be "shipped back together." There would be no changing of minds this time. Determined, Mr. Potter sent another telegram dated October 1: "Kindly advise us how soon remains can be shipped." On October 28, the Quartermaster Corps replied: "Receipt of your telegram of October 1<sup>st</sup> is hereby acknowledged and your wishes will be complied with." The Quartermaster promised to ship Oscar and Carl together at the earliest practicable date.

The task was not simple. First, Oscar was disinterred from the Meuse-Argonne Cemetery on June 30, 1921. He was placed in a casket and transported to Antwerp, Belgium. There Oscar "waited" for Carl because the French military cemetery where Carl was buried was not ready to release bodies. Finally, on September 3, Carl was placed in a casket and brought to Antwerp. From there, the brothers sailed on separate ships and on different dates. Oscar left on September 20 on the ship *Wheaton*, arriving in Hoboken, New Jersey, on October 3. Again Oscar "waited" until his

younger brother Carl could sail from Antwerp on October 14 on the ship *Catigny*. Carl arrived at Hoboken port on October 24.

Home was still 1,550 miles farther, where the Potters were planning a funeral for their sons. Separated by war no longer, Oscar and Carl would travel the last length of their journey as brothers together.

--to be continued--

### Future Genealogy Events

**Orange FamilySearch Library** [www.ocfamilyhistory.org](http://www.ocfamilyhistory.org) (see calendar for research help)

**Oct 5, 2018, 10-12:00 – Sue Naegeli – Gen. Research SIG – Saddleback Room, MV City Hall**

**Oct 6, 2018, 9-4:30, NSDCGS Fall Seminar, A Day of DNA with Blaine Bettinger and Kitty Cooper, Carlsbad Senior Center. nsdcgs.org/fall seminar**

**Oct 6, 2018, OCCGS program – Ann Miller – 11:00 “Overcoming Obstacles That Interfere with Finding Your Ancestors” 12:30 “Evaluating Your Genealogical Evidence”** Huntington Beach Library [ocgs.com](http://ocgs.com)

**Oct 8, 2018, 10-12:00 – David Flint - England SIG – Saddleback Rm., MV City Hall**

**Oct 10, 2018, 6pm – GSNOCC – See information on Page 6**

**Oct 13 2018, 10am - SHHAR – Irene Foster – “DNA, We are NOT Who We Think We are”** Orange FHL Info: [Shhar.net](http://Shhar.net)

**Oct 14, 2018, 1-3pm, OCJGS – Celebrating Family History Month. ocjgs.org**

**Oct 17, 2018, 10-12:00-Gary Schwarz – German SIG – Bill Price Rm, MV Library**

**Oct 18, 2018, 10-12:00-Arlene O’Donnell - Beginning Genealogy Class – Bill Price Rm, MV Library (Small class size – for reservation contact Arlene at [silkberry@aol.com](mailto:silkberry@aol.com))**

**Oct 18, 2018, 10-12:00-David Flint – Legacy Users Group - Saddleback Rm, MV City Hall**

**Oct 19, 2018, Ireland/Scotland SIG - No Meeting this month**

**Oct 20, 2018 – SOCCGS Annual Seminar, 9-3:30pm. Thomas MacEntee “Successful Tools for Genealogy Research.”** MV City Hall (See flyer in newsletter)

**Oct 20, 2018 – Family History Expo, Orange FamilySearch Library**

**Oct 23, 2018, 10-12:00- Jim Thordahl – Writing Family Stories – Saddleback Rm**

**Oct 23, 2018, 9:30 - NSDCGS program – Barbara Randall “Griffiths Valuation, Irish Land Records”** Carlsbad City Council Chambers, [nsdcgs.org](http://nsdcgs.org)

**Oct 26, 2018, 10-12 – Fourth Friday Class –Bunny Smith – Building a Solid Lineage, One Generation at a time. Saddleback Rm, MV City Hall**

**Oct 28, 2018, 1:30 pm – OCJGS program Warren Blatt – “What’s Knew on Jewish Gen”** Temple Beth Sholom, [ocjgs.org](http://ocjgs.org)

**Nov 2, 2018, 10-12:00 – Sue Naegeli – Gen. Research SIG –Saddleback Room, MV City Hall**

**Nov 3, 2018, 9am-4pm, Orange County Archives in Action, A Regional Archives Bazaar. Bowers Museum, 2002 N. Main St., Santa Ana. (see “From our Members”)**

**Nov 10, 2018, **New Date** - OCCGS program – 11am Kelli Bergheimer – Third Party Software: An Introduction to GedMatch; 12:30pm Using Aggregators such as Feedly to Organize your Leads and Sources.**

### 2018 Programs

**October 20 – Thomas MacEntee - Annual Seminar Program**

**November 17 – Gena Philibert-Ortega – “The Records that Tragedy Leaves Behind”**

**December 15 – Annual Year End Holiday Gathering**

### 2019 Programs

**January 19 – To be Announced**

**February 16 – Sara Cochran – “From a box in the Closet to a Treasured Family Heirloom: Organizing and Digitizing your Family Photos”**

**Genealogy Search Tip of the Day** <http://searchtip.genealogytipoftheday.com>

**Resources for Germans in Hamilton County, Ohio** posted 2 Oct 2018

Hamilton County, Ohio, which includes the Cincinnati, was settled by thousands of Germans in the 19th century. The **Hamilton County Genealogical Society has created a special page on their site for researching German immigrants to that location**

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**SOC CGS E-mail: [cmvgs@netzero.net](mailto:cmvgs@netzero.net)**

### SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY CALIFORNIA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

#### Membership/Renewal Application

( ) New 1 Year: ( ) Individual, \$20.00 ( ) Joint Membership at same address, \$25.00

( ) Renewal  New Address or E-mail Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Make Check payable to: SOCCGS

Mail **with application** to: SOCCGS, P.O. Box 4513, Mission Viejo, CA 92690-4513

I do not wish to share my personal information with other members.

April 2017



# So. Orange County Ca. Genealogical Society

Mission Viejo, California

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### "Successful Tools for Genealogy Research"

Featuring

## Thomas MacEntee

Founder of "High-Definition Genealogy" website

### Topics

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"How Do I Know What I Don't Know"

"After You're Gone: Future Proofing Your Genealogy Research"

**Refreshments - Opportunity Drawings for Gifts -**

**Ancestry Subscription Drawing - Sales Tables and Displays**

Pre-registration must be received by October 17th / Tickets will be \$35 at the door! (no lunch)

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#### SOCCGS '2018' Seminar Registration

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Member Registration: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00

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Non Member Registration \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$35.00

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Box Lunch \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$11.00

City & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: SOCCGS, P.O. Box 4513  
Mission Viejo, CA 92690-4513

Information: (949) 492-9408 or at  
<http://www.socccgs.org>



**SOCCGS**  
**4th Annual Research Trip**  
**Family History Library**  
**Salt Lake City**



**March 3-10, 2019**

Come and spend a fun week with your fellow genealogists doing family history research at the largest genealogy library in the world. Once you arrive in Salt Lake City, your trip package includes:

- Seven nights at the Salt Lake Plaza hotel (next door to the Family History Library)
- Six full days of research at the Family History Library
- Research assistance from experienced SOCCGS members, plus staff genealogists and specialists at the library
- Monday evening banquet at our hotel with a guest speaker
- Wine and cheese reception mid-week at our hotel
- All-you-can-eat breakfast buffet Saturday morning before the library opens
- Hotel shuttle service between the airport and hotel
- Special events with our group
- A nice bunch of people to hang out with during the week

**Registration Fees:**

- Double Occupancy: Standard Room - **\$475 per person**; Deluxe Room - **\$525 per person**
- Single Occupancy: Standard Room - **\$800 per person**; Deluxe Room - **\$875 per person**
- A deposit of \$100 per person is required to hold your room reservation. Please state your room preference at the time you make your reservation.
- Final payment of fee is due by January 15, 2019.
- When all rooms are booked, a \$100 deposit will place you on a waiting list in case extra rooms or cancellations become available.

Complete details below and return this form with deposit – make checks payable to SOCCGS – mail to SOCCGS, P.O. Box 4513, Mission Viejo, CA 92690

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Name (as you would like it on your Name Tag): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is a total deposit of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (@ \$100 per person) for the following reservation request(s):

[ ] Double(s): [ ] Standard or [ ] Deluxe Room || [ ] Single(s): [ ] Standard or [ ] Deluxe Room

How many total in your party? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a roommate? (Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first time visit to the Family History Library? [ ] Yes [ ] No

(See additional information over)

## Additional Information

- You are responsible for providing your own transportation to and from Salt Lake City.
- To participate in this trip you must be a member of SOCCGS – no exceptions. (This is an IRS requirement.) Membership application form is available on request.
- A deposit of \$100 per person is required to hold a room. A reservation cannot be accepted without a deposit. We have a limited block of rooms, and all reservations will be made on a first-come, first-served basis. When all rooms have been reserved, your \$100 deposit will place you on a waiting list in case we can get additional rooms from the hotel, or there is a last-minute cancellation.
- If you stay less than all seven nights at the hotel, there is no reduction in fee.
- Final payment must be received no later than January 15, 2019.
- Make all checks payable to SOCCGS.
- Additional registration information will be requested after your reservation is confirmed, including a contact person in the event of emergency.
- Individual cancellations must be received before January 1, 2018. Late cancellation may result in forfeit of deposit based on hotel refund policy. Cancellations within 30 days of the trip date may result in loss of the deposit and final payment if we are unable to return the room to the hotel without penalty.
- You must be physically able to make this trip. SOCCGS is not responsible for personal illness or injury. You will be required to sign a liability waiver and release.
- Travel and/or trip interruption insurance (at your own expense) is recommended.
- SOCCGS is not responsible for loss or damage to your baggage or personal property. Baggage is at your own risk, unless otherwise insured.
- Meetings will be scheduled before the trip to answer your questions and provide additional information. We will also hold classes about getting ready for your trip, what to bring (or leave behind), what to wear, where to eat, research preparation, etc. Attendance at these meetings is not required, but is strongly encouraged, especially if this is your first visit to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.
- Return the completed reservation form on the other side of this page with your deposit of \$100 per person to SOCCGS, P.O. Box 4513, Mission Viejo, CA 92690.
- This trip is expected to book up fast, so please make your reservations as early as possible to assure that you obtain a room with our group.
- If you have questions, contact the group leader -- David Flint -- 949.551.6300  
[davidflint@cox.net](mailto:davidflint@cox.net)