



Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society

Researching the World



SBCGS Virtual Annual Membership Meeting Saturday, June 20th, 10:30am



Please join us on Saturday, June 20th,
for our virtual general meeting.
*A unique URL will be mailed to all members
a few days before this meeting.*

10:30 - 10:45am

Business Meeting with President, Karen Ramsdell
and Committee Reports

10:50 - 11:45am

Elizabeth O'Neal, VP, introduces speaker
Laura Hedgecock

About the Program:

Writing, telling, and sharing your own stories creates bonds with family members as well as future generations. Laura Hedgecock discusses practical and creative ways to break through the inertia and add your own stories to the family tree.



About the Speaker:

Laura Hedgecock is an author, storyteller, speaker, and Geneablogger obsessed with family history and passionate about helping others tell their personal and family stories.

Her book, *Memories of Me: A Complete Guide to Telling and Sharing the Stories of Your Life* guides and empowers memory collectors and family storytellers with down-to-earth, practical storytelling as well as creative ideas for preserving and sharing personal and family stories. Her website, TreasureChestofMemories.com, is full of writing and family storytelling resources. **Hedgecock** is president of the 3,400+ member GeneaBloggers organization and authored *Blogging*

for Family History. A member of the APG, Genealogical Speakers Guild, multiple genealogical societies, she has been featured in The Wall Street Journal, Associated Press, and Chicago Tribune, Genealogy Gems, and Dear Mrytle.

***Zoom Instructions for Participants will be sent to
SBCGS members before the General Meeting***

General Information:

1. You will need a computer, tablet, or smartphone with speaker or headphones.
2. You will receive notice via email for a unique link to SBCGS General Meeting. The notification might also include a Meeting ID or password.
3. At the start time of your meeting, click on the link in your invitation to join. You may be instructed to download the Zoom application.
4. You will be sent to our waiting room. Rosa Avolio, our Zoom host, will admit you. This process insures the security of our Zoom meeting.
5. More complete information on using Zoom will be sent to SBCGS members several days before the meeting.

Meeting Information Virtual Meeting

- Zoom Meeting Saturday, June 20, 2020
- 10:30 am

**Two Special Interest
Groups Will Meet Before
the General Meeting
on Saturday, June 20:**

9:30 AM DNA Group meets under
the leadership of Mary Hall

9:30 AM Scandinavian Roots
meets under the leadership of Lar-
rie Wanberg.

*A unique URL will be mailed
to all members a few days
before these SIGs.*

Attachments to this newsletter:

**Ancestors West: Surprises!
Outreach Update
2020 Student Art Exhibit
Ad for Volunteers
June Zoom Classes and Meetings**

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Stay home.



Stay healthy.

President's Message

Karen Stanton Ramsdell



Dear Members,

It is with mixed emotions that I write my last President's Message. At the end of June, after four years as President, I will pass the baton to the capable hands of Connie Burns. Connie, a long-time Society member, brings experience, energy, and enthusiasm that will serve the Society well.

Thank you. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to lead such a wonderful organization and appreciate of the support and dedication of our volunteers and members.

To the board, thank you for your expertise, perspectives, and support, and always having the best interest of the Society at heart. It has been a pleasure working with you all. Jim Wilson and Theresa Calvin will leave the board at the end of June. Thank you for your service, it is appreciated.

To our volunteers, donors, and members, thank you for your continued and generous support of the Society.

Father's Day. On June 21st we recognize, reflect on, and celebrate the contribution that fathers and father figures make to the lives of their children. Happy Father's Day!

The State of the Society.

The Society is thriving as it begins its 48th year.

Membership has remains strong at just over 600 members.

The Sahyun Library, the Society's hub for research, classes, and meetings, bustled with 250 visitors each month. More than 100 books were added to the library's collection, bringing the total to 16,475 items. In addition to the ten subscription websites available at the Sahyun's computer lab, the Library's designation as a Family History Library Affiliate provides our patrons access to the Family History Library's millions of digitized records. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Library closed March 15 and we look forward to it reopening as soon as it is deemed safe for our volunteers, members, and the public.

Our corps of over 85 volunteers logs over 11,000 hours running every aspect of the organization. This year 100 members and guests gathered for our biannual Honors Luncheon to recognize Joan Jacobs, Debbie Kaska, Kristin Ingalls, and John Fritsche for their many contributions to the Society.

The Records Preservation team has now scanned and indexed over 206,000 local records of genealogical interest, making the indexed records available on our website.

Communication with our members is key. Tree Tips continued to provide our members with up to date Society news and "Tips for Stay at Home Genealogists" kept our members engaged during the months our library has been closed and social distancing has become the norm. The Ancestors West publication team produced four wonderful editions packed with stories authored by our members. Debbie Kaska retired as Editor with Kristin Ingalls taking

the helm.

The Education Committee offered a full schedule of classes, webinars, and Lunch & Learn plus a month of educational opportunities during Family History Month. Educational field trips were instituted this year, with two bus trips: one to the Los Angeles Public Library and, the second, to the Los Angeles Family Search Library.

We are Zooming! With class and meeting space unavailable, education, general meetings, and committee work went digital. Zoom Lunch & Learn, launched in late March, was a huge success, well attended, and was expanded. Our creative education team has a webinar series, Lunch & Learn, classes, Special Interest Groups and more scheduled for June. June's Annual Meeting will also be held via Zoom. Over 100 members joined the April and May General Meetings via Zoom which included a short business meeting and guest speakers. The Society's committees have not skipped a beat and continue their work online.

The Outreach Committee expanded the Society's reach into the community with the Santa Barbara's Italian Pioneer Exhibit, displayed at the Goleta Library and in the Sahyun's conference room during Family History Month. The second annual student art exhibit "Family Matters" also made its debut. The Committee revitalized the speaker's bureau. Building on the success of the Italian exhibit, the Committee plans future exhibits, adding an online component to reach viewers beyond our community.

Fiscal responsibility is a hallmark of the Society. The FY 2019-2020 budget will end the year within budget. Thanks to our generous donors, the Annual Appeal exceeded its goal of \$17,000. In 2018, the Board began to address property maintenance issues by having a Reserve Study completed. The Study provides a 30-financial plan for property maintenance. This year the Board established a Maintenance Reserve with an initial \$20,000 in funding. There is still much work to be done but we have a plan and the first steps have been taken. The operations reserve (equals one-half of our operating budget) is fully funded. As of April 30, the endowment fund balance was \$532,000.

Remember to join us (via Zoom) June 20 for the Annual Membership meeting and special presentation by Laura Hedgecock, "Telling the Stories of Your Life."

The Society has a successful, rich past and a bright future. Thank you for the opportunity to serve as President.

Karen Stanton Ramsdell
President



Recognizing Our Volunteers: Merna McClenathen



This month, SBCGS recognizes and thanks **Merna McClenathen**. Merna is one of our earliest members and has made numerous contributions to the Society over the years. Currently, she hosts the “Genealogy Tips and Discussion” SIG at the monthly meetings and is a mentor for Scotland, the US, and Beginning Genealogy. Thank you, Merna, for sharing a little about yourself and for being a Life Member.

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It’s ironic that genealogy has become such a big part of my life because history was certainly not a favorite subject during my school years in Inglewood, California! However, I have always liked mysteries and read the entire Nancy Drew series of 56 books while in elementary school. My interests were more with the sciences and I majored in nutrition & dietetics at UCSB where I met my husband, Gordon. He had a long career at Dos Pueblos High School teaching and coaching track and cross county teams.

My interest in genealogy started a bit over 40 years ago with the death of several relatives who were ‘working on the family tree.’ Somehow we inherited their unorganized files, photos, papers and notes. That started questions about who our ancestors were and where they had come from. A visit to the local LDS Church’s Family History Center, which at that time was in Goleta, got me off to a good start and provided me with the necessary pedigree and family group charts. Remember, this was all ‘B.C.’ (before computers), so things were done with paper and pencil!

Through the Family History Center, I learned of the newly organized Santa Barbara County Genealogy Society and I promptly joined about 1982, making me one of the ‘Pioneer’ members of the Society. About this time I joined Betty Root’s Adult Education class where I met Jan Cloud and many other early SBCGS members.

In order to keep track of all the ancestors and relatives I was finding, I decided I needed to become computerized so I purchased my first computer in late 1980’s. I then joined a Computer Users Interest Group, the first of what has now become a whole list of Special Interest Groups at the Society.

By this time genealogy had taken over a large part of my life, so I made the decision to take an early retirement from my clinical dietitian position at SB Cottage Hospital. Frankly, my job was starting to interfere with my hobbies mostly genealogy and annual trips to Salt Lake City!

During these nearly 40 years, I have mentored many budding genealogists, served as a librarian, spoken about the numerous aspects of genealogy to local groups and clubs, volunteered at society open houses, and chaired various special interest groups including the RootsIII Software Users Group, the States Interest Group, the Help Wanted Group, and the current Genealogy Help

and Discussion Group.

My husband and I have been married for 62 years and we have 3 children and 4 grandsons. So far, no one is particularly interested in family history a fairly common situation for many of us, it seems!

I play bassoon in the Prime Time Band and have recruited several new genealogists and society members from the band membership. I’m also the Registrar of the local lineage society, ‘Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War’ and help prospective members research their Civil War ancestors.

The knowledge I have gained through genealogy and the friendships I have made from membership in the SBCGS have been life enriching and I wouldn’t trade these years for the world!

~ Merna Wallace McClenathen

SBCGS Lunch & Learn

Tuesday Lunch & Learn - Virtual during June
Rosa Avolio

Tuesdays
June 9
June 23

Virtual Lunch and Learn , 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm - Please watch for Zoom invitation via e-mail.

DNA Lunch & Learn - Virtual during June
George LaPlante

Members will be contacted via email about the June DNA Lunch & Learn. See SBCGS website for Genetic Genealogy

Genealogy Happy Hour - Virtual on Tuesday, June 16,
6:00pm; hosted by Rosa Avolio

RootsMagic Software User Group

RootsMagic User Group Meeting

Members will be contacted via email about a future virtual RootsMagic User Group meetings.

Lunt, Harold William (“Bill”)

William Lunt, a SBCGS member for nearly 20 years, passed away February 5, 2020. William was by nature a teacher. He loved to share his knowledge about, and love for, nature and the outdoors. He taught biology at Chicago State University before returning to Santa Barbara in 1973. He is survived by his wife, Janet, daughters, and grandchildren. SBCG extends its deepest sympathy to Janet, her family and friends.

Membership Corner by Molly Gleason



Hello Members,
I hope you continue to stay safe and healthy! I must admit I have been enjoying the extra time off with fewer deadlines and more time for genealogy. Isn't it ironic that this period of "isolation" has revealed so many new resources and expanded opportunities for genealogical research? And, in some ways, has made us feel a little more connected to each other and our ancestors.

This connection leads me to the ancestor above: Edward III, King of England 1327-1377. Recently, while sorting through my various genealogy projects, I came across a stack of family records given to me by a cousin. Among the typed lists of ancestor narratives and relationships was a FamilySearch Pedigree Chart for my mother's side going back to the 14th century and Edward III, who according to the chart was my 19th great-grandfather. Now, I'm not suggesting I have designs on the throne or that I should receive any special privileges - not to mention that he is likely an ancestor of thousands or more living today, including many of you! It just made me realize how connected we truly are (as well as how much research is ahead for me).

So, "Cousins," I wish you a very Happy Father's Day and don't forget to give a nod to Edward! After all, it probably wasn't entirely his fault that his reign marked the beginning of the Hundred Years' War with France... Oh dear.

Welcome to all our new members and Thank You continuing members for your renewals in May!

Our new members since the last Tree Tips are:
Frank Fragosa, Christopher Handy, Jennifer Riley, and Lani Wolff.

New members: The digital version of our "New Member Packet" is coming soon to our website. Please watch for an announcement. Once the Sahyun Library reopens, you will be able to pick up a packet there and also at a monthly General Meeting.

REMINDERS AND TIPS

- **Please continue to monitor the Society website** at sbgen.org for status updates regarding the Sahyun Library, meetings and educational classes.
- **Need help renewing?** Many of you have renewals due this month. Please take a moment to check your renewal date. If you have questions, please contact the Membership Committee at membership@sbgen.org. We would love to hear from you!
- **Need help with your research? Our mentors are available to help either by email, phone or video conferencing.** The Society has over thirty volunteer mentors in our Mentor Program who are ready to share their extensive expertise in several areas of genealogical research with our members. Please contact our **Mentor Coordinator**, Kathy

Cremeen, kajcremeen@gmail.com, if you would like help – or would like to become a Mentor. To view a list of our mentors, click on the **Members Area/Mentors for Members** link in the sidebar of the home page of our website.

Need help renewing? Contact the Membership Committee at membership@sbgen.org.

Please don't hesitate to contact me at membership@sbgen.org with your questions, comments, and suggestions.

It is great to "see" so many of you at our virtual General Meetings and I look forward to seeing you again at the next one.

Take care and don't forget Flag Day on June 14th!

— Molly



SBCC School of Extended Learning

Fall 2020 Session Aug 24 –Dec 12, 2020

Application period for Fall 2020: May 11-June 11 due by 4 p.m.

Apply online at

<http://www.sbcc.edu/extendedlearning/tuitionassist.php>

Registration Dates:

Tuition Free (NonCredit) Classes Fall 2020 Semester starts July 6

Fee-Based Classes Fall 2020 Semester starts July 8, 2020

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Book Angels, by Chris Klukkert



I hope you have been taking advantage of the unexpected time during our stay-home orders to do some of your genealogy projects. We all had the opportunity for some wonderful Zoom meetings, and we received the latest wonderful edition of *Ancestors West*. While the library

itself isn't open, book purchases continue and await everyone's return. Most recently we saw that we were short on War of 1812 resources. There are two authors in particular, that have written some very helpful resources for this time period. While short on many 1812 soldiers myself, I found a few of my Revolutionary War family lines while perusing the new book indexes. So, when we all return again to the Sahyun, you can be looking for these new titles:

American Prisoners of War Held at Dartmoor During the War of 1812

American Prisoners of War Held at Halifax During the War of 1812

American Prisoners of War Held at Barbados, Newfoundland and New Providence During the War of 1812

American Prisoners of War Held at Plymouth During the War of 1812

American Prisoners of War Held at Chatham During the War of 1812

American Prisoners of War Held at Montreal & Quebec During the War of 1812

Forgotten Americans Who Served in the War of 1812

Black Regulars and Militiamen in the War of 1812

I have heard of the generosity of so many of you assisting and supporting our Essential Workers and also doing what you can for food banks and other supportive charities, which is wonderful. So the Book Committee is especially appreciative of your generous donation to the Library book purchases and collection during this time:

Bob Goeller Bonnie Bisoglio

Kathryn Greene Kristin Lewis Cathy Jordan

Please check the Book Angel page for all new titles available for adoption. We are also open for suggestions for books to purchase for our collection. Thank you.



The theme of the next issue of Ancestors West will be **Surprises!**

What was the ONE biggest surprise you discovered while doing your genealogy?

The hardest part of this issue will be for you to choose just one surprise. It can be about one person, one family, one family story. Surprises can be good...or not so good. It might be something you found while researching. As is happening more and more, your surprise could have come with your DNA results.

If you do not have any surprises to share, please remember that any other stories you would like to submit will be accepted too.

Here is a head start on the last issue of 2020: How did your ancestors celebrate the winter holidays? These stories could be about your family's traditions and gatherings at Thanksgiving, Christmas, Hanukkah, New Years. Or Halloween! I just researched when and how Halloween came to the US – with deep roots in the Celtic tradition, it came with the Irish to this country in the mid-nineteenth century. I



was amazed to find out that Halloween decorations started appearing commercially by 1900 and costumes by the 1930s.

Submit your story to me at antkap@cox.net by August 1, 2020, following these guidelines:

Your story should be between 200 and 2,500 words and submitted as a Word document.

Any photos or visuals you would like to submit should be high-resolution jpegs sent as an attachment. These should be annotated.

Please attach a short biography of yourself (a paragraph or two). You may want to include your profession, how you got interested in genealogy, any interesting tidbits about yourself. Also attach a photo of yourself to go along with your bio. We really want members to get to know each other and this is a perfect way.

We all think these will be a fun issues, so start writing your stories now.

Outreach by Holly Snyder

The Outreach Committee has been busy planning new ways to reach out to the community. In addition to the Committee's exhibits, we will also be inviting a special interest group to create an exhibit at Sahyun Library each year. Exhibits will now also include a virtual element to share with others outside of Santa Barbara.

Outreach will now be coordinating Family History Month's Open House as it is an event that draws nonmembers to our library and Society. The Education Committee will continue to oversee the classes throughout FHM. We will also showcase our annual "Family Matters" student art exhibit at the library with an added virtual exhibit element.

The Committee would like to thank Connie Burns for all her hard work on reviving and reorganizing the Speaker's Bureau to what it is today. Connie will be stepping down as SB Coordinator to focus on her new venture as the Society's President! Judy Thompson has graciously volunteered to step in as our new Speaker's Bureau Coordinator! We look forward to new speaking opportunities throughout the community with Judy and our presenters.

The Old-Fashioned 4th of July event at Rancho La Patera/Stow House has been cancelled this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We are sad to miss it this year, but we look forward to participating in next year's event!

While the exhibit hall at Rancho La Patera/Stow House remains closed, please check out our short slideshow on the Santa Barbara Italian Pioneer Exhibit: [SB Italian Pioneers Exhibit 2020](#)



"Family Matters" Student Art Exhibit **UPDATE:**

Who: All students are welcome to submit their artwork!

What: SBCGS Annual Student Art Exhibit - the annual in-person exhibit at Sahyun Library and a new virtual exhibit!

When: Please submit by September 27.

How: Mail in artwork, arrange for pick up if local, or email a scanned jpg of artwork to be placed in the virtual student art exhibit.

Please forward the flyer to your grandchildren and/or anyone else who may be interested. The flyer is a jpg file so you can post on Facebook as well. We will send back all physical artwork after October. *See more details in the attached flyer.

Interested in helping the Outreach Committee with events and/or exhibits? Do you know of an organization that would like a fun genealogy presentation either virtually or in person? Email Holly Snyder at hs_spartan@yahoo.com.

CALLING ALL STUDENT ARTISTS!

“FAMILY MATTERS” ART EXHIBIT



In recognition of Family History Month, the Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society (SBCGS) invites **students of all ages** to submit artwork reflecting the theme *Family Matters*.

The art exhibit “opening” will be held on October 4th during the SBCGS Family History Month Open House and will remain on display during the month of October. Art exhibit will also be shown virtually to share with family and friends worldwide.



This is not a juried competition and prizes will not be awarded. All entries reflecting the theme will be displayed and given a ribbon.

Theme: “Family Matters”

Size: No larger than 12” x 18”. No frames please.

Media: Pen and ink, charcoal, paint, markers, color pencils, pastels, mixed media, collage

Please write in pencil on the back of the artwork or include in email:

- Student’s name, age, and school.
- The title of the work and/or a sentence or two about the subject of the artwork (optional)
- The medium of the work (i.e. pen & ink, paint, collage, etc.)

Due: On or before September 21, 2020

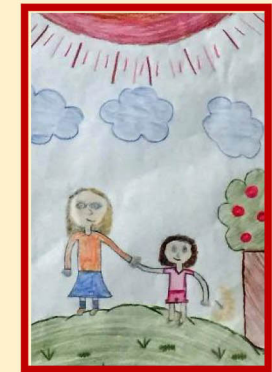
Artwork Delivery Options:

1. Mail: SBCGS Library – 316 Castillo St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101

2. Arrange for pickup :

- **Call SBCGS Library 1+(805) 884-9909** – leave a message for Outreach Coordinator Holly Snyder; or
- **Email SBCGS at info@sbgen.org** – Subject – “Student Art Exhibit – Attn. Holly Snyder”

3. Virtual exhibit only entries: Email scanned jpg of artwork and email to info@sbgen.org- Subject: “Student Art Exhibit- Attn. Holly Snyder”



Who we are:

SBCGS formed in 1972 to foster an interest in the study of family history through education, operation of a genealogy research library, and preservation of local genealogical records to enhance understanding of ourselves and our heritage. SBCGS is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. To learn more about SBCGS visit SBGen.org.

JOIN OUR TEAM!

Looking for ways to do more for SBCGS?

As a member there are ways to become involved in our organization and lend a hand as a volunteer. As an all-volunteer organization, we could not exist without volunteers.



Why volunteer? If not you, who? Join the corps of 85 extremely talented volunteers (and all-round wonderful people) that run every aspect of our organization. Have fun and meet other Society members who share your passion for genealogy. Share your experience, skill, and expertise.

YOU can make a difference in many ways. Below are a few priority volunteer openings.

1. **Development Committee** – this is a new committee to oversee and coordinate the Society's fundraising programs and activities. Fundraising experience is ideal, but not required. The development team will coordinate various fundraising programs and activities such as the Annual Appeal, Memorials, Legacy Giving, and other creative fundraising methods. The committee chair, Development Director, is appointed and serves on the Board of Directors.

Questions? Contact: Connie Burns, connieburns12@hotmail.com

2. **Property Committee** - Our society has about 1.5 acres of property including our spectacular library plus four other major buildings, parking areas and significant unused land. Currently, we are planning to update our master site plan for this property and strengthen our maintenance of the buildings used to provide much needed rental income. People with an interest in the following are needed:

- property management
- building maintenance
- construction
- real estate development
- project management

Questions? Contact: Fred Marsh, fmarsh2@cox.net

3. **Social Committee Chair** – this is a fun committee that plans social events for Society members and volunteers as well as the biannual Honors Luncheon. We are looking for someone who is organized, with leadership skills, and enjoys planning social events. The time required for this job varies with the number of events planned by the committee each year.

Questions? Contact: Karen Ramsdell, ksramsdell1107@gmail.com

4. **Volunteer Hours Recordkeeper** – This job is ideal for someone who likes to work from home. The Society tracks volunteer hours monthly. The hours are tracked by using an existing Excel spreadsheet. The job entails emailing our volunteers each month reminding them to submit their volunteer hours for the month. The recordkeeper enters the hours reported on the spreadsheet and the monthly totals. The job requires about 1-2 hours/month.

Questions? Contact: Connie Burns, connieburns12@hotmail.com



Turn June Gloom into June ZOOM

SBCGS Presents Amazing Virtual Webinars, Classes, and Meetings Throughout the Month of June

(Every member will receive a unique URL a few days before each event is scheduled.)

A Series of Four Webinars

Title: Becoming a Better Genealogist

Description: In this 4-part series, you'll learn how to become a better genealogist by completing a research project from start to finish. Discover how to form an objective, review your research by creating a timeline analysis, construct a locality guide to direct your research, create a research plan, style source citations, set up a research log to organize and track your searches, and write a report detailing your findings and ideas for future research.

Schedule of Webinars:

Wednesday, June 3 and 17 (Nicole), 2 pm

Wednesday, June 10 and 24 (Diana), 2 pm

Instructors:

Diana Elder AG® is a professional genealogist and is a Commissioner for The International Commission for the Accreditation of Professional Genealogists (ICAPGen). She is the author of the bestselling book, *Research Like a Pro: A Genealogist's Guide* and creator of the "Research Like a Pro" study group and e-Course.

Nicole Dyer is a professional genealogist specializing in southern United States research. She volunteers at the Pima County Genealogy Society and is a popular speaker at many conferences and events. Nicole and her mother, Diana Elder, are the hosts of the Research Like a Pro Genealogy Podcast and share research tips on their website FamilyLocket.com.



Optional Registration Here:

sbcgs-education@sbgen.org It is recommended that you register in order to receive the handout before the series begins.

The General Meeting (Annual Meeting)

President: Karen Ramsdell

Schedule: Saturday, June 20, 10:30-12 Noon

Special Guest Speaker: Laura Hedgecock

Title: "Telling the Stories of Your Life"

(More information in June 2020 Tree Tips.)

A Group of Three Classes

Title: How to Make a MyCanvas Genealogy Poster

Instructor: Cathy Jordan

Description: Share and preserve your family tree in the perfect poster for a wall-sized presentation. You must have a tree on Ancestry.

Schedule: Monday, June 8, 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Register Here to Receive Handout:

sbcgs-education@sbgen.org

Title: Introductory Class: How to Organize Your Genealogy

Description: Learn organizational tips to keep you on track while researching your ancestors, plus get tips on organizing your paper and digital files.

Instructor: Holly Snyder

Schedule: Thursday, June 25, 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Title: Tenacious Research and a Maze of Records Unravels a Surprising Family Story

Instructor: Mary Mamalak

Description: It began with a genealogy request from a friend - centered on an orphanage file, followed by a maze of New York City records, several brickwalls, then ultimately unraveling a surprising and emotional family story.

Schedule: Monday, June 29, 1:30 - 2:30 pm

Two Saturday Special Interest Groups

Title: DNA Special Interest Group

Leader: Mary Hall

Schedule: Saturday, June 20, 9:30 - 10:20 am

Title: Scandinavian Special Interest Group

Leader: Larrie Wanberg

Schedule: Saturday, June 20, 9:30 - 10:20 am

Two Lunch and Learn Events

Tuesday Lunch and Learn

Leader: Rosa Avolio

Schedule: Tuesday, June 9 and Tuesday, June 23, 12 Noon - 1:30pm

DNA Lunch and Learn

Leader: George LaPlante

Schedule: Friday, June 19, 12 Noon - 1:30pm

One Genealogy Happy Hour!

Host: Rosa Avolio

Schedule: Tuesday, June 16, 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Join Rosa for a fun, happy hour genealogy chat!

(Every member will receive a unique URL
a few days before each event is scheduled.)

If you need more information, contact:
Diane Sylvester, sbcgs-education@sbgen.org