



San Mateo County Genealogical Society Upcoming Events 2019

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Sat, Sep 28, 2019 – *What You Don't Know About Ancestry.com*

10:30 am–12:00 pm, Free. Grace Lutheran Church, 2825 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo, entrance in back.



Presenter: Crista Cowan, The Barefoot Genealogist, Ancestry.com

Many of us are not aware of everything there is to know about Ancestry.com. Come along and learn as Crista shares her deep and wide knowledge of Ancestry.com to open up new avenues of research for all of us.

Crista Cowan has been employed by Ancestry.com since 2004; her involvement in family history, however, reaches back to childhood. A professional genealogist, Crista has spent thousands of hours discovering, documenting and telling family stories.

Sat, Oct 19, 2019 – *Researching Ancestors in Historical Events: A Salem Witch Trials Case Study*

10:30 am–12:00 pm, Free. Grace Lutheran Church, 2825 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo, entrance in back.



Presenter: Melinda Kashuba

If your ancestor participated in or lived near the area of a major historical event, this talk will help you discover how to draw upon narratives penned by historians and other researchers to fill in your ancestor's story. A case study on the Salem Witch Trials will highlight techniques that you can use for events in which your ancestor was involved.

Melinda Kashuba holds a PhD in geography from UCLA and is a popular lecturer on many topics including American research and maps.

Sat, Nov 2, 2019 – FALL SEMINAR *The Law, GPS Evidence, and DNA Ethics*

9 am–3 pm. Members \$50, Non-members \$60. After Oct 25 & Walk-ins, add \$10. LDS Hall, 1105 Valparaiso, Menlo Park



Presenter: Judy Russell, The Legal Genealogist

Join us for a day of gaining insight about genealogy, more than you may have thought. Judy will address law in our ancestors' time, conducting solid research, and ethics of DNA testing, an important topic in today's world of DNA testing.

Judy Russell is a genealogist with a law degree and one of the best thinkers and lecturers in the field. Her talks are delivered with good humor, perception, and thoughtful connections.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN. Please register early, this event may sell out.

Sat, Nov 23, 2019 – *Brick Wall Busters: Techniques for Genealogical Success*

10:30 am–12:00 pm, Free. Grace Lutheran Church, 2825 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Mateo, entrance in back.



Presenter: Sharon Hoyt, CG We've all experienced the dreaded genealogical brick wall, where your research seems to stop. No one method can address each and every brick wall problem, so we'll cover several techniques to help you get unstuck and move your research forward.

Sharon is a genealogy research, speaker, and author. Her research has been published in the National Genealogical Society Quarterly, The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, and Minnesota Genealogist.

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