

MARIN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Nov. 16: General Meeting, 7:00 pm

Nov. 19: CIG, Villa Marin, 10:00am

Dec. 10: Holiday Luncheon, 1:00 pm

NOTE: There will be no Beginners Breakfast, Board Meeting, Newsletter, or General Meeting in December.

Jan. 7: Beginners Breakfast, Star, 9:00am

General Meeting

Wednesday, November 16, 2011

7:00pm

“Brick Walls & Success Stories”

Past years have been so popular we are doing it again!!!!

This is a chance for Genealogists to get help.

Join us and be prepared to summarize your problem in a minute or two. Experienced researchers in the crowd will offer tips and suggestions for jumping over, digging under, or breaking through that wall. If you have had a success story we want to hear about it also!!

All are welcome. You need not be a member.

PLEASE NOTE: Because of Thanksgiving, this General Meeting will be a week earlier than normal.

Happy Thanksgiving

The MCGS wishes you and all your family and friends a Happy Thanksgiving !!

**Computer Interest Group (CIG)
Saturday, November 19, 2011
10:00am, Villa Marin, San Rafael**

Topic: Open Forum

We'll discuss subjects offered by our members and problem-solve those computer, software, and research challenges facing you. Reminder---these meetings are open to all MCGS members as well as members of the general public.

It's membership renewal time!

You can download the MCGS 2012 membership application by visiting our website at http://mcgs.camp9.org/Join_MCGS.

You can also renew your membership by going to your Profile page after you sign in to our website.

Click on "View Profile" in the box that shows your login name. Then follow the directions to renew for 2012. You can print an invoice for your records and an invoice will be sent by e-mail. Your renewal will not be valid until you send in your check with your dues for 2012.

**You can also join the Society at the
General Meetings.**

A **Single Membership** is \$25 and a **Family Membership** (for members of the same household) is \$35.

**General Meeting
January 25, 2012, 7:00pm
LDS Church, San Rafael**

Presented by: Anthony Hoskins

**“You May Not Be Who You Think You
Are: Or How Y-DNA Testing Broke Up
That Old Family of Mine”**

After 30 years of tracing many branches of the descendants of **Thomas Hodgkinson/Hoskinson**, English settler in America in 1700, **Tony Hoskins** decided it was time to join several distant Hoskins(on) cousins who had already tested their Y-DNA. To say his own results were unexpected and genealogically transformative is to put it mildly. Come hear him discuss how science trumped rock-solid genealogical documentation, as well as how to get back on your feet when science drags your genealogical rug out from under you.

Tony Hoskins is the genealogical Librarian at the Sonoma County Library in Santa Rosa. He has spoken to MCGS before.

Kin Tracer

There is no longer a KIN TRACER, unless someone(s) steps forward to create it. Cathy Gowdy has created our award winning flagship magazine since at least 2000 (before her was Sandy Smith and before her, Joy Lehmann) and all have contributed to our society in a big way and are now researching their own genealogy. Cathy is happy to help an individual or committee to get started. The job is much easier than it used to be

since it is published electronically. Help is available! We need YOU!

**Family History Center and the
Genealogical Society Library**

Located at the LDS Church, 220 North San
Pedro Road, San Rafael

Hours

Wed. & Fri. : 9:00AM to 1:00PM

Tuesday 1:00PM to 9:00PM

Thurs.: 5:00PM to 9:00PM

Closed: Saturday and Monday

Open Sunday by Appointment

**Beginners Breakfast
What is it?**

MCGS members and all beginners are invited for breakfast the first Saturday of each month at Star Restaurant, 1700 Novato Blvd. in Novato at 9:00am. Join us for food and discussion. It is a great opportunity to discuss your questions. It is also to welcome those interested in genealogy and new to the Society. It is a chance for you to dip your feet in the water and get to know others in an informal environment and get some questions answered.

**A Warm Welcome to Our Newest
Members !!!**

N. Edward & Nancy R. Boyce of San Rafael

Judi Brady of Novato, researching Carrara, Brady, & Kowalski

Birdie Dover of San Rafael, researching White Antelope, Redbird (Cheyenne), Foster & Bryant (Navajo Tribe), Crue (Filipino)

Mary Gray of Novato, researching Laskey

Jan Markel of Inverness, researching Davis (in NY) & Alviso (California)

Susan Stuart of San Rafael, researching Zahnd & Rutherford

Katie Takemura of Novato

