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## PRESIDENT'S MOMENT – Susi Fathauer

I'm often asked how I locate or make connections with people researching the same ancestors. Last month I shared with you how to use WorldConnect on the RootsWeb website to reach out to possible descendants related to your ancestors. That is one of the safe ways you can **network** and get your research out there. Below, I will give you a few more ideas to try to get past those brick walls.

Many of the County websites on the State pages of [www.usgenweb.org](http://www.usgenweb.org) have a link for **Queries** and **Surname Lists**. You can also use the **Message Boards** and **Mailing Lists** links on the RootsWeb website to send queries/questions about particular ancestors. . . That's a way other genealogists researching the same names can contact you to compare research. Also, share your ancestors' burial records on safe websites such as: [www.FindAGrave.com](http://www.FindAGrave.com) , Interment.net [www.interment.net/publish.htm](http://www.interment.net/publish.htm) , or the Tombstone Transcription Project [www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~cemetery/index.html](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~cemetery/index.html) . You can add a list of burials or just a few at a time.

Look for opportunities to share your family research with the genealogy world and you might be able to make some contacts that will answer some of those difficult problems in your research. When you submit your family research on [www.rootsweb.com](http://www.rootsweb.com), descendants of your common ancestors can contact you. You never know when one of those contacts might have a piece of the puzzle you need or may give you ideas of resources you hadn't thought about

looking for.

**Giving Back...** I have really enjoyed the series in the past few newsletters about the William McCutchen and the Donner party contributed to our newsletter by Donna Wiesley. Thank you for sharing Donna. Do you have some genealogy news to share? Do you receive newsletters from other societies that give news about records and resources being made available online? When you read something and think "That is great information to know" or "Wow, I need to share that with my chapter", please take a moment to share those tidbits with Margaret [margaret166@cox.net](mailto:margaret166@cox.net) for upcoming newsletters. It makes her job so much easier if we all try to send something to her for the newsletter now and then. Thank you.

## CONGRATULATIONS

**To Julia Devous** on the birth of her first son, Christopher, on Monday, October 20, 2008. Julia was our featured speaker at the Fall Seminar. She is the great-granddaughter of Annie Moore, the first immigrant to Ellis Island. We wish them both a healthy new year.

## ANOTHER WANTABEE SESSION OF CLASSES

The Queen Creek Branch Library 21802 S. Ellsworth Rd. will sponsor another 3 session Genealogy Wantabee taught by Karen **Blackmore**, FHSA Daytimers. Each session will be in the Story Time Room from 9:30-11:30 a.m.. First on March 7th, Second on March 14th, Final on April 4th. Preregistration 602-652-3363. What a lovely new building we will be working in. M.R.R.

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**Hopefully "Phil" no shadow will see.**



## FHSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DISCLAIMER</b></p> <p>We freely admit to lovingly "lifting" some of the filler items from other publications, newslet- ters, the Internet, and miscellane- ous sources. For that reason, some of the material contained herein cannot be verified and we apolo- gize for any misinformation.</p>

# BALLOT FOR THE ELECTION OF 2009 FHSA OFFICERS

## VOTE FOR ONE CANDIDATE FOR EACH OFFICE

FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

\_\_\_ Susi Fathauer,  
Tempe Chapter

\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
(write in)

FOR THE OFFICE OF 1ST VICE PRESIDENT

\_\_\_ Roni Falcon,  
Glendale Chapter

\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
(write in)

FOR THE OFFICE OF 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

\_\_\_ Suzanne Brayer,  
Paradise Valley Chapter

\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
(write in)

FOR THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY

\_\_\_ Jessie Larson,  
East Valley Chapter

\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
(write in)

FOR THE OFFICE OF TREASURER

\_\_\_ Jeanne Reichenbacher,  
Paradise Valley Chapter

\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
(write in)

FOR THE OFFICE OF NOMINATING  
COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

\_\_\_ Roseanne Hein,  
Fountain Hills Chapter

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(write in)

Note: Voting may be accomplished at Chapter Meetings, by Mail-in Ballot (FHSA, Attn: Election Dept., PO Box 63094, Phoenix, AZ 85082-3094 received before February 19, 2009 or at the Registration Desk at the Annual Meeting, March 21, 2009.

## CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE 2009-2010

### President-Susi Fathauer (Tempe Chapter)

Susi Fathauer has been a member of the Tempe Chapter since 1992. She is currently the FHSA Board president. She served as Tempe's Chapter President, Vice President and representative for the Book Fund and Nominating Committees. As a 4th Generation Arizonan, she enjoys volunteering at the AZ State Library and Archives preparing newspapers for microfilming. Susi works part-time as a Gifted Services Specialist at Mountain Pointe High School in Ahwatukee where she lives with her husband George and sons, Wes and Chris. She also believes we are living in such an exiting time for genealogists. "Every day we are benefiting from new resources and indexes that are being made available on the Internet." Therefore, she reminds us to "Give Back" to the genealogy community whenever we have the opportunity.

### 1st Vice President-Roni Falcon (Glendale Chapter)

Roni Falcon, a member of the Glendale Chapter since 2005 is currently serving as Vice-President and Program Chair. She is currently the FHSA 1st Vice-President and has been conducting family research for more than 12 years. In addition to her work as a self-employed hairstylist, she expresses her creative side through various craft projects, which include quilting, jewelry making, scrap booking, cooking and gardening. She has experience planning golf tournaments and serves as a volunteer on various projects.

### 2nd Vice President-Suzanne Brayer (Paradise Valley Chapter)

Suzanne Brayer has been a member of the Paradise Valley Chapter since 1989 when she first began family research. She has served as its Co-President, Treasurer and President. In July she was appointed to fill a vacancy as FHSA's 2nd Vice President. Recently retired after 30 years of teaching High School History and Psychology in the PV school district, Suzanne has found time to present to genealogy groups, tutor students, attend genealogy conferences, knock down some "brick walls", and work on her golf game.

### Secretary-Jessie Larson (East Valley Chapter)

A member since 1995, although living in Mesa, Jessie Larson initially attended the Fountain Hills Chapter because they met in the daytime during the hours her five children were in school. Having been interested in genealogy for 30 + years, she has discovered the thrill of researching onsite in the towns where her ancestors once lived and in visiting ancestral homelands. She and her cousins have organized several large 3-days family reunions with the added objective of everyone learning a little more about their family by skits based on their ancestor's lives, printing books of life stories, and CD's of family pictures, Jessie thoroughly enjoys genealogy conferences and guest speakers. She is currently serving as the Secretary of FHSA.

### Treasurer-Jeanne Reichenbacher (Paradise Valley Chapter)

With a B.A. in Business Education, Jeanne has been owner and co-owner of three businesses since 1969 and her main duties were in the accounting field. In current business since 1980, she now supervises the daily accounting. Collecting family history has been a hobby since 1973 and has expanded to researching for other relatives & friends of friends. Jeanne and her husband have traveled extensively in search of their roots: OH, IN, New England, Quebec, Ireland, Germany, Switzerland and of course Salt Lake City. Semi retirement has afforded the time to become active in local genealogy associations. Jeanne has been a FHSA member since 2006. She is currently serving as the Treasurer for FHSA.

### Nominating Committee Chairperson-Roseanne Hein (Fountain Hills Chapter)

Roseanne (Ro) Hein is new to the FHSA family and anxious to be involved with people who share her interest in genealogy, no Chapter should be surprised to see her at one of their meetings. She has served as the Fountain Hills Chapter Appointed Representative to the Board. For a least five years, she has been actively researching her maternal lineage that begins in Northern Ireland and Birmingham, England and leading her to Ontario, Canada and Youngstown, Ohio. Her husband, Larry and she enjoy snow skiing—a sport that has taken them all over the western United States and Canada. She also has skied in Italy and Austria. Look for her at Sky Harbor Airport on Wednesday mornings, where she volunteers as a Navigator to assist travelers

## NEW MEMBERS

### Fountain Hills

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LaBounty in NY, VT and Canada,

Giebel in NY, and Germany

Kesselring in NY and Germany

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## LUNCHTIME FAMILY HISTORY LESSONS

Please notice that they will be held in the Polly Rosenbaum State Archives and History Building, 1901 W. Madison St. in Phoenix, instead of at the Carnegie Center. They will be held at the same time as before, but you will not be able to eat lunch during the presentations because the new Archives Building does not allow food to be consumed inside the building. This will help protect Arizona's irreplaceable archival documents from insects and molds.

Preregistration is required.

To register online:

1) Go to <http://www.lib.az.us> and choose the link to "Other Resources"

2) Click on "Genealogy Online Registration"

To register by phone: 602-926-3938

The Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records Lunchtime Family History Lesson Schedule 2009.

**February 5:** "Pioneer Ancestors" by Archives Staff

**March 12:** "The Civil War and Genealogy" by Chris Seggerman, Law and Research Library

**April 9:** "Using the Internet for Genealogical Research" by Judy Shappee, Law and Research Library

**May 14:** "Using Maps to Track Your Ancestors" by Julie Hoff, Archives Staff

**September 10:** "Land Records & Genealogical Research" by Judy Shappee, Law and Research Library

**October 8:** "Skeletons in the Closet" by Archives Staff



Rosenbaum opening photos by Susi Fathauer 1/15/2009

## FHSA BOARD MEETING

Book Fund Committee to meet January 30 to select additional books and CD's to purchase for the Arizona State Library Genealogy department. Judy Shappee (AZ State Library) would like Cherokee Census in North Carolina 1915-1922.

Lynn Crawford from the membership service committee reported 271 current members.

Everyone was reminded to register for the annual meeting so that Fountain Hills will know how many to plan for.

Next Board Meeting 9:00 AM February 7, 2009 at 2707 S. College, Tempe, AZ.

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## TIME LINE DATA

January 17—Persian Gulf War Began 1991

January 27—Vietnam Peace Accord signed 1973

March 2—Vietnam War Began 1965

April 11-Persian Gulf War Official Cease Fire 1991

May 7-Unconditional Surrender of all German Forces Signed 1945

May 8- V-E Day declared 1945

June 6- D-Day: Allied Invasion of Europe 1944

June 25—Korean War Began 1950

July 27 —Korean War Ended 1953

July 28 —World War I began 1914

August 14 —Japan Surrendered, ending WWII 1945

September 2-V-J Day: Japan Signed Formal Surrender 1945

October 7—War on Terror Began 2001

November 11-Signing of WWI Armistice 1918

December 8—War Declared on Japan 1941

December 11—Germany and Italy Declared War on U.S. 1941

December 31—Official End of WWII 1946

Above copied from Veterans of Foreign Wars of United States Calendar.

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## COMMENTS MADE - YEAR 1955

"Did you see where some baseball player just signed a contract for \$75,000 a year just to play ball? It wouldn't surprise me if someday they'll be making more than the President."

"I'm afraid the Volkswagen car is going to open the door to a whole lot of foreign business."

"No one can afford to be sick anymore, at \$35.00 a day in the hospital it's too rich for my blood."

"If they think I'll pay 50 cents for a hair cut, forget it."

"The drive-in restaurant is convenient in nice weather, but I seriously doubt they will ever catch on. Thanks Nikki Van Reusen, Fountain Hills

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## William McCutchen of the Donner Party

By Robert Nagel, Los Gatos, CA, 15 Dec 1995

One night when Reed had the first watch to keep the fire going he was snow blind and semi-conscious and did not see the fire was dying out. The cold awakened the others but most of them were too weak to do anything about it. McCutchen and a man named Miller managed to get the fire going again and saved the party from freezing to death. Reed later said that if it were not for McCutchen two thirds of the group would have died before morning. The storm let up on March 8th and the four remaining rescuers, led by Reed and McCutchen, got moving again taking only three children with them. Isaac Donner had died the first night of the storm and the three adult refugees and ten of the children either couldn't or wouldn't leave the camp so Reed had to leave them for the next relief party. Years later Reed was criticized for leaving the Breens but he said that he had done everything he could to persuade them to come on with him and had had the rest of the party witness Breen's refusal.

About March 8th the three men Reed had left at the winter camp to care for the refugees abandoned them and went back over the summit, passing the group at Starved Camp and joining Reed. A day or two later they met a party that had come out from Johnson Ranch to find them, expecting that they were in trouble because of the storm, and they made their way safely to the Johnson Ranch. This second rescue attempt by McCutchen and Reed was in itself a disaster but 14 of the 17 refugees who started out from the winter camp survived.

When the next rescue party got to Starved Camp they found that 2 more of the group had died there. Mrs. Graves and her son Franklin, but they rescued the other 11. The last of the survivors were brought out from the winter camp on April 25th. Of the 87 members of the Donner party who started on the Hastings Cutoff only 47 survived to reach the Sacramento Valley.

### FAMILY HISTORY AFTER 1846.

After March, 1847, William and Amanda lived for a time in Sonoma, California, where Amanda took in sewing for the daughters of General Vallejo. Before the birth of their first son about 1849 they moved to San Jose. Reed and McCutchen remained close friends throughout their lives and it is said that the McCutchens moved to San Jose because Reed lived there. In 1849 McCutchen and Reed were among the signers of a \$34,000 note to purchase a building in San Jose for the State Legislature. San Jose, Benicia, Vallejo and Sacramento were all vying to

be the site of the State Capital. The first state legislature met in San Jose but in 1954 Sacramento became the permanent capital. McCutchen was at various times a farmer, stock raiser, sheriff and constable. In 1853 he was elected Sheriff of Santa Clara County.

Amanda died in San Jose November 10, 1857 at the age of 35. She died in childbirth or as a result since her son Edward Johnson McCutchen was born on that day. As William was in no position to care for the baby Dr. Johnson, the family's doctor, and his wife took the baby in and cared for him until after William remarried. Edward's middle name was taken from Dr. Johnson.

On August 6, 1860, in Santa Clara County, William married the widow Ruth A (Reeves) Wendell, a resident of Santa Clara County, born in Albany, New York. Her name was misspelled Randall in the marriage records which led to erroneous identification in some later records. William and Ruth apparently separated some years later. Ruth, who died 7 years before William, was living with her daughter, Sarah Fowler, at the time of her death. There is no mention of William in her obituary. She was buried in the Fowler family plot in Oak Hill Cemetery in San Jose.

Ruth and her first husband, John Wendell, came to California from Illinois. John came first in 1850, traveling overland with his oldest son, John Jr. Their wagon train was attacked by Indians and they escaped with just a mule. The father went on to California leaving his son to follow later. John Sr. worked at mining and then moved to San Francisco. Ruth and the other Wendell Children followed her husband in 1852 traveling by ship and across the Isthmus of Panama. One (or two) of her sons died of yellow fever on the voyage. When she arrived in San Francisco she found that her husband had been murdered shortly before her arrival. Ruth lived in San Francisco briefly and then purchased a ranch near Berryessa just east of San Jose. She died at Evergreen south of San Jose July 28, 1888.

William died of a stroke at the San Jose Sanatorium April 17, 1895. He was buried at the Oak Hill Cemetery; his body was exhumed in 1931 and cremated and placed in the mausoleum there. The graves of several of the Donner Party survivors, including McCutchen and Reed are listed as Historical Points of Interest in the Oak Hill information brochure. *THE END*

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## FEBRUARY CHAPTER HAPPENINGS SCHEDULE

### 4th —EAST VALLEY:

Meets the **1st Wednesday** at Fellowship Square, Bldg 4, First Floor, 6945 E Main, Mesa  
**6:00 PM** Class: “DNA and Genealogy” by Trudi **Arledge**  
**7:00 PM** Lecture: Chris **Seggerman** “Using Newspapers in Family History Research”  
Reminder Facilitator: Bill **Gertz**, 480-325-3173 (Gertz@asu.edu)

### 9th—FOUNTAIN HILLS

Meets the **2nd Monday** of each month (except summers) Community Center, 13001 N. La Montana Dr. (next to Town Hall, across from Post Office), Fountain Hills.  
**9:00 AM** Class: Beginners, Problem Solving, Computer Lab  
**10:00 AM** Bill **Kane** “French Canadian Research—Girls sent by the King to Canada to marry soldiers 1663-1673”  
Reminder Facilitator: Nikki **Van Reusen** 480-836-6820 (vanreusen@prodigy.net)

### 9th—TEMPE:

Meets the **2nd Monday** at the Pyle Adult Recreation Center, Sedona Room, 655 E. Southern Ave., Tempe  
**6:15 PM** “Census” presented by Marsha **Allen**  
**7:15 PM** Jim **Burgess** “Virginia, The First Hundred Years”  
Reminder Facilitator: Marilyn **Senn**, 480-705-0927 (marilyns41@cox.net)

### 17th—PARADISE VALLEY: NEW MEETING LOCATION

Meets the **3rd Tuesday** at Horizon High School, 56th and Greenway. (Park in the lot behind –east of– the school off Greenway. Follow the fhsa sign south of the auditorium to room J101.  
**6:15 PM** Meet and greet  
**7:00 PM** Program to be announced **See [www.fhsa.org](http://www.fhsa.org) (Chapters-calendar)**  
Reminder Facilitator: Norma **Suckle**, 602-867-3087 (norma@Lsnent.com)

### 18th—DAYTIMERS:

Meets the **3rd Wednesday** at Room 10, Granite Reef Senior Center, 1700 N. Granite Reef Rd, Scottsdale,  
**1:00 PM** DeAnne **Shelley** “Westward Migration”  
Reminder Facilitator: Charles **Rennaker**, 480-990-2348 (7473chas@cvrennaker.com)

### 23th —GLENDALE:

Meets the **last Monday** at the Glendale Public Library, 5959 W. Brown Ave. (between Peoria & Dunlap,  
**7:00 PM** Marsha **Allen** “Conquer The Chaos, Organizing History Research”  
Reminder Facilitator: Russ **Strong** , 623-878-9084 (rgstrong-genes@cox.net)

### 24th —SCOTTSDALE FIELD TRIP

**6:30 PM** Workshop meeting at the local LDS Family History Center 2202 N. 74th Street, Scottsdale northwest entrance just south of Oak Street, east of Scottsdale Rd.  
“Help in research and aid in getting through a brick wall.”  
Reminder Facilitator: Robert **Gayle**, 602-971-3429 (robertgayle@qwest.net)

**REMEMBER TO CHECK THE WEB SITE**  
**[www.fhsa.org](http://www.fhsa.org) for the latest updates on**  
**Chapter Meeting Calendar    Chapter Information**  
**Chapter Location Maps**

### AT LARGE MEMBERSHIP

Reminder Facilitator: Margaret **Rennaker**, 480-990-2348 (margaret166@cox.net)

## UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

### February 2009

- 5 **LUNCHTIME FAMILY HISTORY LESSON (details page 5)**
- 14-15 **Annual Volunteer Nonprofit Service Association, Inc. USED BOOK SALE.** Event of the year for book lovers! At the Exhibit Building, Arizona State Fairgrounds, 1826 West McDowell Road, Phoenix. Saturday (14th) 8 am to 6 pm; Sunday (15th) 8 am to 4 pm. Enter from 17th Ave and McDowell Rd. For more information, visit [www.vnsabooksale.org](http://www.vnsabooksale.org) or call 602-265-6805.
- 21 **West Valley Genealogical Society's** Annual Seminar will feature Laura G **Prescott**, Professional Researcher, Writer and Speaker. Her subject "Finding the Unexpected in Unexpected Places." includes: Timelines-Placing Your Heritage in Historical Perspective; Treasures Within the Ivory Tower-Finding Family in Academic Archives; Locating Digitized Images Online; Spinsters and Widows-Gender Loyalty Within Families. Seminar is Saturday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm at First Presbyterian Church, 12225 W. 103rd Ave., Sun City. Log on to: <http://www.azwvgs.org> for more information and registration form.
- 21 **Green Valley Genealogical Society** presents Elissa Scalise **Powell**, CG from Wexford, PA. Her topics: Rubik's Cube Genealogy—a New Twist on Your Old Data; The Research Cycle—Don't Pedal Backwards; Thinking Outside the Index—Online Search Techniques; Sharing Your Data in an Internet Age. Location: Green Valley Elks Lodge, 2951 S. Camino Mercado, Green Valley check in 8:15 to 9 a.m. Seminar 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Members \$37.50 Non-member \$42.50 Admission includes buffet lunch. Registration due by February 14, 2009. for map see [www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~azgvgs/](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~azgvgs/)

### March 2009

- 12 **LUNCHTIME FAMILY HISTORY LESSON (details on page 5)**
- 21 **Family History Society of Arizona ANNUAL MEETING** details [www.fhsa.org](http://www.fhsa.org)
- 29 Historical Walk in Phoenix's Early Cemeteries 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Pioneer and Military Memorial Park, 14th Ave and Jefferson St., Phoenix. Sponsored by the Pioneer's Cemetery Assoc. \$10 for adults, \$5 for students 5 to 12, Children under 5 free. Refreshments, after the walk.

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- 9 **LUNCHTIME FAMILY HISTORY LESSON (details on page 5)**

### May 2009

- 13-16 **NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE IN THE STATES 2009**, local Host the North Carolina Genealogical Society, Raleigh, North Carolina. "The Building of a Nation From Roanoke to the West" Phone: (703) 525-0050 Toll Free: (800) 473-0060 Email: [conference@ngsgenealogy.org](mailto:conference@ngsgenealogy.org) Visit [www.ngsgenealogy.org](http://www.ngsgenealogy.org) for more information.
- 14 **LUNCHTIME FAMILY HISTORY LESSON (details on page 5)**

### June 2009

- 26-28 **Southern California Genealogical Society** will be sponsoring its annual **Genealogical Jamboree** at the Burbank Hilton and Convention Center, Burbank, California. This year's ethnic focus will be the British Isles (English, Irish, Scottish and Welsh). For additional information, check their website, [www.scsgenealogy.com](http://www.scsgenealogy.com)

### September 2009

- 2-5 **Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference. Little Rock, Arkansas.** For further information, contact the FGS office at [www.fgs.org](http://www.fgs.org).