

California State Genealogical Alliance - Speaker's Directory

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Website	PENDING - UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Honorarium/ fees requested	Negotiable for local societies
Availability (days, hours)	Negotiable
Counties will travel to	Prefer No. L.A, Co., Ventura, Santa Barbara, SLO, Monterey, San Francisco, and Sacramento Counties
Lodging (allow home housing?)	No home housing
Equipment Needed	Large screen and LCD Projector
Allow taping?	No
Handout format and timing	Handout in Word and will submit prior to lecture
Willing to create new lectures?	Yes

Biography

Professional genealogist, forensic genealogist, lecturer at past NGS & FGS conferences. Was CGRS 1992-2007, let it lapse as I was hired as administrator/archivist at one of the historic California Missions. Resigned/retired in 2012 but hired to run the archive there part-time.
 BA, Political Science; Master's classes in history and social sciences; paralegal studies, archive management. Attend Forensic Genealogy Institute, IGHR, NIGR, and others.

Specialties and other notes

Catholic Records, California Research, Irish-American ancestry back to ancestors in Ireland.

Topics

- 1 California Research
- 2 Catholic Records for Catholics and Non-Catholics
- 3 Maps, County Histories, City Directories
- 4 Paper Trails: Picking Through the Crumbs
- 5 Migration Trails to California
- 6 Research Techniques Using Social Sciences
- 7 Irish-American Research
- 8 Death Certificates, Obituaries, Probates: What the Dead Can Tell You
- 9 Re-Assess Your Data

Previous Engagements (place and contact information)

- 1 British Isles Family History Society 2013 and invited back for Sep 2014. Lydia Jeffrey, acting program chair
- 2 NGS and FGS Conferences 1993-2005

Docent lectures at Old Mission Santa Inés
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Other Lecture Experience and Credentials

Working on portfolio for BCG and certification from CAFG