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Our last newsletter until January 2023

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2023

Presidents Message

By David Wolff

I'm not even going to try to make the Board meeting next Monday. I think Vicky, with the able help of the board, can manage to stumble through and cover all the legalities needed to end 2022 and start 2023.

To all of the Board of Directors members for the year of 2022, I would like to say a big THANK-YOU for all of the help and assistance you gave to me. You made it a pleasure instead of a job to do the work we did. May the work continue into the next year.

David C. Wolff

A message to our membership

by Vicky Wolff

I AM A VETERAN

We left home as teenagers for an unknown adventure.

We loved our country enough to defend it and protect it with our own lives

We said goodbye to friends and family and everything we knew.

We learned the basics and then we scattered in the wind to the far corners of the earth.

We found new friends and new family.

We became brothers and sisters regardless of color, race or creed.

We had plenty of good times and plenty of bad times.

We didn't get enough sleep.

We smoked and drank too much.

We picked up both good and bad habits.

We worked hard and played harder.

We didn't earn great wages.

We experienced the happiness of mail call and the sadness of missing important events.

We didn't know when, or even if, we were ever going to see home again.

We grew up fast, and yet somehow, we never grew up at all.

We fought for our freedom, as well as the freedom of others.

Some of us saw actual combat, and some of us didn't.

Some of us dealt with physical warfare, most of us dealt with psychological warfare.
We have seen and experienced and dealt with things that we can't fully describe or explain, as not all of our sacrifices were physical.
We participated in time honored ceremonies and rituals with each other, strengthening our bonds and camaraderie.
We counted on each other to get our job done and sometimes to survive it all.
We have dealt with victory and tragedy.
We have celebrated and mourned.
We lost a few along the way.
When our adventure was over, some of us went back home, some of us started somewhere new and some of us never came home at all.
We have told amazing and hilarious stories of our exploits and adventures.
We share an unspoken bond with each other that most people don't experience and few will understand.
We speak highly of our own branch of service, and poke fun at the other branches.
We know however, that if needed, we will be there for our brother and sisters and stand together as one, in a heartbeat.
Being a Veteran is something that had to be earned and it can never be taken away.
It has no monetary value, but at the same time it is a priceless gift.
People see a Veteran and they thank them for their service.
When we see each other, we give that little upwards head nod or a slight smile, knowing that we shared and experienced things that most people have not. So to the Veterans out there, I commend and thank you for all that you have done and sacrificed for our country. Try to remember the good times and make peace with the bad times. Share our stories, but most importantly, stand tall and proud for you have earned the right to be called a Veteran!

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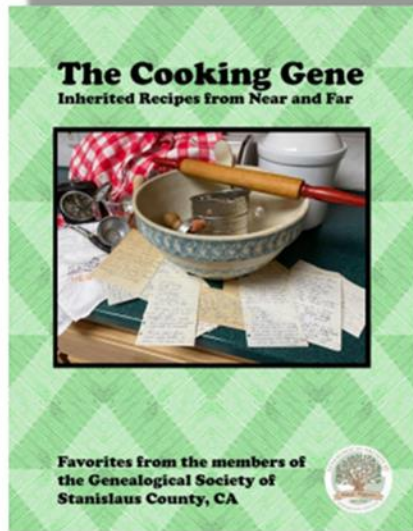


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THANK YOU

Writing Assignment for October 2022

Submitted by Vicky Wolff

I am going to encourage each and every one of you to start writing. A lot of you say you don't have stories to tell, but you do. Each month I would like for you to take some time and do a writing assignment.

My first writing assignment will be...Write a piece about your mother...what was her maiden name and married name...where was she born and died. Did she work out of the home and if so, what did she do? What do you remember about her? Just let your mind flow with thoughts. For those who are willing, we will share.

Cancelled! Our hostess caught Covid-19 To be resumed when it passes

The important thing is that you start writing things down and bring your family and ancestors to life, not just names and dates on a piece of paper.

Let us just have fun with these writing projects. You have a whole month to compose them. Be creative and embrace you family members giving them a living history.

Don't forget, our writing group meets every second Thursday of the month @ Joann MacDonald's home, 412 Belfast Ave., Modesto., off El Vista and Encina avenues. It is very easy to find, and the writing group has a lot of fun sharing our stories with each other. Please join us! **Note – Joann is recovering nicely.**

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RootsTech 2023

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During our Covid-19 pandemic we lost a number of members. Those of you who stepped away we encourage you to rejoin us. We have the interest, resources and focused energy to make your genealogical research. We are your genealogical society and are here for you. Please invite your friends back.



It is Holiday Poinsettia time again. Please place your orders for this high quality colorful plants now.

Order form attached!

The Stanislaus County 1890 Great Register has been added to the Publications section of our GSSC Webpage. Because of its format and layout be sure to set your page settings to landscape for proper viewing and printing.

[Link](#)



GSSC POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER

It is that time of year again. Holidays are right around the corner. Brighten up your home with the well-known, beautiful Duarte Nursery Poinsettias. Orders will be taken at our November meeting. The price remains the same as last year: \$15 each. We appreciate and need your support for this annual fundraiser.

Please fill in this form and write your check to GSSC. Delivery date will be on December 5th from 4:00 to 5:30 at the Trinity United Presbyterian Church on Carver Road.

Name: _____

Number of plants: _____

Contact information: Marge Scheuber (209)522-1111 or olemarge1@sbcglobal.net



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Name _____ Maiden Name _____

Address _____ Date _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

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Please enter the following email addresses in your email address book: Newsletter:

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(Up to the age of 22 and enrolled in class)

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Check # _____ **Cash \$** _____ **\$** _____

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Mail check to **GSSC**, Attn: Membership, P. O. Box 1352, Modesto, CA 95352-1352.

Renewing Members: Enclose a self-addressed stamped **letter**-size envelope, and your membership card will be mailed to you. Questions? Contact Joyce at 209-422-3653 or email plis2@att.net.

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The newsletter is posted at this website, along with other interesting society related items.

General meeting: 7:00 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of each month, except July and December at the Trinity Presbyterian Church at 1600 Carver Rd., Modesto, CA.

Board meeting: 7:00 p.m. on the 2nd Monday of each month, The Secret Garden, 2401 E Orangeburg Ave., Modesto, CA.

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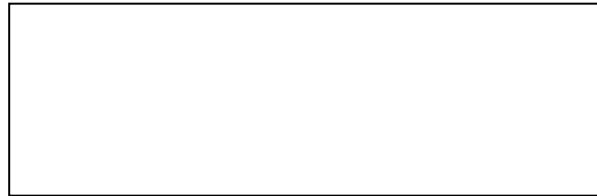
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We have 66 members for 2022

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**Happy Holiday Season
&
New Year 2023**

