

# **NEW MEXICO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 58TH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE**

**Albuquerque, New Mexico**

**October 26-27, 2018**

Marriott Pyramid Hotel  
5151 San Francisco Rd NE  
Albuquerque, New Mexico



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## Schedule at a Glance

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26<sup>TH</sup>

TIME	ACTIVITY	WHERE
12:00 – 5:00	Conference Registration Exhibitor set-up	Pre-Convention Hallway Gallery Room
1:00 – 4:45	Concurrent Workshops	Taos & Las Cruces Rooms
5:30 – 8:00	Meet-N-Greet	Atrium

*Please enjoy dinner on your own.*

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup>

TIME	ACTIVITY	WHERE
8:00 – 9:00	Conference Registration	Pre-Convention Hallway
9:00 – 11:45	Speakers	Yucatan Room
All day	Book Sales & Exhibitor Displays	Gallery Room
11:45 – 12:45	Box Lunch Provided	Cancun Room
12:45 – 5:00	Speakers	Yucatan Room
6:00 – 9:00	Happy Hour Event with Speaker, Rick Hendricks	Cancun Room

A block of rooms is set at a rate of  
\$109.00/Night

### **Marriott Pyramid**

5151 San Francisco Rd NE  
Albuquerque, NM 87109

**1-800-228-9290**

*Ask for the NMGS Conference Rate*



### **Ask about the NMGS DNA Project!**

Miguel A. Tórrez, Administrator

Our mission is to validate genealogies tracing back to their known origin in New Mexico using Y-DNA and mtDNA testing.

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Visit the exhibitors and booksellers in  
the Gallery Room!

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## Concurrent Workshop Schedule for Friday, October 26th

TIME	ACTIVITY
1:00 – 2:00 Taos Room	<b><u>Do You Census? The Good, the Bad and the Unbelievable!</u></b> Presenter: <b>Angela Lewis</b> <u>Working with the Census:</u> Have you ever done a complete work-up of your family using the census? Did you find strange information? Come and see how, where to look, what to look for; the usual and unusual. Once you compile your census information and analyze it.
1:00 – 2:00 Las Cruces Room	<b><u>Just Getting Started</u></b> Presenter: <b>Victoria Sullivan</b> <u>Ready to find those Ancestors?</u> Learn how to jump right in and get started with your research. Maybe you haven't researched in a while and need some brushing up or you are just learning the basics.
2:30 – 3:30 Taos Room	<b><u>NMGS DNA Project</u></b> Presenter: <b>Miguel A. Tórréz</b> Joining the project, swabbing, validating genealogies. Tracing back to your ancestor's known origin in New Mexico using Y-DNA and mtDNA testing.
2:30 – 3:30 Las Cruces Room	<b><u>Married and How</u></b> Presenter: <b>Santiago Gonzales</b> <u>What does Affinity and Consanguinity Mean:</u> You finally find them in a marriage record. We will learn how to analyze what it says, means and how it applies to your ancestors. Catholic Church records are amazing, come learn the language.
3:45-4:45 Taos Room	<b><u>Using Biographical Timelines to Better Understand Your Ancestors</u></b> Presenter: <b>Paul Rhetts</b> <u>Biographical Timelines:</u> Learn to use timelines, what they tell you and what you can add to better understand your ancestors.
3:45-4:45 Las Cruces Room	<b><u>Writing Our Family Stories</u></b> Presenter: <b>Irene Blea</b> <u>Creating the story they'll want to read:</u> By placing your ancestors into their geographical settings with an emphasis on social-historical context, Blea will speak on how to use this method along with your exhaustive research to create a compelling story of your ancestor's life.
5:30-8:00 Atrium	<b>Meet-N-Greet;</b> Catch up with old friends, make new ones, and learn about the NMGS DNA Project while enjoying appetizers and a cash bar. There will be door prizes and a fun activity.



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## Workshop Schedule for Saturday, October 27th

TIME	ACTIVITY
7:45-8:45 Cancun Room	New Mexico Genealogical Society Annual Meeting and Member Breakfast (Active NMGS members only; Pre-registration required by September 15 <sup>th</sup> )  <i>Non-NMGS members, please enjoy breakfast on your own</i>
9:00 – 10:15 Yucatan Room	<b><u>Genetic Genealogy Basics</u></b> Presenter: <b>Mary Eberle, JD</b> Understand how to use Genetic Genealogy, DNA testing, in combination with traditional genealogical methods to infer relationships between Individuals and find ancestors.
10:30 – 11:45 Yucatan Room	<b><u>18<sup>th</sup> Century Patriarch – Cristobal Lucero de Godoy – A Look at His Life</u></b> Presenter: <b>Daria Landress</b> In a close examination and study of birth, marriage, census, death, and other vital documents, we will examine the life of Cristobal Lucero de Godoy and create a snapshot of his life.
11:45 – 12:45 Cancun Room	<b><u>Box lunch included with your registration</u></b>
12:45-2:00 Yucatan Room	<b><u>Digging Deeper into DNA</u></b> Presenter: <b>Mary Eberle, JD</b> You have already tested your DNA and received your results. Now you need to sort through your huge number of matches. Mary will guide you in understanding how you and your DNA matches are related.
2:15-3:30 Yucatan Room	<b><u>Shedding Light on the Santa Fe Trail’s Mysterious Female Traveler of 1839</u></b> Presenter: <b>Christine St. Vrain-Fischahs</b> We examine the life this St. Vrain woman who, at the age of sixteen, traveled the trail. Although she left no written testament to her journey, we will view other records documenting her life, piecing together her family history, and even incorporating a little romance.
3:45-5:00 Yucatan Room	<b><u>Adoption and Unknown Parentage</u></b> Presenter: <b>Mary Eberle, JD</b> Looking for lost ancestors, birth family, or where your family comes from? With DNA testing, many people are finding missing ancestors and relatives and learning more about their families. But it can be overwhelming and complicated; we will look at the many test options, and how the tests provide a huge amount of information.
6:00-9:00 Cancun Room	<b>Happy Hour Event, Speaker: Rick Hendricks, PhD</b> Wrap up the workshop with a compelling account of one of New Mexico’s premier families with Rick Hendricks; <i>Vargas in the Old and New Worlds: The Two Families of Diego de Vargas</i> . Hors d’oeuvres and cash bar. This event is included with your registration.

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We are proud to bring a robust group of very talented speakers to this, our 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Please take a moment to read the biographies of each presenter at this year's event.



### Mary Eberle, JD

Mary is an experienced genetic genealogist and a DNA expert. She is a former patent attorney with extensive DNA experience. The founder of DNA Hunters, LLC, Mary has just released a new **eBook**: *23 Best Tips for DNA Testing and Family History*. It is available on Amazon Kindle. DNA testing for family history is becoming wildly popular. Television advertisements, talk shows, books and even Facebook are filled with stories of big family discoveries using DNA.

Please learn more at her web site: [dnahunters.com](http://dnahunters.com).



### Irene Blea, PhD

Irene is a New Mexico native who earned her PhD in Sociology from the University of Colorado-Boulder. Blea retired as a Tenured, Full Professor and

Chairperson of Mexican American Studies at California State University-Los Angeles. She is an accomplished author of several textbooks, poetry, academic and popular articles. She is an award-winning academic and a New Mexico Humanities Council Scholar. She helps beginning writers to write books, articles and poetry. Please learn more at her web site: [ireneblea.wordpress.com](http://ireneblea.wordpress.com).



### Miguel A. Tórriz

Miguel serves as the administrator of the New Mexico Genealogical Society's DNA project (**NMGS DNA Project**). Tórriz is also a Research

Technologist at Los Alamos National Laboratory working in Material Science. He earned his BS in Environmental Science from Northern New Mexico College.

Visit the NMGS DNA Project table for more information or at the NMGS website: <https://www.nmgs.org/dna>



<https://www.familytreedna.com/groups/nmgs-genetic-dna/about/goals>

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### Rick Hendricks

Rick is the New Mexico State Historian. He received his BA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and his PhD from the University of New Mexico. A former editor of the Vargas Project at UNM, he also worked at New Mexico State University. He researches and writes on the history of the American Southwest and Mexico, especially about issues relating to land, church history and the people of the region.



### Santiago Gonzales

Santiago, a 15<sup>th</sup> generation New Mexican, is an accomplished public speaker with experience at the Government and academic level. He is a published author with an article in the National Genealogical Society

*Quarterly. Four Sons of Salvador Gonzales and Dionicia Vega: Land Claim Testimonies and Archival Records Correct a Priest's Note. (Vol 105, No. 1, March 2017.)*



### Daria Landress

Daria has deep maternal lineages in New Mexico and has been involved in genealogical and family history research for over twenty-five years. She holds a BA in Socio-Cultural Anthropology and minor in History, with

emphasis on the American West from UC Santa Barbara. She has conducted original ethnographic and extensive genealogical research and has written several published articles on her findings.



### Angela Lewis

A native of Albuquerque, Angela worked at KAFB where a colleague piqued her interest in family history. In 2011, she retired from a 37 year career and poured herself into genealogical research. She was instrumental in

helping to build the Gurule website. She is the county coordinator for NMGenWeb's Bernalillo, Sandoval, and San Miguel counties. As a NMGS board member she is active with membership, managing social media presence, and many behind the scenes tasks.



### Paul Rhetts

Paul is the author/co-author of nearly two dozen, non-fiction books. As a partner in one of the largest independent book publishing companies in NM, his books have won countless awards. Rhetts has been

working on his family history for over a dozen years. Learn more about him at [RioGrandeBooks.com](http://RioGrandeBooks.com) and his blog at [www.TheSellsheet.com](http://www.TheSellsheet.com). Paul is a member of NMGS as well as the York County (PA) and Washington County (IN) Genealogy Societies and the New England Historic Genealogy Society.

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### Christine St. Vrain-Fischahs

Christine is a member of NMGS, the First Vice Regent of the Stephen Watts Kearney Chapter DAR in Santa Fe, and has been involved in genealogical research for nearly 20 years.



### Victoria Sullivan

A longtime member of Albuquerque Genealogy Society, Victoria teaches beginning genealogy at the Main Library as an ongoing educational effort to help those wanting to find more information on their families.

### Conference Reminders:

- Bring business cards to network with friends and colleagues; provide your contact information and surnames you are concentrating on
- Don't forget pedigree charts or family group sheets for the families you need help with or maybe you just want to share information on
- Pre-printed address labels are a great way to register for door prizes...*maybe use the free ones you get in the mail!*
- Please bring your DNA Kit number and password
- If you have your tree on Ancestry bring your laptop... the conference space has Wifi
- Maybe grab a sweater too, you never know how the temperature will be in NM



### The third annual Family History Writing Contest, sponsored by the New Mexico Genealogical Society

The winners will be announced at the NMGS Annual Conference during the Saturday luncheon

For additional information or questions, please send an email to: [mary@marypenner.com](mailto:mary@marypenner.com) or see the contest rules at [www.nmgs.org](http://www.nmgs.org)

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**and join today!**

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### **New Mexico Genealogical Society**



The purpose of New Mexico Genealogical Society (NMGS) is to promote, develop, and encourage genealogical research, to preserve and perpetuate the records of ancestry and publish records, and to make genealogical and historical information available to all through publications, meetings, and workshops.

Membership year begins January 1 and ends December 31.

The New Mexico Genealogical Society provides its members valuable benefits including:

- The information-packed journal “New Mexico Genealogist” mailed to you each quarter. Each journal contains feature articles, record extractions, and announcements. Copies of back issues are available.
- Monthly President’s newsletter packed with tips and techniques, research findings, e-book connections, and much more.
- Discounted price for one-day events or conferences sponsored by NMGS.

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**and join today!**

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### **Albuquerque Genealogical Society**

Is a non-profit organization, founded in 1972, with three main goals:

- To Promote genealogy
- To provide educational aid to researchers
- To support the genealogical collection and services of the Genealogy Center in the Albuquerque Main Library

Benefits of membership include a subscription to the *Quarterly* newsletter mailed to members in May, Aug, Nov, and Feb. Monthly meetings, presentations, classes and workshops aid the researcher in his/her hunt for elusive ancestors. There is an active computer users group and several subgroups who specialize in various genealogy software programs, all eager to aid members in using the computer in their research.

The Society offers opportunity to associate with and learn from other genealogy researchers with perhaps more experience and with similar surname and geographic interests.

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## REGISTRATION FORM

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Please mail with payment to:  
 NMGS  
 PO BOX 27559  
 Albuquerque, NM 87125

Number of Attendees on this registration	We've made it easy for you! Everyone gets the same package regardless of membership status.	The price you pay depends on <b>you</b> . Be an early bird and register now!
	<b>FULL PACKAGE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Workshops Friday &amp; Saturday</li> <li>· Friday Reception</li> <li>· Saturday Box Lunch</li> <li>· Saturday Evening Event</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: right; color: red;"><b>Register &amp; Pay <u>Before June 30th</u> only</b>      \$    <b>75.00</b>    ea</p> <p style="text-align: right; color: red;"><b>Register &amp; Pay between Jul 1st - Sep 15th</b>      \$    <b>90.00</b>    ea</p> <p style="text-align: right; color: red;"><b>Register &amp; Pay after Sep 16th</b>      \$    <b>110.00</b>    ea</p>

For mail-in registration, please fill out entirely for each attendee.      Or register online at: <https://www.nmgs.org/>

<b>Attendee #1 FULL NAME:</b>		How far will you travel to join us this weekend?
<b>E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b>		Have you tested with Family Tree DNA? <i>Circle: Yes / No</i>
<b>PHONE NUMBER:</b> (    )		Have you tested DNA with another company? which one?
<b>Attendee #2 FULL NAME:</b>		How far will you travel to join us this weekend?
<b>E-MAIL ADDRESS:</b>		Have you tested with Family Tree DNA? <i>Circle: Yes / No</i>
<b>PHONE NUMBER:</b> (    )		Have you tested DNA with another company? which one?

If you wish to register as a vendor, please fill out below:

<b>FULL NAME</b>	
<b>BOOTH NAME/PRODUCT</b>	
<b>E-MAIL</b>	
<b>PHONE NUMBER</b> (    )	

Vendor Space:	Please specify your choice		Will you need both days?
The fee is for both days.	<b>Locked Gallery Room</b> <i>best for vendors with product</i>	\$ <b>50.00</b>	yes/no - Friday yes/no - Saturday
	<b>Pre-Convention Hallway</b> <i>best for societies</i>	\$ <b>25.00</b>	yes/no - Friday yes/no - Saturday
Space Defined: 6' x 30" table, draped, 1 chair, wifi			

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