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Genealogical SOS:

When to Hire a Professional Genealogist to Boost You Over that Brick Wall

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When should you seek professional assistance to further your family history research? Learn about how physical distance or access to records, lack of knowledge, or a desire to locate an answer quickly are obvious reasons to hire an expert. Prior to hiring someone, you should consider the nature of your brick wall. Problems are sometimes self-inflicted: poor or incomplete document management, lack of a research plan, and stagnant thinking. These issues can affect the success in selecting the right professional to assist you. Learn how to evaluate what's blocking your research and how to hire the right genealogical help to surmount that brick wall problem.

Popular returning speaker Melinda Kashuba holds a PhD in Geography from UCLA. Her specialties include 19th century and contemporary genealogical records in California, particularly map and land records. Her excellent book, ***Walking with Your Ancestors: a Genealogist's Guide to Using Maps and Geography***, joins a long list of articles in numerous genealogical magazines and other publications. **We will have a free raffle for this book at the meeting!** Kashuba teaches Geography at Shasta College and she is the owner and principal researcher of Kashuba Research Services, an historical and genealogical research company.

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