SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY CALIFORNIA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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"Mapping our Ancestors"

Presented by: Francie Kennedy

Maps are vital for understanding the time and place our ancestors lived, the geographic and political influences on their lives and the records they left. A treasure trove of historic maps is now available online, and Francie Kennedy will demonstrate some of the key map collections and the best search strategies for finding other historical maps. Filled with images, this talk includes intriguing examples of the many types of maps useful to genealogists, including geopolitical by era, cadastral and plat maps, topographic, transportation, bird's-eye view and fire insurance maps. Francie gives tips for online exploration of major collections using Cyndi's List, Google, and links found at universities and major research libraries. She will also share a brief introduction to making your own map using Google My Maps, which can be used on its own or exported to Google Earth for additional layering.

About the speaker: Francie Kennedy is passionate about microhistory, and inordinately fond of maps and old county histories. Francie believes that the study of the past through the fascinating lens of genealogy can bring us a new sense of our own place within the world. A member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, she speaks to genealogical societies on topics ranging from Google to geography. Francie attended Pomona College in Claremont, CA.

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Meeting Place:

27976 Marguerite Parkway at Hillcrest Drive Enter behind the LDS Church, Mission Viejo Time: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Visitors Welcome!

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