



*The Santa Clara County
Historical and Genealogical Society presents:*

Forced Emigration Scottish Genealogy Research

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**October 16, 2018
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm**



From about 1620-1890 “The Clearances” in Scotland created a steady emigration of Scots and Scots-Irish to America, the Caribbean and Australia. Landlords found the increased population of workers with their families too expensive to keep and so people were “thrown off” the land, forced to leave and to find other places to live across the sea. Many of those immigrants came to America. Finding where they lived and studying their journey not only from Scotland but from other countries can be a challenge. This presentation will give suggestions about how to research and where to look for patterns of possible ways to think about where ancestors and their records may be. These patterns can be useful when researching ancestors in a plethora of locations.

Gail is a graduate of Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo earning a B.S., M.A. and numerous life teaching credentials. She taught high school for 38 years, 18 of those running the Independence High School Planetarium. Gail published an article in the Silicon Valley Computer Genealogy Group Newsletter called Pastfinder, September 2014, about her experience in Bulgaria researching her maternal family history. She traveled to Scotland to research her family history for a month each time in 2015 and 2017, gathering an abundance of information to share in her presentations and to help with her family history.

**Refreshments and Conversation: 6:30 pm
Business Meeting and Program: 6:45 pm**

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