



North West Kent Family History Society

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Contact editor@nwkfhs.org.uk
if you would like to help with the
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Society Auction This NWKFHS event was a great success ... fuller report in the December Journal



Local Meetings in November

Full details, guide maps to the meeting halls and local contacts are given at

www.nwkfhs.org.uk/meetings.htm

Bromley 16 November Helen Allinson takes *A look at crime in Victorian Kent*
Bromley Methodist Church, College Road, Bromley BR1 3NS. Open at 9.45am.

Dartford 2 November Imogen Corrigan reflects on *The lives of Medieval Children*
Dartford Technology College, Heath Lane, Dartford DA1 2LY. Open at 9.45am.

Sevenoaks 14 November Jane King talks about *The Foundling Museum*
Sevenoaks Community Centre, Otford Road, Sevenoaks TN14 5DN. Open at 7.15pm.

Members and friends welcome at all meetings



Banking Charges Banks are increasing their charges to NWKFHS to process cheques.

Please help NWKFHS to limit these additional costs by setting up a standing order to renew your membership of the Society. No money is moved until the due date (1 January 2014). Forms are available at all branch meetings, the Society Library and workshops and can be downloaded from

[membership renewals form](#)

Contact treasurer@nwkfhs.org.uk or renewals@nwkfhs.org.uk for more details.

Bexley Archives to move?

Details about the Bexley Council proposals to move the Local Studies and Archives (currently in Townley Road, Bexleyheath) to Bromley are available on line at

www.bexley.gov.uk.

There is also an on-line survey for you to comment

[Bexley budget survey](#)

The North West Kent Family History Society has many members who live in the area and who use the Local Studies and Archives at the Central Library. At a recent meeting between the Trustees of the Society and Volunteers the matter was also raised by several members. The Society has decided to take part in this consultation.

Don't move Bexley Local Studies and Archives out of Bexley

There is a petition been set up by local people "Don't move Bexley Local Studies and Archives out of Bexley" at petitions/bexley-council-don-t-move-bexley-local-studies-and-archives-out-of-bexley or <http://tinyurl.com/o4ukr8j> where people can register their support against the proposed move. We would encourage members to support this petition to help preserve local archives. The number signing the petition is growing, some 273 the last time I looked (Editor).

Library & Resource Centre

The North West Kent Family History Society Library & Resource Centre is located at Summerhouse Drive, Joydens Wood Estate, Bexley DA5 2EE.

It is open every Wednesday, 10am-4pm.

NWKFHS Workshops

Contact **Janet Rose**

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15 January 2014	Breaking through the brickwall A mentoring workshop <i>See additional information at Branch meetings, on line and in the Society Newsletter (November)</i>	
26 February	Parish Chest part one	Christine Hills
12 March	Parish Chest part two A continuation	Christine Hills
16 April	The British Home Front in World War 1 Repeated in June 2014	Mike Brown
21 May	Basic DNA (repeated by popular demand)	David Cufley

More information at [NWKFHS - Library Workshops](#)

The two hour workshops are limited to 10 people, but are repeated if there is demand.

Workshops are held at the Library, Summerhouse Drive, Joydens Wood, Bexley

Members Interests

Don't forget to keep your **Surname, Subject and Place Interests** up-to-date on the website and in the directory of members' interests, up-dated in each Journal.

www.nwkhfs.org.uk/members-interests.htm

Contact webmaster@nwkhfs.org.uk

There is no charge to members for this service

Post-1858 Wills archive has moved

If you have planned a trip to First Avenue House to research post-1858 Wills be aware that they have moved to Court 38 of the Royal Courts of Justice (RCJ) on the Strand. See emailinfoservice issue on this subject for full details

EMAIL INFORMATION SERVICE *If you haven't done so already sign up for this new service. Email your name and membership number requesting to be included on the email list and get regular updates on society activities*

email: emailinfoservice@nwkhfs.org

Contributions for future issues of the Journal or this newsletter to
editor@nwkhfs.org.uk



November's birthstones are the topaz
Typical topaz is wine, yellow, pale gray, reddish-orange,
or blue brown

The Gregorian calendar has poems matching each month with its
birthstone this is an extract for November

*"Who first comes to this world below
With drear November's fog and snow
Should prize the topaz's amber hue
Emblem of friends and lovers true."*