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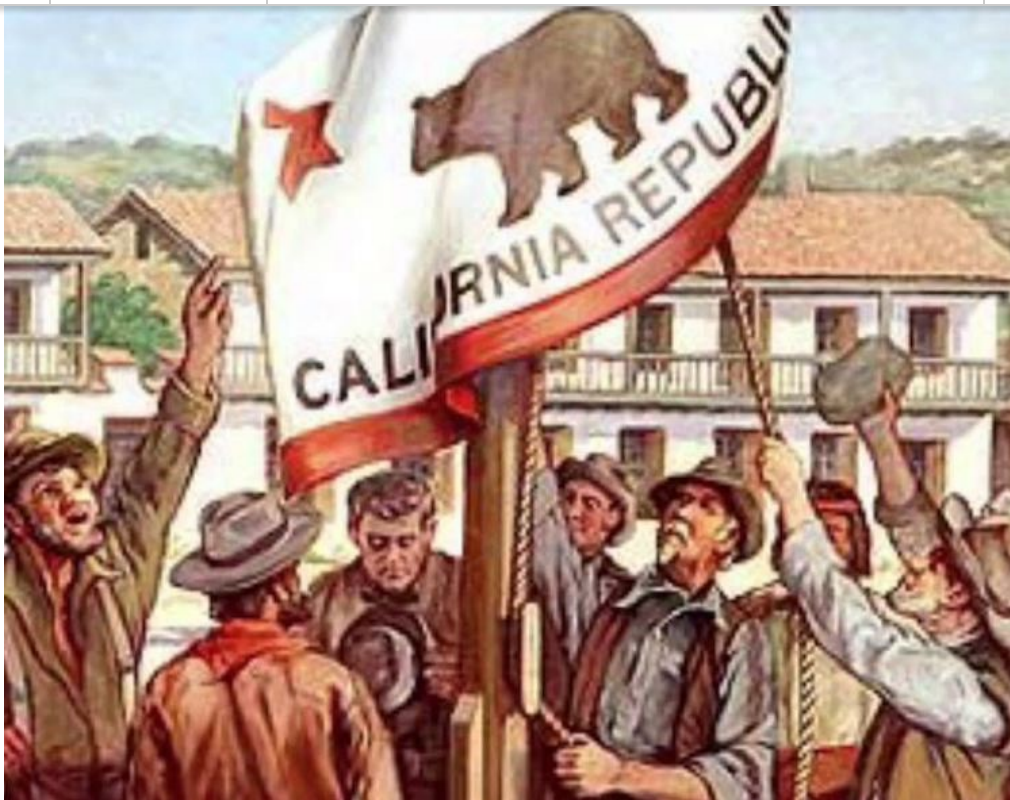
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**Susanne Salvestrin Memorial Lecture Series #3  
Pioneer Families: The Yorks,  
Their Descendants and Their Stories**

**March 16 @ 7:00pm. Zoom Info to Follow**

**Presenter: Beth Fidiam Clark**  
**Descendant of John and Lucinda York**

Pioneers John and Lucinda Hudson York were among the first white people to arrive in Napa Valley in 1845. Ms. Clark's lecture will trace the roots of the Yorks and the families into which they married. You'll hear stories of their wagon-train journey over the Sierras, of having to totally dismantle and hoist the wagons over sheer mountain cliffs.



### **The Yorks were involved in the Bear Flag Rebellion**

Lucinda York reportedly donated her petticoats to make the Bear Flag! The family also took part in the Civil War--an event that tore the family apart.

Our speaker, Beth Fidiam Clark, is a descendant of John and Lucinda York. She has researched the extended York family and authored a book titled “**St. Helena Roots: The Palmers, Thompsons, and Yorks and the Families They Joined.**”

### **Join us for our continuing series on the Pioneer Families**

You'll be surprised by some of the other descendants of the York family here in Napa Valley!



John York arrived in Napa Valley in 1845



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to the San Joaquin Valley, Mountains and Deserts



Ralph Shanks 📧 Lisa Woo Shanks, Editor

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