



Our speaker, **Suzanne Young Brayer**, is well known in genealogical circles. A graduate of Arizona State University, with a Bachelor of Arts in History, she continued on to receive a Master of Arts in History/Secondary Education, also from ASU. She has been a teacher of history and psychology in Arizona public schools since 1981.

Her involvement in researching her family history began in the early 80s when she and her father worked together gathering the pieces of their ancestry puzzle. From Mayflower ancestors to Revolutionary War patriots to 19th century German immigrants and a few criminals along the way, she, like most of us, represents the “melting pot” of American culture.

She is past President of the Family History Society of Arizona and currently First VP, a member of the West Valley Genealogical Society, The Federation of Genealogical Societies, The Indiana Historical Society, The Arizona Council of Professional Genealogists, and the National Genealogical Society. She has taught genealogy classes on various topics and has given numerous talks around the state.

Her current focus is on genealogical research, teaching, and writing. She has recently published her research on the role of John Rhodes in the infamous Tewksbury-Graham Feud of Pleasant Valley, Arizona.