



East Bay Genealogical Society

The Live Oak

March/April 2010

Oakland, California

MARCH MEETING

Wednesday, March 10, 2010 – Oakland Family History Library – 10 a.m.

ATTACKING BRICK WALLS & RESOURCES SELDOM SEARCHED AT OFHC - Patrick Lofft

Patrick is lead genealogy docent at the Pleasanton Public Library and editor of L-AGS quarterly publication, the “Roots Tracer”. He has researched his own families and followed those records back to the Irish and German villages of his ancestors. He will help us understand how to attack those brick walls brick by brick, and challenge us to take a closer look at the broad range of resources available on the shelves of the Oakland FHC.

Bring descendant chart, family group sheets, pedigree charts and/or Ahnentafel of your current brick wall ancestor along with your list of resources searched. Help is on the way, folks!

APRIL MEETING

Wednesday, April 14, 2010 – Oakland Family History Library - 10 .a.m.

GOOGLE GENEALOGY RESEARCH STRATEGIES – Lisa Cooke

We are pleased to have Lisa Cooke at our podium once again. She will fill us in on the many resources available to the genealogist using the Google search engine, and how to get the utmost results while “Googling”. Linda’s enthusiasm is contagious – we are looking forward to this meeting.

Our January meeting drew a few guests, and that was a pleasant and welcome surprise. Nancy Thompson’s talk on doing an Oral History was interesting, informative and a real treat – as is Nancy herself. It was easy to tell that oral history is her passion. “Keep Focused” was her basic premise for success. We hope she’ll visit us again sometime.

Trina Gentry and Karyn Webb from Santa Clara County Historical and Genealogical Society were well received. They had much to tell us about their society’s library and had prepared several handouts as well. Hopefully we can visit them sometime later this year for a research trip.

**SAVE THE DATE! May 12th, EBGs Annual Luncheon – Reservation form enclosed.
Husbands and guests are always welcome**

YOUR ANNUAL DUES ARE COMING DUE – Renewal Form enclosed

EGBS NEWS

Our newspaper ad in the ANG Newspapers brought three guests to our January meeting and another to our February meeting. We hope they will return and bring their friends!

We are in the process of organizing a “Genealogy Day at the Library” in conjunction with the Alameda Free Library. This will be fun and exciting. The reference librarian has been very helpful and enthusiastic about the idea. We are busy gathering basic information and forms as handouts to the attendees. The library will handle the publicity for the event, which is a blessing. We will need some warm, willing bodies to help during the event. Date has been set for Saturday, April 24, 10 a.m. to noon. Please call Sally Stevens or Carolyn Storm if you are able to give us a helping hand.

MARCH SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AT THE OAKLAND FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

Classes are 1-1 &1/2 hours long. All classes are free. Nominal charge for handouts.

PLEASE register in advance. Call 510-531-3905 or visit their website at www.oaklandfhc.org

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| Tuesday, March 2 nd , 7:00 P.M. | Newspaper Research – Janice Sellers, Staff ORFHC
<i>4th of the Intermediate Research Series</i> |
| Tuesday, March 9 th , 10:30 A.M. | Introduction to PAF – Ken Miller Asst. Dir.
Hands-on class, limited to 8. PLEASE bring flash drive if you have one |
| Tuesday, March 9 th , 7 P.M. | Church & Cemetery Records – Marge Bell, Asst. Dir.
<i>5th of the Intermediate Research Series</i> |
| Tuesday, March 16, 7 P.M. | Colonial Handwriting – Marge Bell, Asst. Dir.
<i>6th in the Intermediate Research Series</i> |
| Tuesday, March 23 rd , 10:30 A.M. | Using FOCUS in PAF to help your Research – Ken Miller, Asst. Dir.
Hands-on class, limited to 8. PLEASE bring flash drive if you have one |
| Tuesday, March 23 rd , 7 P.M. | Probate Records – Marge Bell, Asst. Dir.
<i>7th in the Intermediate Research Series</i> |
| Thursday, March 25, 1:30 P.M. | African-American Workshop – Electra Price, Staff |
| Friday, March 26, 2:30 P.M. | Using GEDCOM to Import & Export Data in PAF – Ken Miller, Asst. Dir.
Hands-on class, limited to 8. PEASE bring flash drive is you have one. |
| Tuesday, March 30 th , 7 P.M. | Other Research & Solving Problems – Marge Bell, Asst. Dir.
<i>8th in the Intermediate Research Series</i> |

FREE CLASSES FOR BEGINNERS

Santa Clara County Historical & Genealogical Society's Spring Beginner's Classes

Part I – Saturday, May 1st – 1 to 4 p.m. The Basics: Covers getting started, organizing your information, using forms and documenting your sources

Part II – Saturday, May 8th – 1 to 4 p.m. Census Records/Internet: Covers using the census records and the Internet for genealogical research

Classes held at Santa Clara Central Park Library (Redwood Room), 2635 Homestead Road, Santa Clara, CA. BRING: Paper, pencil, Family Group Sheet filled out as much as possible. Blank Family Group Sheets may be downloaded from their website.

Please Register by: Email at scchgs@hotmail.com or by calling 408-615-2986 (answering machine)

FIND GENEALOGY BOOKS FOR SALE ON BIBLIO.COM

Biblio.com represents a consortium of thousands of bookstores and booksellers and indexes over 50 million books from over 50 countries. You can search for rare books, text books, used or out of print books. Their prices are quite reasonable, though I noticed the rare books were costly, though probably not over priced.

While browsing, I typed in “Rosita, CO” and found a book, “Wet Mountain Valley” on Rosita and Silverton, CO. It was only \$8 and I bought it. My husband's ancestors lived there in the late 1800s and early 1900's. Ordering was easy and the site very secure and confirmation by email was received in a non-second.

Browse their website. You may find something you have been looking for or something unique. (portions excerpted from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter)

FIND GENEALOGY RESOURCES ON LINE

According to an item in a newsletter from Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society, via Richard W. Eastman (Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter)...

You will find “100 Genealogy Resources to Discover Your Ancestry”, an article written by Suzane Smith at http://phlebotomytechnicianchools.com/?page_id=52.

It is quite a comprehensive list! Check it out.

The next installment of our Marriage and Engagement Index can be found on pages 5 and 6 of this newsletter.

The addendum to previous published Anniversary Index can be found on Page 7.

BERNICE R. “TUT”

My grandfather, Wilhelm Riedesser spent a little over two years at Arroyo Sanitarium for Tuberculosis in Livermore, CA. He died there on May 13, 1924. The Oakland Health Department required my grandmother and five children ages 4 to 11, to be tested for TB when Wilhelm was diagnosed. My mother’s test was the only one that proved “positive”.

My mother said that one day a car drove up to the house. Her mother put her and a suitcase into the car and with that she was off to Del Valle, the children’s facility at Arroyo Sanitarium. An aunt claims that it was not as cold or cruel as that. Bernice was probably about 6 years old at the time. An older sister of my mother claims that all the children spent the summer of 1924 at Del Valle. I am not so sure that was a fact.

In preparation for Bernice’s stay at Del Valle, her grandmother spent hours sewing her name into her clothes...”Bernice R.”. She said it out loud as she sewed, with her German accent it was “Bernice R. tut”. Tut meant period. My mother’s best friend lived next door and from that time on she often called my mother “Tut or Tuttle”. It was only a few years ago that I was told the explanation for this nickname – and that was from my mother’s younger sister. I always thought it was a derivative of “turtle”!

The Chinese cook at Del Valle knew Bernice was familiar with chickens. She was quite proud of the fact that when he needed chickens he would call for Bernice to go up the hill to the chicken coops and bring him back chickens to kill and cook for dinner.

One night nurse was rather mean and cranky. One night my mother asked to get out of bed to go to the bathroom and the nurse refused to allow it. My mother wet the bed. The nurse whipped her on the backside. My mother knew that each morning the doctors and staff ate breakfast in a dining room downstairs. She snuck down to the dining room, walked in, turned around and raised her nightshirt revealing the welts caused by the whipping and said, “Look what SHE did to me”! The nurse lost her job.

I don’t know how long my mother was at Del Valle. She could never pass a TB patch test, but she proved healthy in chest x-rays. When my sister was less than a year old, my mother took us both into one of those trailers that provided free TB patch tests. My baby sister’s test proved “positive”. My mother panicked! It turned out that, because of her age, my sister was still carrying this trait from my mother. She was fine.

My mother had Alzheimer’s and in January 1990 when she entered a nursing home they gave her a TB patch test. Her doctor called me rather worried, telling me that her test had come back “positive”. I guess he didn’t have a very complete history for my mother. He was relieved to hear the explanation. They did order a chest x-ray and she was fine –“just a little fuzzy upstairs”.

Children at Del Valle TB
Sanitarium circa 1924
Bernice R. “tut” third from left

Submitted by Carolyn Storm

GROOM'S NAME	BRIDE'S NAME	EVENT	DATE	PLACE
BERNDT, Micheal B	BLIZARD, Pamela A. Barker	eng	June, 1997	Alameda Co, CA
BERNER, Scott Alan	JONES, Cassandra Ann	eng	November, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BERNER, Scott Alan	JONES, Cassandra Ann	mar	July, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
BEROS, Andrew Dimitrios	LORMAN, Brooke Allison	eng	July, 2000	Long Beach, CA
BERRY, Ken	Mikel	mar	November, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
BERTI, Gary	CRESPO, Nancy	mar	August, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
BERUMEN, Matthew G. C.	FERRELL, Lorinda Irene	eng	May, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
BERZABAL, Felix	NAKANO, Julienne Satoko	eng	October, 2002	Honolulu, HI
BERZABAL, Felix Jr.	NAKANO, Julienne Satoko	mar	July, 2003	Honolulu, HI
BERZINS, Peter Vilis	HAFFEY, Deanna	mar	September, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
BERZINS, Peter Vilis	HAFFEY, Deanna	eng	January, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BESKEEN, David	CRAIG, Karen	mar	August, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BESKEEN, David	CRAIG, Karen	eng	February, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BEST, Clebe Jr.	KARGE, Irene	mar	September, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
BETONIO, Frankie	CORONA, Angela	eng	November, 2004	Alameda Co, CA
BEVILACQUA, David Allan	CHAPPELONE, Laura Ann	mar	August, 1992	San Francisco, CA
BIANCHI Kent	WEGMAN, Jackie	mar	August, 2004	St. Charles, MN
BICOMONG, Fernando	BONETE, Marietta	eng	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BIGGS, Gerry Lee	RIEKEN, Amy June	eng	September, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BINCE, Ronnie David	MORRIS, Kathleen Ann	eng		Alameda Co, CA
BIONDICH, Matt	TANNER, Leslie	eng	February, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
BISCHOFF, Sean Malcolm	VALLERGA, Jill Marie	mar	June, 1998	Sunol, CA
BISCONER, Scott D.	HARTSOCK, Danielle C	eng	September, 1988	Lake Tahoe, CA
BLACK, Jeffrey Warren	KERNS, Pretta Gail	mar	October, 1991	Clifton, CO
BLAKE, Hubert	BELL, Robin Gay	eng	January, 1985	California/Virginia
BLAKELEY, Shannon	SCHMITT, Kathleen Gayle	mar	May, 1991	Alameda Co, CA South Lake Tahoe, CA
BLANCHETTE, Tyrone	WARREN, Keeley	mar	July, 1992	
BLEWER, James L	RICHARDS, Lynn C.	eng	MARCH, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
BLEWETT, Bryant C.	MARSHALL, Ellen E.	mar	March, 1986	Lake Tahoe, CA
BLODGETT, Paul	OSUNA, Margie	mar	November, 2001	San Francisco, CA
BLOM, Raymond Edwin	SANTOS, Stacy Marie	mar	July, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
BLUNDEN, Gregory Jon	WIELAND, Pamela Jean	mar	January, 1991	Las Vegas, NV
BOERSMA, David Bruce	PAULISICH, Rhonda Eileen	eng	May, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
BOERSMA, David Bruce	PAULISICH, Rhonda Eileen	mar	September, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
BOETTCHER, Ken	RATACZAK, Jane	eng	September, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BOETTCHER, Tobias Allen	BOSTI-GALLI, Noell Nicole	eng	September, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
BOGGAN, DeVone	TINIO, Nerissa	eng	May, 1997	Alameda Co, CA Contra Costa Co, CA
BOHINE, Joseph	BURKE, Stacey	eng	Septemver, 1992	
BOICE, Eric	ROEHL, Kathleen	mar	July, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
BOLES, Timothy	HARMEYER, Susan	mar	August, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BOMAN, Quinn Adam	CALL, Jennifer Lyn	eng	November, 19887	Alameda Co, CA
BONADONA, Morris	GATES, Miriam	eng	October, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
BONDS, Dale Dwight	LARSON, Anne Marie	eng	May, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BONFIELD, Charles Wesley	ASHLEY, Dana Lee	mar	September, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
BONNER, Larry Gene Jr	CHAIX, Michele Ann	mar	May, 1998	Alameda Co, CA
BOOTH, Greg	VARNI, Lisa	mar	July, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
BOOTH, Gregory Vaughn	VARNI, Lisa	eng	July, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
BORDEAUX, Peter John	TAYLOR, Jeannine	eng	October, 1989	Alameda Co, CA

BORDEAUX, Peter John	TAYLOR, Jeannine	mar	October, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BORGERSON, Bret Michael	PHILLIPS, Connie Louise	eng	July, 1985	Alameda Co, CA
BORGES, Christopher	SCHROER, Lori	eng	February, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
BORSON, Luke Hildeng	HAPP, Karen Jane	eng	November, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BORWNSON, David A.	BEAN, Kevis Lynn	mar	August, 1984	Corona del Mar, CA
BOTTORFF, Tom	CLARK, Robin	mar	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BOTTS, Bill	STORER, Alison	mar	August, 2000	Alameda Co, CA
BOUTHILLER, Arthur	OTTRIA, Cynthia	mar	January, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
BOVET, John Michael	GUSTIN, Mary Ann	mar	July, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
BOWERS, William Perry	SEELHORST, Lela Katherine	mar	July, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BOWERS, William Perry	SEELHORST, Lela Katherine	wng	February, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BOWLUS, Michael	ACRE, Rosebelle	wng	August, 2004	Alameda Co, CA
BOWMAN, Carl	THIRY, Ann Marie	eng	August, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BOWMAN, Carl	THIRY, Ann Marie	mar	August, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BOWMAN, Gordon Paul	MONIZ, Julie Ann	mar	August, 1987 November, 19887	Alameda Co, CA
BOWMAN, Quinn Adam	CALL, Jennifer Lyn	eng	October, 1986	Sacramento Co, CA
BOYD, Michael	YARBROUGH, Mary	eng	June, 1998	Chico, CA
BOYLE, Brandon Alexander	HUNTER, Iris Alexandra	mar	February, 1989	Phoenix, AZ
BOYLE, Thomas C.	SULLIVAN, Kathleen Marie	eng	May, 1989	Phoenix, AZ
BOYLE, Thomas Carl	SULLIVAN, Kathleen Marie	mar	April, 1989	So. Lake Tahoe, NV
BRADLEY, Daniel Steven	STEINER, Lorri Ann	mar	September, 2004	Alameda Co, CA
BRADLEY+A215, Joseph	THOMAS, Tasia	mar	November, 1987	Alameda Co, CA Contra Costa Co, CA
BRAGG, David M.	BROWN, Ellen E.	eng	June, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
BRANCO, Barry	NUNLEY, Maureen	mar	September, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
BRANDENBURG, Joel Stephen	CUNNINGHAM, Rhonda Nicole	eng	January, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
BRANDT, Steven H.	LONG, Nancy Elizabeth	mar	October, 1993	Sonoma Co, CA
BRANDT, Steven H.	LONG, Nancy Elizabeth	mar	May, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BRAVO, Daniel J. Jr.	KOSTER, Nancy	eng	December, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
BRAVO, Daniel Jr.	KOSTER, Nancy	eng	August, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BRAZIL, Jim	HANSON, Cindy	mar	August, 1993	Demver. CO
BRENNAN, Christopher John	SHAW, Lisa Marie	eng	May, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
BRENNAN, Sean	LEE, Margaret	eng	March, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BRENNEISE, John Christian III	FERGUSON, Jessica Kathleen	mar	July, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BREUNER, Daniel	McCOMB, Darla	eng	November, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
BREWER, Alan Stuart	MAXFIELD, Karrie Ann	mar	August, 1985	Reno, NV
BREWER, Scott Allan	HASSETT, Mary Ellen	eng	June, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
BREWSTER, Thomas Ward	ROBSON, JoAnn	mar	May, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
BREWSTER, Thomas Ward	ROBSON, JoAnn	eng	May, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
BREWSTER, Tom Ward	ROBSON, Heidi Joann	eng	February, 1991	Charlottesville, VA
BRICKHILL, Michael John	ELDER, Cherle Dawn	eng	May, 1997	Alameda Co, CA
BRIDGES, Gregory James	EDWARDS, Brittney	eng	March, 2004	Alameda Co, CA
BRIEMLE, Darren Christopher	TIENKEN, Mary Katherine	eng	April, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
BRIGGS, John Leonard	GOUVEIA, Marianne	eng	August, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
BRIGGS, Kevin James	EGGLESTON, Bonnie	mar	September, 1990	San Francisco, CA
BRISSEY, Jeff	BELL, Trish	eng	June, 1998	Alameda Co, CA
BRITTO, Raymond Jr.	STALLINGS, Wendy Ann	mar	September, 1998	Alameda Co, CA
BRITTO, Raymond Jr.	STALLINGS, Wendy Ann	mar	October, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
BROCK, Glen Stewart	STORM, Sande Ann	eng	July, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
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Following is an Addendum to the Anniversary Index printed in previous issues. Notices have been clipped from local newspapers. The clippings are on file at EBGs library and you may request a copy for \$3 and SASE. Send request to: EBGs, P.O. Box 20417, Oakland, CA 94620-0417

NAME	EVENT	YEAR
AGOFF, Henry & Pat	50th Anniversary	2001
BECK, Richard & Elina	50th Anniversary	1989
BISSETT, Henry & Mary Annie	50th Anniversary	1999
BRITSCHGI, Arnold & Heidi	50th Anniversary	1997
BRITSCHGI, Frank & Gigi	50th Anniversary	1997
BROCHER Gaston & Alvera	Vow Renewal	2005
CALLEROS, Tony & Josephine	50th Anniversary	1988
CELANI, Robert & Doris	50th Anniversary	1992
CHAVARRIA, John & Gladys	55th Anniversary	2009
CHENEY, Frank & Althea	50th Anniversary	1994
COPE, Darryl & Hilda	15th Anniversary	2004
COSTES, Marice & Margaret	50th Anniversary	1991
COVINGTON, Joseph B. & Earline	70th Anniversary	2009
DE CELLES, Obert E. & Ludine A (Speck)	50th Anniversary	1993
DE LARA, Ignacio & Helen	50th Anniversary	
DE RIDDER, Joe & Ann	50th Anniversary	1993
DI GIULIA, Louie & Catherine	50th Anniversary	2000
EDWARDS, Ray & Doris	65th Anniversary	2009
FRANK, Earl & Mary	60th Anniversary	2003
HAZEN, Chester D. & Edith V.	65th Anniversary	1990
HOLLAND, Jimmie & Ernestine	50th Anniversary	1993
HOWARD, Daniel & Lois	50th Anniversary	1997
HUGHES, Robert & Joan	60th Anniversary	2009
JAMES, Jesse & Jessie	50th Anniversary	1996
JOHNSTONE, James & Ramona Ruth	40th Anniversary	1988
KOMISAREK, Koma & Millie	55th Anniversary	2004
LACONTE, Frank & Pat	60th Anniversary	2009
MARTINEZ, Enrique & Isabel	Vow Renewal	2005
MINOR, Richard & Clara	50th Anniversary	1990
NOBELA, Ramon & Evelyn	25th Anniversary	2002
PARDEE, Robert L. & Mary Lu (Clinkenbeard)	50th Anniversary	2003
PLOMGREN, Ronald & Sharon	50th Anniversary	2009
REILEY, William & Dorothy	50th Anniversary	1988
ROACH, Anthony & Lucille	50th Anniversary	1989
SCHWALM, George & Florence	50th Anniversary	1992
SHARMA, Mehandra & Indra	Vow Renewal	2005
SHERIDAN, John & Pauline	Vow Renewal	2005
SKILLERN, Gail & Ernestine	Vow Renewal	2005
SOUBLET, Morris & Josephine	40th Anniversary	2009
SOUZA, Dqavid & Margaret	50th Anniversary	1988
SPRINGER, Dave & Kelly	25th Anniversary	2009
TORNQUIST, Adolph & Ellen	50th Anniversary	1965
VAUGHN, Bert & Sue	50th Anniversary	2009
WINBERG, Edwin & Anne	50th Anniversary	2001

