

EAST BAY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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Oakland, California

MAY MEETING

ANNUAL LUNCHEON
Wednesday, May 9, 2012 - Noon
Pier 29 Restaurant
1148 Ballena Blvd. Alameda

It appears Spring has finally arrived and we look forward to our Annual Spring Luncheon. Hubbies, friends and guests are all welcome to join us.

We need to confirm reservations by May 4, so if you have not sent in your reservation, please do so soon. A form can be found on the last page of this newsletter.

Driving Directions: From Posse Tube follow Webster Street to Central, turn right and continue to Ballena Blvd. Turn left, stay to the right and take road along the water. Restaurant is on the right. From Fruitvale Bridge continue straight on Tilden Way to Park Street. Turn left on Park and then right onto Central to Ballena Blvd.

JUNE MEETING

Wednesday, June 13 – 10 A.M. in the Oakland Family History Center Library meeting room

YOUR ANCESTORS IN U.S. MILITARY RESEARCH - Speaker, Robert Trapp

Robert Trapp is a San Francisco Bay Area native who has been doing genealogy for over 20 years. He has traveled across the U.S., to Canada, England, the Netherlands and other parts of Europe researching his ancestors. He is a member of several genealogical societies. He presently serves as the Tuesday night supervisor of the OFHC and the Thursday night staff leader at the Fairfield FHC.

He will give us an overview of records from the Revolutionary War to the Spanish American War: what records are available and how to obtain copies. He will discuss Modern War Records; records since 1906: where to find them and how to obtain copies. He will cover what can be found at Fold3 and Internet records. Bring your questions and join in the discussion after his presentation.

Looking back at March: Lisa Cooke encouraged us to think like detectives at our March meeting. One of her suggestions was to use the local telephone book. We get so "into" computing that we sometimes forget the simplest methods that can often be very fruitful.

Looking back at April: Some communications got a little mixed up for the April meeting - for which I profoundly apologize. We will attempt to reschedule Vera Broyles's program "Tips to Make Your Research Easier, Faster and Accurate" sometime soon.

In the absence of a speaker we related some family stories and exchanged ideas amongst ourselves. Our new member, Nancy Wehner, gave us an overview of the projects and exercises she has been working on to meet the requirements to become a certified genealogist. It is a lot of work and we wish Nancy the best in her endeavor.

EBGS NEWS

If you have not renewed your membership, please do so soon. A form is on the last page of this newsletter

Welcome new member: Nancy Wehner
508 Calistoga Circle, Fremont, CA 94536
Ph: 510-713-7675 email: NGWehner@gmail.com

Library: Finding homes for our library holdings is going well. We have been surprised to find some very interesting volumes we forgot we had. The Mayflower Society has been surprised to discover several volumes of special interest to them which they had not realized we had...and Carolyn almost lost a few fingers when the Mayflower Researcher, Myrtle Savage, was nonchalantly offered a copy of "A Guide to the Draper Manuscripts"!

At the past few meetings we have brought several books to offer to our members.

The Mayflower Society has expressed interest in keeping a large amount of our library inventory for their patron's use. At this point we are leaving with them: all books relating to the 50 U.S. States; all biographies; all books relating to early Californians, all Alameda County histories, and the Schelling Collection.

We are donating our microfilm collection and the cabinet in which it is stored along with several volumes specific to Alameda County to the Oakland Public Library History Room.

We have donated several books to CGS that we felt would be of special interest to them.

Several books concerning California Counties (other than Alameda County) and Foreign Countries have been donated to the Oakland FHC. They were also the recipients of our DVDs of obituaries from local newspapers. Ken Miller had no problem opening these DVDs to read the information and the FHC will be delighted to no longer have to store thousands of obituaries on 4x6 cards - and so will this Editor, as I have almost half of the filmed collection at home!

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Your Editor recently paid a lot of \$\$ to clean up an almost brand new computer! My computer guru shook her finger at me and reprimanded me for attempting to download some "free" software. While most freebies are safe - some ARE NOT. The guru's suggestion: Download, but do not "run" or "open"! SAVE it. THEN scan it with your virus software. This precaution takes a few extra minutes but saves a lot of trouble down the road and precious dollars also. Reminds me of the old German saying, "We grow too soon old and too late smart".

Free Genealogy Search Engine: Mocavo.com is a free genealogy search engine. It searches hundreds of thousands of genealogy websites, looking for the words you put in the search screen.

Websites searched include thousands of genealogy message boards, society web pages, genealogy pages uploaded by individuals, state historical societies, family societies, Find-A-Grave, the Internet Archive (mostly scanned genealogy books from the Allen County Public Library), the Library of Congress, several sites containing scanned images of old photographs, and tens of thousands of distinct sites that contain various transcribed records of genealogical interest.

Unlike other search engines, Mocavo.com limits its searches solely to genealogy sites. That makes a big difference to many of us who are searching for names that also are common words or corporate names. Regardless of your search terms, Mocavo.com always returns information found on websites that contain significant genealogy information.

According to Cliff Shaw, the creator of Macavo.com:

"Genealogy has always had the problem of information and potential clues being spread across thousands of disparate websites and sources. Imagine a world where you have all of the web's free genealogy content at your fingertips within seconds. That is Macavo.com."

"Macavo.com has the capacity to index every single piece of free genealogy content found anywhere on the web, and will be growing by leaps and bounds in the coming months. We expect Macavo.com to shortly offer all of the web's free genealogy information, searchable and accessible to all - something that has never been done before. It's set to become the go-to search engine for every family history enthusiast."

You can even submit any genealogical websites, including your own, you feel would enhance the search results for others. Try it out, and come back often for even more results. (by Karen Theriot Reader, from Santa Cruz County Genealogical Society newsletter, March/April 2012)

Australian Cemetery Index: <http://auscemindex.com/> Provides names, date of death, inscription on the tombstone, and occasionally even a picture of the tombstone. (Ann Romage, Santa Cruz County Genealogical Society newsletter, March/April 2012)

Colorado Historic Newspaper Collection (CHNC): <http://www.coloradohistoricnewspapers.org/>. Currently includes more than 500,000 digitized pages representing 163 individual newspaper titles published in Colorado from 1859 to 1923 - and it is getting better every day as more data is added.

From the opening page, click Browse and select a specific newspaper, then month and year. A calendar will show what publication dates are available. Clicking on an article on a page opens that article in a larger version. The Search button allows you to select any or all newspapers in your search. Whether in the Browse or Search mode, in the resulting expanded view, selecting the "View" tab allows you to download a PDF version. News about people who moved from the area years prior show up regularly in the Local Briefs headings. (Monterey Co. Genealogical Soc newsletter, Mar/Apr 2012 - edited)

County Kerry Ireland Graveyard Burial Records: <http://www.kerrylaburials.ie/en/Index.aspx>

If you have County Kerry roots, this website is for you. Sponsored by the Kerry Local Authorities, this site covers 140 cemeteries, but it does not include church or private cemeteries. They have digitized 168 burial books covering 70,000 indexed records. You can search for individuals, or you can browse through any of the individual cemetery burial books and download the complete book or individual pages in PDF format. The Locate tab brings up a Google map with every cemetery location shown. Clicking on a locator gives you the cemetery name and driving directions. On the right side is the list of cemeteries, and clicking on a name locates it on the map. Information you might find: grave space number; name of deceased; place of last residence; date

of death; sex, age; religion, occupation; married, widowed, etc; cause of death; district in which the death occurred; date of burial and signature of the person having management of the interment. And best of all these beautiful digitized images are FREE. (Monterey County Genealogical Soc. newsletter Mar/Apr 2012, edited)

Historical Societies: They not only collect and store artifacts, etc. They are sometimes the Archive for the city or county where they are located. Many historical societies have lots of material stored in the form of paper, news articles, documents, photographs scrapbooks, manuscripts, and much more. Don't neglect to visit or write the historical society where your ancestors lived.

TABLE TOPICS -Questions to Start Great Conversations: This is a game, of sorts. The version I am familiar with is "Family Gatherings", which my daughter brought to Christmas morning brunch. Table Topics consists of a stack of 2x2 cards in a sturdy plastic box. Family members take turns drawing a card from the box and each card has a question that is meant to stimulate conversation. Questions cover a broad spectrum, such as: "What tradition would you most want to pass on to your children?; What are the funniest fashions your mother has worn?; If you could take the family back to visit any ancestor, which one would you choose?; What Halloween costumes do you remember?; What do you like to do when you're alone?"

Table Topics certainly livened up our conversations after Christmas brunch. The family has never remained at the table that long in my lifetime! My kids heard a few stories about me or my parents they had never heard before and I learned a lot about them from their answers. The best, however, was five-year old grandson, Ray's, instant response to "What do you like to do when you're alone?"....."Find someone else!" Of course....who wants to be alone when they are only five years old.

Table Topics comes in many versions other than "Family Gathering", such as: Grandparents, Kids, Pets, Dinner Party, and more. This little box of cards might be just what you need to liven your next family gathering, family reunion, or a nice Mother's or Father's Day (or other special occasion) gift. Check it out at your favorite local bookstore or go to www.tabletopics.com or call 888-690-6001. (by Carolyn Storm)

Seen Any Good TV Lately? In the Oakland Bay Area we can enjoy "Who Do You Think You Are?" on Channel 3 each Friday night at 8 PM for a few more weeks. Some people complain that they make genealogical research look so simple - and I must agree. They compact a lot of travel and research into an hour's time. However, it is meant as entertainment and also to stimulate your desire to search for your roots... after all, it is sponsored by Ancestry.

Naturally, not many of us have the time or money to travel to Europe or other far away places (I cannot manage to get to Salt Lake City as often as I would like!). Nor can we afford or are we important enough to have researchers and archivists meet us at our destination and present us with documents THEY searched for rather than our having to comb the stacks. The stories are interesting and they do make you realize how much information is out there and available - you just need to do the work yourself ...because you are not notable enough for Ancestry to do it for you!

On Sunday evenings on Channel 9 at 8 PM we can enjoy "Finding Your Roots". This program is also a very condensed hour and deals more with DNA plus genealogical research. Though I am not very interested in DNA, mine or that of anyone else, I do find the show interesting.

Need a little genealogical stimulation? Turn on your TV and relax and enjoy.

Continuation of marriage and engagement announcements from local newspapers 1985-2010

GROOM	BRIDE	EVENT	DATE	PLACE
LOGAN, Scott E.	BURDUSIS, Stacie Ann	engagement	Dec 1992	Alameda Co, CA
LOMBARD, Thomas	LUCKEY, Monica	engagement	Jan, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
LOMBARD, Thomas	LUCKEY, Monica	marriage	June, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
LOMBARDI, Matthew S.	ROSS, Kimberly Ann	engagement	May, 1988	Contra Costa Co, CA
LONDRY, Chad Earl	QUINAL Lisa Down	engagement	March, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
LONGDEN, Brian	POSEY, Veronica	engagement	May, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
LONGDEN, Jon	LENT, Christine	engagement	March, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
LOOSLI, Edward J.	JOHANNSEN, Andrea C.	marriage	Oct, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
LOPEZ, Frederico	O'CONNEL, Laurie Ann	engagement	Aug 1991	Alameda Co, CA
LOPEZ, Armondo	CALKINS, Deborah Ann	engagement	1989	Alameda Co, CA
LOPEZ, Charles E.	LANGENMAYR, Ruth	engagement	May, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
LOPEZ, Charles E.	LANGENMAYR, Ruth	marriage	May, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
LOPEZ, Danny	SILVA, Lisa	marriage	July, 1989	Reno, NV
LOPEZ, Frederico, Jr.	O'CONNELL, Laurie Ann	marriage		Alameda Co, CA
LOPEZ, Ken	FULWILER, Mary Ann	marriage	May, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
LOPEZ, Kenneth J.	FULWILER, Mary Ann	engagement	Jan, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
LOPEZ, Sam	CASTRO, Griselda	marriage	July, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
LOPEZ, Sam	CASTRO, Griselda	engagement	Aug 1991	Alameda Co, CA
LORENZI, Cal	WILDEMUTH, Bonnie	engagement	Jan, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
LORGE, Jeffrey Alan	ADAMS, Shawn Louise	marriage	Dec, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
LORM, Larry	JONES, Kristie Noel	marriage	July, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
LOSSING, Steven F.	BEILFUSS, Andrea C.	engagement	Sept 1993	Pomona, CA
LOUGHNER, David B.	MYERS, Debora Ann	engagement	July, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
LOUIE, Chung S.	SALAZAR, Diane Carla	marriage	Sept, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
LOVECCHIO, Peter H.	DOWMAN, Henen Kim	marriage	Dec, 1992	San Francisco, CA
LOVELADY, James W.	HANNA, Nancy Sue	marriage	Aug, 1985	Alameda Co, CA
LOVELADY, James W.	HANNA, Nancy Sue	engagement	Nov, 1984	Alameda Co, CA
LOWDER, Bret John	BAPTISTE, Michelle M.	engagement	March, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
LOZANO, Raymond J.	CEDERSTRAND, Katrina	engagement	May, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
LUCCHETTI, Lawrence	CAMOZZI, Karen Marie	engagement	March, 1990	Stockton, CA
LUCIA, Christofer T.	CHAMBERS, Susan	marriage	Aug, 1989	Conta Costa Co, CA
LUCIANO, Parker	SEITZ, Joanne	marriage	Sept, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
LUFF, James	GOMEZ, Anita	engagement	March, 2002	Ventura, CA
LUFKIN, Daniel frank	BOUBA, Janice Louise	engagement	Aug, 1997	Hampstead, NH
LUIS, Joe B Jr	GUMBERT, Teresa Rae	marriage	May, 1990	Turlock, CA
LUIS, Joseph B. Jr.	GUMBERT, Teresa Rae	engagement	Nov, 1989	Turlock, CA
LUKE, Kenneth Alan	GLENN, Sharon Elaine	marriage	Sept, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
LULOFS, William Earl	HARPER, Sabine C.	marriage	Aug, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
LUNDBERG, Kenneth M.	DEWEY, Sarah F.	marriage	July, 1993	San Carlos, CA
LUNDQUIST, Kurt F.	FOX, Carolina Guadalupe	marriage	Oct, 2002	San Francisco, CA
LUZINSKY, James Jay	LUNDBERG, Karen Marie	marriage	April, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
LYNCH, Dean	LaGRONE, Michelle Ann	engagement	March, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
LYNCH, Kelly Scott	HERNANDEZ, Dana E.	marriage	Jan, 1992	Reno, NV
LEHMAN, Todd Alan	HILLERY, Sheri Jean	engagement	Aug, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
LYNCH, Sean Michael	LaGRONE, Michelle Ann	marriage	Dec, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
LYNCH, Sean Michael	LA GRONE, Michele	engagement	April, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
LYNCH, Timothy Eugene	KNIGHT, Claudia Jeanne	marriage	May, 1985	Alameda Co, CA

LYNDS, Kevin	HAWKINS, Jacqueline	marriage	Sept, 2003	San Diego, CA
LYONS, Steve L.	SOULES, Lynnae	engagement	May, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
LYTLE, David	BORIS, Michele	marriage	May, 1988	Bethesda, MD
MACA PAGAL, Ruperto	WYNNE, Brigitte	marriage	July, 1988	Lake Tahoe, CA
MACALLUSO, Ralph	KVALNES, Kristina Lea	marriage	June, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
MACALUSO, Ralph	KVALNES, Kristina	engagement	Feb, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
MACAPAGAL, Joenar M.	CORTEZ SOLIS, Jennifer	engagement	Aug. 1995	Alameda Co, CA
MACAPAGAL, Rodel	MIDKIFF, Deborah	marriage	Aug, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
MACAULAY, Robert	ZUEHLSDORFF, Marnie	engagement	March, 2001	Alameda Co, CA
MacDONNELL, Robert T.	KUNATH, Julie Ann	engagement	Aug, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
MACEIRA, Sabastian	VILLALOBOS, Regina R.	marriage	June, 1993	Contra Costa Co, CA
MACEIRA, Sebastian	VILLALOBOS, Regina R.	engagement	April, 1993	Contra Costa Co, CA
MacGOWAN, Sean	deJAGER, Jeltje	marriage	Aug, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
MACIAS, Joseph Frank	BENIPAYO, Rhoda C.	marriage	Sept, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
MACIAS, Joseph Frank	BENIPAYO, Rhoda C.	marriage	July, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
MACIAS, Juan Jr.	TENORIO, Mary	marriage	March, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
MACKKEY, James John	PARADISE, Kery Lynne	marriage	Dec, 1989	Los Altos, CA
MACKKEY, Robert William	JABER, Miriam Kathryn	marriage	April, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
MADARAS, Gregory K.	THOMAS, Deanna	engagement	April, 1994	Alameda Co, CA
MADARAS, Gregory K.	THOMAS, Deanna	marriage	Dec, 1994	Alameda Co, CA
MADDIX, Daniel Scott	CERVELLI, Denise M.	marriage	Jan, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
MADDIX, Daniel Scott	CERVELLI, Denise M.	engagement	March, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
MADRIGAL, David B	WOOD, Nakia Dwan	engagement	Oct, 2003	Alameda Co, CA
MAES, Leroy	POLVOROSA, Nicole	marriage	April, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
MAFFEO, Michael D.	MERDEIROS, Hollee	engagement	Febr, 1990	Contra Costa Co, CA
MAGALLANES, Ray	YOUNG, Patricia	engagement	Jan, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
MAGALLANES, Ray	YOUNG, Patricia Anne	marriage	Aug, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
MAGAR, Richard Bradley	THOMPSON, Margaret A.	marriage	Aug 1992	San Jose, CA
MAGAR, Richard Bradley	THOMPSON, Margaret A.	engagement	Aug, 1992	San Jose, CA
MAGBY, Dennis C.	CROOKE Amy Lynn	engagement	Sept, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
MAGLIONE, Edward F.	GREENWOOD, Linda M.	marriage	July, 1986	Contra Costa Co, CA
MAGUIRE, Patrick Henry	KELLY, Kathleen Ann	engagement	March, 1991	Contra Costa Co, CA
MAJOR, Darryl Lee	FAUST, Britta	marriage	March, 1992	Pacific Grove, CA
MALDONADO, Benjamin	TURNER, Lynette Claire	engagement	Aug, 1992	Contra Costa Co, CA
MALDONADO, Raymond	CHRISTENSEN, Lisa M.	engagement	July, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
MALDONADO, Raymond	CHRISTENSEN, Lisa M.	marriage	Aug, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
MALLORY, Charles S.	THOMPSON, Wendy E.	marriage		Contra Costa Co, CA
MALONEY, Daniel J.	BOTELHO, Stacey Ann	engagement	Oct, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
MALONEY, Daniel J.	BOTELHO, Stacey Ann	marriage	April, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
MALOON, Matthew J.	SALB, Jennifer	engagement	Sept, 1993	Napa, CA
MALPUS, Kenneth L.	POLZEL, Corinne	engagement	Nov, 1990	Burlingame, CA
MALSKI, Joseph James	PHILBIN, Janet Lea	engagement	Jan, 1988	
MALSKI, Joseph James	PHILBIN, Janet Lea	marriage	Aug, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
MALTBY, Gregory B.	JIRON, Lucy Theresa	marriage	Oct, 1991	Glendale, CA
MALTZ, Duane C.	SANTOS, Sindee E.	marriage	Nov, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
MANDEL, Daniel	ALLISON, Annika	engagement	Dec, 2008	Alameda Co, CA
MANIBUSAN, Larry J.	SIBLEY, Dana Aileen	engagement	Sept, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
MANIFESTO, George C.	WHELEN, Jann	marriage	Oct, 1989	Alameda Co, CA

EBGS MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Home Phone () _____ New _____ Renewal _____

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Amt. Enclosed _____ (\$15.00 Individual / \$7.50 each additional family member)

May we hear from you by July 1, 2012. Thank you for your support.

Office use only: Date _____ Amt. _____ Check # _____

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31st ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON – May 9, 2012

**Pier 29 Waterfront Restaurant, 1148 Ballena Blvd, Alameda, CA
Directions will be printed in May/June LIVE OAK. Time is NOON**

Terriyaki Chicken _____ Shrimp Louie _____ Cesar Salad w/chicken _____

Salads served with a cup of clam chowder. Terriyaki Chicken served with a tossed green salad w/zesty Italian dressing, garlic mashed potatoes, fresh steamed vegetables. Meals include roll and butter, coffee or tea, with vanilla ice cream or rainbow sherbet for dessert. Tax and tip are included.

Cost: \$23.00 per person.

Mail your check and this form to:

EBGS - c/o Joyce Schleicher, 4345 Detroit Avenue, Oakland, CA 94614

Name _____ Amt. Enc. _____ no. persons _____

MEETINGS

2nd Wednesday each month (except August) 10 am
Oakland Family History Center Library
4766 Lincoln Avenue
Oakland, CA

Visitors Welcome! Typically a speaker discusses genealogical record sources, research techniques, research tips. Occasionally, working meetings are held at sites of genealogical interest.

MEMBERSHIP

Individual/Organization - \$15 per year
Family - \$15 + \$7.50 each additional person
Foreign - \$20
Request an application by writing to P.O. Box 20417, Oakland, CA 94620-0417 or download from our website

PUBLICATIONS

1890 Great Register of Alameda County, CA (1998) 1500+ names from voter registration records.
Alphabetical with name, age, birth place and residence. \$26.00

Genealogical Research Guide, Oakland, CA Main Library and History Room

A guide to resources available at the Oakland Library and History Room \$650

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