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NOVEMBER MEETING

Wednesday, November 14, 2012 - 10 a.m. in the Oakland Family History Library Meeting Room

TRACING FEMALE ANCESTORS

Speaker: Janice Sellars

There is no doubt that one of the most perplexing problems in searching your family can be locating those elusive female members. They are not usually trying to hide from us, they just get *married and thus change their names!* Janice Sellars will share many tips and ideas that can help us find those women.

Janice is a professional genealogist with many years of experience. She has volunteered on the staff of the Oakland FHC for over eleven years. We have appreciated and learned from her previous programs and I am sure we will gain much new knowledge through this one. We are looking forward to having her at our meeting once again.

DECEMBER MEETING

Wednesday, December 12, 2012 - 10 a.m. in the Oakland Family History Library Meeting Room

FUN AND GAMES, AND COOKIES TOO!

Time for our Annual Cookie Exchange. Dust off that cookie sheet, get out your favorite recipe and whip of a batch to share. Don't forget to bring a container to take home samples of other's cookies!

Solved a difficult research problem? Please come and share it. We love to hear of others' successes!

We will also have an enjoyable time with "Family Gathering", a game that really lends itself to genealogy and generates some interesting tales to share.

Looking back at September: Vera Broyles's talk on researching property records opened our eyes to the vast amount of information one might find while searching these records. It is certainly an area you do not want to overlook.

Looking back at October: It was nice to have Richard Ferman as our speaker once again. He gave a very detailed talk on where to search and some of the obstacles to avoid in researching records in Pennsylvania. He presented everyone with two DVDs packed with information to get them started! Thank you Richard.

EBGS NEWS

Our new P.O. Box is "up and running", so to speak. Please send any future mail to:

EBGS, P. O. Box 1648, Alameda, CA 94501

If you would like to receive your *Live Oak* newsletter via email, please call Carolyn Storm at 510-522-7469 or email: c-kstorm@juno.com, subject: EBGS.

Your Editor appreciates the "feedback". It is always good to hear that someone had some success using a website suggested in this newsletter or found a particular item useful and interesting, or enjoyed the latest "Thumbnail" California County Sketch. Thank you!

This newsletter issue is sporting a new header, more in keeping with the email copy. I apologize for not including the logo, but I cannot do it! Maybe someone out there has a suggestion to help me in that regard?

Please make the following corrections to the latest Roster:

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Correct: Nancy Eikberg's email address should read....nceikeberg@comcast.net

Joyce Schleicher's address is Oakland, CA

Good grief, I do apologize and hope I didn't make any other typos or omissions! C. Storm

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Sutro Library Reopens: The Sutro Library has completed its move to UCSF and reopened to the public. It is now located on the 5th floor of the J. Paul Leonard-Sutro Library on the San Francisco State University campus at 1630 Holloway Avenue in San Francisco. For a detailed map, see <http://www.sfsu.edu/~sfumap/> For parking information, go to: <http://www.sfsu.edu/~parking>. You may contact Sutro Library at (415) 469-6100 or sutro@library.ca.gov. Sutro has a good amount of California reference material, but it is better known for its considerable collection of material relating to the other 49 states.

In Honor of the Ancestors: A FREE workshop by oral historian, Nancy Thompson, featuring eight generations of the Turner family will be held Saturday, November 10, 2012, 2 -4 p.m. at the Lakeview Branch Library, 550 El Embarcadero, Oakland, CA. This is a two-hour interactive workshop on how to construct family trees and share family stories, and how to create family legacies to pass down to future generations.

South Carolina Department of Archives and History: Digital records on line, www.archvesindex.sc.gov> Provides access to several Palmetto State records, many dating from the Colonial and Federalist time periods.

>Confederate pension applications, 1919-1938

>Criminal Journals, 1769 -1776

>Index to multiple record series ca. 1675 - 1929

>Plats for state land grants, 1784 - 1868

- >School insurance photographs, 1935 - 1952
- >Will transcripts, 1782 -1855

More South Carolina: A special South Carolina collection has been launched by Family Search. It includes probate records (1671-1977), death records (1915-1955), and Confederate service records (1861-1865).

Millions of records - access free at familysearch.org

The above two items gleaned from Monterey County Genealogical Society Newsletter, July/August 2012

Unusual Birthplaces Abbreviations in Census Records

AA - at sea	AO - Azores	AS - Austria	AT - Atlantic Ocean
AU - Australia	CE - Cherokee Nation	CH - China	PL - Platte River
PO - Poland	PT - Portugal	RM - Rocky Mts	SN - Sierra Nevada Mts
WN - West Indies	EN - East Indies	GE - Germany	GU - Guernsey
HS - Hispaniola	HU - Hungary	IY - Indian Territory	PC Pacific Ocean

From Genealogical Soc of Stanislaus Co, March 2012, submitted by Melissa Gatenby - via Contra Costa Co Gen Soc Oct. newsletter

Scottish Post Office Directories: <http://digital.nls.uk/directories/index.html>

The earliest directories were compiled and issued by private publishers. They would often gather information through their work in registry offices, housing agencies, the police or print houses. For smaller towns and more rural areas, the directories continued to be published privately well into the 19th century and even the early 20th century. For larger towns and cities, they would eventually be published by the Post Office with the first volume for Edinburgh being issued in 1805 and in 1928 for Glasgow. The directories' coverage varies widely between the different publishers and local areas. Most, up until the mid 19th century, would include only the principal inhabitant. Laborers, servants and poor are hardly recorded at all. Women were rarely listed as usually only the head of the household would be recorded.

You can browse, search by place, year and a resident's name; view page by page; and view a complete book. Also, you can search the full text and download files for free including the complete book.

Excerpted from Santa Clara Co. Hist. & Gen. Soc. newsletter, October 2012

Cousin Relationship: The closest relationship of cousins is with first cousins. First cousins share a grandparent and have approximately 25 percent DNA in common. Second cousins are cousins who share the same great-grandparents, but different grandparents. Second cousins have approximately 6.25 percent DNA in common. Third cousins are cousins who share the same great, great-grandparents but have different great-grandparents. They share approximately 1.6 percent DNA in common.

"Removed" is a term referring to cousins of different generations. A cousin "once removed" is one generation before or after you. So, a first cousin, once removed, would have as one of his grandparents either an aunt or uncle of yours! (There now, that was easy, wasn't it? Ed..)

Most of above excerpted from *Taproot*, September, 2012, Genealogical Soc. of Vallejo/Benicia

Document Your Internet Findings: Locating published or posted information or someone who is researching your ancestral line on the internet can be a great help. We should find out if someone has already published information on any of our family lines. It is useful to get in touch with others who are also searching your surnames. However, do maintain a "sense of skepticism" in *any* genealogical research. A good rule is to obtain original documents whenever possible, and always locate as many other records as possible to corroborate your findings.

Excerpted from Legacy News, 19 Aug, 2009 via Monterey County Gen Soc. Newsletter, May/June 2010

AMAZING WHAT LURKS UNDISCOVERED IN YOUR OWN GARAGE!

Our family recently held their "annual garage sale". I took advantage of the opportunity to weed lots of items no longer needed or useful from the attic, garage and workshop. One gentleman inquired if I had any old tools. I told him that I had, but I was not sure I wished to sell them, but would be happy to show them to him.

I had a grandfather's wooden tool box, handmade, and full of the tools of his trade. He had been a carpenter/cabinetmaker and as a young child I had been fascinated by the stump on his left hand where his index finger should have been! There are several pieces of furniture among family members that he built. He was not actually my blood grandfather, as he was my mother's step-father. Her father had died when she was a child and her mother had remarried. But, he was the only "grandfather" we children ever knew. His name was Fred and we called him "Papa".

The nice gentleman, who I could tell was a carpenter himself, helped me carry the heavy toolbox out into the driveway. He had some interesting information to pass on regarding the tools; how the saws showed signs of having been sharpened many times over the years, etc. He explained the "shaper" to me. I had always referred to it as a planer. The shaper was used to round off edges, the electric router has since replaced the shaper. I noticed there were two shapers. An old wooden one which my father had used since I was a child and a later metal model which I assume had belonged to Fred. The value of the entire box would amount to probably \$100 at best, my garage sale customer informed me. There was nothing particularly antique amongst its contents. He wished to buy one particular item, which I sold to him.

When my grandfather built his toolbox, he had made special slots to hold his two handsaws. My father had the toolbox after Fred's death in 1958 and my husband has had it since 1994. There had always been an extra saw with a nice engraved handle that did not fit into the slots and was loose in the box.

Later that day, when I was looking over the items in Papa's toolbox I took a good long look at the "extra" saw with the engraved handle. To my surprise, the name "Segerquist" was written on the unengraved side of the handle in black ink. That was my maiden name! My father would have no reason to put his name on the saw, it never left his garage. But his father had also been a carpenter, though not quite the caliber of Fred. I immediately picked up the old shaper with the worn wooden handle that I can remember from early childhood and studied it carefully. I could make out some faint lettering on it, a "g" and "ist"! What an unexpected surprise. I had just discovered two heirlooms! These tools had most likely belonged to my grandfather, Axel Segerquist, who I had never known because he died when I was an infant.

Just last weekend I was visiting a cousin who is the daughter of my father's older brother. I was telling her about discovering grandpa Axel's tools. She told me that she had once had a toolbox full of old tools from her dad's garage that she had sold many years ago when she was really in need of the money. She had no idea they had belonged to her grandfather, as her father never spoke of him, and she had not known that Axel had been a carpenter. It is not surprising that my much younger cousin had little or no information regarding our grandfather. The older sons in the family, especially my father and her father, were not fond of him, I know that for a fact.

I probably would not have spent the time studying those old tools had I not recently read an article entitled, "*Heirloom Hunting*", by Sunny Jane Morton in the October/November 2012 issue of "Family Tree Magazine". Thanks to "Family Tree Magazine" and Sunny Jane Morton's article for awakening my senses!

by Carolyn Storm

KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA - A Thumbnail Sketch

A large county located in the California Central Valley and spanning from the Coastal Mountains to the Sierras. It was incorporated in 1866 and was mostly a collection of small mining towns and lakes and swampland. The original county seat was a small mining town by the name of Havilah. As the population grew and settlers drained swamplands and some lakes and constructed canals, mostly built by Chinese laborers, the county became an important agricultural area. The county seat was moved to Bakersfield in 1874. In 1899 the Kern River oil field well was dug by hand, and soon petroleum became an important county industry as well. There is also a strong aviation, space and military presence; such as, Edwards Air Force Base and China Lake Naval Weapons Station. The population in 2010 was 839,631.

Kern County Recorder/County Clerk

1655 Chester Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Their website has a searchable grantor/grantee index.

Probate Court

1215 Truxton Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

Kern County/Beale Memorial Library

701 Truxton Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

They have a searchable database of the *Bakersfield Californian* and the *Daily Californian* dating from 1892 - available in the library only. The Genealogy Room is staffed by members of the Kern County Genealogical Society on Tuesdays through Saturdays, 1-4 p.m.

Kern County Genealogical Society

P.O. Box 2214
Bakersfield, CA 93303-2214

Their member volunteers will search obituaries in the *Bakersfield Californian* and the *Kern Valley Sun*. See their website for details and cost.

Kern County Museum

3801 Chester Street
Bakersfield, CA 93301

A large repository for historical California photographs. They also boast of the best and most interactive oil museum in the county.

Kern County Historical Society

P. O. Box 141
Bakersfield, CA 93302

Google them and check out the list of its many publications on their website.

A county very proud of its history and preserving its history. You will enjoy researching in Kern County, CA.

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

GROOM	BRIDE	EVENT	DATE	PLACE
O'BRIEN, Kevin Paul	BERRY, Laura Ruth	marriage	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
OCHSNER, John	SMITH, Deanna G.	engagement	August, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
O'CONNELL, Christopher R.	MACPHERSON, Mary R.	engagement	May, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
O'CONNOR, Matthew	DUNLAP, Tiffany	marriage	April, 2006	Alameda Co, CA
O'DONNELL, Michael	THAM, Laura	engagement	January, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
OGDEN, James Leslie	BERTERO, Teresa Ann	marriage	August, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
OGDEN, Jerald Paul	MURRAY, Dana Elaine	marriage	February, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
OGDEN, Jim	BERTERO, Terri	engagement	February 1986	Alameda Co, CA
OLDHAM, John	MORGAN, Deborah	engagement	April, 1995	Alameda Co, CA
OLIVER, Craig	KERR, Christine Mattos	marriage	April, 1989	Sacramento Co, CA
OLIVER, Todd	MARAES, Alisa	engagement	October, 1994	Alameda Co, CA
OLSEN, Eric Scott	DiFEO, Lisa Ann	marriage	July, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
OLSEN, Robert D	LEWIS, Wendy E.	marriage	July, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
OLSEN, Robert D.	LEWIS, Wendy E.	engagement	January 1993	Alameda Co, CA
OLSEN, Thomas Wayne	UPDIKE, Lori Irene	marriage	June, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
OLSEN, Jack	ELDER, Lori	marriage	June, 11998	Alameda Co, CA
OLSON, Chadwick James	CARR, Sara Catherine	marriage	August, 2003	Topeka, KS
OLSON, Kenneth	LEIVA, Shirley	marriage	August, 19889	Alameda Co, CA
ONSTOTT, Wayne	WOODY, Meg	engagement	February, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
ORANSKY, Shawn Ethan	BEYL, Anne Marie	engagement	January, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
ORANSKY, Shawn Ethan	BEYL, Anne Marie	marriage	April, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
ORLANDI, David	LAMB, Kelly	engagement	January, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
ORLIKOFF, Donald	ROSENLOF, Cynthia	marriage	June, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
ORR, Glenn A.	TAYLOR, Claire	marriage	July, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
ORTEGA, Eduardo	SWINDELL, Becky Lee	marriage	July, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
OSBORNE, Donald C.	WEATHERFORD, Jodie L.	engagement	April, 1994	Alameda Co, CA
OTTESON, Ralph	GLENN, Kathy	engagement	September, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
OTTOLINE, Sam	COMPHEL, Lillian	marriage	November, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
OURDOUNE, Alexis	THOMPSON, Stacy Ann	marriage	November, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
OVALLE, Robert G.	COURREGES, Lynnette S.	engagement	December, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
OVERTON, Michael	WEST, Kimberly	marriage	November, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
OVERTON, Michael	WERT, Kimberly	engagement	March, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
OWDEN, David John	KERSHAW, Deborah L.	engagement	November, 1985	San Mateo, CA
OWDOM, John David	KERSHAW, Deborah L.	marriage	May, 1986	Palo Alto, CA
OWEN, Gerly	GHISELLI, Michele C.	engagement	February, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
OWEN, Geryl R.	GHISELLI, Michele	marriage	May, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
OWEN, James D.	PERRY, Denise M.	marriage	January, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
OWEN, James David	PERRY, Denise Marie	engagement	May, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
OWEN, Wesley David	BEAN, Krista Lee	marriage	August, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
OZGA, Matthew Edmond	MARSHALL, Cynthia ynn	marriage	July, 1993	Sparks, NV
PADAVANA, :Paul Jr.	MUNRO, Kimberly	engagement	March, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
PADAVANA, :Paul Jr.	MUNRO, Kimberly	marriage	July, 1992	Lake Tahoe, NV
PAIVA, Elio B.	DeSERPA, Lena M.	engagement	October, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
PAIVA, Rick William	DOMBROSKI, Dana Jean	engagement	January, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
PALADINI, Matthew Mark	SHELL, Stephanie Leigh	marriage	June, 1997	Arlington, VA
PALADINI, Todd	MADES, Jaime	marriage	July, 1998	Edmond, OK
PALADINI, Todd	MADES, Jaime	engagement	June, 1998	Edmond, OK
PALADINI, Todd Steven	MADES, Jaime a.	marriage	July , 1998	Edmond, OK
PALCE Peter	RODOLICO, Anne	marriage	May, 1988	Alameda Co, CA

PALMER, Mark Richard	WONG, Judy	marriage	April, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
PALMER, Shaun Tyson	WILSON, Beth Ann	marriage	March, 1997	Grass Valley, CA
PALMER, Richard Kingsland	REYNOLDS, Carolyn Marie	engagement	February, 1988	
PALMIERI, Peter	HUNTER, Sheri Jean	engagement	May, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
PALUMBO, Nicholas	FLORES, Sherie Jean	marriage	October, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
PANOS, George	JACOBS, Kim	engagement	January, 1991	San Jose, CA
PAPKE, Gregory William	VIOLETTE, Annette Lyn	engagement	July, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
PAPPAS, Steve	RUTIGLIANO, Linda Marie	engagement	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
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PARHAM, Michael James	TROCHE, Lorinda Jean	marriage	October, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
PARKER, Alden John	LaBELLA, Kara	engagement	January, 1997	Sacramento Co, CA
PARKER, Carl	MONTEIRO, Annette	engagement	September, 1987	
PARKER, Carl Lee	MONTEIRO, Annette Diane	marriage	March, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
PARNIS, David John	MASSEY, Gina Michelle	marriage	June, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
PARQUE, Paul	VANDERGRIF, Corinna	engagement	July, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
PARTAK, David	PATRICK, Kathleen	engagement	February, 2001	Nevada City, CA
PARTIDA, Pedro G.	LANG, Tamara Susan	marriage	June, 1991	Lake Tahoe, CA
PASSAMA, Jeffrey Matthew	McCORMICH, Kelly Marie	engagement	April, 2002	Contra Costa Co, CA
PASTORI, John Robert F.	EARLS, Rosemarie A	engagement	March, 1988	Santa Clara Co, CA
PATANE, Marc A.	RODRIGUES, Keri A.	engagement	December, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
PATRICK, Darrell	RAWLYK, Liz	engagement	July, 2000	Alameda Co, CA
PATTERSON, Dale Ioyd	CLLARKE Coleen	marriage	March, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
PAULINO, Alamedan Mike	BERTOLANI, Antoinette	engagement	June, 2005	Alameda Co, CA
PAULINO, Michael Flores	CLARK, Melissa Mae	engagement	June, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
PAULINO, Michael Flores	MEYER, Trudi Renee	engagement	July, 1999	Alameda Co, CA
PAULO, Ron Steven	MAERZLUTT, Jeannie I.	marriage	January, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
PAULSON, David Michael	MORIANA, Susan Kristine	engagement	December, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
PAYNE, Andrew Fitzpatrick	GUICHARD-CARRION, Lisa M	marriage	December, 1999	Alameda Co, CA
PAYNE, William Daryl	MARTINEZ, Ana I.	engagement	February, 1985	Alameda Co, CA
PAYNTER, Christopher Lee	SANCHEZ, Diana Lynn	marriage	May, 1992	Lake Tahoe, CA
PECK, Gregory	WRIGHT, Tiffany	marriage	May, 2004	Alameda Co, CA
PEDRONI, Nicholas	BOUILLEZ, Renee	marriage	November, 1985	Alameda Co, CA
PELLATT, Larry	OGLE, Michelle	engagement	July, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
PELLEGRINO, Roberto	ANDERSON, Deborah Lynn	engagement	November, 2000	San Francisco, CA
PELLERINO, Roberto Martin	ANDERSON, Deborah Lynn	marriage	December, 1999	San Francisco, CA
PENA, Daniel Jr.	KENNEDY, Jennifer Lynn	engagement	August, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
PENA, Mark David	FONG, Janie	marriage	July, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
PENCE, Daren Wesley	MACIA, Dawn Rae	engagement	June, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
PENNEBAKER, George M.	NELSON, Keriko Anne	marriage	June, 1993	Palo Alto, CA
PEPETONE, Eugene Victor	TORRES, Pamela Lynn	engagement	April, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
PEPETONE, Eugene Victor	TORRES, Pamela Lynn	marriage	June, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
PEPETONE, Eugene Victor	TORRES, Pamela Lynn	marriage	September, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
PER DUE, Mark Geordie	WALKER, Wendy Rene'	marriage	November, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
PERATA, Michael Anthony	ROGERS, Rachelle Anne	marriage	October, 1998	San Francisco, CA
PEREZ, Manuel Jr.	MEDULAN, Melanie Serra	engagement	December, 1992	Carmel, CA
PEREZ, Mark	VALES, Angela	engagement	March, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
PEREZ, Robert Michael	LAWRENCE, Julie Walker	marriage	November, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
PEREZ-ZAPATA, Anibal Jr.	GALIMIDI, Susan Julie	marriage	August, 1992	Ico, Peru
PERRI, Joseph Marshall	SLADER, Lidia Ann	marriage	July, 1997	Alameda Co, CA
PERRI, Mark Joseph	AGNEW, JoAnne Marie	marriage	May, 1985	Alameda Co, CA
PERRI, Randall Steven	MENDOZA, Kirsten Marie	marriage	October, 1984	South Lake Tahoe, CA
PERRY, Joseph Paul	BROWMAN, Marie Joy	marriage	July, 1996	Camarillo, CA

MEETINGS

2nd Wednesday each month – 10 am
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.

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