

THE LIVE OAK

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Oakland, California

MAY MEETING

ANNUAL LUNCHEON
Wednesday, May 8, 2013 - Noon
Pier 29 Restaurant
1148 Ballena Blvd. Alameda

Time to relax and enjoy an afternoon by the bay. Our annual spring luncheon is always a delightful occasion. We look forward to seeing many of our members there. We also welcome husbands/wives, friends and guests.

Reservations need to be confirmed by May 1st, don't delay. A reservation form can be found at the back of this newsletter.

Driving Directions: From Posse Tube continue on Webster Street to Central Avenue, turn right onto Central and continue to Ballena Blvd. Turn left onto Ballena, stay to the right and take the road along the water. The restaurant and parking lot will be on your left.

From the Fruitvale Avenue Bridge continue on Tilden Way to Park Street. Turn left onto Park Street and then right onto Central to Ballena Blvd.

JUNE MEETING

Wednesday, June 12, 2013 - 10 a.m. in the Oakland Family History Library Meeting Room

RESOURCES AVAILABLE AT THE SAN BRUNO NATIONAL ARCHIVES
Speaker - Deborah Osterberg, Archives Technician

The Archives in San Bruno offer much more than the U. S. census records. Deborah Osterberg will give us information on the various other records that are useful and important to genealogical research that can be accessed at the Archives. Don't miss this presentation.

LOOKING BACK AT MARCH: From all reports, everyone seemed to be thrilled with Nancy Thompson's talk on oral history and writing a family book. She expressed the fact that nieces and nephews or aunts and uncles are mostly interested in the stories about their ancestors and not very interested in "vital record" information as we genealogists are. Therefore, since she has all that information recorded and documented in her records, she elected to leave it out of her book and her family tree.

We all have had family members that are reluctant to talk about the past. Nancy gave us some clues as to how to start a conversation, what to avoid, and more. Nancy is an experienced genealogist and oral historian and it was a pleasure to have her as our speaker once again.

LOOKING BACK AT APRIL: Ralph Seversen, Director of the Oakland Family History Library, presented a very comprehensive program on the resources available at the library. For best search results using **familysearch.org**, Ralph stressed using minimal entries; such as name only or event or relationship only. If that is not successful, then expand information - one item at a time. Time did not allow him to cover all that he had hoped, but he has offered to return and we look forward to having him back soon.

EBGS NEWS:

Dues are due May 1st. Remember, dues have been raised to \$18. A renewal form is included in this newsletter.

WELCOME! New Members:

Patty Click, 585 Creekside Road, Pleasant Hill, CA. email: MClick777@aol.com
 Joyce Hughes, 3413 Catalina Drive, Alameda, CA 94502. Ph 510-703-4203
 Emma J. Martin, P. O. Box 2444, San Leandro, CA 94577

Members Survey: There is a short survey enclosed in this newsletter. We need your input and/or suggestions to help the Board plan meetings and programs of interest to YOU. We hope to hear from you and look forward to your input. You may fill out the survey and return it by mail, bring it to a meeting, or scan it and send it as an email attachment to **c-kstorm@juno.com**.

If your newsletter is via email, go to: **<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~caebaygs/newsletter.htm>**
 There you should find the survey. You will have to SAVE it in your documents, then either fill it out and print it or print it and fill it out. When printing, click *current page*. From a SAVED copy you can send it as an email attachment to **c-kstorm@juno.com**.

UPCOMING EVENTS - Mark your calendars

Oakland Family History Library

Free Classes and Workshops - No Pre-registration Required

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| African-American Research Workshop | 4th Wednesday each month | 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm |
| MacGen Workshop | 2nd Wednesday each month | 10 am |
| MacGen Meeting | 3rd Saturday each month | 1:30 pm |
| East European Research Workshop | Broyles/Wednesday, April 3 | 6:30 pm |

Sonoma County Genealogical Society Spring Seminar: Saturday, April 20, 2013. Featuring Barbara Renick. For more information go to **<http://www.scgs.org>**.

San Mateo County Genealogical Society Spring Seminar: Saturday, May 4, 2013, featuring D. Joshua Taylor. For more information, go to **<http://www.smcs.org>**

San Francisco Bay Area Jewish Genealogical Society: May 6th - "Obscure Research of U.S. Citizenship and Nationality" with Marian L. Smith senior historian, U. S. Citizenship and Immigration.
<http://www.jewishgen.org/sfbajgs/calendar.org>

National Genealogical Society 2013 Family History Conference: May 8 - 11, 2013 at the LVH-Las Vegas Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas, NV. For more information: <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/cs/conference.info>

Concord FHC: "Digging for Your Roots", October 19, 2013. See Contra Costa County Genealogical Society's website for further information.

San Francisco Special Interest Group:

California Gen. Soc. Library, 2201 Broadway Ste LL2, Oakland
April 20 and May 18, 2013 10 am to noon

There will be presentations on specialized topics. We'll examine all sorts of records for San Francisco. Bring your questions or expertise. Let's pool our resources and help each other.

The National Archives at San Francisco

| Date: | Workshop Topic: | Time: |
|----------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Friday, April 12 | Passenger Arrival and Naturalization Records <i>Rose Mary Kennedy, Genealogy Specialist</i> | 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. |
| Friday, May 10 | Federal Land Records (Patents, Survey Plats, Homesteads, Mines etc.) <i>Rose Mary Kennedy, Genealogist Specialist & Deborah Osterberg, Archival Technician</i> | 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. |
| Friday, June 7 | Military - Part I: Revolutionary War to Civil War (Military Service & Pension Files) <i>Rose Mary Kennedy, Genealogy Specialist</i> | 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. |
| Friday, July 19 | Military - Part II: Spanish American to Viet Nam (Military Service & Pension Files) <i>Rose Mary Kennedy, Genealogist Specialist</i> | 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. |
| Friday, August 16 | Uncharted Genealogical Resources (Lesser Known Research Sources) <i>Deborah Osterberg, Archival Technician & Rose Mary Kennedy, Genealogist Specialist</i> | 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. |
| Friday, September 13 | Preserving Your History (Caring for Documents & Photographs) <i>Rose Mary Kennedy, Genealogist Specialist & Deborah Osterberg, Archival Technician</i> | 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. |

All workshops are given at the National Archives at San Francisco located at 1000 Commodore Drive, San Bruno, CA 94066. All workshops will be given by staff of the National Archives and Records Administration. For questions or to register and reserve a space contact: Rose Mary Kennedy 650-238-3488. Fees are \$15 -payable in advance

ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation is looking for donations to raise \$25,000 so that they may continue to provide the public with free access to their archive of immigration records, operate their website,

and recover from Hurricane Sandy. At the present time, **FamilySearch** has offered to match every donation, dollar for dollar, up to \$12,500 to help them reach their goal. Now is a good time to make your donation, if you so desire. Go to www.ellisland.org to do so.

Castle Garden: Their website has been updated and expanded. Their collection is now nearly complete, totaling more than 11 million arrivals. It is easier to use and the search results produce more information than previously. If you have not used this site recently, give it a try. <http://www.castlegarden.org/index.php> (excerpted from March 2013 Santa Clara County Historical & Genealogical Society newsletter)

Some Common Mistakes Beginning Genealogists Make:

Believing family stories verbatim. There may be a shred of truth in the tale told by g.grandpa, but be sure to research the facts.

Not documenting where you have gotten your information. Site your sources. It will enable you and others to check it out and keep you from duplicating your research.

Believing other peoples research. By checking at least two sources, you will come closer to the truth. Don't assume information in other's family trees to be fact unless it has been documented and you check it also.

Not checking spelling variations. There may be several different variations within a family. Sometimes people changed their name just because they wanted to. Census takers, etc. often spelled names phonetically.

Neglecting to review your research notes and data periodically. Sometimes the information you are seeking today might be found in notes you made quite some time ago - they just didn't make sense at the time. (adapted from an article by Doris Locke in March 2013 issue of *Taproot*, newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Vallejo-Benicia)

MY JOURNEY THROUGH LIFE - By MaryTorres

"I've lived through the depression and World War II, I have met so many people in my life. I now have a life time of stories.....When I am gone, so are my stories. I will not let that happen. I will tell you all that I remember. It's an honor to share my life with you"

So begins Mary's book. Bless her for having the foresight to know the importance of her life stories to those who love or have known her. She was 85 years old when she began writing it in 2008. It is a book of her life, told in her own words. The book is over 200 pages and was apparently self-published. There is only a copyright date of 2009 printed on the last page. It is simply written and not well edited, but she got her stories down on paper and preserved for future generations. Her stories are sometimes funny, always interesting. Mary was no "stick in the mud"!

Mary Torres's little book should be an inspiration to us all to take the time and make the effort to get OUR stories written and, therefore, preserved for generations to come. Stop and think how much the world has changed in so many different ways during your lifetime. How you and your family accepted and adapted to many of these changes make your stories interesting and a part of history. Don't fret about perfect spelling, grammar, punctuation, etc. Just sit down and "spill the beans" so your grandkids and their grandkids will know that you were not a "stick in the mud" either!

Remember....When you are gone, so are your stories.

Continuation of Engagement and Marriage Announcements From Local Newspapers 1985 - 2010

| GROOM | BRIDE | EVENT | DATE | PLACE |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------|--------------|---------------------|
| RUIZ, James J. | RUTTER, Kristin | eng | Oct, 1992 | Alameda Co, CA |
| RUIZ, James Joseph | RUTTER, Kristin Noel | mar | April, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| RUMBLE, William Lee | NOCE, Kimberly Jeanne | mar | May, 1990 | Alameda Co, CA |
| RUMPLE, Anthony Douglas | LUBINA, Jennifer Michelle | eng | April, 1994 | Alameda Co, CA |
| RUNOLFSON, Aaron Norman | GRAHAM, Julie Marie | mar | August, 1989 | Contra Costa Co, CA |
| RUPIPER, David J. | BOYNTON, Susan E | eng | June, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| RUSCA, John Dominic | NUNES, Lorene Leslie | mar | June, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| RUSH, Bret Douglas | DOLL, Janice Ann | mar | Nov, 1989 | Chatham, NJ |
| RUSH, Matthew Jepson | ROVEDA, Christine Ann | eng | June, 2000 | Alameda Co, CA |
| RUTHERFORD, Andy | PANCONI, Gina | mar | Dec, 1990 | Alameda Co, CA |
| RUXTON, Neal | NIELSEN, MARGARET | mar | June, 1990 | San Francisco, CA |
| RYAN, Dan | KEYDEN, Sylvia | eng | Feb, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| RYAN, James | SANTOS, Galene Ann | mar | July, 1989 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SAAKE, Mark Whitney | LUNDBERG, Jamine M. | mar | August, 1990 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SABINO, Manuel Moniz | BOGA, Mary M. | mar | Sept, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SALAICES, Phillip M. Jr. | MARTINEZ, Michelle J. | mar | August, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SALAZAR, John | VON HARTMEN, Vicki | eng | July, 1987 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SALAZAR, John Joseph | VONHARTMAN, Louise | mar | May, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SALINAS, John Martin, III | ACUNA, Jana Marie | eng | August, 1991 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SALINAS, Scott | WARREN, Kasaundra | mar | May, 1991 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SALISBURY, Kevin | NOIA, Christine | eng | Feb, 1992 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SALVANTE, James G | MORALES, Gloria Jean | eng | March, 1987 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SALVANTE, James G | MORALES, Gloria Jean | mar | June, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SALVATO, Jason | DeBASTIANI, Natalie | eng | Feb, 2004 | San Mateo Co, CA |
| SAMARA, Jiries V. | LUCIA, Nicole | eng | August, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANBORN, Jeff | GIAMONA, Shannon | eng | Jan, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANBORN, Jeffrey M. | GI AMONA, Shannon Kay | mar | June, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANCHEZ, Michael, II | BARILLAS, Anna | mar | Feb, 1992 | Reno, NV |
| SANCIANGCO, Rick | MIZEL, Kelie Irene | mar | June, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANDERS, Glen | | mar | Feb, 2007 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANDERS, James W. | SANCHEZ, Kathryn M. | eng | Sept 1994 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANDOVAL, Francisco | CRUZ, Irene Dianell | mar | July, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANDRI, Donald Paul | McCHESNEY, Lori Ann | mar | Sept, 1990 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANG-ARGUELLO, Jaime | BRADLEY, Teri Lynn | mar | August, 1987 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANTIAGO, Albert H. | HEMPHILL, Andrea D. | eng | June, 1995 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANTOS, Angelo | VERZOSA, Nanette | eng | June,, 1990 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANTOS, Angelo R. | VEROSA, Nanette | mar | May, 1991 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANTOS, Fernando Orina | BRADY, Kimberly Noel | eng | Jan, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANTOS, Joseph, Jr. | PLACIDO, Pam | mar | Sept, 1987 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SANTOS, Michael | LITTORNO, Andrew | mar | Oct, 2008 | Contra Costa Co, CA |
| SARBA, Barry | CRANDALL, Terri A. | eng | August, 1987 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SARGENT, David | TEAL, Dawn | eng | March, 1989 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SATARIANO, Michael | ARIETA, Laura | mar | Sept, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SATTERWHITE, Scott | JONES, Teri | eng | April, 2002 | Carmel, CA |
| SAUER, Joseph | MONACO, Cynthia | eng | July, 1990 | Chicago, IL |
| SAUER, Robert | MONACO, Cynthia | eng | May, 1990 | Chicago, IL |
| SAUNDERS, Chris Jonathan | ELLINGWORTH, Belinda J. | mar | May, 1992 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SAYLOR, Phillip John | FOREMAN, Denise Lynn | mar | August, 1991 | Alameda Co, CA |

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|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----|--------------|----------------------|
| SCHACHT, Richard | CERECEDO, Elena | mar | Apri. 1996 | Court, Switzerland |
| SCHAECHER, John A. | MOHRING, Susan E. | eng | Sept, 1990 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHAFFER, George Peter | CLARK, Cynthia Ann | mar | Sept, 1985 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHAFF, James Lloyd | THURINGER, Jodi Marie | eng | Jan, 1994 | Santa Cruz, CA |
| SCHAFFER, William Joseph | PHELPS, Judy Ellen | mar | Oct, 1989 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHENKHULZEN, Cliff | GRIFFEN, Shannon | eng | March, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHENNEK, Shawn M. | HERBST, Rhonda S. | mar | July, 1992 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHMIESING, Clifford | DORN, Laurie | mar | July, 1991 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHMITT, Arthur "Skip" | THARP, Tracey Dawn | mar | May, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHMUCK, Mark A. | BRASIL, Maria Laurina | eng | Sept, 2003 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHNEIDER, Kenneth, Jr. | O'LEARY, Colleen | mar | Oct, 1987 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHONENBERGER, Charlie J. | BISSIG, Heidi Marie | mar | June, 1991 | Lafayette, CA |
| SCHOO, Peter Lee | VONHOF, Marlene Joyce | mar | Dec, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHREIBER, Clifton | DeLUNA | eng | Feb, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHROEDER, Chris | BRUNE, Theresa | mar | Dec, 1987 | San Francisco, CA |
| SCHROEDER, Roland | CARPENTER, Debra | mar | Nov, 1992 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHROEDER, Rudy | Anderson, Cherie T | eng | August, 1989 | Seattle, WA |
| SCHROER, David | CAPPS, Lori | eng | July, 1993 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHUBERT, Michael S. | RINCK, Suzanne L. | mar | Oct, 1989 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHULTHEIS, John Michael | LANDRETH, Kathy Ann | mar | Dec, 1985 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHULTZ, Cary Lee | VELASCO, Tami Renee | mar | Sept, 1984 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHULTZ, Robert J. | DEETER, Melody Cherie | mar | July, 1989 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHULTZ, Terry | O'CONNEL, Susan | eng | May, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SCHWABENBAUER, Jon Avon P. | GASTER, Janet Marie T. | mar | August, 1989 | Oklahoma City, OK |
| SCHWIETERMAN, Michael | DUTROW, Carla | mar | June, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SEALE, Walter | BISAGO, Michelle | eng | May, 1987 | Miramar, CA |
| SEBASTIAN, Joel Rex III | CYPHERS, Amy Lunn | mar | Nov, 1994 | Redland, OR |
| SEGURA, Robert Edward II | WEBER, Kriston Ann | mar | May, 1993 | Oxnard, CA |
| SEGURA, Robert Edward II | WEBER, Kriston Ann | eng | Jan, 1993 | Oxnard, CA |
| SELM, Gary David | BRITTON, Linda Louise | mar | April, 1992 | Virginia City, NV |
| SELSNIK, Michael | SANTILLANES, Caroline | eng | Sept, 2004 | Maui, HI |
| SENA, Daniel | FISHER, Robyn | mar | August, 1988 | Contra Costa Co, CA |
| SENTINELLA, Robert | FINGER, Karin Lynn | mar | August, 2008 | Santa Barbara Co, CA |
| SEPULVEDA, Ismael Jr. | SARENTO, Asonya Marie | mar | | Alameda Co, CA |
| SEPULVIDA, David Michael | RING, Judy Sharleen | eng | Sept, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SESSI, Mitchell | SEIDELL, Jennifer | mar | August, 1992 | Marin Co, CA |
| SESSI, Mitchell Mario | SEIDELL, Jennifer Lynn | mar | August, 1992 | San Rafael, CA |
| SEVERSON, Patrick Paul | SIMMONS, Renee Nicole | mar | May, 1989 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SEVERSON, Patrick Paul | SIMMONS, Renee Nicole | eng | April, 1989 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SEXTON, Myles Herbert | DAVIS, Loanne Lynn | mar | July, 1990 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SHAFFAR, Daniel G. | YELKES, Mitzi Annette | eng | Jan, 1986 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SHAFFER, Daniel Gene | YELKES, Mitzi Annette | mar | August, 1986 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SHAFFER, John Ordie IV | DePETER, Juie Roxanne | mar | July, 1993 | Pebble Beach, CA |
| SHAFFER, Ronald A | WAHLIG, Kathleen A | mar | June, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SHAFFER, Ronald A. | WAHLIG, Kathleen A | mar | June, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SHAFI, Ali | ALMASON, Sandra Norene | mar | July, 1994 | San Francisco, CA |
| SHAPLAND, Randall Scott | PERFUMO, Patricia arie | mar | Nov, 1989 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SHAPLAND, Randall Scott | PERFUMO, Patricia Marie | eng | April, 1988 | Alameda Co, CA |
| SHAVER, Michael | TEDESCHI, Jessica | mar | Feb, 1989 | Alameda Co, CA |

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Amt. Enclosed _____ (\$18 Individual/\$7.50 Each Additional Family Member
(Please note - Dues have been raised to \$18)

May we hear from you by July 1, 2013

Thank you for your support.

Office use only: Date _____ Amt _____ Ch# _____

ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON – MAY 8, 2013

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 choice of clam chowder or tossed green salad w/zesty Italian dressing, garlic mashed potatoes, fresh steamed vegetables. Meals include roll and butter, coffee or tea, and ice cream or sherbet for dessert. Tax and tip are included. Cost: \$23.50 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 _____

We look forward to seeing many of you there. Guests are certainly welcome!

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.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to all...
Individual/Organization - \$15.00
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