

# THE LIVE OAK

EAST BAY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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Oakland, California

## MAY MEETING

**Wednesday, May 13, 2015 - Noon**

### **ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON**

**Wednesday, May 13, 2015**

**Pier 29 Restaurant**

**1148 Ballena Blvd., Alameda**

This is always a very pleasant afternoon and we are looking forward to seeing many of our members there. Bring a guest, if you like. They are always welcome.

We must have your reservation by May 8th. Reservation form is included in this newsletter.

#### **DRIVING DIRECTIONS:**

From Posey Tube continue to the end of Webster Street and turn right. Continue on Central Avenue to signal at Ballena Blvd. Turn left, stay to the right and take right curve. Restaurant and parking lot will be to your left as you round the curve.

From Fruitvale Avenue Bridge continue on Tilden Way, cross Park Street and continue on Lincoln Avenue. Turn left at Grand Street and then right onto Central Avenue to signal at Ballena Blvd. Left at Ballena Blvd and take right curve. Restaurant and parking lot will be on your left as you continue around the curve.

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## JUNE MEETING

**Wednesday, June 10, 2015 - 10 a.m. - Oakland FHC Library Meeting Room**

**OHIO: GATEWAY TO THE WEST - Speaker: Richard Ferman**

Richard Ferman has lectured on many aspects of Ohio research. The outline for this program is too extensive to include in this short space; but, be assured, you will gain considerable knowledge of Ohio resources and references that will aid you tremendously in researching your Ohio (and vicinity) ancestors.

#### **Looking Back at March:**

We were happy to have Jeff Airth discuss Canadian Research at our March meeting. My goodness, there is a lot of information available on the internet with regard to resources in Canada. Some major sources suggested by Jeff are listed further in this newsletter. Hope they will be helpful to you. Jeff also gave out a few older issues of "*Families*", the journal of the Ontario

Genealogical Society. If you need to research in Canada, the Ontario Genealogical Society can be most helpful and perhaps a good place to start. Their address is: 40 Orchard View Blvd, Ste 102, Toronto, ON, Canada M4R 1B9. "*Families*" is published in the USA by the Ontario Genealogical Society. US office of publications: 2424 Niagara Falls Blvd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304-0357. You might want to "google" either of the above and check them out.

### **Looking Back at April:**

Janice Sellers wowed us once again with yet another marvelous program. She makes it look so easy! She offered many suggestions and strategies in her outline. Space does not allow me to include the information in this issue - but I will certainly include much of it in the next issue. It happened to be Janice' birthday, so we helped her celebrate with a wonderful cake!

### **EBGS NEWS:**

Dues are due. Thank you to those members who have already renewed. If you have not yet renewed, a renewal form in this issue. Your dues make this newsletter and our programs possible. We look forward to your continued support.

We have been advised that our obituary files have been indexed and are available through Familysearch.org. It is an *every name index*. How great is that!

Your Editor is thrilled to announce that the last installment of *Marriages and Engagements From Local Newspapers* is in this issue. Those of you who receive an email copy of *The Live Oak* will no longer also receive line after line of blank spaces at the end of the newsletter! I hope to do some reformatting. Be patient, my computer skills are limited.

However, this also means I will have one to two more pages of the newsletter to hopefully fill with information that will be useful or of interest to our members. A real challenge, and filling these pages has always been a challenge. I am planning to begin a series of articles on *Researching in Alameda County*. I am also hoping members will submit short items about their research, their brick walls, their ancestors, a book review, etc. It is YOUR newsletter after all.

### **IN MEMORIAM.**

#### **Robert Lindquist**

We extend our deepest sympathy to our member June Lindquist and her family at the loss of her dear husband, Robert. Robert had been a member of EBGs for several years and at one time presented a marvelous program on researching Swedish ancestors.

#### **Richard Kline**

We have been informed that our member and past librarian, Lois Kline, lost her husband, Richard, in mid February. They had been married and best friends for 63 years. We extend our deepest sympathy to Lois and her family.

### **PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBER**

SHEILA M. SHENER, 2036 Central Avenue, Alameda, CA 94501  
Ph (510) 545-9114 email: ShlShnr@gmail.com

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**Oakland FHC Library** offers the following free classes/workshops on an ongoing basis. All interested are welcome to attend.

**African-American Workshop:** 4th Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.

**MAC GEN Genealogy** meetings - website for more information go to **www.macgen.org**

2nd Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m.

4th Saturday of each month at 1:30 p.m.

**San Mateo County Genealogy Society** will hold their Spring Seminar on Saturday, May 2, 2015. 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. at the Menlo Park LDS facility. Speaker to be announced.

For more information: <http://www.smcgs.org/event/spring-seminar>

### **Free Classes at the Concord Family History Center:**

3700 Concord Avenue, Concord, CA - Ph: 925-686-1766 for more information

Saturday, May 16, 2015 - 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Strategies:** Presented by Diana Toland

### **Jamboree - Southern California Genealogical Society**

Thursday, June 4, 2015 through Sunday, June 7, 2015

Los Angeles Marriott Burbank Airport, 1500 Hollywood Way, Burbank, CA

For more information and to make reservations:

So. California Gen. Soc: ph 818-843-7247 or email [www.genealogyjanboree.com](http://www.genealogyjanboree.com)

### **ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**Record Dates Correctly:** If you were recording a date, such as, August 10, 2007 in your records and you wrote 8/10/07 or 10/8/07 know that, either way, it could mistakenly be interpreted as October 8, 2007. Either record dates in their entirety, or if you must abbreviate, use 10 Aug 07 or 10 Aug 2007. Future generations of genealogists will encounter a lot of stumbling blocks - don't add to the confusion.

**The Tennessee State Public Library:** <http://tnsos.net/TSLA/Bibleproject/> The library has put on line a collection of 1,500 family bibles that the library has been collecting since the 1920s. The collections consists of scans of all the pages in the bibles that contain notations ; such as, dates of birth, baptism and marriage of various family members. Access is free. This is a work in progress: so far surnames A through J have been indexed.

**A Guardian When the Parents Are Not Dead:** Do not assume that because a child has a guardian appointed for him that the parents of that child are dead. A Maryland relative in 1817 gave money to two grandchildren and then appointed a guardian to oversee their inheritance. The parents of the child were still alive and their mother was the daughter of the man writing the will. The parents were not named as the guardians of their children's inheritance. The writer of the will was likely trying to avoid the son-in-law having any control over the grandchildren's inheritance. Giving the money directly to the daughter in 1817 would have realistically meant that the son-in-

law controlled it. Giving it to the grandchildren and appointing someone else to oversee it took care of that. (Genealogy Tip of the Day, 21 Oct 2014, via Monterey County Gen. Soc Newsletter Jan/Feb 2015)

**Primogeniture:** A legal term...The state of being born first of the same parents; seniority by birth among children. In law, the right which belongs to the eldest son or daughter.

Until the 20th century, male primogeniture was the rule in Britain - the right to inherit the estate of the father belonged to the eldest son and, in the royal family, the eldest son of the king is entitled to the throne. However, among the females and if there is no male heir, the crown descends to the eldest daughter only and her issue.

Rules of Primogeniture: Primogeniture means the preference in inheritance according to law, custom or usage historically to the eldest son or his issue, or in exceptional cases, to the line of the eldest daughter.

The United States gives succession of estates to all legitimate children without distinction and disregarding all consideration of primogeniture. But the US law differs from Justinian law in the lineal descendants, if they stand in equal degree from the common ancestor, share equally per capita.

Conversely, under Roman law the right was paid to "the right of representation" where each lineal branch of descendants took only the portion which their parent would have taken had he been living, the division being per stirpes and not per capita. When such lineal descendants stand in unequal degrees of consanguinity, the inheritance is per stirpes and not per capita. (stirpes means progenitor of family) (Ontario Gen Soc. Journal "Families", August, 2007)

**Family Tree Magazine:** The March/April, 2015 issue has several pages devoted to "essential tips and tricks" for using several major websites' databases; such as, FamilySearch.org, MyHeritage, World Vital Records, newspaper databases and more. Your local Family History Library has a copy of the magazine. It is worth a read.

## BOOK REVIEW

### "Arizona Adventure"

#### **Action packed true tales of Arizona: By Marshall Trimble**

"Opening of the Southwest's Last Frontier", a chapter about midway in the book, tells about the advance of the railroad through northern Arizona and the resulting growth of the Flagstaff area.

One tale relates to a newspaper article about a Capt. Bullwinkle, notorious poker player and another cattleman named, Vanderlip. Vanderlip came to town hoping to play poker with Bullwinkle, but with no money. They agreed to play for stock. After several hands, Bullwinkle left the table owning seven hundred sixty-two steers, heifers, etc., and a big stock ranch.

There is a lot of Arizona early history in this book and the mention of many settlers. The book is indexed. Paperback, published by Golden West Publishers, 1982.

## WEBSITES FOR CANADIAN RESEARCH

The main portal to the Library and Archives of Canada: <http://collectionscanada.gc.ca/>

General categories for Canadian research: <http://www.genealogylinks.net/canada/index.html>

Canada GenWeb: <http://www.canadagenweb.org/>

Ontario Archives: <http://www.archives.gov.on.ca/en/index.aspx>

Provincial Archives of New Brunswick: <http://archives.gnb.ca/Archives/?culture=en-CA>

Early Canadiana Online: <http://eco.canadiana.ca/>

Quebec Genealogy Records: <http://www.genealogysearch.org/canada/quebec.html>

Immigrants to Canada: <http://jubilation.uwaterloo.ca/~marj/genealogy/thevoyage.html>

Prince Edward Island Archives: <http://www.gov.pe.ca/archives/parosearch/>

Veterans Affairs - Canada: <http://www.veterans.gc.ca/eng/search>

British Columbia BMD Records:

<http://www.bcarchives.gov.bc.ca/textual/government/vstats/vevents.htm>

Alberta Homestead Records: <http://www.abgensoc.ca/homestead/search.php>

Manitoba BMD Index: <http://vitalstats.gov.mb.ca/Query.php>

Early Ontario Records: <http://my.tbaytel.net/bmatin/earlyont.htm>

Saskatchewan BMD Index: <http://genealogy.ehealthsask.ca/vsgs.srch.aspx>

Canada Genealogy Links: <http://www.genealogylinks.net/canada/index.html>

Western Land Grants: <http://bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/land/land-grants-western-canada-1870-1930/Pages/search.aspx>

Ontario Place Name Indicator: <http://www.gencofun.on.ca/ontariolocator/>

Upper Canadian Sundries: <http://www.ontariogenealogy.com/uppercanadasundries.html>


Canadian County Atlas Digital Project - Ontario:

<http://digital.library.mcgill.ca/CountyAtlas/SearchMapframes.php>

Don't forget to google for genealogical societies in the area of your search.

HISTORY OF OUR FLAG


# THE STARS AND STRIPES HISTORY




**GRAND UNION FLAG**  
 The Grand Union flag first appeared in 1775.




**BETSY ROSS FLAG**  
 Betsy Ross introduced her design in May 1776.




**13 STAR FLAG**  
 June 14, 1777, Continental Congress adopted this design.



**15 STAR FLAG**  
 In 1795, "The Star Spangled Banner" had fifteen stars and stripes.



**CIVIL WAR 35 STAR FLAG**  
 The South seceded but Lincoln didn't allow removal of stars.



**OLD GLORY**  
 Today's U.S. flag is a recognized symbol of freedom.

Last of index to Marriage and Engagement Announcements From Local Newspapers 1985-2010

GROOM	BRIDE	EVENT	DATE	PLACE
ZANKICH, Marty III	ALLARD, Lisa	marr	July, 2008	N. Lake Tahoe, CA
ZEBRE, John A	STALEY, JoAnn	eng	Nov, 1989	Drexel Hill, PA
ZIPP, Edward	CORNELL, Lori	eng	June, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
ZIPP, Edward	CORNELL, Lori	marr	August, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
ZOLLITSCH, Johan	COLE, Kelly	marr	August, 1993	Grythyttans, Sweden
ZUMBRUNN, John Robert	FANTA, Karen Lee	marr		Alameda Co, CA
ZUNICH, Michael David	BROCK, Amy Lynn	eng	May, 1998	Fair Oaks, CA
ZUNICH, Michael David	BROCK, Amy Lynn	marr	May, 1999	Fair Oaks, CA
ZUNINO, Jim	ALLEN, Cheri	marr	July, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
ZUNINO, Jim	ALLEN, Cheri	eng	April, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
ZUPFER, Michael Aaron	COURTNEY, Karen Annette	eng	Dec, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
ZUPFER, Michael Aaron	COURTNEY, Karen Annette	marr	June, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
ZUPFER, Rick Daniel	NULL, Lorraine Marie	marr	May, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
ZUPFER, Rick Daniel	STAGNARO, Kimberly Ann	marr	June, 1987	Alameda Co, CA

## EBGS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Mail to: EBGS, P. O. Box 1648 Alameda, CA 94501

Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss \_\_\_\_\_

Street/Apt.#/ P.O.Box \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Amt. Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ \$18 Individual/\$7.50 Each Additional Family Member

**May we hear from you by July 1, 2015      Thank you for your support.**

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## ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON – MAY 13, 2015

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

Teriyaki Chicken \_\_\_\_\_ Shrimp Louie \_\_\_\_\_ Caesar Salad w/chicken \_\_\_\_\_

Salads served with a cup of clam chowder. Teriyaki 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: \$24.50 per person

Mail your check and this form to:  
EBGS c/o Joyce Schleicher, 4345 Detroit Avenue, Oakland, CA 94619

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. Enc \_\_\_\_\_ No. Persons \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Please mail your reservations to Joyce by May 8th.**

### MEETINGS

2<sup>nd</sup> 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 - \$18.00

Family - \$25.00

Foreign - \$20.00

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