



East Bay Genealogical Society

The Live Oak

July/August 2010

Oakland, California

JULY MEETING

10 a.m. Wednesday, July 14, 2010 - Oakland Family History Center Library Meeting Room

PROBLEM SOLVING – An Open Discussion

This meeting will be By our members – For our members.

Have you found the solution to a tough research problem? Come and share it with us so that it might also help others. You might wish to bring background on your “brick wall” ancestor and let us all put our heads and ideas together to see if we can come up with a new avenue of research to help you. You might be surprised how helpful a small tidbit here or a little hint there can be in unraveling a difficult research problem. If you have found a website or a research aid that has been especially useful to you, please come and share it with it us.

AUGUST MEETING

EAST BAY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY DOES NOT HOLD A MEETING IN AUGUST

Therefore, you are free to roam the country and gather information or write articles for your struggling editor!

Some of you MUST have a tale to tell, some research to hoot about, or an illusive ancestor you would like to tell us about. Please share those experiences. E-mail your stories or newsy items to the editor. Material to fill these eight pages is not easy to come by and is always welcome! (**c-kstorm@juno.com**)

Our Annual May luncheon was well attended and Pier 29 Waterfront Restaurant treated us so nicely, as they always have.. The society presented this Editor with the gift of a gorgeous orchid plant. It was quite a pleasant surprise, for which I am truly grateful. Thank you all very much!

The subject of German research brought many members and some guests to our June meeting. Shirley Riemer gave an excellent presentation. She provided several handouts, copies of which are in our library for your

perusal. Her “Basics Facts for Starting My German Family History Research” was a most useful tool. I will cover this in more detail in the next issue of *The Live Oak*.

See pages 5 and 6 for continuation of marriage and engagement announcements clipped from local newspapers. **EBGS NEWS:** We had fourteen people attend our “Genealogy in the Library” program at the Alameda Library on April 24th. They were an enthusiastic group and we hope that we enthused them even more. There were many handouts, some of which the library had provided. We were able to locate a few ancestors in the census and provide the persons with copies. All in all, it was a very successful morning. The library staff was most accommodating. Thank you to our members: Lynne Bajuk, Sally Stevens, Lois Kline, Jean Christie, Joyce Schliecher and my husband for all their help and support for this event.

The hard work is done and plenty of handouts remain to handle another “Genealogy in the Library” program. The Alameda Library is interested in having us do so. We are awaiting available dates from their staff...

We have programs lined up for the remainder of the year – what a relief that is. We also have some very good leads on some very interesting programs for next year.

Thank you to all our members who have renewed their membership. If you have not yet renewed, please do so. A new Roster will be mailed with the next newsletter issue.

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Milene Rawlinson, 891 Dowling Blvd, San Leandro, CA 94577
510-569-7691 email: jmrawlinson@earthlink.net

MACINTOSH GENEALOGY MEETING – “Back to Basics” (www.macgen.org)

Saturday, June 26, 2010 – Oakland Family History Library Conference Room – 1:30 P.M.

We will discuss a number of Mac and Reunion Tips; including the handiest utility on the Mac, the “Preview App”, how to configure your mouse and track pad to be super-efficient. For Reunion users we will review navigation shortcuts, how to mark people, thumbnail photos from group photos, perspective events, easily add pictures to charts, etc. We will show a new program that lets you easily resize open windows on your Mac.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

Digitized Newspapers: The British Library in London has announced it is digitizing up to 40 million pages of newspapers, including fragile dailies dating back 250 years. Once digitized, the British newspapers documenting local, regional and national life spanning to the 1700s will be fully searchable and accessible online, the national library said. The vast majority of the British Library’s 759 million pages of newspapers – the largest collections in the world – are currently available only on microfilm or bound in bulky volumes.

San Francisco Chronicle – May 19, 2010

Pennsylvania Resources: Several members have requested a speaker on Pennsylvania Research, which so far we have been unable to find. However, an article written by Cath Trindle in the March/April 2010 issue of California Genealogical Alliance’s newsletter suggests many websites for Pennsylvania which might be of use. Following is a list of Cath’s website suggestions:

Land: www.portal.state.us/portal/serverpt/community/landrecords for early settlers

Legislation: www.legis.state.pa.us PA Gen. Assem. Website for copies of legislation from 1975 on .

Migration: www.MigrationTrailsInEarlyPennsylvania.com based on the book, "Indian Paths of Pennsylvania", by Paul A. W. Wallace

Military: www.pacivilwar.com and www.pacivilare150.com devoted to Pennsylvania in the Civil War. www.genpa.org/CivilWarCO.html lists of Pennsylvania conscientious objectors.

Maps: www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~pagenweb/map/index.html created in 1933 and showing the Creation of counties throughout PA history. www.ancestortracks.com to download early maps.

Biographies/family histories: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~parecs/bios> be sure to check for your ancestors in these volumes.

Newspapers: www.libraries.psu.edu/digital/PA/PA/. Pennsylvania Newspaper Project

Preservation – Paper: Paper is probably the most common item you have to store and wish to preserve; i.e. B/M/D. certificates, important records and photographs. These items should be stored at roughly 72 degrees with 50% humidity. Most living spaces meet this criteria, with the exceptions of attics, basements and garages.

A chart of how long items can be expected to last

Office Paper	50 – 300 years under "good" conditions:
Rag Paper	500 – 1000years
Newsprint	20 – 100 years
Archival Paper	100 – 1000 years
Color Negatives	20 – 100 years
Black & White Neg	100 – 1000 years
Color Prints	5 – 80 years
Black & White Prints	- depends on paper used

Your lovely colored wedding photographs could suffer damage before your 25th wedding anniversary if not stored properly.

Place papers and prized photographs in archival folders or archival sleeves, or copy information onto archival paper. Never put acidic paper with archival paper, especially newsprint.

Scanning photos and documents and preserving them on CDs and/or printing them on archival paper will help to keep them for many generations to come. Copy your those CDs onto a new CD or a new medium every few years to insure their preservations. Store in cool (not cold), dry atmosphere. (Gen. Soc. of Benicia & Vallejo *Taproot*, V.12, No.8 – excerpted & edited)

Epidemics from 1657 to 1918: Use this as a guide as it is not a complete reference, There were more or less constant epidemics of typhoid throughout the late 1800s and into the 1900s. During epidemics birth certificates were not always issued because people didn't go where they didn't have to go. This list of known epidemics makes a helpful reference when researching individuals who disappear from local records suddenly, with no record of death. During major epidemics people were often buried hurriedly and sometimes in mass graves.

1657 and 1687	Boston Measles
1690	New York Yellow Fever
1713 and 1729	Boston Measles
1732 -1733	Worldwide Influenza
1738	South Carolina Smallpox

1739 -1740	Boston Measles
1747	CT, NY, PA, SC Measles
1759	N. America Measles – areas inhabited by white people
1761	N. America and West Indies Influenza
1772	N. America Measles
1775	America Unknown epidemic – especially hard in NE
1775 -1776	Worldwide Influenza – one of the worst epidemics
1783	Dover, DE “Extremely fatal” bilious disorder
1788	Philadelphia and New York Measles
1793	Vermont – a “putrid” fever and influenza
1793	Virginia Influenza – killed 500 in 5 counties in 4 weeks
1793	Philadelphia Yellow Fever – over 4,000 deaths
1793	Harrisburg and Middletown, PA Many unexplained deaths
1794 and 1796-8	Philadelphia, PA Yellow Fever – 1798 being one of the worst
1803	New York Yellow Fever
1820 -1823	Nation-wide “Fever” – started Schuylkill River and spread
1822	New York and New Orleans Yellow Fever
1831-1832	Nation-wide Asiatic Cholera – brought by English immigrants
1832	NY and other major cities Cholera and New Orleans Asiatic Cholera – over 1,000 deaths
1832	Ayrshire towns of Stevenston, Dalry and Kilbride Cholera
1833	Columbus, OH Cholera
1834	New York City Cholera
1837	Philadelphia Typhus
1841	Nation-wide Yellow Fever – especially severe in the south
1847	New Orleans Yellow Fever
1847-1848	Worldwide Influenza
1848-1849	North America Cholera
1849	New York Cholera
1849-1850	New Orleans Cholera – 3,000 deaths
1850	Nation-wide Yellow Fever, Alabama and New York Cholera
1850-1851	North America Influenza
1851	Coles Co, IL - The Great Plains and Missouri Cholera
1852	Nation-wide Yellow Fever
1853	New Orleans Yellow Fever – 8,000 die
1855	Nation-wide Yellow Fever
1857-1859	Worldwide Influenza – one of the greatest epidemics
1860-1861	Pennsylvania Smallpox
1865-1873	Philadelphia, NY, Boston, New Orleans, Baltimore, Memphis, Wash.D.C. Smallpox plus a series of recurring epidemics of Cholera, Typhus, Typhoid, Yellow & Scarlet Fever
1873 -1875	North America and Europe Influenza
1878	New Orleans Yellow Fever – last great epidemic; and Memphis, TN Yellow Fever
1885	Chicago, IL, water borne disease and Plymouth, PA Typhoid
1886	Jacksonville, FL Yellow Fever
1900	Galveston, TX Cholera
1902	Alaska Measles
1905	New Orleans Yellow Fever – last US outbreak

1918 (high pt. yr) Worldwide Influenza – more people were hospitalized in WWI from this epidemic than from wounds. US Army training camps became death camps, with 80% death rate in some camps.

GROON	BRIDE	EVENT	DATE	PLACE
CANTO, Frank J. Jr.	RICO, Eileen Marie	eng	February, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
CAPPS, John Henry	McMULLIN, Renee K.	eng	February, 1992	
CAPPS, Michael Wayne	KASAN, Nita Jean	mar	October, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
CARD, William Scott	TADDEI, Kristine Angela	eng	February, 1985	Pemaquid Falls, ME
CARDANA, Johnny	BURTCHER, Kari	mar	April, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
CARDOZA, David Wayne	KACLUUDIS, Cynthia M.	mar	September, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CARDOZA, Manuel	JOHNSON, Lisa	eng	December, 1994	Manteca, CA
CARDOZA, Manuel Martin	JOHNSON, Lisa Andrea	mar	July, 1995	Manteca, CA
CAREY, Michael R.	BROWNSON, Kristine L.	mar	May, 1987	San Francisco, CA
CARLEN, Jeffrey Michael	FIREBAUGH, Linda L.	eng	August, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
CARLSON, Mark	MEDULAN, Amy E.	eng	August, 1999	Alameda Co, CA
CARLSON, Mark W.	MEDULAN, Amy E.	mar	October, 1999	Alameda Co, CA
CARNES, Tim M.	AMARAL, Jeanann	mar	July, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
CARREIRO, Herman	STEVENS, Wanda	mar	July, 2004	Reno, NV
CARROLL, Charles S.	HENNE, Virginia Anne	eng	August, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CARROLL, Charles S.	HENNE, Virginia	mar	December, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
CARROLL, Kevin James	ESPOSITO, Susanne M.	mar	August, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
CARROLL, Scott	DAMERON, Mary	eng	May, 2003	Alameda Co, CA
CARRUTH, Aaron	BAUGHMAN, Debra	mar	November, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CARSTENS, Joel P.	TOLLEFSEN, Sonja E.	mar	May, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
CARSTENSEN, Blair	ANDERSON, Rebecca	mar	June, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
CARSTENSEN, Blair	ANDERSON, Rebecca	eng	February, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
CARTE, Jimmy	KAMENY, Diane	eng	March, 2003	Alameda Co, CA
CARTE, Jimmy	KEMENY, Diane	eng	February, 2003	Alameda Co, CA
CARTER, Mark Alan	JONES, Toinette Shay	eng	November, 19887	Alameda Co, CA
CARTER, Michael	TEVES, Kim	mar	October, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CARTER, Michael	TEVES, Kim	eng	January, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CARVALHO, James A. Jr.	VIZCAINO, Catrina Marie	eng	August, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
CARVALHO, Kenneth P.	SCHOLZ, Dana Michele	mar	April, 1993	Kauai, HI
CARVALHO, Kenneth P.	SCHLOZ, Connie C.	eng	April, 1993	
CASSARO, Allan	PESICKA, Kim	eng	June, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
CASSARO, Allan Nicholas	PESICKA, Kimberly Ann	mar	September, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
CASTANEDA, Albert	PERRY, Julia Ann	mar	April, 1992	Contra Costa Co, CA
CASTANEDA, Albert S.	PERRY, Julie	eng	April, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
CASTLE, John E	WEBER, Sandra Lynn	mar	March, 1990	Contra Costa Co, CA
CASTRO, David	CIESLA, Cathy	eng	August, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CASTRO, Jorge F	DAMIAN, Catherine	mar	April, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
CASTRO, Matthew	ACORD, Carol	mar	March, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CECCANTI, David	SILVA, Donna	mar	September, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
CELESTE, Teofisto Jr.	TUANQUIN, Regina	mar	September, 1992	Bolinao, P.I.
CHACON, Art Lopez	DECKER, Holly Rachelle	eng	September, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CHAIREZ, Steven	WURM, Jill Ann	mar	March, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CHALLAND, Kelly Wayne	BRUE, Catherine Marie	mar	June, 1995	Anaheim, CA

CHAMBERLAIN, Bradley E.	MANTHA, Johanne L.	mar	November, 1979	Alameda Co, CA
CHAMBERLAIN, Jeffery S.	HEINTZE, Jane	mar	July, 1981	Santa Clara Co. CA
CHAN, Edward Michael	MELLENCAMP, Rebecca	eng	February, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
CHAPMAN, Gregory Robert	SAUNDERS, Cheri J.	eng	August, 1991	San Diego, CA
CHAPMAN, Gregory Robert	SAUNDERS, Cheri J.	eng	July, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
CHARLBERG, Jerry	CASARES, Lynn	mar	September, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
CHARLES, Curtis John	BOGDANOS, Elizabeth	mar	June, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
CHARRIERE, Daryl L.	HALL, Christine L.	eng	June, 1989	
CHARVET, Richard Dean	JACOBS, Linda Sue	mar	November, 1987	San Luis Obispo ,CA
CHAVEZ, Frank	ULIBARRI, Jeanette	eng	January, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
CHAVEZ, Jaime	DUARTE, Michelle	eng	August, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
CHECCHI, Mark Robert	ABELLA, Ursula S.	mar	Jan, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
CHECCHI, Michael R.	KIZZIAR, Lisa June	mar	September, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CHEGIA, John	LATVA, Susan	eng	November, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
CHENEY, Eric Warren	HOSKINS, Beverly Ann	mar	November, 1988	Contra Costa Co, CA
CHENEY, Mike	BRANDON, Sharol	eng	October, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
CHIVELLO, Daniel	BAILEY, Kimberly	eng	March, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CHIVELLO, Daniel	BAILEY, Kimberly	mar	Mar ch, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
CHOY, Steven Lee	KENNEY, Karen Denise	mar	June, 1995	Alameda Co, CA
CHRISTENSEN Regin M.	KORSTEN, Brenda Ann	eng	September, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
CHRISTENSEN, Dirk	MARTIN, Kimberly	eng	May, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
CHRISTENSEN, Jim	DONDERO, Debra.	eng		
CHRISTENSEN, Jim	DONDERO, Debra	mar	April, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
CHRISTENSEN, Kevin Dale	TAYLOR, Donna C.	mar	July, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
CHRISTIENSEN, Kevin D	TAYLOR, Donna C	eng	January, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
CHTAINI, Mohamed Saghir	HOLMSTEN, Shannon J.	mar	July, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
CLARKIN, Donald Patrick	DARLAND, Tiffany Ann	eng	February, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
CLAYBOURN, Luke Clayton	SPHAR, Melissa Lorraine	mar	August, 2003	Alameda Co, CA
CLEMENSEN, Michael Don	SACHWITZ, Tracy Suzanne	mar	July, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
CLEMENSEN, Mitchell J.	UPTON, Heather Marie	eng	October, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
CLEMENT, Gerald	LOBECK, Jacklyn	eng	January, 2004	Contra Costa Co, CA
CLEMENT, Paul D.	COROLLO, Diane	eng	May, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
CLERIC, Corey John	SELPH, Sherry B.	mar	July, 1989	Sunol, CA
CLIFFORD, Mark	BERG, Beth Ann	eng	May, 1992	Treasure Is, CA
CLIFT, Thomas A.	BRUZZONE, Katie	eng	February, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
CLIFT, Thomas A.	BRUZZONE, Katie	mar	May, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
CLINE, Richard	PIETRANTONI, Julie	eng	February, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
CLINE, Richard Andrew	PIETRANTONI, Julie M.	mar	June, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
CLINTON, David V.	FELIPE, DeAnn S.	eng	March, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
CLYMER, Johnathan M.	COLLINS, Jody Anne	eng	September, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
COBB, Shawn Lloyd	GREGORICH, Karen E.	eng	October, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
COBOS, Jose M.	OJEDA, Susan	mar	August, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
COCHRAN, Terry L.	ANDERSON, Patrice E.	mar	August, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
COGGIN, Peter	CASTELLUCCI, Lynn	mar	April, 1995	Lake Yahoe, CA
COGHE, John	MURPHY, Joelle	mar	May, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
COGHE, Timothy James	REILLY, Katherine Ann	mar	September, 189	Alameda Co, CA
COHEN, Michael A	SCHAEFER, Elaine H	mar	November, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
COLARCHIK, David K.	KINDER, Michelle A.	eng	February, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
COLBURN, Mark Andrew	THOMPSON, Deborah L.	mar	June, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
COLBURN, Nick	CHRISTO, Leigh Anne	eng	October, 2008	San Francisco, CA
COLBY, Christopher Glen	WARD, Stacy Lynn	eng	March, 1989	Alameda Co, CA

COLE, Richard Dudley	FOLLRATH, Carol .	mar	July, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
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COLLIN, Steve Alan	SCHOPPLEIN, Linda S.	eng	August, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
COLLINS, Daniel P.	KEPHART, Patricia Ann	mar	August, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
COLLINS, Daniel Patrick	KEPHART, Patricia Ann	eng	April, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
COLLINS, Gary Wallace	CINQUEGRANO, Gina M.	mar	August, 1991	Alameda Co, CA

SOLANO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA – A Thumbnail Sketch

Solano is an original county established in 1850. It is located almost half way between San Francisco and Sacramento, in the Bay-Delta Region. The county seat is Fairfield and the largest city is Vallejo. The population in 2000 was over 394,000.

Gold miners arriving in San Francisco during the Gold Rush Era traveled through this region to reach the gold fields. The county is home to part of the San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Travis Air Force Base, Benicia Capital State Historical Park and Vallejo Naval & History Museum. Several cinnabar mines were worked in the county during the first half of the 20th century.

In 1854, Mare Island, off the coast of the city of Vallejo was purchased by the government and became the first U.S. Naval Shipyard. In 1941 it employed over 18,000 people and was of major economic benefit to the city of Vallejo. The government closed the shipyard in 1993 and ownership has since reverted back to Solano County. It is listed in the National Record of Historic Districts and Vallejo is gradually restoring the island and preserving much of its history.

Solano County Recorder
675 Texas Street
Fairfield, CA 94533
707-784-6294

Solano County Library
Fairfield Civic Center
1150 Kentucky Street
Fairfield, CA 94533
1-866-57-ASKUS

There are several branches throughout the county. The libraries offer Heritage Quest, several newspaper research sites and a biographical and genealogical master index for use in the library or on line to those with a library card.

Solano County Archives
915 Chadbourne Rd, Ste 120
Fairfield, CA 94534
707-434-1101

Records dating back to the establishment of the county in 1850
Open Tuesdays & Fridays only - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Email: info@solanocounty.archives.org

There are two very active genealogical societies within Solano County. I could find no contact information for them. Google them as I did and check them out.

Solano County Genealogical Society meets at the Fairfield Senior Center. Their website offers a searchable data base for several categories.

Genealogical Society of Vallejo-Benicia meets at the Vallejo National Historic Museum in Vallejo. On their website is a long list of names their members have transcribed from tombstones in the Carquinez Cemetery.

Want to find out more? “Solano: the crossroads county, an illustrated history” by Frank L. Keenan
“Settlements in Solano County, California: Vallejo, CA; Vacaville, CA; Mare Island
Naval Shipyard, CA; Fairfield, CA” by Llc Book