



*East Bay Genealogical Society*

# *The Live Oak*

September/October 2011

Oakland, California

## SEPTEMBER MEETING

Wednesday, September 14, 2011 – 10 A.M. Oakland Family History Center Meeting Room

### **BORN IRISH – Speaker, Cath Madden Trindle, CG**

Born Irish, but where? Cath Madden Trindle will help us uncover clues to the origin of our Irish ancestors in U.S. Records. She will give us an overview of Irish civil registration, church census records, and online and printed resources for finding 19<sup>th</sup> century Irish ancestors.

A certified genealogist, Cath Madden Trindle will gladly share her knowledge and expertise in tracing Irish ancestors.

## OCTOBER MEETING

Wednesday, October 12, 2011 -10 AM Oakland Family History Center Meeting Room

### **USING THE NEWLY REVISED FAMILY SEARCH WEBSITE –Speaker, Ralph Severson**

Several members have mentioned having difficulty searching the newly revised FamilySearch.org or using the new computer system at the Family History Library. Help is on the way, folks!

Ralph Severson is the director of the Oakland Family History Library. He will tell us all about the newly revised Family Search website and how to navigate it for the best results. He will also fill us in on the new Family Search Wiki and upcoming FREE on-line classes available through Family Search “*LEARN*”.

There are an abundance of new digitized records soon to be available, plus a Family Tree program where everyone can participate. Also, on-line film ordering will soon be available, much less expensive, and the films will be available to you for 90 days.

Bring your notebooks! This promises to be a very interesting and informative meeting.

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**Looking Back at July:** I was unable to go to the U.C. Berkeley libraries in July, darn! I had been looking forward to that trip for several months. I have heard that those that did go were mostly successful in their searches and that a few members from other groups also joined them. It was a successful day and a nice change of pace.

**Looking Back at August:** There was no scheduled meeting. We left this month free to allow you to do some research on your own and/or to gather interesting tidbits and stories to share with this Editor – tee hee! I anxiously await your input!

### **EBGS NEWS**

Not much news during the summer months. We are getting ready to start the Fall Season with some good programs of interest to all.

Thank you to everyone who renewed their membership. Your support is greatly appreciated. Our new Roster is included in this mailing. Please report any errors or typos to Carolyn Storm at: [c-kstorm@juno.com](mailto:c-kstorm@juno.com).

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBER**

Arnette Whitehouse, 6075 Grizzly Peak Blvd. Oakland, CA 94611, e- mail: [CVArnette@aol.com](mailto:CVArnette@aol.com)

### **EBGS LIBRARY**

Our Librarian, Lois Kline, could use some help entering data to alphabetize the obituaries from Fowler-Anderson Mortuary so that they might be in a more searchable format. This is something that could be done at home on your own computer. Please call Lois if you are able to help in this endeavor. She would be most grateful!

We have one new book in our library:

Cassell's New German and English Dictionary – with a phonetic key to pronunciation.

PF3640 B7 1939 687 pgs; index to names – New York: 1939 German-English ID 784

### **A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE EBGS LIBRARY – By Lois Kline**

EBGS was founded in 1979 by Carolyn Sherfy. Meetings were held at her home or homes of other members, or anywhere a meeting room was available. Carolyn had a few genealogical books that had been donated and she would bring them to meetings for members to borrow.

At the second meeting I attended, in 1982, Carolyn stated that she could not continue to bring the books to each meeting and would someone please take over. I innocently stood and said I could!

I, then, brought the books to each meeting. As the number of books increased, we began to look for permanent space in a library where they would be available to our members and the public as well. One of our members was also a member of the Society of Mayflower Descendants and approached Dr. Oliver Hayward, their librarian at the time, with a request for shelf space within their library. A contract was drawn up and agreed upon and we were allowed 8 feet of shelf space and agreed to staff their library on Monday afternoons.

Today we have grown to 100 feet of shelf space. We have our own microfiche and microfilm reader and a computer that was donated by SMD. We have over 185 rolls of microfilm of Oakland records and many DVDs of obituaries and biographical records relating to Oakland and Alameda County. The library is located in the basement of the Franklin Building at the corner of Franklin and 14<sup>th</sup> in downtown Oakland. It is open from 9 AM – 4 PM every Monday and is staffed by our members from 1 PM -4 PM. Come visit us – you will also have the benefit of browsing the SMD collection – and it is FREE to the public.

### **SEPTEMBER CLASSES AT OAKLAND FAMILY HISTORY CENTER**

Classes cost \$4.00 and include handout. Mac User's Group and African American Workshop are FREE

Class descriptions on OFHC website at [www.oaklandfhc.org](http://www.oaklandfhc.org)

Please pre-register at [fhcoakland@gmail.com](mailto:fhcoakland@gmail.com) or call 510-531-3905.

Tuesday, Sept 6 <sup>th</sup> 1:30 PM	Introduction to Genealogy Data Programs	Ken Miller
Friday, Sept 9 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM	Please bring flash drive	
Wednesday, Sept 14 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM	Mac User's Group Workshop (no charge)	Bill George
Thursday, Sept 15 <sup>th</sup> 1:00 PM	CGS-ORFHC Introduction to Genealogy`	Marge Bell
Tuesday, Sept 27 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM		
Tuesday, Sept 20 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM	Adding Documentation and Notes	
Friday, Sept 23 <sup>rd</sup> 1:30 PM	to your Genealogy Program	Ken Miller
	Please bring flash drive	
Thursday, Sept 22 <sup>nd</sup> 1:00 PM	CGS-ORFHC Secondary Research	Marge Bell
Wednesday, Sept 28 <sup>th</sup> 6:00 PM	African American Workshop (no charge)	Judith Collins
Thursday, Sept 29 <sup>th</sup> 1:00 PM	CGS-ORFHC Getting the Most from the Census	Marge Bell

#### NEWS YOU CAN USE

**Rising Costs of Birth and Death Certificates:** ABI053 (Assemblyman Rich Gordon, 21<sup>st</sup> District, Los Altos, California) **if passed**, will add up to \$9 to the existing fees for copies of birth and death records beginning in January of 2012. Wow!! (Obviously, Assemblyman Gordon is NOT into genealogy!) You might want to scurry to your local county Records Office and gather those certificates you have been procrastinating over! You also might wish to contact your state legislator...

See Assembly Roster at <http://www.assembly.ca.gov/defaulttext.asp>

Or Senate Roster at: <http://senate.ca.gov/senators>

**Alsace Records (French Department of Bas-Rhin):** These records on microfilm can be ordered from SLC FHL, however, you may also access them at home on your computer. Search <http://www.bas-rhin.fr/etat-civil>

The link above gets you to the obligatory page where you accept their conditions of use. Just click on the box at the bottom of the page, next to "L'accepte ces conditions", and two new links will appear below it: *Application Flash* and *Application accessible*. Both these links eventually take you to the same information, so, which ever works best for you is the one to use. (Excerpt from San Ramon Valley Gen. Soc. Newsletter, Nov, 2011, by Bob Ventor)

There are three French Departments of Alsace: *Haut-Rhin (southern ElsaB; Bas-Rhin, (northern EelsaB); and Moselle (Lothringen or Lorraine)*. Below are the film numbers for the Alsace Emigration Index available on microfilm from the FHL in Salt Lake City.

A-C: 1,125,002

D-G: 1,125,003

H-K: 1,125,004

L-P: 1,123,005

Q-S: 1,125,006

T-Z: 1,125,007

Birthplaces, ages and dates of emigration found on these films can become the basis for searches in French civil or parish records. After 1792, civil records for Alsace and the department of Moselle are mostly in German. Parish records of Lutherans are usually in German. Parish records of Catholics are in Latin, or sometimes in French. (*Der Blumenbaum*, Sacramento German Genealogy Society, August/September 2011, Vol. 29, No. 1)

Note: This issue also has a list of French genealogical terms often found in Alsatian records.

Once in a while each of us might experience a “jaw-dropping” moment. I had one last night as I was browsing the latest issue of *Der Blumenbaum*, the bi-monthly newsletter published by the Sacramento German Genealogy Society. I had just finished the previous item on Alsace-Lorraine and then turned the page! The following article and its accompanying picture made my eyes pop!

I have recently been clearing out my sister’s home as she is now in a skilled nursing facility. In her china cabinet I had found a replica of this goblet! When I brought it home, neither my husband, my son, nor I, knew exactly what it was, other than an odd goblet. It was decided perhaps we could sell it on E-Bay, rather than at the “garage sale of the century” we are planning soon.

I have no idea where my sister got this goblet, perhaps one time when she was in Pennsylvania or New York and visited an Amish settlement? She is unable to tell me at this point, unfortunately. It has no marks of any sort on it that might tell where or when it was made. It is not silver, nor is it gilded or as ornate as the one depicted in the article; however, I think I will keep it after all!

### THE “MAIDEN GOBLET” TREASURE

The first so-called maiden cups (*Jungfrauenbecher*) were probably made around 1550 in the goldsmiths’ capital of Nurnberg. Later they were also fabricated in such cities as Augsburg and Breslaw.

It is assumed that the popular drinking game that employed them was generally played in connection with wedding ceremonies. According to custom, the groom drank from the larger beaker, which resembles a bell-shaped skirt, while the bride was expected to empty the smaller vessel, suspended over the figure’s head by two hinged ornamental clasps.

However, a note in the silver inventories of Duke Moritz of Saxony, dated 1543-46, states that “2 *Junnckfrawen becher [...] Im tegelichen brauchs des Kellers*” (two maiden cups [were] used daily in the basement). This is a clear indication that such vessels were not exclusively used during weddings.

A typical feature of these amusing vessels is the female’s elegant dress, complete with lace collar, solid bodice cinched-in waist, and conical crinoline, all of which are derived from sixteenth-century Spanish court fashion. The goldsmiths used contemporary prints of court fashion as prototypes for such vessels.

The piece [shown] is by Meinrad Bauch the Elder, Nurnburg, circa 1603-9, of silver, partly gilded. It stands 11 inches high.

Note: This “Maiden Goblet” is from the Grunes Gewolbe (Green Vault) treasures, which depict the princely splendor of the Saxon court as it began to evolve in the decades preceding the Thirty Years War. The information above is from *Princely Splendor: The Dresden Court 1580-1620*, ed. Kirk Syndram and Antje Scherner, The Metropolitan Museum of Art: Staatliche Kunstsammlungen Dresden, 2004. See pictures of these goblets on Page 7.

If you have German ancestry, consider joining the Sacramento German Genealogy Society. Their bi-monthly newsletter *Der Blumenbaum* is actually a booklet. The most recent issue is over 40 pages! It always has fascinating articles, bits of German history, and lots of information that can help you with your German research. The Editor, Shirley J. Riemer, is to be commended for her time and effort in producing such a quality publication.

Continuation of marriage and engagement announcements from local newspapers (1985 – 2010)

GROOM	BRIDE	EVENT	DATE	PLACE
HANNAN, Jim	HILL, Shellie	mar	Oct, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
HANRAHN, Jeff	CURNOW, Lori	eng	Dec, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HANSEN, Benjamin Dennis	LIVINGSTONE, Lisa K.	eng	Feb, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
HANSEN, Jeffrey A.	SALTGAVER, Delores	eng	April, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
HANSEN, Jeffrey Charles	McINTYRE, Renee Ann	eng	Jan, 1995	Santa Cruz, CA
HANSON, Leonard	PAULSON, Christine	mar	May, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
HANSON, Leonard	PAULSON, Christine	eng	Feb, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
HAPP, M. Scott	NICKERSON, Linda K.	eng	Aug, 1984	Salem, OR
HARDMAN, Shawn K	MASON, Arunda J.	mar	April, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
HARE, Joseph	CHAPMAN, Kimberley	eng	June, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
HARGUINDEGUU, Renee	CANTOS, Maria	mar	Oct, 2008	Alameda Co, CA
HARPER, Leon V.	GRUNOW, Hope	mar	Nov, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
HARRINGTON, John H.	FLETCHER, Holly	mar	June, 1993	.Washington, D.C.
HARRIS, Edward W.	MILLS, Kathy L.	mar	Sept, 1993	Contra Costa Co, CA
HARRIS, Guy	ROBERTS, Gay	eng	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HARRIS, King Jeffery	HEADRICK, Maureen Lisa	eng	Jan, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
HARRIS, King Jeffrey	HEADRICK, Maureen Lisa	mar	July, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
HARRIS, L. Guy	ROBERTS, Gay Melanie	mar	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HARRIS, L. Guy	ROBERTS, Gay Melanie	mar	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HARRIS, Tim	BENNETT, Elizabeth	eng	Oct, 1990	
HARRIS, Tim	BENNETT, Elizabeth	eng	Sept, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
HART, Joseph Michael III	CHAMBERS, Kelly Arlene	mar	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HART, Michael Glen	ROBERTS, Mary Angela	mar	Feb, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HARTMAN, David	RIDDLE, Margie	mar	Aug, 1991	San Francisco, CA
HARTMAN, Duane Taylor	HOUSTON, Cherie	mar	Nov, 1987	El Dorado Co, CA
HARTMAN, Patrick John	BENSON, Cheryl Lynn	mar	March, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
HARTWIG, David Armin	MULLER, Audrey Jacqueline	mar	Jan, 2003	Burlingame, CA
HARVEY, William Richard	GASPARI, Lisa Marie	mar	Oct, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
HATCH, Clark C	HOTTINGER, Dawn	eng	June, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HATCH, Clark Collins	HOTTINGER, Dawn	eng	June, 1989	Arcata, CA
HATCH, Rulon Fred, Jr	PENFOLD, Jody Marie	eng	Jan, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
HATCHEL, Demetrios	SAHAGON, Zaneta	mar	Aug, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
HATHAWAY, Mark Allen	THRANE, Mary Cloyd	mar	April, 1985	Monterey Co, CA
HATHEWAY, John Alden	GARLAND, Kathryn Jenne	mar	June, 18989	Contra Costa Co, CA
HAWKEY, Bill L.	FINKBINER, Lisa Hiroko	mar	July, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
HAWLEY, Mitchell Arthur	McKENNA, Lela K.	eng	Dec, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
HAWLEY, Mitchell Arthur	McKENNA, Lela Katherine	mar	Jan, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
HAYES, Mark Thomas	LITTORNO, Jennifer Lynn	eng	Aug, 1993	Contra Costa Co, CA
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HAYES, Peter Lee	MOUTINNBO, Darlene Marie	mar	July, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
HAYES, Tom J.	QUIJADA, Eleonora	mar	May, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HAYNES, Ricardo Garrido	PEGG, Wendy Sue	eng	May, 1988	San Joaquin Co, CA

HAZEN, Donald James	CARSON, Shirley Ann	eng	Sept, 1984	San Francisco, CA
HEADLEE, Chuck	PAKAL, Bonnie J.	mar	Sept, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
HEALY, Michael	BEDINGER, Suzanne	mar	Aug, 1996	Alameda Co, CA
HECKLER, John C.	BAKER, Lee Anna	eng	April, 1984	Alameda Co, CA
HEISER, Joseph	PANDOLFO, Serena Leigh	eng	Sept, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
HEISLER, Larry	WALTON, Heather Leigh	mar	April, 1992	Alameda Co, CA
HELMSO, Carl E.	CHASE, Linda Carol	eng	March, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HELMSO, Carl E.	CHASE, Linda Carol	mar	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HEMBREE, Ron	O'REILLY, Theresa	mar	July, 2004	Alameda Co, CA
HENDERSON, Charles Wayne	TURNER, Colleen Leta	mar	June, 1991	Alameda Co, CA
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HENDRICKS, Peter Martin	KAYSER, Lindsay Bernice	eng	Aug, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HENDRICKS, Ted Brian	DUBBS, Marilyn Diane	eng	Dec, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
HENIGE, Paul	YORBA, Kristin	mar	Oct, 1996	Alameda Co, CA
HENNESSEE, Scott Andrew	HEYMING, Renee Felice	eng	April, 2004	Riverside, CA
HENNINGSEN, Matthew D.	BRASS-MASSERY, Sarah J.	eng	May, 2002	Davis, CA
HENRICKS, Ted Brian	DUBBS, Marilyn Diane	eng	Oct, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
HENRY, Dean	ANDERSON, Cherie	eng	May, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
HENSCHER, Fred Carl	LAMBERT, Julie Lee	mar	Sept, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
HENSLEY, Michael	SANDER, Minya	eng	Oct, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
HERB, Thomas Jerome	COURSON, Natalie Ann	mar	Aug, 1984	Alameda Co, CA
HERNANDEZ, Brent Stephen	IGLESAS, Ann Marie	mar	Sept, 1990	So Lake Tahoe, CA
HERNANDEZ, David	YOUNGLUND, Jeanne L.	mar	Nov, 1991	San Juan Baptista, CA
HERNANDEZ, Greg	FARNAN, Kathleen	eng	Aug 1992	Alameda Co, CA
HERNANDEZ, Greg	FARNAN, Kathleen	mar	Aug, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
HERNANDEZ, Jaime R.	JIMENEZ, Antonette	mar	May, 1988	Alameda Co, CA
HERNANDEZ, Larry	LOW, Kimberly	eng	Feb, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
HERNANDEZ, Richard A.	CORNELL, Debbie Sue	eng	April, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
HERRERA, Chad	MYERS, Larissa	eng	April, 2009	Monterey, CA
HERRERA, Enrique	JACKSON, Anoni Juanita	mar	Dec, 1999	Alameda Co, CA
HERRERA, Jeff A.	ROBINSON, Julee Dyan	eng	Feb, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HERRERA, Jeffrey Arnold	ROBINSON, Julee Dyan	mar	Aug, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HERRERA, Roberto Sergio	GRAVELLE, Jeanine Sophia	eng	Aug, 1993	Alameda Co, CA
HEWITT, James Henry	PURDY, Jacqueline Marie	mar	March, 1986	Alameda Co, CA
HICKS, Douglas Andrew	KNEPPER, Erin Michele	mar	June, 1998	Reno, NV
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HIGARES, Tim Joseph	LERMA, Carcella Lynnae	mar	Aug, 1990	Alameda Co, CA
HIGGINS, Jerran Joseph	BOYD, Amanda Diane	eng	May, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HIGHLEY, Donald James	GETTY, Pamela Ann	mar	June, 1987	Alameda Co, CA
HILBERT, Glen D.	CIVILETTE, Lisa A.	eng	Jan, 1989	Mill Valley, CA
HILBERT, Glen Dewy	CIVILETTE, Lisa Ann	mar	July, 1989	Alameda Co, CA
HILBOURN, Kirk	WEBER, Emma	mar	July, 2004	Yosemite, CA
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The "Maiden Goblet" Treasure  
Beautifully crafted and detailed.  
A real treasure.



An inexpensive replica.

I am keeping it anyway!