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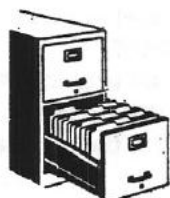
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THIS MONTH

Bette Kot will speak on Organization and Documentation. Bette, a charter member of the Society, is a popular teacher, lecturer and author. Her speech will be especially helpful for beginning genealogists, but it is good for all of us to review the basics occasionally.

LAST MONTH

Reported by Christine Scott

"Telling Our Stories" was the subject of a humorous presentation by Mary Lynn Archibald, an experienced teacher and newspaper columnist, and member of the National Genealogical Society, the Sonoma County Genealogical Society and the Women's International Writing Guild. Ms. Archibald stressed the importance of recording family memories, shared her experiences in writing her mother's memoirs, relayed her recent experiences in Letcher County, Kentucky on a visit to explore her mother's roots, and gave advice on recording family histories.

She encouraged the audience to write their family memoirs in order to leave a record for posterity, to honor family members, and to gain an insight into themselves and those about whom they write.

She offered the following suggestions for a successful experience in writing a family history: join a genealogical society, take courses in creative writing, read books about

writing, try to verify the truth of family tales, and hire a professional editor. She also supplied a bibliography of references.

Ms. Archibald prepared to write her mother's book, *Brier Hopper* (a term for barefoot Kentucky children) by sending a list of questions to the people she planned to interview. These included: What do you know about the family surname, its origin and meaning? What are some of the traditional nicknames, favorite dishes, customs? What are some of the stories that have come down through the family? What are the cherished articles belonging to certain ancestors? How did your parents meet and marry? How did historical events affect your family?

Ms. Archibald gave several suggestions for structuring a family history. She stressed the importance of an introduction which should include the reason for writing the book, for whom it is written, the time period covered and the branch of the family included.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

OCTOBER



SRVGS EVENTS

- 15 TUESDAY - 10:00 a.m. 7777 Norris Canyon Rd., Bette Kot on Organization & Documentation.
- 22 TUESDAY - 9:00 a.m. Library Trip to Calif. State Library, Sacramento. See p. 30.
- 29 TUESDAY - 10:00 a.m. Member Education Class, a hands-on workshop on organization and documentation at Fran Lloyd's, 210 Town and Country Dr., Danville. Call if you plan to come so that enough handouts will be available.

OTHER EVENTS

- 10 THURSDAY - 7:30 p.m., Contra Costa County Gen. Soc., LDS Church, 3700 Concord Blvd., Concord. Mary Ellen Jones on Tombstones Readings & Interpretations. (This should put you in the mood for Halloween!)
- 12 SATURDAY - 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Concord Family History seminar. Karen Clifford keynote speaker. Midwestern and southern states research and many classes for the beginner and intermediate genealogist. Call Jackie Hein (510) 827-4792.
- 19 SATURDAY - Monterey County Gen Soc-Central CA Gen Con. Hank Jones, Wendy Elliott, Karen Clifford and more. Monterey Beach Hotel, Monterey Ca. \$45.00 non-members. Write P.O. Box 6494, Salinas, CA 93912 or call Thomas Taft (408) 759-8466.
- 19 SATURDAY - 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Family History Seminar, 490 Wrentham Drive, Vacaville, CA. sponsored by the Vacaville LDS Family History Center & the Solano County Genealogical Society. Call Arleen (707) 446-8436.
- 26 SATURDAY - 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Paul Smart on Family History Research in the British Isles. 875 Quince Ave., Santa Clara. Sponsored by the Santa Clara History Center. For more information call (408) 241-1449.



NOVEMBER



SRVGS EVENTS

- 5 TUESDAY-10:00 a.m. Board meeting at Fran Lloyd's, 202 Town & Country, Danville, CA. All members welcome.
- 19 TUESDAY-10:00 a.m. SRVGS Meeting at 7777 Norris Canyon Rd., San Ramon. Dusk Aylesworth on What's New at Kinko's. Members will share books printed by Kinko.
- 21 THURSDAY-10:00 a.m. Member Education Class on probate at Dorothy Stanton's, 501 El Capitan Dr., Danville (820-8430).
- 26 TUESDAY-9:00 a.m. Library Trip to National Archives, San Bruno.

OTHER EVENTS

- 1 FRIDAY-9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Workshop at National Archives, San Bruno. Contact Rose Mary Kennedy (415) 876-9009.
- 9 SATURDAY-10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Redwood City Library Community Room, 1044 Middlefield Rd. Redwood City, SMCSS presents A Day of German Genealogy with Larry O. Jensen. Registration (by Nov 4) \$18.00, at door \$20.00. For info call (415) 708-7081.
- 16 SATURDAY-9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. How to Find Your Irish ancestors USA & Ireland by Nora M. Hickey at United Irish Cultural Center, 2700, 45th Ave., San Francisco, CA 94166. Registration \$30.00.

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THE MOST COMMON MISTAKES IN GENEALOGY

1. Not using family group sheets and pedigree charts.
2. Not contacting relatives for assistance.
3. Assuming that "no one else is working on my line."
4. Not using maps of the area at the time your ancestors lived there.
5. Not knowing the history of the area.
6. Not using common sense when reading family histories.
7. Gathering information on every one by "that" surname.

8. Not using the primary sources: land, probate, church, city records but relying on printed histories.
9. Not making photocopies.
10. Not making a master copy.
11. Not organizing your records.
12. Not paying attention to the clues your ancestors are giving up.
13. Not using your imagination on the spelling of names.
14. Giving up.
 (MR. Diablo Digger, July 1994.)

Make a shirt for the family reunion. With your pedigree on the back, you won't have to explain how you are related, just point.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

GERMAN - Will meet at 10:00 a.m., Thursday, October 24 at Barbara Johnson's, 616 Camino Amigo, Danville (837-2153).

SOUTHERN - Will be announced.

IRISH - Will meet 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 9 at Carol Glover's, 333 Goshen Ct., San Ramon (829-7207).

CALIFORNIA - Will meet with the Irish Group.

MAC COMPUTER - Will discuss possible meetings at the October 15th SRVGS meeting.

UNITED KINGDOM - No meetings until further notice. Needs a new chairman. See p. 30.

PUBLISHING - Meets when needed. If you would like help with a publishing project, contact Jane Steiner (283-0867).

ROOTS USERS - Official Comsoft ROOTS III/IV Users will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesdays following the general meeting at Ruth Pfeiffer's, 59 Mariposa Ct., Danville (837-5160).

MIDWESTERN - Will meet 10:00 a.m. Thursday, November 7 at Frances Lloyd's, 210 Town & Country, to discuss OH.

DOTSONS BREAK OUT INTO PRINT AGAIN

First Vice President Irma Dotson and husband Jim have both recently published books on their favorite subjects - genealogy and local history.

Having previously written *Our McGinnis Family*, published in two editions, and *San Ramon Branch Line of the Southern Pacific*, Irma has written another local history "railroad book" titled *Danville Branch of the Oakland Antioch & Eastern Railway*. This book provides a unique look at the small electric trolley line which ran some 10 miles between Saranap in Walnut Creek, through Alamo and Danville to Diablo. Operation of this line was short lived, from 1914 to 1924. Sixty black and white photographs, plus many maps and other illustrations, help tell the enjoyable story of this beloved little railway. Art work for the cover and illustrations were done by local artist Charles Endom. The publisher is Museum of the San Ramon Valley; copies are available through this organization.

Jim's book is titled *John Fiess and Katharina Moser; their Ancestors and Descendants*. This Swiss couple, after their marriage at Thun, Switzerland in 1852, emigrated the following year to Belmont County, Ohio. John volunteered for service in the Civil War in 1861 and was in the famous battle of Shiloh. John and Katharina had eight children, five of whom lived to maturity and from whom descendants are now scattered throughout the United States.

John (Johannes) Fiess' ancestors were traced back 200 years through five generations, Katharine Moser's through nine generations to 1542 AD.

BOOK REVIEW

BY Dorothy Stanton



RECORDING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY; A

Guide to Preserving Oral History with Audio and Video Tapes by William Fletcher. Ten Speed Press (P O Box 7123, Berkeley CA 94707, 1989).

This book is designed to help you conduct an autobiographical oral history with an elderly relative to create a unique legacy for future generations.

The author describes the video and audio equipment needed, tells how to conduct videotaped interviews and suggests some excellent techniques for making the interview situation comfortable and non-threatening. Suggested questions help the narrator tell his story in a meaningful way.

The questions are organized in three categories: 1) typical life cycle and "life crisis" events, including stories of ancestors; 2) historical events and the narrator's experience of them; 3) personal value, experiences, and life philosophy, e.g. high and low points in life and what they learned from them. Special sections include questions for Jewish, Black and Hispanic-American narrators.

If you are thinking of writing your own story for your family, this would be an excellent book to consult as well. The questions are thought-provoking, covering subjects you might not think to include and provide a well-organized structure.

An earlier version of this book was published in 1983 with the title *Talking Your Roots*. I found the current edition in the Danville Library (920.0028) in the Kazuo Sugitani Collection.



SRVGS NEWS



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At the invitation of Nancy Blackburn, Nurse Liaison, Golden State Rehabilitation Hospital, some of the Board toured the facility on October 1. The inpatient and outpatient acute rehabilitation offered there is outstanding. Designed for rehabilitation, the equipment, care and services are state of the art. Directions for reaching the hospital are on p. 34. Thanks again to Claudia Mortensen for finding us such a nice new meeting place.

To solve the problem of storing three 30-cup coffee pots, the Board has decided to hold a "silent auction" at the October 15 meeting, giving members an opportunity to possess the "larger" coffee pot they always wished they had during the holidays!

We are still looking for members to help with the Family History Center extraction program. Please contact me if you want to know more about it.

Although negotiations are still pending on the Heritage Library, we will be establishing a Book Selection Committee which will prepare a beginning list of "must have" genealogy books so that we will be ready to go.

Don't forget to write your local PBS station requesting the Ancestry program.
— Millie Freitas

HAVE YOUR HEARD?

● SRVGS is now a member of the Conference of California Historical Societies.

● We need a chairman for the United Kingdom interest group. The chairman coordinates meeting dates and places. Usually members take turn offering their homes. Fran Lloyd's is usually available.

● There is some interest in forming a Scottish group. If you are interested, see Millie.

● Vern Segelke reports that we have purchased 16 new tapes. Subjects were selected from the questionnaire.

● Fran Lloyd, Alliance Representative, reports that this group is remaining alert concerning any legislation endangering access to public records.

NEW MEMBERS

● MICHAEL FIORENZA, 15 Alamo Glen Ct., Danville, CA 94526 (820-8294) is researching Fiorenza in Italy 1870-1900 and Ciliberti - no locale - 1870-1900.

● PEGGY GIERKE, 260 South Ave., Alamo CA 94507 (837-5667) is researching Duryee in CA to present and Richardson in NC and IL from 1847.

● DOROTHY HUMPAL, 666 S Paradise Valley Ct., Danville, CA 94526 (735-3310) is researching Pennington in KY and WVA from arrival to present and Lunsford in KY and WVA from arrival to present.

● CORRECTION: BARBARA CULBERTSON is researching LEDYARD in VT, NY and MI.

SRVGS 1996-1997 BUDGET

Income:

Hospitality	50.00
Library Donations	500.00
Membership Dues	2,400.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
Publications	125.00
Tape Library	75.00
Prior Year Balance Forward	3,509.68
Total	6,709.68

Expenses:

Facility Rentals	50.00
Insurance	450.00
Library	2,000.00
Membership Committee (Rosters, Brochures)	350.00
Miscellaneous	150.00
Newsletter	1,100.00
Officer Expenses	200.00
Post Office Box	8.00
Program Costs	400.00
Society Memberships	100.00
Tape Library	127.00
Balance Forward to Next Year	1,774.68
Total	6,709.68



OCTOBER LIBRARY TRIP

This month we will visit the California State Library, Sacramento. As usual we will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the parking lot at the Lucky on Diablo Rd. in Danville or the Orchard parking lot in Lafayette.

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If you cannot come to the meetings and wish to have a handbook mailed to you, send \$2.00 to Diana Hancock.



TIPS FOR THE BEGINNING GENEALOGIST

● **CENSUS TIPS** The 1860 census for CO is with KS, NV is with UT. The 1850 WY count is included in NE. For 1840 MN, see Clayton, Co. LA. If you are looking for someone born in MO between 1805 and 1812, check LA records. During those years MO was part of the Louisiana Territory.

(Diablo Descendants, Vol. 11, No. 9, September 1966.)

● **FREE CATALOGUE OF TITLES IN THE MID-CONTINENT PUBLIC LIBRARY GENEALOGY CIRCULATING COLLECTION** Write to:

Mid-Continent Public Library
Martha Henderson, Genealogy Librarian
Genealogy and Local History Dept.
North Independence Branch
Spring and 24 Highways
Independence, MO 64050

(SCGS Root Digger, April 1996)

● **ILLINOIS** About 4700 newspapers pertaining to Illinois can be accessed through interlibrary loan. For additional information write Sandra M. Stark, Illinois State Historical Society, Old State Capitol, Springfield, IL 62701.

(CSGA Newsletter, Vol. 14, July 1996)

● **MISSOURI** Many early Missouri newspapers have been microfilmed and are available through interlibrary loan from the State Historical Society, 1020 Lowry St., Columbus, MO 65201. A few date back to 1808. Some of the early newspapers have been indexed by the society and maintained in a card file with the individual's name, name of newspaper, date, and page and column reference.

(CSGA Newsletter, Vol. 14, No. 7, July 1996)

● **TENNESSEE** Microfilm copies of the earliest marriages, wills and estates, and deed indexes for each county are now available through interlibrary loan. For a list of the available records on a certain county and details about the program, send a SASE to Public Services Section, TN State Library and Archives, 403 7th Avenue North, Nashville, TN 37243-0312.

(CSGA Newsletter, Vol. 14, No. 7, July 1996)

● **RESEARCH TIP** *Where to Write for Vital Records* is a booklet available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. The cost is around \$1.50. To obtain a record, write to the appropriate office as stated in the guide.

(CSGA Newsletter, Vol. 14, No. 7, July 1996)

● **GENEALOGICAL RECORDS** at the CA State Archives, 1020 O Street, Sacramento CA 95814, (916) 653-2246.

COUNTY RECORDS (1850-1987), filed alphabetically by county name, they include probate court case files, wills, naturalization, deeds, homesteads, and vital records for the counties of El Dorado, Fresno, Humboldt, Imperial, Marin, Mendocino, Napa, Nevada, Orange, Placer, Sacramento, San Diego, Santa Barbara, Santa Clara, Sierra, Sonoma, Stanislaus and Sutter. Much of the material is on microfilm produced by the Genealogical Society of Utah.

MILITARY RECORDS (1850-1942) include organization papers, correspondence, election of officers, muster rolls, loyalty oaths, and invoices relating to independent Militia Units, Indian Wars, Civil War, Spanish-American War, World War I and II. Name index for Civil War Volunteers (1861-1887) is available.

PRISON RECORDS (1850-1945) include San Quentin and Folsom prison registers, inmate photographs, reward and commitment papers, inmate case files (samples only) and pardon files. Prison registers have name indexes (1850-1930).

(SCGS Root Digger, August 1996.)

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Bowing to current living trends, the census bureau has come up with the acronym POSSEL-QUE for "Persons of Opposite Sex Sharing Living Quarters." (The Live Oak, September/October 1996.)

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Helen Hubbard reports that one of her ancestors had 13 children in just 22 years. She named the last child Mercy.

FOR THE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

● **EARLY GERMAN IMMIGRATION** A basic source on German immigration is Strassburger and Hinke's *Pennsylvania German Pioneers*; A Publication of the Original Lists of Arrivals in the Port of Philadelphia from 1727 to 1808. Its list of 65,000 passengers represents two-thirds of ALL German speaking immigrants who arrived in America before the Revolution. If your German ancestors arrived here prior to 1808 — whether they lived in Pennsylvania or not — it is absolutely essential for you to give this book a look.

(SMCGS News, Vol. 14, Issue 9, October 1996.)

● **GERMAN EMIGRANTS REGISTER** A new source for information about emigrants from Germany has been opened. The Register is described as the "biggest database of German Emigrants." It includes:

- * deserters from the armies of Prussia (1871-1918)
- * young men who did not present themselves to the recruiting officer (1871-1918) and had left Germany.
- * persons who were sought as missing heirs (1871-1918).
- * persons who were absent from their home towns and were searched for by the authorities.

Inquiries should include full name, birth date, occupation, religious denomination, year of emigration or earliest appearance abroad. The German state or Prussian province should be included if available. If the place of origin can be found, you will be notified and quoted a fee. You may accept the offer or not.

Write to German Emigrants Register, PO Box 1720, D-2840 (W) Diepholz, Germany.

(SCCGS Newsletter, Vol. 11, No. 9., September 1996.)

● **IRISH LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES** The United Irish Cultural Center, Inc. in San Francisco, the site of the Nov seminar (see calendar) has among its many holdings a nearly complete run of the *Leader*, a Catholic Irish-American weekly newspaper published from 1902 to the late 1920's.

(CSGS Newsletter, Vol. 14, No. 9, September 1996.)

● **IRISH** If you are interested in Irish family history, you might wish to join The Irish Genealogical Society, International, PO Box 16585, Dept. 1, St. Paul, MN 55116. Membership includes a welcome packet, a quarterly newsletter *The Septs*, an Irish surname interest list and queries — as well as access to research their library.

(CSGA Newsletter, Vol. 14, No. 9, September 1996)

● **UNITED KINGDOM** Elderhostel has scheduled a tour to a Family History Workshop at Brigham Young University, Salt Lake City, UT. The Oct 20-Nov 2 workshop will focus on British Isles genealogy. Catalogs may be obtained from Elderhostel, 75 Federal St., Boston, MA 02110. (Diablo Descendants Newsletter, Vol. 11, No. 9, September 1996.)

● **TENNESSEE** As early as the 1760's, the area that later became known as Tennessee was visited by hunters, trappers, traders, and missionaries. They did not stay and didn't settle until about 1769 when the first permanent white settlement occurred on the Watauga River (today Washington and Carter Counties). Two years later a survey indicated the land in question was at that time part of North Carolina.

The neighboring state of Virginia knew about the survey and did not issue land grants in the area, but many settlers thought they were in Virginia and the state of Virginia allowed them to record their wills, get married, and conduct other court business in nearby Virginia counties. It is, therefore, important to search surrounding Virginia counties for your ancestors.

(SCCHGS Newsletter, Vol. 41, Issue 8, September 1996.)

● **OHIO** Send the name of the county and the name of the settler you are re-searching (one county and surname per letter), and the staff of the State Library will check their indexes and send you notification of the number of pages they have found and the cost to copy them for you. State Library of Ohio, 65 S Front St., Columbus OH 43215.

(SCCHGS Newsletter, Vol. 41, Issue 8, September 1996.)



TIPS FOR GENEALOGIST WHO USE A COMPUTER

● VITAL RECORDS INFORMATION STATE INDEX

<http://www.iquest.net/~whuffan/vitalrec/staterec.html>

Amateur genealogists beginning their searches through the vital records at the state or county level will find useful resources on this web site. Organized by state and then by county, these pages present instructions on how to make inquiries concerning vital records. In addition to general guidelines on what data to include in a request for birth, marital, and death records, each state's page has addresses for both state and county records offices and information about fees. All fifty states and several US possessions are included. There are also links to other local and national genealogy resources, as well as state and local historical societies, which can often be a good source for genealogical information.

(CCGSS Newsletter, Vol. 11, No. 9, September 1996.)

● TELNET ACCESS TO LIBRARY CATALOGS

The catalogs of many public and university libraries are available through the Internet, usually by communicating with the library's computer via Telnet. For those with Web browsers, the St. Joseph public library at

<http://sjcpl.lib.in.us/>

can provide Internet addresses for public libraries.

A catalog which includes the nine campuses of the University of California and the California State Library which includes the Sutro library can be accessed at:

<telnet://melvyl.ucop.edu>

The first three commands are first to give 'vt100' as the terminal type, second a carriage return, and third 'cat' as the item to search. Online help is available. The basic commands are 'find' and 'display'. A typical search on title words might read:

<ftw census index 1870>

The catalog to the Allen county Library is at

<telnet://summit.acpl.lib.in.us>

Use the logon name given. The catalog has an easy to use menu driven format.

The Library of Congress catalog:
<telnet://locis.loc.gov>

The catalog does give useful information on the books; it is, however, somewhat cumbersome to use.

(The Livermore Roots Tracer, Vol. XV, No.3, July 1996.)

GENEALOGY WEB SITES

Contacts for Civil War units information:

<http://funnelweb.utcc.utk.edu/~hoemann/unt2.html>

Pennsylvania genealogical information:

<http://www.libertynet.org/~gencap/paresources.html>

Genealogy book list:

<http://www.wavenet.com/~genbooks/>

Collection of NY state web accessible resources:

<http://www.smartlink.net/~leverich/USA/ny.html>

US Gazeteer:

<http://tiger.census.gov/cgi-bin/gazeteer>

Geographic name server:

<http://wings.buffalo.edu/geogw>

Links to telephone directories world wide:

<http://www.c2.net/~bottle/tel/>

Telephone number search - US:

<http://www.switchcard.com>

New York State newspaper list:

<http://www.nysl.nysed.gov>

Nationwide list of funeral directors/cemeteries:

<http://www.funeralnet.com/index.html>

General database of family names:

<http://www.gendex.com>

SOME POLITICAL VIRUSES

POLITICALLY CORRECT VIRUS: Never calls itself a "virus", but refers to itself as an "electronic microorganism."

GOVERNMENT ECONOMIST VIRUS: Nothing works, but all your diagnostic software says everything is fine.

FEDERAL BUREAUCRAT VIRUS: Divides your hard disk into hundreds of little units, each of which does practically nothing, but all of which claim to be the most important part of your computer.

CONGRESSIONAL VIRUS: Runs every program on the hard drive simultaneously but doesn't allow the user to accomplish anything.

(From the Internet.)



ONE MORE REMINDER

Don't forget to write the Program Manager of you local PBS television station. A short note will do:

I am writing to ask you to schedule the Ancestry program being produced by KBYU in Provo, UT. This ten part series will be released in January.

Episode One: Getting Started - Exploring the simple and universal question "Who am I?" with tips on how to start a search.

TO REACH OUR NEW HOME - 7777 NORRIS CANYON ROAD
From the North Take 680 South. Exit Crow Canyon Road, Turn left (east). Go to Alcosta Blvd., turn right. At Norris Canyon Road, take the first turn left and follow the signs up the hill.
From the South Take 680 North. Exit Bollinger Canyon Rd., turn right (east). Go to Alcosta Blvd., turn left. At Norris Canyon Rd., Turn right and follow the signs up the hill.

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ON THE LIGHTER SIDE



TOMBS IT MAY CONCERN

A longtime member of the Vermont Old Cemeteries Association tells the New York Times that these are all real gravestone epitaphs from burial grounds there:

Here Lies John Yeast.
Pardon Me for Not Rising.

Here lies my four husbands all in a row.
And here let them keep without making a bother
While I look around to find me another.

Here lies an atheist,
all dressed up and no place to go.

Here lies the father of 29.
He would have had more but he didn't have time.

First a cough carried me off.
Then a coffin they carried me off in.
(Akron Beacon Journal, 14 Aug 1996.)