

SAN RAMON VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY



NEWSLETTER
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THIS MONTH

by Claudia Mortensen

Karen Wetherell will teach us about the steps to successful searching guides vs search engines and evaluating what we get. In the past 10 years she has been a genealogical researcher, a board member of the Contra Costa Co. Gen. Society, Co-editor of the Diablo Descendents, editor of the CCCGS Computer Interest Group Newsletter & a Tech support specialists who has been using personal computers since 1979.

LAST MONTH by Jane Steiner

CREATING AN ATLAS FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH

Our speaker, Judy Svoboda recommended drawing personal maps of places in your life to jog your memory to recall events of your life for your personal story, perhaps adding photo and other memorabilia.

In your home town you might find such information as important celebration dates for the town, churches and schools. They are often found in the public library or historical society.

Other town maps of interest might be a "Sanborn Map" which were made for towns between 1869 through 1950 for the purpose of determining rates for fire insurance. These maps include the location of buildings on lots and were color coded for the type of construction. They didn't include the names of home owners, but information could be obtained by getting the date of the map and then referring to the city directory of that date. They included institution names. The *Sanborn maps* are available on microfiche in the Family History Library Catalog. Look under U.S. MAPS, then STATE MAPS. They can be a great help in your research.

Another place to look for maps that provide genealogical information is in the records from any civil court. You might find partition records. (The suing of one family member by another for the division of property). These records can often have town and rural maps in them.

If you plan to make a personal family atlas of an ancestor who was a farmer and you can obtain a description of his land, try drawing a plot of your ancestor's farm. As the description in the old plat books are often in *metes and bounds*, make yourself familiar with that system. It will be helpful in picturing the farm and how it was divided for the heirs.

Later survey systems were in *townships* and *ranges*, and these often listed the property owners. You can obtain a blank form with a township and all the sections within it from the US Dept. of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management. You can fill it in with the names of landowners and indicate where people lived as you learn them.

Early maps of some U.S. cities and land ownership are at the Library of Congress and are also available on film at the Family History Library.

Agricultural maps are at the National Archives. Also look for maps on the Internet. Go to "travel" and check some towns where your ancestors lived. Use Cyndi's List. In "Maps and Gazetteers" you can get fast access.

Maps of all sorts can be found at school districts, city and county offices, chambers of commerce, real estate offices, travel guides, church and institution histories, and town and county histories.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July

- 6 **Tuesday Board Meeting - 10:00 am.** Frances Lloyd's home, 210 Town Country, Danville.
- 20 **Tuesday - 10:00 am General Meeting** 777 Norris Canyon Road, San Ramon. Our guest speaker will be **Karen Wetherell** on "Learning the steps to successful searching guides vs. Search Engines & evaluating what you find".
- 22 **Thursday - 10:00 am Member Education Class** At Francis Lloyd's home, 210 Town & Country, Danville. **Subject "Basic Genealogy & Documentation"**. Bring a bag lunch and a sampling of your documents or treasures and \$1.00 for handouts.
- 22 **Thursday - 7:30 pm L-AGS Computer Interest Group** meets. Mocho Street LDS Church, 950 Mocho St., Livermore. URL for map to the church: <http://www.l-ags.org/mocho.html>. **Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Utley**, Epson America, Inc. will present "Modern imaging technology: printers, scanners, cameras,...". Here are URL's for some Web pages that will give you a preview of the products that will be discussed. < <http://www.epson.com/home.shtml> > <<http://www.epson.com/printer/>> < http://www.epson.com/cam_scan/>

There will be no Library trip in July.

There will be no monthly meeting of the Livermore-Amador Gen. Soc. in July

August

No Meetings

September

- 7 **Tuesday - 10:00 am Board Meeting** Frances Lloyd's home, 210 Town & Country, Danville. All members welcome.
- 18 **Saturday Marin County Genealogical Society** is sponsoring an Everton Family History Workshop (see details)



HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER WE'LL SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER



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Deadline to put information in newsletter is the first Thursday of the month

SRVGS Home Page

< <http://www.ancestry.com/societyhall/pages/sochall-503> >

SRVGS TREASURERS REPORT

FUND BALANCES (6/30/1999)

General Fund Balance: 3,606.11

Hospitality Fund Balance: [4.22]

Publications Fund Balance: 948.41

Special Projects Fund Balance 200.00

N.A.R.A. Fund Balance: 86.00

Tape Library Fund Balance: 166.84

Library Fund: Prior Year Gifts &

Donations Balance: 130.54

Current Year Donations Balance: 368.50

OVERALL TOTAL BALANCE: 5,502.18

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wasn't that a good program in June on maps? I did not really think of all the different kinds of maps there are and the treasure trove of information buried with in them. For those of you who did not attend, I encourage you to read the summary of the talk in this newsletter. I do not think we have a tape of the talk, as most of the electronics we usually use was missing from the hospital.

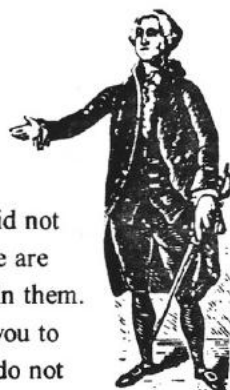
This month the meeting will be chaired by our wonderful 1st Vice-President **Fran Grotefend** as Robert and I make our way to Paris. We are going under the guise of taking a class on the French Chateau, but deep down we are hoping to find a French connection that will allow us to lay claim to one of these beautiful structures. Surely one of us must have a high born ancestor. Hummm...wonder what some ancient maps might show...

We are starting a new feature in the newsletter that we hope everyone will contribute to, called *Interesting Finds*. These will be member stories of how you found a relative using a unique method that perhaps we all could put into our bag of tricks. It can be a "by chance story" or a new way to put together more standard material that results in an unexpected find. Some of us are desperate for a new start over the proverbial brick wall that it seems most of my relatives live behind...so pitch in and submit your amazing finds to the newsletter.

Also remember that this month you can rent a tape and get 2 months to fully appreciate it, as we will not meet in August. If you find a tape you would recommend to other members, please submit a brief review for the newsletter.

Jean Hunt is doing a great job with the newsletter, so lets help her fill it with interesting tid bits. Remember the quality of our organization depends on the contribution of each one of you.

Victoria da Roza



PROPOSED BUDGET

Approved by the Board

Income

General Fund Balance Forward	\$1,536.75
Dues	2,500.00
Other	50.00
Hospitality	350.00
Publications	1,000.00
Special Projects	200.00
Tape Library	100.00
SRVGS Funds from Prior Years	130.54
Current Year Donations	250.00
Total	\$6,117.29

Expenses

Facility Rentals	400.00
Liability Insurance	350.00
Library Acquisitions	300.00
Membership Committee Expense	600.00
Miscellaneous	250.00
Newsletter	1,400.00
Program Costs	400.00
Post Box Rental/Postage	20.00
Publications: Book Sales Expenses	500.00
Publicity	40.00
Society Memberships	
Conf. of CA Historical Societies	45.00
Federation of Genealogical Societies	50.00
CA State Genealogical Alliance	25.00
Tape Library Expenses	150.00
California Sales Tax	15.00
Total	\$4,495.00
Net Inc./Exp.	Total \$1,622.29

CORRECTION

The June SRVGS Newsletter volumn series should read:

Vol. XIV No. 1 June 1999, not No. 10

INTERESTING FINDS**FINDING MY FATHER IN BROOKLYN, NY**

Submitted by Member Michael A. Fiorenza

After two and a half years of research and "Blind Alleys" I was able to find my father with part of his family on the 1910 Census in Brooklyn New York.

Our family's verbal tradition states that my father and his six siblings were living with their parents in Brooklyn, N.Y. and were orphaned about 1910. My grandmother died in childbirth in 1909 and my grandfather died of a "broken heart" about a year later. The children were placed in three different orphanages as there were no known relatives. My father was approximately six years of age at the time. All documents were destroyed and no one was sure as to where in Italy the family originated.

I was able to find my grandfather's death certificate in New York (he died of Tuberculosis) which gave the name of the cemetery where he was buried and the town in Italy where he was born. However; many questions remained unanswered, such as where the family lived in Brooklyn and if the children were born in Italy or the United States and what were their names and was my grandfather a shoemaker with his own shop, as often was told?

After over a years and a half of repeated requests to my father's only surviving sister for information, she finally sent me a copy of the 1909 birth certificate of the baby that was born when my grandmother died. The attending midwife who helped at the birth had filled out the certificate and gave on it her own home address. This prompted me to again look at the 1910 Brooklyn, N. Y. census but this time I decided to scroll with-in a two block radius of that address. To my great pleasure I found my father living with my widowed grandfather and three other of the seven children.

The family name had been misspelled "Firenzie" but there it was; a wealth of information, nicknames for the girls, the fact that grandfather had owned his own shoe shop and had immigrated from Italy to New York in 1900 plus other interesting facts that will now help me to locate immigration documents. I plan to search further using the 1905 New York State Census in hope of gathering more information.

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The *Omni Gazetteer* is an index to all the place and site names found on U.S. topographical maps from the U.S. Geographical Survey (USGS). Beside mountains, rivers, streams, and roads, "Topo" maps include churches and cemeteries. The Geographic Names Information System (GNIS) has two million names in it and can be accessed on the Internet.

For her family Judy uses blank maps of the United States, drawing migration routes across the continent, color coding for the generations, showing length of stay in each location, noting where there were marriages, births and deaths.

The *Township Atlas of the United States* is indispensable for census research. It contains counties and townships within the counties. Its possible to research a family who never moved but lived in one or more counties. List the counties you are researching and check the dates they were created.

Another handy map was a blank map of the United States on which she had put on each state, the library call number for that state. Thus she had all the call numbers handy when she went to a library for research.

Maps can help you organize and focus your research. City maps with locations of libraries (add their call numbers for quick reference) good hotels and dining can help.

Her handouts included a bibliography of map sources, a list of map aids available from NARA and an address list of companies where maps can be obtained.

EXTENDED HOURS AT SUTRO LIBRARY

The Sutro Library is pleased to announce that the library will add Saturday hours to their regular Monday through Friday hours.

This extended hours program will begin Saturday July 10, 1999 and will be open every Saturday except on official state holiday weekends. In those cases the library will be closed.

This is a one year trial program. Finaancial ability to continue the program beyond June 2000 will ge reevaluated year gy year.

This message was sent at the request of the Sutro Library, SF, a granch of the California State Ligrary, 480 Winston Dr., San Francisco, CA 94132 (415) 731-4477

ON THE WEB

PRIMER ABOUT THE LDS SEARCH SITE

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For searching a film number:

<http://www.familysearch.org/fhlc/supermainframeset.asp?display=generalfilmsearch&columns=%2C180%2C0>

For searching the LDS Library by author's name:

<http://www.familysearch.org/fhlc/supermainframeset.asp?display=generalauthorsearch&columns=%2C180%2C0>

For searching surnames:

<http://www.familysearch.org/fhlc/supermainframeset.asp?display=generalsurnamesearch&columns=%2C180%2C0>

ROOTS GUIDE TO TRACING FAMILY TREES

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~rwguide/index.htm>

More than 11,000 people visited Lesson One, "Where to Begin," during its first week online. Lesson Two, "What's in a Name?" is available at:

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~rwguide/lesson2.htm>

Lesson 3, "Using Technology to Dig Up Roots".

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~rwguide/lesson3.htm>

Lesson 4, "Vital Records".

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~rwguide/lesson4>

Thanks **Nancy Alexander** for the information.

(more from Carol Green)

Texas birth records: < <http://www.cdc.gov/hchswww/howto/w2w/w2welcom.htm> >

Genserv: <http://GenServ.COM/>

Handwriting Problems:

<http://www.firstct.com/fv/oldhand.html>

Kentucky Death Index: <http://ukcc.uky.edu/~vitalrec>

French Combat Units WWI: http://perso.wanadoo.fr/war_1

Tips etc...: <http://www.hsv.tis.net/~pvteye/search.html>

Complete listing of internet geneology mailing lists:

<http://users.aol.com/johnf14246/genmail.html>

ANCESTRY WEEKLY DATABASE CHOICES OF THE WEEK

Courtesy of **Diana Hancock**

You do have to pay to be a member, but at times they give out freebies! **ANCESTRY** is at <http://www.ancestry.com>

You might want to check this site weekly to see what is free for the week, it might be something that interests you.

The following URL's are free for 10 days (from posting) thereafter you must be a member to access them.

Albany, NY Church Records, 1683--1700 (7/6)

<http://www.ancestry.com/ancestry/search/3850.htm>

Featured Map: England and Wales, 1660-1892 (7/6)

<http://www.ancestry.com/ancestry/freeImages.asp?ImageID=361>

Featured Map: Central Europe, 1815-1866 (7/8)

<http://www.ancestry.com/ancestry/freeImages.asp?ImageID=178>

MARRIAGE RECORDS

Collected marriage records, generally prior to 1930 or earlier, for Idaho, Arizona and Nevada (they are said to be all but complete). There are some records from some counties in California and eastern Oregon and Utah can be found at the URL listed below:

<http://abish.ricks.edu/fhc/gbsearch.asp>

BET YOU CAN'T USE JUST ONE!

From **Carol Green** comes the following:

Rootsweb: <http://www.rootsweb.com>

Rootsweb: Civil War CIVIL-WAR-L-request@rootsweb.com

Civil War **excellent** <http://geocities.com/Heartland/7612>

Funeral Homes: <http://www.funeralnet.com>

Ohio Death Index:

<http://www.ohiohistory.org/dindex/search.cfm>

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Records Access

From FGS Forum, Vol 10, No.4, Winter, 1998 via The Livermore Roots Tracer Vol.XIX May 1999 No. 2.

ARIZONA

The Arizona State Library's holdings will soon be available on the Internet. Director Gladys Ana Wells announced that SIRSI, Inc. would install an automated, integrated library system for the Department of Library, Archives, and Public Records. "This online catalog will make it easier for the library's clientele - legislators, state personnel, and anyone interested in the state - to view our unique holdings," Wells said. The department's catalog will initially show the holdings of the State Law Library, the State Research Library's collection of Federal publications, Arizona state publications and genealogical materials, and the Arizona history and Archives Division collection of Arizoniana.

Over time, records for other materials, such as maps and archival holdings, will be added to the system until it reflects all the department's holdings. Dale Steele, Arizona Dept. of Library, Archives & Public Records, Phoenix, AZ, Sept. 1998 via Linda McLeary

FLORIDA

Specific forms are no longer required and the cost for any Florida vital record is now just \$5.00. According to several Florida genealogical quarterlies, requests for death records (since 1877) must include the deceased's full name, sex, date of death, city/county of death, and a check for \$5 for the first copy and \$4 for each additional copy of the same request. The cause of death will be blocked out for deaths that occurred less than fifty years ago. It is understood that relatives only may request the death certificate and you must state your relationship.

Marriage and divorce records are available from June 1927 but are filed under the husband's name only. Birth records for the last one hundred years are available only to the named person if over 18, or to the parent or legal guardian/representative. Records of births occurring more than one hundred years ago are available to the public unless the court has sealed the record. Send requests with your name, address, and daytime telephone number to: Office of Vital Statistics, P.O. Box 210, Jacksonville, FL 32231-0042 with a check for \$5 payable to that office.

KANSAS

A "County-by-County Directory of Kansas Vital Records and other Genealogical Materials Printed in Kansas Genealogical Periodicals" is published in the *Topeka Genealogical Society Quarterly* Volume 28 #3 July 1998. For each county (also General, Kansas Territory, and Kansas), entries appear for articles in area publications that would be helpful to researchers. For example, under Dickinson County are three entries: divorces, excursions, and immigrants. Following each entry is the title of an article, i.e., "Index to Dickinson County Divorce Cases, 1882 - 1900," and the publication citation. Almost twenty pages of entries provide an excellent finding aid for Kansas researchers. Write to the Topeka Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 4048, Topeka, KS 66604-0048.

MISSOURI

The large library collection of the St. Louis Genealogical Society is now housed in the headquarters of the St. Louis County Library. It was moved from the University City Public Library where it had been housed for a quarter of a century. St. Louis is the site of the 1999 Federation of Genealogical Societies annual gathering. For details, contact The St. Louis Genealogical Society, 4 Sunnan Drive, Suite 140, P.O. Box 43010, St. Louis, MO 63143-0010; or call (314) 647-8547.

CLUES IN MILITARY MARKER REQUESTS

Military grave markers are not provided unless requested by a survivor of the veteran. That request made for a deceased relative or ancestor could contain important genealogical information. A copy of the marker request can be obtained from Office of Memorial Programs (403A), National Cemetery Systems, Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20420. The office can also supply the location of a burial in any National Cemetery.

(From the Hayward Area Gen. Soc., Jul 1998 via Niagara Co. NYGS 19:2, 1997 via Napa Valley "Wine Press" 24:5, May 1998. The Genealogical Society of Santa Cruz Co. Newsletter, March/April 1999.

"Discovering Your Heritage"

**family history workshop
presented by the
Everton's Genealogical Helper
and sponsored by**

Marin County Genealogical Society

on

Saturday, September 18, 1999

8:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Registration Fee: \$30.00 pre-registration by mail by Aug. 27
\$35.00 at the door**

Includes: FREE ONE YEAR SUBSCRIPTION TO "Everton's Genealogical Helper" (a \$24.00 value).

EVERTON'S has presented nearly 1000 workshops to enthusiastic family historians across the United States, Canada, and Australia. You will DEFINITELY benefit from this "hands-on" workshop. Listen to lectures, research databases (computerized Family File, GEDSRCH, Computerized "Roots" Cellar, Pedigree Library - over 6,000,000 ancestor names are available for research at the touch of a button), browse through books (no need to buy the book to get the information), buy discounted supplies, or talk to other genealogists.

Location:

Novato United Methodist Church
1473 South Novato Boulevard
Novato, CA

Send Pre-registration to:

Marin County Genealogical Society
P.O. Box 1511
Novato, CA 94948

Pre-registration Deadline is Aug. 27, 1999

PROGRAM:

8:30 am. Registration

Introduction to Workshop

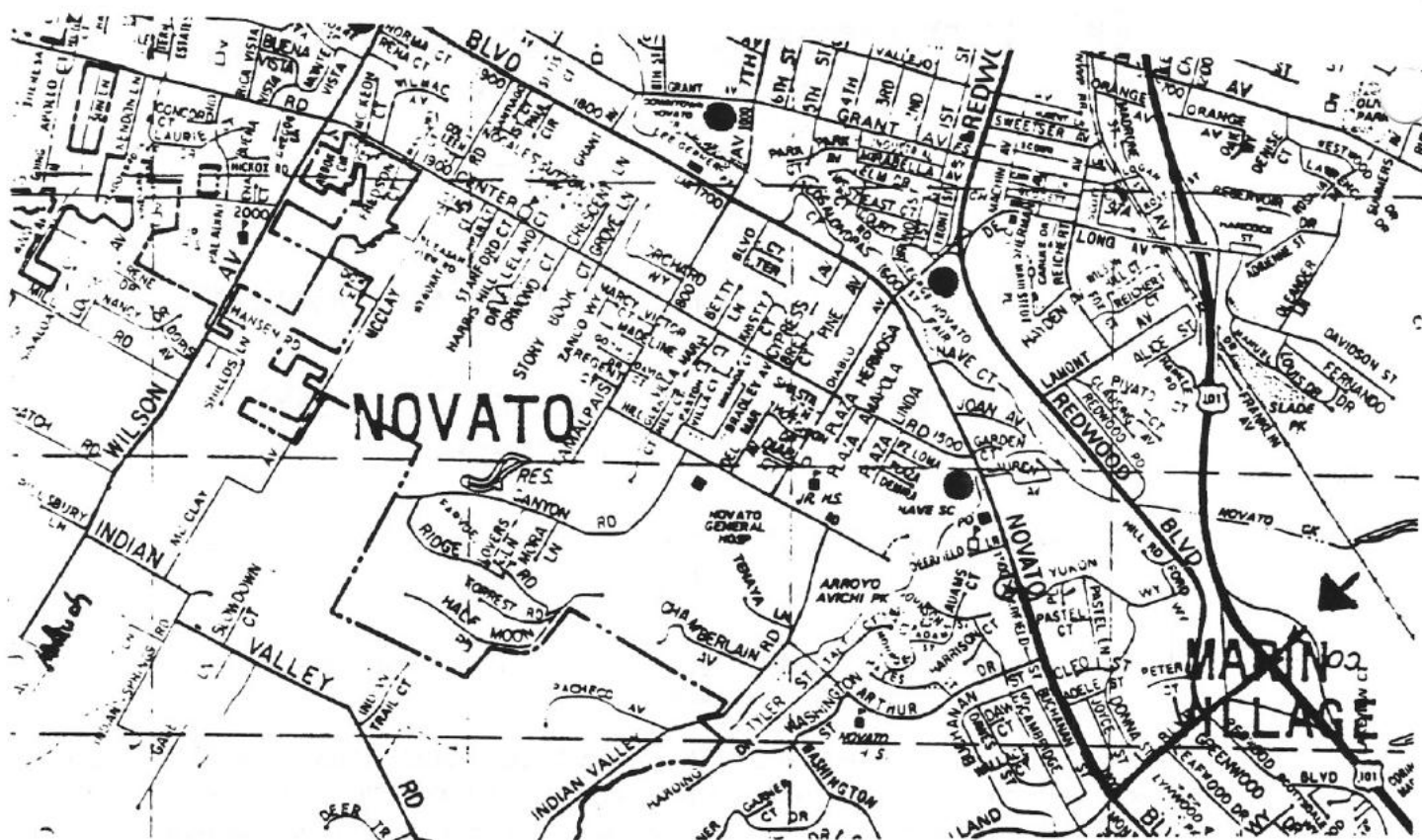
Notekeeping

Important U.S. Genealogical Sources Introduction to Computers

Immigration, Emigration and Naturalization Sources U.S. Vital Records

**Box lunch available for \$7 with pre-registration only.
Prepared by Perry's Delicatessen of Novato.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL Billie Bertrand at (707) 763-9329
See back for map and order form.**



From Highway 101 take the Rowland Blvd exit. Go west. Turn right at Krage's Auto Supply onto South Novato Blvd. to 1473. The church driveway is on the left past the stoplight at Arthur Street. Parking is available in the front or back of the church.

PRE-REGISTRATION FORMS DUE BY AUG. 27, 1999

MCGS P.O. Box 1511 Novato CA 94948

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Fee enclosed: \$30.00 x _____ persons = \$ _____ Lunch: \$7.00 x _____ persons = \$ _____

LUNCH: For \$7.00 you get one sandwich and one salad. Please circle which type you would like. We will have all sandwiches prepared DRY and have condiments for your use.

Bread: White/Wheat/Light or Dark Rye/Sourdough Roll/Soft Roll

Meat: Ham/Salami/Roast Beef/Pastrami/Bologna Mortadella/ Corned Beef/ Liverwurst/ Thuringer/ Olive Loaf/ Chopped Ham/ Smoked Turkey/ Honey Turkey/ Regular Turkey/ Peppered Turkey/ Turkey Pastrami; OR Vegetarian: Sprouts, avocado, tomato, lettuce, cheese slice.

Salad: Coleslaw / Jello / Cucumber & Tomato / Potato / Macaroni / 3 Bean (tangy, not sweet).

We will have coffee and soft drinks available for purchase at the seminar.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

SOUTHERN Meets the 2nd. Tuesday of the month 10:00 am. **There will be no meetings untill September 14, 1999.**

PORTUGUESE - Tuesday July 20th. 1:00 pm at Osage Park in Danville. For futher informati'on call **John Maderos** 735-1011. Take I 680 east on Sycamore Valley Road. Turn right at Brookside then straight into park. Bring a bag lunch.

IRISH & CALIFORNIA Meets the 2nd. Wednesday of the month 10:00 am at the home of Patty Erickson, 10 Ridge Place, Pleasant Hill. Phone 229-0889. **There will be no meetings till Septemper.**

GERMAN Meets the 4th. Thursday of the month 10:00 am. **There will be no meetings till September.**

MAC COMPUTER GROUP Meets the 3rd. Wednesday of the month. 10:00 am. **There will be no meetings till September.**

PUBLISHING **There will be no meeting scheduled for awhile.**

ROOTS USERS For those learning to use Palladium Ultimate Family Tree. Group meets after the General Meeting in Room AB. 7777 Norris Canyon Road. **Meeting to be announced.**

INTERNET Interested members should contact Robert da Roza by e-mail vrदारोza@ix.netcom.com to be added to the SRVGS list.

LDS OFFERS FREE DOWNLOADS OF PERSONAL ANCESTRAL FILE 4.0

Press release from:

http://www.lds.org/en/4_News_Update/19990625_PAF_4.html

But wait till the BUG's are worked out!

The LDS is offering free downloads of Personal Ancestral File 4.0, a new Windows-based version of its popular genealogical management program for home computers. It is available free of charge via the Internet at www.familysearch.org. PAF 4.0 does not provide genealogical data. Instead, it helps users organize their family history records. It can produce, in automated or manual form, records for personal family histories, charts, and logs to help users in their search for missing ancestors. It also includes new multimedia features and enhances the more popular features of version 3.0.

System Requirements: Windows 95, or NT, IBM compatible 486/66 processor (Petium recommended), 16?32 MB memory, 20MB hard disk space, 256-color display adapter supporting 640x480 screen resolution (but optimized for 800x600), Internet access (if downloading from internet), CD-ROM (not available until sometime in early 2000).

Jim Scofield, a member of LAGS says it comes down at something like 3.5 Megs and took him about 20 minutes to download. He says, "according to information coming down on FHCNET mailing list, it is a slightly scaled

down version of Ancestral Quest 3.0. There is apparently a bug in it. If you open an Ancestral Quest file with it, the file is no longer available to Ancestral Quest. If you use AQ it would be best to wait until this bug is fixed.

NEW AT THE LDS FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

By Pat Isom

Pat Isom informs us that the LDS Family History Library on Stone Valley Road has just received the Eighteenth Compact Disc Edition of the Family History Library Catalog. This includes Catalog entries as of Dec. 1998. This will be in the library as of June 23, 1999.

Pat remarks "Since we know that there are additional acquisitions of over 100 million pages a year, it is always worth another look".

PRIMER ABOUT THE LDS SEARCH SITE

Pat Isom passes on help information that might be helpful to users of the LDS Search Site. < <http://www.familysearch.org> > There are quicker ways to search the site than going to its home page. Try the following URLs:

For names & places: <http://www.familysearch.org/fhlc/supermainframeset.asp?display=generallocality-search&columns=%2C180%2C0>

To see the rest go to the **ON THE WEB**, page 95

HOW YOU SPEND YOUR DASH

I read of a man who stood to speak
At the funeral of a friend.
He referred to the dates on her tombstone
From the beginning ... to the end.
He noted that first came her date of birth
And spoke the following date with tears,
But he said what mattered most of all
Was the dash between those years. (1900-1970)

For that dash represents all the time
That she spent alive on earth....
And now only those who loved her
Know what that little line is worth.
For it matters not, how much we own;
The cars...the house...the cash.
What matters is how we live and love
And how we spend our dash.

So think about this long and hard...
Are there things you'd like to change?
For you never know how much time is left.
That can still be rearranged.
If we could just slow down enough
To consider what's true and real,
And always try to understand
The way other people feel.

And be less quick to anger,
And show appreciation more
And love the people in our lives
Like we've never loved before.
If we treat each other with respect,
And more often wear a smile...
Remembering that this special dash
Might only last a little while.

So, when your eulogy's being read
With your life's action's to rehash...
Would you be proud of the things they say
About how you spent your dash?

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