

SAN RAMON VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY



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TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Peggy Frazier, program chairperson, announces that ... she is continuing to arrange programs which cater to the wants and needs of the membership as reflected in last year's survey. We will devote our time at the January meeting to organizing and establishing special interest groups for in-depth study. There will be a coordinator present to explain the operation and goals of each interest group. Members should be able to attend two such groups. Here are group leaders: Marilyn Fullam for Irish; Dorothy Stanton for South; Jo Bollenbaker for German; Frances Lloyd for Publishing; Peg Frazier for Computers. Each session should last about 20 minutes. Members in your group will decide when your group will meet again, where and how often. Perhaps two to four meetings will suffice--you decide.

MARK

YOUR

CALENDAR

MARY ELLEN JONES OUR COMING ATTRACTION FOR FEBRUARY

SALT LAKE--HERE WE COME--AGAIN

If you did not make the last trip to the mecca of genealogy libraries in November, you have another chance soon. Come March 16 and you may, for \$207 air and \$165 hotel, be one of the lucky ones to take off for a one week experience in genealogy not to be duplicated anywhere. A reservation form is provided in this newsletter. Keep it handy; you may change your mind later on.

Some people may not find tombstones to be the subject of animated discussion. Not Mary Ellen Jones, UC Bancroft Librarian. She thrills her audiences with unusual tales which remain untold until Mary Ellen comes on to the scene. She has special interest in California's Mother Lode Country where so many gold seekers lived and died. Their tombstones tell fascinating tales. Dare you miss the February meeting?

DO YOU RECOGNIZE NICKNAMES WHEN YOU SEE THEM?

Adelaide.	Addi, Addie, Adel, Adela, Adele, Adeline, Alice, Della, Delly, Elsie, Elsa, Heide
Alice.	Ali, Alica, Alicea, Alisa, Alissa, Alla, Alli, Allie, Allison, Allyce, Elsie, Ellsa, Ilysa, Lissa, Lyssa
Arlene.	Arlee, Arlen, Lena, Lina
Bertha.	Berta, Berte, Berti, Bertie, Betty
Carolyn.	Carla, Carlen, Carlin, Carly, Carol, Carri, Carrie, Carroll, Cary, Cindy, Lina
Cornelia.	Corly, Corny, Nelly, Nell, Nelly
Isabel.	Bell, Bella, Isa, Issy
Mary.	Mamie, Maria, Marie, Marla, Moira, May, Mae, Minnie, Molly, Polly

PROBLEM SOLVING CLINIC TO BE HELD AT CALIF. GEN. SOCIETY

If you have a research problem with which you would like "old timers" to give you some help, then the February 26 meeting of Calif. Gen. Society in San Francisco may be for you. However, you must submit in writing your problem by February 1 so that research may be done in advance of the meeting. Betty Kot is coordinating this research.

ASSOCIATION DIRECTORIES STILL AVAILABLE SAYS VP LLOYD

Some of our members have still not picked up their directories. Frances told the Ex. Board that she would read off the names of those "naughty" people at the next meeting to see if those present, recognizing any particular name, would be kind enough to drop off a directory to that person. Rocks of ruck, Frances.

HAVE YOU SEEN MY NEW BUTTON: Old genealogists never die, they just lose their census! Picked it up at the Deseret Book Store in Salt Lake City in November.

HERITAGE COLLECTION GROWING

Contra Costa County Gen. Society in December announced the names of additions to the Heritage Collection on genealogy at the county library. Here are but a few:

SOCIETY OF KENTUCKY PIONEERS 1983
Yearbook, McDowell Publications, Utica, KY

MARRIAGE, DEATH AND LEGAL NOTICES FROM
EARLY ALABAMA NEWSPAPERS, 1819-93

GEORGIA INTESTATE RECORDS, Genealogical
Publishing Co., 1986

THE WUERTENBERG IMMIGRATION INDEX Vol. 1
Schenk, Trudy and Froelke

RECORD OF PENNSYLVANIA MARRIAGES, Prior
to 1810, Vol. 1 and 2

TREASURER DIANE HAYES IS SEEKING A PERSON WHO IS NOT INTIMIDATED BY TAX FORMS. SEEMS THE IRS AND CALIF. TAX BOARD HOUND US YEARLY FOR A REPORT TO JUSTIFY OUR TAX FREE STATUS. SEE HER AT THE NEXT MEETING OR CALL HER AT 837-3074.

UNDERSTANDING THE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

When your relative (or yourself) applied for a social security number, he gave his current address, his date and place of birth, his father's name and his mother's maiden name. Under the Freedom of Information Act it is possible to obtain this information by writing to the Social Security Admin. in Baltimore, Maryland.

Understanding what the numbers in a social security ID mean may be helpful to you in family research. Perhaps this will illustrate this point by using an example:

SSN = 568-04-3371

568 = the state where the number was issued

04 = defines the people in the state

3371 = the numerical sequence in the number of applicants

Examples of the first three digits only assigned to various states

001-003 New Hampshire

449-467 Texas

010-034 Massachusetts

509-515 Kansas

318-361 Illinois

545-573 California

400-407 Kentucky

581-585 New Mexico

ROOMMATE SOUGHT FOR BILOXI. MISS. NATIONAL GEN. CONVENTION

Anyone out there planning to attend the National Genealogy Association convention April 27-30 in Biloxi, Mississippi and still looking for a roommate? Betty Kot is eager to share a room with someone--preferably a female, of course. Give her a call at her home. Special airfare rate will be \$245 RT.

BUDGET REVIEWED FOR BAL. OF YEAR

At the last Executive Board meeting on January 6, the current income and expenses were reviewed. Membership figures were reported by Frances Lloyd. It appears that our association may be running a little short of cash by the end of the year, May 31. President Yranish said she and the treasurer would keep the Board informed. One Board member suggested that \$10 dues may be a little low for such an active association, especially if we do not have any special fund raisers during the year.

MARRIAGE OF GENEALOGY TO COMPUTERS

Take a peek at the bulletin board at our next meeting. There are several announcements worthy of your time. One deals with "Putting Modern Technology into Your Genealogy" which is the name of a Saturday, 30 January meeting at Mills Jr. High School, 10439 Coloma Road, Rancho Cordova.

Special guest speaker will be William Dollarhide, of Dollarhide Systems, developer of the Family Research Manager--Integrated Software for Genealogists.

Another bulletin from the Sacramento German Genealogy Society announces a Saturday, February 20 session with Clifford Neal Smith, nationally known writer, publisher, researcher and lecturer. His topic will be: Emigration from German-speaking areas in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries.

RESERVATION FORM

Please reserve _____ space(s) in _____ (Twin or single) room on the March 22
Genealogy Tour.

Air Ticket must be purchased at time of reservation. It can be put on a
credit card if desired. Final Payment, check only, by Feb. 12, 1988.

Enclosed if \$207 _____ for air ticket. _____ Full payment

Credit card name and # _____

I wish to fly at 6AM 8:45AM . Return at 3PM 6PM 9PM

I wish to leave from Oakland _____ San Francisco _____ Sacramento _____.

Smoking _____ Non Smoking _____.

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____

PHONE _____ ZIP _____

Make checks payable to Alamo World Travel and mail to 3160 Danville Blvd.
Alamo, CA 94507. Att: Frances Becker.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM MARYLAND

Frances Brengle, 6619 Pheasant Road,
Baltimore, MD 21220 writes that info on
"The Chew Family" and allied lineages is
published quarterly, at a cost of \$15 yearly.
It has an unlimited free query column.

BEGINNER'S CLASS STARTS JAN. 26

Betty Kot has announced the start of a
beginner's genealogy class at Frances
Lloyd's home (has great coffee) in Danville,
210 Town and Country, starting January 26.
Held each Tuesday until March 8 (no class on
February 16) from 10 am to noon, it will
cost \$40. This fee includes the many
handouts which Betty brings each meeting.

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