



# e-Bulletin September 2012

## LIVERMORE-AMADOR GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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### Happy Grandparents' Day!

This is the e-Bulletin from the Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society (L-AGS), provided monthly to our members. If you would prefer not to receive this e-Bulletin or other information, please send a message to <mailto:membership@L-AGS.org> and your address will be removed from our distribution list

Please share your photos and stories of the photos. If you would like the banner to include any of your photos or if you have a story about one of the photos, please send them to Debbie at: <mailto:bulletin.manager@L-AGS.org>. There are large versions of these photos located on the final page.

If you have a special genealogy or local history event or announcement you would like to see included, please submit via email to: <mailto:bulletin.manager@L-AGS.org>.

## Special Notices

### ***New Member***

Welcome to D. Lynn Shaeffer from Pleasanton, California!

### ***Kudos to L-AGS!***

Our organization will be presented with the *Museum on Main's* Heritage Award on September 15.

### ***Writing Group is having a Contest!!!***

The contest is open to L-AGS members who have participated in the Writing Group, in person or via email. Also extends to any L-AGS members who join the writing group before the end of the contest. We will have three months of writing challenges and you may enter up to three of these writings. See the Writing Group section for details!

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## Summary of Meetings

*Visitors are welcome free of charge to each of these meetings.*

❖ **General Meeting: *Blogs, Podcasts, Webinars and Wikis OH MY***

When: Tuesday, September 11, 2012 - 7:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Kim von Aspern-Parker

❖ **The Master Genealogist Group: *Create a Chronological Family Event Narrative Report***

When: Saturday, September 15, 2012 – 9:00 a.m.

Chair: Kay Speaks

❖ **Writing Group: *Personal and Family History***

When: CANCELLED FOR SEPTEMBER (please check your Writing Group Email for the contest assignment)

Chair: Debbie Mascot

❖ **Lunch 'n' Learn: *Social Media and Genealogy***

When: CANCELLED FOR SEPTEMBER

Chair: Debbie Mascot

❖ **Board Meeting**

When: Tuesday, September 25, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.

Members are welcome to attend board meetings. Please contact the Membership Chair for location- <mailto:membership@L-AGS.org>

# GENERAL MEETING

*NOTE: Members please sign in at the membership table upon arrival at the monthly General Meeting. Please have your guests also sign in. Before heading home, please remember to leave your nametag at the membership table.*

**TOPIC:** Blogs, Podcasts, Webinars and Wikis OH MY

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Kim von Aspern-Parker

**DATE:** Tuesday, September 11, 2012 - 7:30 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Court, Pleasanton

**Map to the Meeting Site:**

<http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-BethEmek.jpg>

Ever wondered why you would want to read blogs; or maybe you've heard the word blog but aren't quite sure what one is? Podcasts sound like some kind of alien garbage thrown out of a UFO. What's that got to do with genealogy? Or maybe you've heard about Webinars but have no way of knowing where to find some on genealogy. And Wikis ...what the heck is a Wiki?

This presentation will help you learn what these new terms are and why you want to know about them. Blogs, Podcasts, Webinars and Wikis are all wonderful new internet tools you should be using to grow your genealogy. Come and find out how.

For additional information contact: Cheryl Palmer, Program Chairperson, email: <mailto:program@L-AGS.org>.

# TRI-VALLEY TMG USERS GROUP

*The Master Genealogist Software*

**Topic:** How to Create a Chronological Family Event Narrative Report

**Date:** Saturday, September 15, 2012, 9:00 a.m. – Noon

**Lunch Meet Up, Noon:** The Habit Burger Grill & Panda Express Food Court, Bernal & Valley Avenue Shopping Center, Pleasanton

**Location:** 7077 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 110, Pleasanton, CA 94566

**Map to the meeting site:** <http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-KollCenter.jpg>

**Chair:** Kay Speaks, [tvtnmg.chair@L-AGS.org](mailto:tvtnmg.chair@L-AGS.org)

**Instructors:** Sue Johnston and Kay Speaks

Long time TMG user Bruce Garner will demonstrate how to create a chronological family event narrative custom report used in his recent book. Our homework, create your own custom report using TMG's Languages option learned at our September meeting and bring to the October meeting.

**NEW TV-TMG BLOG:** Please be sure to check our new TV-TMG blog website, <http://tvtnmgreports.blogspot.com/>, before each meeting for up-to-date information regarding our TV-TMG meetings, including possible changes to current and future meetings. From this website you will find links to our other website resources. Learning assignments and challenges

are posted to this website. Sign up to “follow” our new blog, *Exploring Custom Reports with TV-TMG Users Group*. Here is where you will find more information about publishing and sharing our TV-TMG source templates that approximate Mills’ Evidence Explained. These templates may be downloaded for personal use by individuals. Societies and groups of individuals wishing to use our templates should contact the L-AGS’s TVTMG chair at <mailto:tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org>. We are researching options for publishing our templates online.

## WRITING GROUP

*Writing Your Personal and Family History*

**Date:** CANCELLED FOR SEPTEMBER

**Location:** R.S.V.P for meeting location

**Chair:** Debbie Mascot, <mailto:writing.SIG.chair@L-AGS.org>

Please check your Writing Group email for information about the next theme. To join the writing group email list, please send a note to <mailto:changes@L-AGS.org> with “Add me to the Writing SIG list” in the subject line.

## LUNCH ‘N’ LEARN

*Social Media and Genealogy*

**Date:** CANCELLED FOR SEPTEMBER

**Location:** To be determined

**Chair:** Debbie Mascot and Kay Speaks

## SUMMARY OF L-AGS BOARD MEETING

*August Board Meeting held on August 28, 2012*

L-AGS now has 174 memberships for a total of 216 members.

Sign ups for volunteering at the Heritage Happenings will be forthcoming.

Seven volunteers will be assisting with the “Ask Granny” program to be held at Heritage Estates on September 20.

Beginning with the September meeting, all announcements will be posted on the bulletin board rather than presented by individual board members. After the speaker’s presentation, attendees may wish to talk with contacts regarding the announcements. This change was decided in order to keep the focus on our speakers and to give them as much time as possible as well as to streamline the business part of the meeting. New members and guests will continue to be introduced.

## PLEASANTON GENEALOGY CENTER

A L-AGS docent is available at the Pleasanton City Library Wednesday 10 AM-1 PM and 6 PM - 9 PM, or by appointment, e-mail:

<mailto:docents.chair@L-AGS.org>. The Pleasanton Genealogy Center, jointly supported by L-AGS, the Friends of the Pleasanton Library, and the Pleasanton Public Library, contains the largest collection of genealogy books, CDs and online databases in the Tri-Valley. The L-AGS genealogy book collection resides in the Genealogy Section of the Pleasanton City Library. The Pleasanton Library provides access to the following subscription genealogy databases:

- Ancestry.com
- New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS)
- Fold3.com (previously Footnote)
- Heritage Quest (in Library & at home)

## PRESERVE YOUR STORIES IN THE ROOTS TRACER

*"Publish or Regret" Will your descendants regret your failure to publish?*

Hopefully you are putting the finishing touches on your first article for The Roots Tracer. If you need assistance composing your story, the Roots Tracer staff <mailto:tracer@LAGS.org> and/or <mailto:managing.editor@L-AGS.org> is willing and able to help you. Written articles should be approximately 300 to 1,000 words. Photos and lineage charts always increase the reader's interest in your revelations.

Begin now with a small article. A few paragraphs are a beginning. Your initial success will be your springboard for braver future articles. Tell all of us the tale of your favorite research discovery. Which of your findings filled you with awe, surprise and pride?

Our Roots Tracer offers all members the opportunity to preserve their family chronicles in print and on the Internet. Some generations don't care, but other generations will. We want to make sure that, when someone is interested, even 100 years from now, the basic information will be there for them in the Library of Congress as well as on the World Wide Web. Our memories are a library of information that could be irretrievably lost. We can honor the struggles that our ancestors went through...they shouldn't be forgotten, especially the women, who are less frequently found in public documents.

# SPECIAL EVENTS

## OTHER LOCAL GENEALOGY GROUP MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**FamilySearch Website and Genealogy Utilities**, September 22, 1:30 p.m. Oakland, California. For more information see: <http://www.macgen.org>.

**14th Annual Family History Day**, October 13 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. California State Archives, Sacramento, California. For more information, please see: <http://fhdnewsline.blogspot.com>.

**Fall Seminar with Thomas W. Jones: Proven Methods for Genealogical Success: Four Lectures**, November 3. Menlo Park, CA. For more information, please see: <http://www.smccgs.org>.

You may visit our L-AGS website for a listing of other local societies: <http://www.L-AGS.org/lagslinks.html#GenealogicalSocieties>

The San Francisco Bay Area Genealogy Calendar blog also features a number of meetings and events within 75 miles of San Francisco: <http://sfbagenealogy.blogspot.com>

# COOPERATIVE EFFORTS

*In an effort to provide the local area with the best possible resources and capabilities in genealogy, L-AGS participates in ongoing cooperative endeavors with several organizations.*

## LIVERMORE LDS FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

L-AGS is not affiliated with the Mormon (LDS) Church. L-AGS does however partner with the Livermore LDS Family History Center (FHC) for various non-denominational genealogical events such as educational seminars, guest speakers, indexing projects and special interest groups. LDS facilities at their Mocho Street, Livermore complex are often used for these. Several L-AGS members, both LDS and non-LDS, volunteer as docents at the FHC. They are available to assist you in your genealogy research. The FHC has several subscription research sites not readily available elsewhere. The FHC is open Mondays 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday evenings 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. and Saturday 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. For further information please contact the center at (925) 443-2750 during these hours.

Center location map: <http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Liv-FHC.jpg>

# HELP WANTED

**Library Docent.** Docent needed one Wednesday morning a month from 10am to 1pm. Contact the docent chair at <mailto:docents.chair@L-AGS.org>.

**Proofreaders.** Multiple projects need proofreaders. Contact Dick Finn at <mailto:rwwfinn@yahoo.com>.

# FUTURE L-AGS GENERAL MEETINGS AND OUR REGULAR SCHEDULE

*Note: Some meetings have special schedules and locations during summer and holiday seasons. Check the specific listings above for details or contact the meeting Leader.*

<b>Topics of Future General Meetings</b>		
<b><i>Date</i></b>	<b><i>Topic</i></b>	<b><i>Presenter</i></b>
October 9, 2012	The Records Behind The WW1 Draft Registration Cards	Susan G. Johnston

<b>Regular Scheduled Events</b>		
<i>Note: Some meetings have special schedules and locations during summer and holiday seasons. Check the specific listings above for details or contact the meeting Leader.</i>		
General Meeting Cheryl Palmer, Program Chair	Second Tuesday 7:30 p.m.	Congregation Beth Emek 3400 Nevada Court Pleasanton Map: <a href="http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-BethEmek.jpg">http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-BethEmek.jpg</a>
Tri-Valley TMG Users' Group Kay Speaks, TMG Leader	Third Saturday 9 a.m. – Noon <b>(PLEASE CHECK THE SCHEDULE AS THIS FREQUENTLY CHANGES)</b>	7077 Koll Center Parkway Suite 110 Pleasanton Map: <a href="http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-KollCenter.jpg">http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-KollCenter.jpg</a>
Writing Group Debbie Mascot	One Sunday a Month (TBD) 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.	R.S.V.P. for address
Lunch 'n' Learn Debbie Mascot and Kay Speaks	One weekday every other month (TBD) 11:30a.m.–1p.m.	R.S.V.P. for address

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## CATALOG

Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society

### Member-to-Member Book Loan Program

February 10, 1989

*In the Summer 1988 issue of the LAGS quarterly, The Roots Tracer, the following notice appeared.*

#### Member-to-Member Loans

The Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society is putting together a list of privately-owned books, periodicals and other materials that members are willing to loan to each other. Members are asked to make arrangements between themselves as to the length of time in borrower's possession, and when and how the material is to be returned. The library committee suggests that the loans be for no more than one month. We also recommend that the borrower sign some sort of note with the name of the items borrowed, the due date, and the borrower's name and phone number. This is the same as our library procedure. The library committee will not be responsible for the books, or keeping track of them. We assume that our members will honor the agreement and will be sure to return all books on time and in good condition. Anyone who has items to loan and hasn't received a form at a meeting, please send a list of your materials to the LAGS Library Committee, P.O. Box 901, Livermore, CA 94550. If you have questions, please call a committee member — Marge Harter (447-6669), George Anderson (846-4265), or Virginia Moore (447-8316).

Virginia Moore

*The responses to the above request that have been received to date are bound in this booklet. Members who have not offered to share their books are still invited to do so — additional lists will be added to this booklet as they are received.*



# Database for the Pleasanton Genealogy Library

December 15, 1994

This book is a supplement to

**Catalog of the Pleasanton Genealogy Library, comprising holdings of the Gayle Pipes Memorial Library of the Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society, and genealogical holdings of the Pleasanton Branch Library of Alameda County.**

The Catalog is a simple Call Number-Title-Author listing, in call number order, of the 605 sets of books in the Pleasanton Genealogy Library. The listing is followed by a subject index to the books. This Database printout lists the same 605 sets of books in the same order, but it gives complete bibliographic information for the books. Whereas the Catalog with its index is intended as a finding aid, the Database is intended as a source of fuller information about a book, once it is found.

All information in both books is taken verbatim from the Alameda County Online Public Access Catalog.

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