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LIVERMORE-AMADOR GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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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>.

Note: In the banner above is a photo of a statue from the Pleasanton Library called, "Girl Reading." This has a very special connection to L-AGS as it is there in memory of L-AGS member, Judy Person's daughter, Sarah Anne Lees (named after her 4th great-grandmother). It was sculpted by a Utah sculptor named Dennis Smith, as is the similar one of the girl reading to a boy.

Announcements:

All L-AGS Board Meetings will now be held virtually via Zoom on a permanent basis! This gives more of our members an opportunity to join the board. All other L-AGS meetings are currently being held via a virtual platform and will hopefully be moving to an in-person platform in 2023. Please see meeting information for details.

Social Media Links

Join us on the following social media sites:

- ❖ **Facebook Page** Like this!: <https://www.facebook.com/Livermore.Amador.Genealogical.Society/>
This will hold announcements and meeting information.
- ❖ **Facebook Group** Join this!: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1142643925760388/>
We will hold discussions here.
- ❖ **Amazon Smile:** <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-2421522>
Register our non-profit with amazon smile when you shop online and our organization receives a percentage.

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Summary of Meetings

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

- ❖ **General Meeting:** Cowboys and Ranchers in the Livermore Area
Guest Speaker: Richard Finn
When: Monday, September 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
- ❖ **Let's Talk and Write Genealogy**
When: Sunday, September 11, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom
Chair: Debbie Mascot
- ❖ **The Master Genealogist Group:** *"List of" Reports and Q&A*
When: Friday, September 9, 2022 and Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.
Chair: Duncan Tanner
- ❖ **Board Meeting**
When: Tuesday, September 27, 2022
Members are welcome to attend board meetings. Please contact the president@L-AGS.org for location

GENERAL MEETING:

Cowboys and Ranchers in the Livermore Area

DATE: Monday, September 12, 2022 at 7:00 p.m

Location: Zoom

Speaker: Dick Finn

Livermore City Historian Richard Finn will tell tales from the bygone era of cowboys and ranchers in old Livermore during a virtual presentation.

“What we do is we talk about the ranchers and farmers that were first here in the valley,” Finn said. “That’s Amador over in the Dublin area, and of course, Robert Livermore here in the Livermore area. Then we talk about those that came later — Mendenhall and them. And then we end up talking about the farmers and ranchers that are now active in the valley, and some of the problems they have with their land and the drought and people trespassing.”

Richard has lived in the Livermore Valley since 1959 when he started work at Sandia National Laboratories/California from where he retired in 1996 as manager of Integrated Design Services and Engineering Information Management. In retirement he has spent a great deal of time studying his family history including publishing family histories. For some time, Richard has been researching Tri-Valley pioneer families with the help of his cousin Peter. They have developed a database of over 40,000 names of pioneers and their descendants. Richard has been president of both L-AGS and the San Ramon Genealogical Society and the last several years has served as the Livermore City Historian.

For additional information contact: Tom Mathews, L-AGS Program Chair, email: program@L-AGS.org

IMPORTANT: Guests are welcome. The Zoom meeting will open at 6:30 p.m. for social time or Zoom set-up. **The General Meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.**

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0vcO-gqz8vGtCm2LBnQWLBdKI0e4xA7zdy>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

LET'S CHAT AND WRITE GROUP

DATE: Sunday, September 11, 2022 – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom

Chair: Debbie Mascot, <mailto:talkgenealogy.chair@l-ags.org>

Subject: Cowboys! (and anything else genealogy)

To join the email list, please send a note to <mailto:changes@L-AGS.org> with "Add me to the Let's Chat Genealogy list" in the subject line.

To join:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86951666449?pwd=NW5xZmQ5UzhJcGZlOE9kVElnVnMrUT09>

TRI-VALLEY TMG USERS GROUP

The Master Genealogist Software

Topic: Reports and Problem Assistance

Date: Friday, September 9 and Saturday, September 24, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Location: Virtual

(<mailto:tvvmg.chair@L-AGS.org>).

Chair: Duncan Tanner, <mailto:tvvmg.chair@L-AGS.org>

This month we will continue to look at simple reports for the "list of" type, We want to think about the relationship between report output options, filter options and the data available. The group is always available to help with a variety of TMG questions. As usual the meeting will be available on the web using Zoom.

Kindly R.S.V.P. if you plan to attend the meeting and indicate if you will bring a laptop. Resources:

- Additional information contact Duncan:
<mailto:tvvmg.chair@L-AGS.org>
- User group e-mail address: <mailto:tvvmg@L-AGS.org>

The TV-TMG book, Source Templates for The Master Genealogists, A Guide for Creating Computerized Genealogical Source Citation Templates, is available. Purchase information is provided below. Contact <mailto:tvvmg.editors@L-AGS.org>, if you have questions.

- Questions about our book, <mailto:tvvmg.editors@L-AGS.org>
- Purchase our TV-TMG book from lulu.com:
<http://www.lulu.com/us/en/shop/tri-valley-tmg-users-group/sourcetemplates-for-the-master-genealogisttm/paperback/product20673683.html>

Board Meeting

Board Meeting Summary for August 30, 2022

Some members have already renewed their L-AGS membership for 2023. Don't forget to renew your membership (officially begins in October).

The Tri-valley Heritage Families is in contact with a woman who plans to write a book about the Filipino workers in Livermore. Any pictures or information concerning the workers from long-time Livermore residents would be appreciated. Contact Richard Finn at rwfinn@yahoo.com.

L-AGS has been asked to reduce the family research materials at the Pleasanton Library. We may need help from the membership to re-house the books that are removed from the library.

LIVERMORE FAMILY HISTORY CENTER

The Livermore California Family History Center located at 950 Mocho Street is now open! The hours are: Mondays from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Thursdays from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. Saturdays from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. There are volunteer shifts available. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Sandy Clark at: <mailto:live.fhc@gmail.com>

Several L-AGS members, both LDS and non-LDS, volunteer as docents at the Livermore FHC. They are available to assist you in your genealogy research. The Mocho Street FSC is open Mondays 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 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. 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 950 Mocho Street, Livermore complex are often used for these. Note: The entrance is in the front of the building on the right—there is a sign on the door. If the parking in front of the building is full, there is a large parking lot in the rear of the building.

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

PLEASANTON GENEALOGY CENTER

---Currently Closed---

A L-AGS docent is available at the Pleasanton City Library **by appointment**, e-mail: <mailto:docents.chair@L-AGS.org>. The library is located at 400 Old Bernal Avenue in Pleasanton. 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. Over 100 of the genealogy volumes may be checked out. Obtain information at the reference desk. The L-AGS genealogy reference book collection of 1,000 volumes resides in the Genealogy Section of the Pleasanton City Library. The L-AGS and the Friends of the Pleasanton Library provide access to the following subscription genealogy databases:

- Ancestry.com
- AmericanAncestors.org (formerly New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS))
- Heritage Quest (in Library & at home)

LIVERMORE ROOTS TRACER NEWS

We are actively seeking articles and photos for the Roots Tracer. Some items we are looking for are short, entertaining updates about your current genealogy activities. Who are you researching? In what locations? What time period? What other genealogy related activities are you pursuing? Are you travelling? Indexing? Writing? Speaking? Instructing? Volunteering? Let us know. Please submit all articles, updates and columns to <mailto:rootstracer.chair@L-AGS.org>.

We welcome articles the following subject matter:

- Updated, previously published Livermore Roots Tracer articles
- Your Famous and Not So Famous Ancestors
- Overcoming Brick Walls
- Traveling to Find Your Roots
- Old House & Building Histories
- Family Heirlooms
- Technology Related Articles
- Book Reviews, Poems, and Photographs

Submitting Your Article

You can easily submit your article as an email attachment to L-AGS editor at <mailto:rootstracer.chair@L-AGS.org>. Articles should be saved in either Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx) or Rich Text format. Use footnotes to cite sources for facts that are not general knowledge. No need to worry about knowing how to cite history sources, our editors can assist you with this task. Photographs should also be emailed as separate files and labeled.

Please include possible captions for each item. Photographs, when scanned, should be in either .jpg or .tif format.

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SPECIAL EVENTS these events are cancelled

OTHER LOCAL GENEALOGY GROUP MEETINGS AND EVENTS

The **MacGen group**, a group for Macintosh genealogy users, meets the second Wednesday of each month in Oakland, California at the Oakland FamilySearch Center. Please see <http://www.macgen.wdgeo.com> for more information.

The **San Ramon Valley Genealogical Society** meets the third Tuesday of every month in Danville, California at the Danville FamilySearch Center. Please see <http://srvgensoc.org/> for more information.

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>

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.

| Topics of Future General Meetings | | |
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| Month | Topic | Presenter |
| October 10, 2022 | German Family History, Basic Level | Robert Jackson, PhD |
| November 14, 2022 | Ancestral Road Trips, Part 1: East of the Mississippi | Madeline Yanov |
| December 12, 2022 | Ancestral Road Trips, Part 2 | Madeline Yanov |

| Regular Scheduled Events | | |
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| General Meeting Tom Mathews, Program Chair | Second Monday 7:00 p.m. To BE done via Zoom | Map: http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-BethEmek.jpg |
| Let's Chat and Write Genealogy Debbie Mascot | To meet every Sunday 3PM (PLEASE CHECK THE SCHEDULE AS THIS FREQUENTLY CHANGES) | Virtual |
| Tri-Valley TMG Users' Group Duncan Tanner | Second Friday and Fourth Saturday 9:00 a.m | Virtual |