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May 2024

General Meeting: Researching Mayflower Ancestors

With: Robert Trapp

Date: Monday, May 13, 2024 7:00 p.m. (Zoom chat starts at 6:30 p.m.)

Location: Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Ct., Pleasanton, CA and via Zoom- Preregister via ZOOM below:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYscOyrrD4pGdI88N7xDMAS1gextKvMAsJ6>

Chair: Program Chair, <mailto:program@L-AGS.org>

Cost: No Charge - Visitors welcome

Details: Please see page 2

Other Special Interest Groups and Meetings

Let's Chat Genealogy

Topic: *Mayflower Connections*

Date: May 19, 2024 at 3:00 p.m.

Location: Contact Chair for the Link

Chair: Debbie Mascot,

<mailto:bulletin.manager@L-AGS.org>

Board Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 28, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: Contact Chair for the Link

Chair: President, <mailto:President@L-AGS.org>

The Master Genealogist Software

Topic: Reports and Problem Assistance

Date: Friday, May 10 and Saturday, May 25, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Location: Contact Chair for the link

Chair: Duncan Tanner,

<mailto:tvmtg.chair@L-AGS.org>



Announcements

ROOTS TRACER

Roots Tracer editor needs assistance and a backup. Please let L-AGS president know if you would like to learn more.

General Meeting: Researching Mayflower Ancestors With: Robert "Bob" Trapp

Robert "Bob" Trapp, former governor of the Mayflower Society, Alameda Colony, will present the stories of the Mayflower and Speedwell landings and how he was able to find out about his Mayflower ancestors.

Robert "Bob" Trapp, a 3rd generation Californian, was born in Hayward but grew up in Southern California. He was first introduced to family history by his grandparents, who told him stories of their lives and ancestors. As a member of the Mayflower Society, Alameda Colony, he has served as Deputy and Colony Governor and is currently serving the Colony as Co-Membership Chair. His research has taken him to England and the Netherlands. His U.S. research has taken him from New England to the deep south and back to California. He claims 26 Mayflower passengers as ancestors, as well as one from Jamestown and many early Pennsylvania Quakers. He is a longtime member of the California Genealogical Society and has presented at its seminars and to other organizations around the Bay Area. He is a longtime volunteer at the Oakland Family Search Library/Center and has shared several family history booklets with family members at home and abroad. He is also a member of New England Historic Genealogical Society.

Learn more at www.ancestralsoulswisdomschool.com.



Date: Monday, April 8, 2024 7:00 p.m. (Zoom starts at 6:30 p.m)
Location: Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Ct., Pleasanton, CA and via Zoom- Preregister via ZOOM below:
<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYscOyrrD4pGdI88N7xDMAS1gextKvMAsJ6>
Chair: Program Chair, <mailto:program@L-AGS.org>
Cost: No Charge - Visitors welcome

Topics of Future General Meetings

| <i>Month</i> | <i>Topic</i> | <i>Presenter</i> |
|-------------------|---|---------------------|
| June 10, 2024 | Researching Church Records | Lisa Gorrell |
| July 8, 2024 | Avoiding the 6 Biggest Genealogy Mistakes | James Baker |
| August 12, 2024 | AI and Genealogy: Trouble Ahead? | Thomas MacEntee |
| September 9, 2024 | Scots-Irish Genealogy | Mark McClaren |
| October 14, 2024 | The Picture Bride Era: The Gentlemen's Agreement of 1907 between U.S. and Japan | Linda Harms Okazaki |
| November 11, 2024 | Bagging a Live One | Mary Kircher Roddy |

Board Meeting Summary

April 23, 2024 Board Meeting Summary

- *The Board is experimenting with recording the speakers for the General Meetings. The plan is to provide a link, to members only, that will be available for about 30 days.*
- *Roots Tracer publication is still paused at this time (no May issue). Publication will resume when editor Patrick Lofft has recovered from cataract surgery.*
- *The Board has scheduled an additional Heritage Happening-like event at the Livermore Library on June 25 from 2:00 – 5:00 pm. Volunteers are needed to help with this worthwhile public activity. The sign-up sheet will be up on the website soon.*

Research Locations

Livermore Family History Center

Location: 950 Mocho Street, Livermore, California

Phone: (925) 443-2750

Web: https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Livermore_California_FamilySearch_Center

Special Notes: 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.

Pleasanton Genealogy Center

Location: 400 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton, California

Email: docents.chair@L-AGS.org for appointment with docent

Special Notes: 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. Access to Ancestry.com (Library-edition) and Heritage Quest (also available at home with your library card)

L-AGS Publication: The Roots Tracer

We are actively seeking articles and photos for the Roots Tracer. Please see ideas below or submit your own:

- What are 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?
- Do you have an old article to update?
- Do you have any famous (or infamous) ancestors?
- Have you overcome a brickwall? How?
- Have you traveled your roots?
- Do you live in or have an ancestral home?
- Do you have any special family heirlooms with a story?
- Have you used technology in an interesting way to find your roots?
- Have you read a book, poem or found a photograph that inspires you?
- Updated, previously published Livermore Roots Tracer articles

Please submit articles or ideas to rootstracer.chair@L-AGS.org.

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