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RESEARCHING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

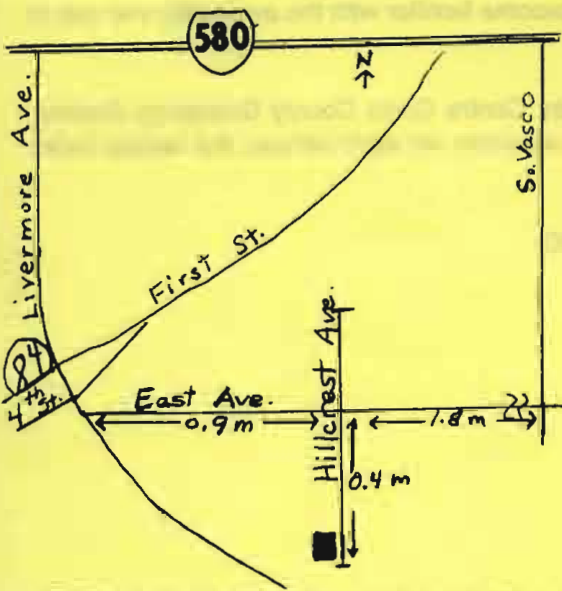


An All Day Seminar for Beginners and Experts

Saturday, April 20th, 1991

8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Livermore Stake Center, 1501 Hillcrest Avenue



Homemade bread, variety of muffins, orange juice, apple juice and milk will be served from 11 to 2. Bring your own lunch if you wish and we'll add to it! Also, there are several restaurants near by.

Material, food and facility donated as a Community Service by the LDS Church. Registration fees will go to support the Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society.

For more information, call Mary Lynne Horton (415) 443-5407

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

To give us an idea of class space and handouts needed, please review the list of classes on the back of this form and circle six letters for each family member who plans on attending the seminar.

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- Pre-registration must be received by April 5th, 1991.
- Pre-registration: \$4 per family
 At-the-door registration: \$5
 (One Syllabus per family)
- Make checks payable to LAGS and send to:
 Jolene Abraham
 President, Livermore-Amador Genealogy Society (LAGS)
 737 El Camino Caminito
 Livermore, CA 94550

Seminar Class Selections

- A** "FamilySearch" Slide Presentation: (Mary Lynne Horton, Oakland Family History Center - FHC) This class will demonstrate the new LDS Church program that holds the *Ancestral File*, IGI, Family History Catalog and the Social Security Death Index. The class will also discuss what the future holds and how you can put information on your PC.
- B** How to Begin: (Helen J. Lenz, Oakland FHC) Are you sure "all your work has been done?" This class will talk about getting organized, becoming a detective and learning what to do next.
- C** Using the Family History Centers: (Dean Christensen, Oakland FHC) Just returning from 18 month mission at Salt Lake's FHC, Dean will present a video overview of a FHC and discuss how and where to look for information.
- D** Bay Area Libraries: (Barbara Edkin, Contra Costa County Genealogical Society) Will discuss and have maps available to FHC, the National Archives, Sutro Library, University of California Libraries and etc..
- E** Tri-Valley Research: (Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society - LAGS) What records are available in Livermore and the surrounding area.
- F** Writing a Family History: (Cynthia Nielsen, Livermore) Ideas will be presented for creating a book out of your research and photos, as well as how to publish and distribute the book.
- G** Family Organizations and Reunions: (Erma Nielsen, Livermore) How to incorporate your family, organize reunions and update members on activities and research work.
- H** Preserving Records and Documents: (Julia Purdie, Concord FHC) Unfortunately moth, rust and rot doth corrupt. This class will show how you can keep your valuable papers, photos, letters, news clippings and tapes for generations to come by preserving them properly.
- I** U.S. Military Records: (Julia Purdie, Concord FHC) This class will help you become familiar with the availability and use of U.S. Military Records (Revolutionary War to WWII).
- J** U.S. Federal Census Records (1790-1910) & AIS Indexing: (Barbara Edkin, Contra Costa County Genealogy Society) This class will discuss where to find the census microfilms, the information available on each census, the census index books and the *SOUNDEX* system.
- K** German Record Research - A Video Presentation: (Cathi Ryan, Oakland FHC)
- L** Scandinavian Record Research: (Aksel Petersen, Livermore)
- M** Scottish & English Record Research: (Alice Landis, Oakland FHC)
- N** Irish Record Research: (Michael McLaughlin, Livermore)
- O** French Record Research: (Michael McLaughlin, Livermore)
- P** Catholic Parish Registries in America: (Michael McLaughlin, Livermore)
- Q** How to Read Old Script: (Cathi Ryan, Oakland FHC)
- R** Doing Your Genealogy on the Computer: (Floyd Nordin, Santa Clara PAF Users Group, President) An overview of what a computer (and PAF) can do for you: A record keeper, an easy file, an aid to communication, the ease of writing your family history and etc.. The class will meet in the chapel so the overhead projector can be used.
- S** Personal Ancestral File (PAF) and Roots III on the IBM PC and Apple MACintosh: (Computer Staff) A demonstration and hands-on in the multipurpose room with individual help on each of these computers and programs.
- T** Utilizing Your Computer to Do Your Genealogy: (Panel Discussion) A question and answer class for beginners and advanced computer users on how to match and merge, to use *GEDCOM* to submit research to the Ancestral File, to download from the FamilySearch program to your computer and etc..



ROSS CAMERON — Staff

April Brough of Livermore, 11, looks into the past by thumbing through a photo album of Mary Lynne Horton's ancestors.

A day for family roots

■ Saturday you can pick up tips on how to trace your genealogy

By Mark van de Kamp
STAFF WRITER

LIVERMORE — If the idea of finding your family's roots has ever crossed your mind, the day to start digging may be Saturday.

An all-day seminar for beginners to super sleuths in family history research will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1501 Hillcrest Ave.

"This hobby is very addicting. We all have a history. We're all products of what happened previously," organizer Mary Lynne Horton of Livermore said.

"There's a real thrill in finding a distant relative's name in a book or on an old census form and finding out what they did."

Horton, 54, will teach one of 20 different classes designed to

help amateur detectives ferret out clues. Classes range from how to begin, to preserving records and documents, writing a family history, and doing genealogy on a computer.

Horton has 30 years of experience researching her family's past. She got hooked by finding old photos in a trunk while cleaning her grandmother's house.

"I discovered that my father-in-law won a purple heart in World War II, my great-grandfather was wounded in a Civil War battle and President Abraham Lincoln shook his hand, and my ancestor, Frances Cooke, came on the Mayflower," Horton said.

It's important that young people become interested in genealogy so they continue the research, she said.

"There are many shortcuts that a person should learn before using all the resources available," said Codie Ridgewell, 52, of Livermore.

The church is co-sponsoring

the event with the Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society. Registration at the door is \$5 per family and will fund the genealogical society.

The genealogical society will have a mobile trailer in the church parking lot filled with artifacts and history of the Livermore Valley. Displays inside the building will feature a visual time line beginning with 16th century immigrations to the United States through the present.

Memorabilia from wars, the Great Depression and other historical events will add a personal touch to family history research. A variety of computers and software written just for genealogists will be demonstrated and will be available for hands-on experience throughout the day.

More than 100 people have pre-registered for the seminar, and at least 50 more are expected. Homemade bread, a variety of muffins, juices and milk will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

*Photos taken at the first L-AGS seminar,
20 April 1991*

Rosemarie Wade and
Marge Harter registering
attendees.



Jolene Abrahams and
Marge Stout handing out
programs.

Jolene was President
of L-AGS at this time.





Jim Horton placing pins showing his family's origins.

David Abrahams with some of L-AGS memorabilia



Marilyn Fullam with some of L-AGS publications.

Some of the displays at the 1991 Seminar

