



THE LIVERMORE-AMADOR GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

BULLETIN FOR December 2010

Web Site: <http://www.L-AGS.org>



SUMMARY OF L-AGS MEETINGS FOR December 2010

- o General Meeting - Tuesday, December 14, 2010, 7:30 p.m.
 - 1. Election of L-AGS officers for the year 2011.
 - 2. Following the election the meeting will feature:
 - Show and Tell: L-AGS Member Sharing
- o Master Genealogist Group - Saturday, December 18, 2010, 9 a.m. - noon
 - Topic: Land Records Case Studies-Homestead, Bounty Land & Private Land Claims
- o L-AGS December Board meeting - Tuesday, January 4, 2011, 7:30 p.m. due to the holidays. Members are welcome to attend board meetings. Please contact recording@L-AGS.org for location.
- o Study Group - No Meeting in December due to the holidays. The next meeting will be Thursday, January 27, 2011 time 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

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DETAILED L-AGS MEETINGS FOR December, 2010

Visitors are welcome free of charge at all of these meetings.

Monthly General Meeting

DATE: Tuesday, December 14, 2010 - 7:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Congregation Beth Emek, 3400 Nevada Court, Pleasanton

Map to Meeting Site: <http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-BethEmek.html>

Election of L-AGS officers for the year 2011:

The following slate of nominations was presented at the November General Meeting on 9 November 2010.

President: Mary Dillon
Program Vice President: Dick Finn
Membership Vice President: Teresa Fraser
Business Manager: Duncan Tanner
Recording Secretary: Patricia Northam
Corresponding Secretary: Anne Les

Nomination of other individuals will be accepted from the floor prior to the election. Nominees must be members of L-AGS and agreeable to their nomination.

Following the election:

GUEST SPEAKER: Our L-AGS Members

TOPIC: Sharing: interesting ancestors, interesting incidents in research, a break-through, how to share research, etc.

Our members, from fairly new to long time researchers, will share some of the interesting things they have found along the way. Others will tell how they share their research with family and friends.

Do you have a genealogical story to tell? You are encouraged to share it at our December meeting. The presentation should be brief, 5 to 7 minutes maximum. If you allow sufficient time, Dick Finn is very willing to scan your photos and help you put together a PowerPoint show. Some suggestions or ideas for topics:

- Bring a family heirloom; tell how it came into your possession and its significance to you.
- Tell about your most interesting ancestor. Bring photos if you have them.
- Tell about an interesting incident you encountered while researching.
- Tell about a break-through you made in your research and the resources that helped make it possible.
- Tell how you are sharing your research with family and friends. What media are you using - photos, scrapbooks, ancestral charts, books or other means?

For additional information contact: Dick Finn, Program Chairperson
Email: program@L-AGS.org

Tri-Valley TMG Users Group
The Master Genealogist Software

Date: Saturday, December 18, 2010
Meeting Time: 9 a.m. - Noon
Location: 7077 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 110, Pleasanton, CA 94566
Map to the meeting site: <http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-KollCenter.html>
Chair: Kay Speaks, tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org
Instructors: Sue Johnston and Kay Speaks

Topic: Land Records Case Files-Homesteads, Bounty Land Warrants & Private Land Claims.

In November we created an "Online Database and Image" template. For our December meeting we will use our new template for Homesteads, Bounty Land Warrants and Private Land Claim case files. See if you can find an example of all three types of land records.

If you plan to attend the meeting please email Kay Speaks and indicate if you will be bringing a laptop. Do not forget to check our blog "Tri-Valley TMG User Group" at <http://tvtmgug.blogspot.com/>. To enroll for access to the blog, please e-mail Sue Johnston at tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org.

Study Group Meeting - Kay Speaks, Chair

Date: No December Meetings Due to the Holidays
Watch for special online forum events during this vacation break.
See the "Special Note" below.

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, January 27, 2011

SPECIAL NOTE: Watch for an email from the study group chair announcing how you can participate in a new email forum during this holiday break. Planned are research and computer tips and tricks on using Ancestry, FamilySearch, Footnote and other prime genealogy sites. For more information contact Kay Speaks at study.chair@L-AGS.org. If you aren't already a member of the L-AGS Study Group, please send an email to list.manager@L-AGS.org requesting to be added.

Have you hit a genealogy brick wall? Give the many L-AGS knowledgeable researchers an opportunity to attempt helping you. Email your questions to study.group@L-AGS.org.

If you have any suggestions for topics to be discussed at future Study Group meetings, please email your thoughts to study.chair@L-AGS.org. Your input and feedback is appreciated.

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Summary of L-AGS Board meeting November 30, 2010

Due to the late date of this board meeting, the summary for November will be included in the January 2011 Bulletin.

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PRESERVE YOUR STORIES IN THE ROOTS TRACER

Our Roots Tracer offers all members the opportunity to preserve the stories of their families in print. If you need assistance in composing your story, the Roots Tracer staff (tracer@L-AGS.org) and/or editor (managing.editor@L-AGS.org) may be able to help you. Written articles should be approximately 300 to 1,500 words. Photographs and/or lineage charts always make any article more readable. The next quarterly deadline is the 15th of January of 2011. ... Patrick Lofft, Editor

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SPECIAL EVENTS

TRI-VALLEY HERITAGE HAPPENING

L-AGS will be a participant in the Tri-Valley Heritage Happening event in October 2011. We will be participating with libraries, museums and other organizations. The emphasis will be on the History of the Tri-Valley and the organizations that are working to preserve it and to make it available for the current and future generations. If you have thoughts or questions related to how L-AGS might contribute to this event, please contact Dick Finn, Program Chairperson at program@L-AGS.org

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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.

The L-AGS genealogy book collection resides in the Genealogy Section of the Pleasanton City Library. There are also computers available to access several subscription genealogy sites. L-AGS volunteer docents are available for assistance on Wednesdays 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. For further information on available services or to inquire about volunteering as a docent, please contact Patrick Lofft at (managing.editor@L-AGS.org)
Library location map: <http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-Library.html>

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 study groups. LDS facilities located 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.html>

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OTHER LOCAL GENEALOGY GROUP MEETINGS

To see what is happening with other genealogy groups around the San Francisco Bay and Sacramento Areas visit our L-AGS website at:

<http://www.L-AGS.org/lagslinks.html#GenealogicalSocieties>

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FUTURE L-AGS GENERAL MEETINGS AND OUR REGULAR SCHEDULE

Topics of future General Meetings

Date	Topic	Presenter
December 14, 2010	Member Sharing	L-AGS Members
January 11, 2011	To be announced	
February 8, 2011	To be announced	

Regular Scheduled Events

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.

General Meeting Dick Finn, Program Chair	Second Tuesday 730 p.m.	Congregation Beth Emek 3400 Nevada Court Pleasanton Map: http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-BethEmek.html
Tri-Valley TMG Users' Group Kay Speaks TMG Leader	Third Saturday 9 a.m. - Noon	7077 Koll Center Parkway Suite 110 Pleasanton Map: http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-KollCenter.html
Study Group Kay Speaks Study Group Leader	Fourth Thursday 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	LDS Church Building 950 Mocho Street Livermore Map: http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-BethEmek.html

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ADMINISTRATION

The L-AGS Bulletin is produced the first day of each month as a service of the Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society. If you have a special event or announcement you would like included in a future bulletin please submit your information by email at least 7 days before the beginning of the month you wish it to appear. All items should normally be related to genealogy or local history. L-AGS retains the right to edit any submissions.

The information contained in the Bulletin is gathered and distributed by the E-Bulletin Manager, Frank Geasa. He can be reached by email at bulletin.manager@L-AGS.org

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