Note added 23 August 2012: The Tri-Valley TMG Users Group did not meet last Saturday, August 18, as shown in the bulletin below, but will meet this coming Saturday, August 25, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.



## e-Bulletin August 2012

#### LIVERMORE-AMADOR GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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#### **Elected Leadership**

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.... Cheryl Palmer
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Business Manager
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#### **Happy Genealogical Vacations Month!**

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 <a href="mailto:membership@L-AGS.org">mailto:membership@L-AGS.org</a> 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: <a href="mailto:bulletin.manager@L-AGS.org">mailto:bulletin.manager@L-AGS.org</a>. 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.

### **Breaking News**

Three New Books

L-AGS has three new books published in the Lulu store (<a href="http://www.lulu.com">http://www.lulu.com</a> and enter "Livermore-Amador Genealogical Society" in the search box)!

<u>The Foxworthy-Fallon Saga</u>: History and genealogy of the Foxworthy and Fallon families, by an author who grew up in Livermore, California. Emphasis is on the history of the recent generations of the families in California, but with details of earlier generations as far back as the author has been able to trace them. All sources of information are documented. He has traveled to most of the ancestral homes in the US, and has visited most of the repositories of documents he cites

<u>The Foxworthy-Fallon Siblings</u>: Companion book to The Foxworthy Saga. The author traces his family tree to the earliest known ancestor in each line, including also the siblings of each ancestor. Biographies - sometimes very short - of 134 persons are presented.

<u>Alumni of the Livermore Union High School</u>: Lists the names of the graduating seniors of the Livermore Union High School for the years 1893, when the high school was founded, to 1969, with some gaps. For some years, significant additional information about the students is given. Often this information is recorded many years after the graduation date, giving details of the student's later life. The index of 3880 entries includes every name for every year.

## **Special Notices**

#### **County Fair Recognition**

As many of you may know, our own L-AGS member, Kay Speaks, is also a family history poet and photographer. She entered a photograph and three poems into the Alameda County Fair and all were accepted. Her poem entitled, "Clicking Chopsticks" won a silver award! Congratulations, Kay!

#### Sutro Library in San Francisco

Sutro Library in San Francisco recently underwent a move to San Francisco State University. It will be opening on August 1, 2012 and the hours will be Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sutro Libraries new facilities are "top notch, with an abundance of windows and natural lighting." They also have an interlibrary loan service through the local library.

California State Library - Sutro Library J. Paul Leonard Library, Room 610 1630 Holloway Drive San Francisco, CA 94132-4030

Phone: 415-469-6100

Email: mailto:sutro@library.ca.gov

Parking: http://www.sfsu.edu/~parking/text/parking.html

#### 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. Join us at the August writing group meeting on August 18 to learn more!

#### This Month's Contents

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## **Summary of Meetings**

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

**❖** General Meeting: The ABCs of DNA

When: Tuesday, August 14, 2012 - 7:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker: Steve Danko

**❖ The Master Genealogist Group:** *Creating Database Subsets* 

When: Saturday, August 18, 2012 - 9:00 a.m.

Chair: Kay Speaks

Writing Group: Personal and Family History

When: Saturday, August 18, 2012 – 2:30 p.m.

Chair: Debbie Mascot

❖ Lunch `n' Learn: Genealogy on the Go

When: Wednesday, August 15, 2012 – 11:30 a.m.

Chair: Debbie Mascot

Board Meeting

When: Tuesday, August 28, 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:** The ABCs of DNA

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Steve Danko

**DATE:** Tuesday, August 14, 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

Genetic Genealogy uses DNA to help answer genealogical questions. DNA is the chemical blueprint for life that is found in all of our cells. We inherit our DNA from our ancestors and, because of that fact, DNA can be used to identify individuals who are related to each other. The most common DNA tests are the Y-DNA test that traces paternal ancestors, the mitochondrial-DNA test that traces maternal ancestors, and the autosomal DNA test that traces all ancestors. In this talk, you will learn the basics of what DNA is and how it can be used in genealogy. You will learn what your DNA can tell you about both your ancient ancestors and your close cousins. You will learn what companies offer DNA tests for genealogists and how to choose the DNA tests that are right for you. Finally, you will hear true-life stories about the discoveries that genealogists have made using DNA testing: how DNA has helped to prove relationships, discover lost cousins, and identify the birth parents of adoptees.

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

## TRI-VALLEY TMG USERS GROUP

The Master Genealogist Software

**Topic:** To be announced

**Date:** Saturday, August 18, 9:00 a.m – 12:00 p.m.

Lunch Meet Up, Noon: Habit, Bernal & Valley, Pleasanton

**Location:** 7077 Koll Center Parkway, Suite 110, Pleasanton, CA 94566 **Map to the meeting site:** <a href="http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-KollCenter.jpg">http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Pls-KollCenter.jpg</a>

Chair: Kay Speaks, mailto:tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org

**Instructors:** Sue Johnston and Kay Speaks

AS WE HAVE TV-TMG ATTENDEES FROM MANY CITIES, PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE FOR SUBSEQUENT MEETING DATE AND TIME CHANGES AFTER THE FIRST OF THE MONTH (If you are on our TV-TMG e-mail list you will receive a personalized e-mail notification of change.)

Kindly R.S.V.P. if you plan to attend the meeting and indicate if you will bring a laptop. Do not forget to check our blog, "Tri-Valley TMG User Group" at <a href="http://tvtmgug.blogspot.com">http://tvtmgug.blogspot.com</a>. This is a great place to record our citation decisions, post notes and ideas from the meeting, and ask and answer questions. Learning assignments and challenges are posted on this website. If you have not received an invitation to join the blog readership, please e-mail Sue Johnston at <a href="mailto:tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org">mailto:tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org</a>.

The TV-TMG Users Group's public blog is located at <a href="http://tvtmgee.blogspot.com/">http://tvtmgee.blogspot.com/</a>. Here is where you will find more information about publishing and sharing our TV-TMG source templates that approximate Mills' <a href="https://example.com/Evidence Explained">Evidence Explained</a>. 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 TV-TMG chair at <a href="mailto:tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org">mailto:tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org</a>. We are researching options for publishing our templates online.

Resources: A free demo version of the software may be downloaded at <a href="http://www.whollygenes.com">http://www.whollygenes.com</a>. Mills' book may be purchased online from any of the following websites, plus many other websites: Amazon, Wholly Genes, Footnote and Ancestry. For additional information contact: <a href="mailto:tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org">mailto:tvtmg.chair@L-AGS.org</a>. The user group e-mail address is <a href="mailto:tvtmg@L-AGS.org">mailto:tvtmg@L-AGS.org</a>.

#### WRITING GROUP

Writing Your Personal and Family History

**Date:** Saturday, August 18, 2:30 p.m - 4:30 p.m.

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

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

Are you thinking of writing about your family history or your personal history? Join us for the writers' special interest group. Long-distance or otherwise unavailable members may join via email! Also, please see our note about the writing group contest and join us!

#### **LUNCH 'N' LEARN**

Genealogy on the GO!

**Date:** Wednesday, August 15, 11:30 a.m – 1:00 p.m.

**Location:** Pleasanton Public Library, 400 Old Bernal Avenue, Pleasanton. We will meet this month again at the picnic tables on the far side of the parking lot from the library. (If you are standing at the main entrance looking across the parking lot, we are at the far end at the 2 picnic tables)

Chair: Debbie Mascot and Kay Speaks

Bring your bag lunch and laptop, smart phone, flash/thumb drive or tablet to the Pleasanton Library. We'll have lunch and then go inside to talk about how we can use what we have to further our genealogical studies. We will need to provide a headcount, so please confirm if you will be able to join us: mailto:debbie@mascotmanor.org.

#### SUMMARY OF L-AGS BOARD MEETING

July Board Meeting held on July 24, 2012

L-AGS now has 172 memberships and 213 members.

Sandra Caulder reported on the new L-AGS publications now available at http://www.lulu.com:TheFoxworthy-Fallon Siblings, Livermore High School Rosters, and The Foxworthy-Fallon Saga.

The board approved a genealogical outreach program designed to be presented by local genealogical society members at assisted-living or retirement homes. "Ask Granny"© is scheduled to be presented on September 20th at Heritage Estates in Livermore. Patrick Lofft is spearheading L-AG's efforts.

Debbie Mascot reported on the phenomenal Lunch n' Learn program conducted last week at the Pleasanton Library. She recommended L-AGS host Pleasanton Library tours on a quarterly basis.

# 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 <a href="mailto:tracer@LAGS.org">mailto:tracer@LAGS.org</a> and/or <a href="mailto:managing.editor@L-AGS.org">mailto:managing.editor@L-AGS.org</a> 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

**Creative Ways to Share Your Genealogy**, August 2, 6:30 p.m. Oakland, California. For more information see: <a href="http://www.californiaancestors.org">http://www.californiaancestors.org</a>.

**Intro to Genealogy**, August 4, 1:00 p.m. Oakland, California. For more information see: <a href="http://www.californiaancestors.org">http://www.californiaancestors.org</a>.

**Using Social Media to Further Your Genealogy**, August 9, 6:15 p.m. Oakland, California. For more information see: <a href="http://www.californiaancestors.org">http://www.californiaancestors.org</a>.

**Federal Land Records**, August 17, 9:00 a.m. San Bruno, California. For more information see: <a href="http://www.archives.gov/pacific/archives/san-francisco/workshops.html">http://www.archives.gov/pacific/archives/san-francisco/workshops.html</a>.

**How Spreadsheets Can Help Your Research**, August 19, 1:00 p.m. Oakland, California. For more information see: <a href="http://www.jewishgen.org/sfbajgs">http://www.jewishgen.org/sfbajgs</a>.

**Reunion Source Citations**, August 25, 1:30 p.m. Oakland, California. For more information see: <a href="http://www.macgen.org">http://www.macgen.org</a>.

**Genealogical Gadgets**, August 30, 6:30 p.m. Oakland, California. For more information see: <a href="http://www.californiaancestors.org">http://www.californiaancestors.org</a>.

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

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

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

#### **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.

#### **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)

#### 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: <a href="http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Liv-FHC.jpg">http://www.L-AGS.org/maps/Liv-FHC.jpg</a>

#### **HELP WANTED**

Here are some ways you can get involved and stay connected with L-AGS. L-AGS needs you!

**Ask Granny.** L-AGS is putting together an Ask Granny program for Heritage Estates and will need 5 or 6 volunteers to help. Please contact Anne Les at <a href="mailto:corresponding@L-AGS.org">mailto:corresponding@L-AGS.org</a> for more information or to volunteer.

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

**Proofreaders**. Multiple projects need proofreaders. Contact Dick Finn at <a href="mailto:rwfinn@yahoo.com">mailto:rwfinn@yahoo.com</a>.

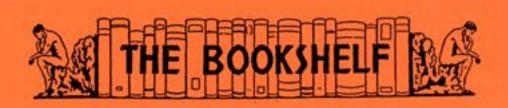
# FUTURE L-AGS GENERAL MEETINGS AND OUR REGULAR SCHEDULE

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		
Date	Topic	Presenter
September 11, 2012	Blogs, Podcasts, Webinars & Wiki's Oh My!	Kim Von Aspern
October 9, 2012	The Records Behind The WW1 Draft Registration Cards	Susan G. Johnston

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 Cheryl Palmer, Program Chair	Second Tuesday 7:30 p.m.	Congregation Beth Emek 3400 Nevada Court Pleasanton Map: http://www.L- AGS.org/maps/Pls-BethEmek.ipg
Tri-Valley TMG Users' Group Kay Speaks, TMG Leader	Third Saturday 9 a.m. – Noon (PLEASE CHECK THE SCHEDULE AS THIS FREQUENTLY CHANGES)	7077 Koll Center Parkway Suite 110 Pleasanton Map: http://www.L- AGS.org/maps/Pls-KollCenter.ipg
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.m1p.m.	R.S.V.P. for address

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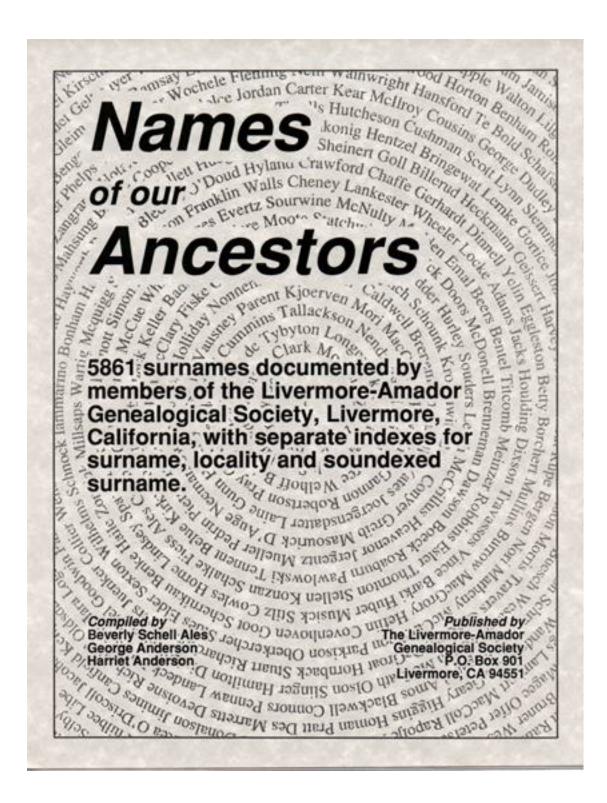
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