

# The News & Notes

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Southern California Genealogical Society

CHRIS HALEY KEYNOTE, THE PAVILION, CO-CHAIR LEO MYERS ON HAWAIIAN SHIRT DAY



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## Southern California Genealogical Society

### SOME COMMENTS FROM THE POST-JAMBOREE SURVEY

"I would very much like to thank all of the volunteers, I can only imagine how many hours and hours they have worked to pull this off. They did a fantastic job and it is very much appreciated. And thank you to the kids from Burbank High, they were very friendly and helpful also (and always had a smile on their faces!). Thank you!"

"I have attended several NGS, FGS and New England Regional conferences, but I have to say this was the very best in organization! Kudos to you all. Well done. Take a bow."

"The volunteers are so important to the success of the event and I really do appreciate all that they do. It's a good reflection on the quality of an organization when you see such great grassroots support."

"In the Tech Zone I found a newspaper obituary of my mother with a picture, several articles on both of my brothers who were involved in sports, and historical maps of my father's birthplace. It was a goldmine."

"Excellent work! Volunteers were always helpful and cheerful, even in the midst of being overworked. I liked the fact that you had young helpers at the door of each session; they were also friendly and helpful (on several occasions helping me find a seat in a crowded session). This kind of event can't happen without the labor of well-trained volunteers, and they seemed to do their work flawlessly - which made participants' experiences that much more enjoyable. Thank you!"

"Sunday Morning after my scanning session with Ancestry.com, my Cousin Alexa and I decided to stop in to the "Tech Zone". In our 30 minutes we decided that we would explore Footnote.com. While exploring Footnote we found Town Records for Connecticut that confirmed family members for our Taylor ancestors there. Our major find, which resulted in high fives and what some would say a "Happy Dance" was finally locating our Great Grandmother/ Great Aunt Nona (Coor-Pender) Peckham in the 1930 census. We have been looking for her for almost a year with Ancestry.com! While using Footnote, Nona's name jumped out at us as though she were saying "I am here!!!". We were amazed, the Census record was the second record in our search result. We were very lucky because we had just come from the Ancestry's scanning station and I had the USB drive provided. We were able to save the images and of course write down the source. Thank you Jamboree for having the "Tech Zone" and the Ancestry Scanning Station. Next year I will bring so much more to scan and my own USB drive for those unexpected finds in the "Tech Zone". Looking forward to next year!"

"At the presidential breakfast lecture, I made a connection from my line through a direct blood link to 4 US presidents and European kings and queens. I finally found ancestors that were something other than a farmer."

"During the world roundtable that you had on Friday morning, I sat at the Portuguese table with Cheri Mello. I was the only one taking advantage of all of Cheri's experience. I couldn't believe it. Anyway she gave me a website and showed me what to look for on Portuguese birth records and I went home and found all my grandmothers brothers and sisters, all 15 of them. Now I'm going back to find birth records for my great- grandparents and beyond."

"I just can't believe what a first-class effort you, Leo and your volunteers put forth to achieve this masterpiece that was the 2010 Jamboree! There is no word to describe it other than "first class." The syllabus was beautifully done with the coil binding making it easy to open and lie flat. The tote bag is perhaps the finest in my collection amassed over the years. There was adequate seating for the sessions. Some caring and knowledgeable person was available at every point of possible inquiry. There were many wonderful drawing prizes. I could go on, but the bottom line is that someone cares -- a lot -- and it shows!"

## SCGS 11TH ANNUAL GENEii WRITERS CONTEST IS NOW OPEN



The 2010 GENEii Family History Writers Contest is dedicated to the memory of Elizabeth "Beth" Maltbie Uyehara, who founded the contest in 2000. Beth passed away on March 6, 2010.



### Guidelines:

- Entries must be received between November 1 and December 31, 2010.
- Writers may submit multiple entries in either and/or both categories.
- Each entry must be submitted via email, and sent to [SCGS-Writing-Contest@scgsgenealogy.com](mailto:SCGS-Writing-Contest@scgsgenealogy.com)
- The body of the e-mail should include the author's name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address; the title of the article; the word count; and the category entered. Category 1 includes submissions from 1,000 to 2,000 words and Category 2 includes submissions under 1,000 words.
- Endnotes need not be included in the word count. Entries may be either single or double spaced, and subjects need not relate to California or the United States.
- Winners will be notified individually by May 1, 2011, and a listing of winning entries will be posted on the SCGS website at that same time. The winners' names will also be printed in the summer issue of The Searcher, the quarterly journal of SCGS.
- The judges will use four criteria in evaluating the entries: 1) overall interest and impact, 2) accuracy and care with facts, 3) "voice" and language, and 4) writing mechanics (clarity, grammar).
- Certificates will be issued for first, second, and third place, honorable mention, and finalist at the discretion of the judges. All decisions are final. All research used in the articles must be supported by endnote citations. For guidelines on citation style, see [Evidence, Citation & Analysis for the Family Historian](#), by Elizabeth Shown Mills (Genealogical Publishing Company), or [The Chicago Manual of Style](#), by University of Chicago Press Staff.
- Entrants grant SCGS the one-time right to publish their articles in the SCGS journal The Searcher; and/or the SCGS website; and/or to publish their article in an anthology of winning entries. Previously published articles should include permission to reprint from the prior publisher.

*SCGS Librarian Coordinator — Linda Golovko*

*If you are looking for a way to contribute to SCGS as a volunteer librarian, please contact Linda Golovko by phone at 818-790-0274 or by email at [l\\_golovko@yahoo.com](mailto:l_golovko@yahoo.com).*

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

“Practically perfect in every way!” There is no other way to describe the 2010 Jamboree. The Society and I wish to thank Paula Hinkel, Leo Myers and their hordes of volunteers for pulling this off. This successful Jamboree was followed by a wildly successful Open House on July 10. The event was so popular that the volunteers had new folks coming in even as they were getting ready to close.

For the 2011 Jamboree to surpass this year's event, the Society needs many more volunteers. There are some key positions that Paula and Leo would like to see filled for next year. If you can help out in any way, please contact them or just attend the Jamboree meetings as they are scheduled.

SCGS elections are right around the corner. If you would like to run for the board, please contact Joan Phillips (Phillips.Joan@att.net). If you want to try out a board meeting, you are always welcome at the meetings on the 3rd Thursday of every month except December. Meetings start at 6 p.m. at the library and adjourn around 8 p.m. Besides the elected Board, we appoint three at-large members every year. There is a current at-large opening if you would like to try on board responsibilities for size.

Respectfully — Pam Wiedenbeck, President

## ANCESTRY WORLD ARCHIVES PROJECT — PROGRESS

Now that SCGS has successfully completed one database for the World Archives project, the organization is moving on to collaborate on another set of California records.

Have you been looking for a project to keep you busy while you're inside, avoiding those hot summer days? We have just the answer.

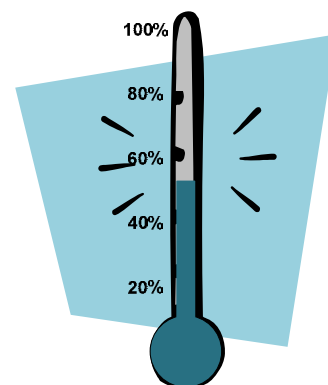
SCGS is collaborating with The World Archives Project and several other California genealogical societies to transcribe the California Naturalization Record Original Documents (1975-1972). Because the other societies have been working on this file for a while, over half (54%) of the documents have already been transcribed.

To get the full picture on this important initiative, visit the SCGS website page at

<http://www.scsgenealogy.com/WorldArchives.htm>

***What's in it for researchers today and in the future?*** All indexes will remain free to the public on [Ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com).

***What's in it for SCGS?*** [Ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) will donate copies of record indexes and images from the project to SCGS. The Society will be able to place the digital images in its members-only section of the website. The index will be free and SCGS members can access the actual images. ***It's a way for SCGS to earn revenue through its website.***



### **French Canadian Heritage Society of California Research Team**

*Expert researchers are available to help you find your French-Canadian ancestors. Our researchers are on-site at the SCGS Library every Wednesday to help you get started.*

*In addition, FCHSC offers fee-based research and translation services or hands-on help.*

### **SCGS African-American Interest Group**

*The Southern California Genealogical Society's (SCGS) African American Interest Group meetings are held the second Saturday of each month from about 2:30-5:00 p.m., with individual research assistance available following the SCGS monthly Lunch and Learn program. Please check [www.scsgenealogy.com](http://www.scsgenealogy.com) to verify meeting days and times or contact [Charlotte.charsroots@yahoo.com](mailto:Charlotte.charsroots@yahoo.com).*

## LUNCH & LEARN

### Southern California Genealogical Society

417 Irving Drive @ Glenoaks Blvd.  
Burbank, CA 91504-2408  
(818) 843-7247      www.scgsgenealogy.com



### LUNCH AND LEARN



Lunch and Learn Monthly Meetings are **free and open to the public**

12 noon - 1 p.m.      **Lunch** with a brown bag or purchase lunch from nearby eateries.  
Sit, chat and share your questions and genealogy stories while you eat.

1 p.m. - 2 p.m.      **Learn** from our knowledgeable speakers.  
The library is closed for research.

For additional information contact: Charlotte Bocage [rubymoon01@yahoo.com](mailto:rubymoon01@yahoo.com)

### LECTURE SCHEDULE

#### Saturday August 14, 2010

Presenting: "**Computers Don't Bite: Learn Basic Computer Terminology and Computer Skills**"  
by Cecil Brower

#### Saturday September 11, 2010

**DOUBLE BILL** 1 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Presenting: "**Genealogy and World War 2 and Korean War Casualty Records**"  
by William L. Beigel

Presenting: "**Military Research**"  
by Liz Stookesberry Myers

#### Saturday October 9, 2010

**DOUBLE BILL** 1 p.m.- 3:15 p.m.

Presenting: "**The Search for Francis Boggs: Tracking Down Elusive Show-biz Ancestors**"  
by Robert S. Birchard

Presenting: "**The Courthouse Burned: Alternate Approaches and Treasures**"  
by Wendy Bebout Elliott

#### Saturday November 13, 2010

Presenting: "**Kentucky Research**"  
by Jay Holladay

#### Saturday, December 12, 2009 – (Library closed for researching)

SCGS Annual Meeting for members

**Lecture topics for 2011 include:** Research in the Carolinas, Georgia, Portugal, Scotland, and a cemetery research and field trip.

Please check our website [www.scgsgenealogy.com](http://www.scgsgenealogy.com) for more FREE Lunch and Learn meetings.

## NEW BEGINNER'S CLASS FORMING

Beverly Truesdale will be presenting her popular Beginner's Class in September. If you know of anyone who is just itching to start his or her genealogy, but doesn't know where to begin, this is the class for her or him.

**Sept. 9 - Getting started. Filling out Family Group Sheets and Pedigree Charts.**

**Sept. 16 - Getting organized**

**Sept. 23 - Census records**

**Sept. 30 - Land and Military records**

All classes are on Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Please contact the librarian on duty at 818-847-7247 to register or get more details.

## SCGS ANNUAL TRIP TO SALT LAKE CITY

### Do you want to research at the largest genealogical library in the U.S.?

Come join us for 8 wonderful days from September 14 to 22, 2010 at the Family History Library. We will be staying at the Plaza Hotel, next door to the Library. There will be an orientation and a pot luck lunch two weeks before departure. The hotel will also provide us with a lecture by one of the professionals that works at and knows the Library. For more information contact Jan Jennings ([jantj@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jantj@sbcglobal.net)) or call 661-288-1813.

## GERMAN INTEREST GROUP — 2010 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

21 August	Research Locations	Continuing to add new information to our study guides in order to make them more useful for German researchers.
18 September	Gazetteers and Atlases	More from Bill Toeppe's paper, "Finding Your German Village"
16 October	Gazetteers & Atlases	U.S.A. & Europe
20 November	Potluck & Traditions	11:45 - 2:00
19 December	NO PROGRAM SCHEDULED	We look forward to the SCGS ANNUAL MEETING

Please contact Lois Burlo for more information or to volunteer to help out. ([LHBurlo@yahoo.com](mailto:LHBurlo@yahoo.com)) All programs start at 1 p.m. and are at the SCGS Library, 417 Irving Drive, Burbank, CA 91504. 818-843-7247

## RENEW YOUR RALPHS COMMUNITY GIVING STARTING 1-SEP-2010

**It's that time again!!**

**PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION FOR THE NEW TERM BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2010.**

**There is no pre-registration! This means that you cannot register for the new term until September 1, 2010 or after.**

## NOMINATIONS FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It's that time again! Time for you to start thinking about who you would like to represent you on the Board of Directors for the next few years. Are you willing to step forward and put your name in the ring? Do you have someone in mind who you think would make an excellent candidate for one of these open positions? If so, now is the time to speak up and/or step up. We need all willing, able, and hard working volunteers to come forward! Ballots will be mailed in November and elections will be held and results announced at the annual meeting on December 12, 2009. Please contact Joan Phillips (Phillips.Joan@att.net) if you would like to run for the Board.

We have four open three year term positions and one open two year position.

### **Nomination by Petition**

A candidate for a Board vacancy may be nominated by a petition signed by not fewer than five (5) members in good standing and delivered to Heidi Zeigler, Recording Secretary, SCGS Library, 417 Irving Drive, Burbank, CA 91504-2408 by October 14, 2009. Only members in good standing shall be accepted for nomination.

### **Current Slate**

The following SCGS members have graciously agreed to run for the Board in the next election: Dorothy Deslauries, Donn Dufford, Allan Gluck, Marilyn Heck, Vieve Metcalfe, Donie Nelson, and Cathy Romero. There is still time to volunteer to run for the Board. Join your fellow Society members as we move the organization forward into the 21st century.

## BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION AS OF JULY 31, 2010

### **Donn Dufford**

Donn Dufford is a member of the SCGS Board of Directors and chairs the Society's Publications Committee. He also is on the Long Range-Strategic Planning Committee.

Donn's father hooked him on genealogy more than 20 years ago when he asked Donn to find out more about their family. Since then, Donn has traced his ancestors back to France, England and Ireland in the mid-1600s. His two main lines came to America in 1737 and 1738.

He is a Marketing, Advertising and Public Relations consultant who has built successful programs for companies like Mattel Toys, Toyota and Kaiser Permanente. Additionally, he has raised funds for The Boy Scouts, American Lung Assn., Big Brothers, United Way and more. Donn owned his own advertising agency, and has been an officer and partner in worldwide agencies.

Born in San Diego, Donn has lived in Pasadena for 32 years, where he is President of an 850-home neighborhood association. He was president of a large townhouse homeowners association, a 20-year director and two-time president of a large professional association, a member of the American Lung Assn. board, and chairman of United Way committees.

He holds a bachelors degree from San Diego State University, and has taught at the University of Southern California and Loyola Marymount University.

### **Vieve Metcalfe**

Vieve has been a genealogist and SCGS member since attending Jamboree in 1993, shortly before she retired. She presently serves our society as a librarian, as a member of the Long Range Planning Committee and the Library Operations Committee, and as the cataloguer for the CD collection. In the past, she has served as the Jamboree chair, as a chair and member of nominating committees, and as one of two organizers of the flat-map collection. Vieve grew up in Massachusetts, and she graduated from Cornell and the MBA program of Santa Clara University. Her former employers were Crown Zellerbach and Stanford Research Institute in the San Francisco area and the Times Mirror Company in Los Angeles. She is a longtime enthusiast of outdoor activities and the environmental movement, having served in the past as the Sierra Club's ski patrol chair and an executive committee member of the Club's Angeles Chapter.

### **Cathy Romero**

Cathy Romero has a Bachelor's degree in Design from California State University, Los Angeles and Associate in Arts degree in Design from East Los Angeles College. She is an alumna of San Gabriel Mission High School. She was born and raised in Rosemead, CA. She has worked for Kaiser Permanente as a graphic designer for 30 years.

Always fond of traveling, she has traveled to Japan, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, parts of Europe, Tangiers, many Mexican states. Her father and paternal grandparents hail from Valverde, Socorro County, New Mexico and her mother from San Bernardino, CA. Her maternal grandparents are from Los Haros, Zacatecas, Mexico. She has five siblings.

She has done family research on the Romero side up to 1741 and continues to fill in the gaps. The maternal line is a bit more daunting and is yet to be tackled. She is interested in movies, video, photography, history, art, and keeping up with all the Adobe software she needs to use.

## SCGS INTEREST GROUPS

### DNA Interest Group

- 5th Saturday & other dates as announced
- 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Contact Alice Fairhurst at **alicefairhurst@gmail.com** for more information
- Next Meeting: November 6, 2010 at SCGS Library

### Irish Interest Workshop

- 5th Sunday
- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Contact Marge Rossini at **marge4scgs@dslextre.me.com** for more information
- Next Meeting: August 29, 2010 at SCGS Library

### German Interest Group

- 3rd Saturday of every month
- 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
- Contact Lois Burlo at **lhburlo@yahoo.com** for more information
- Next Meeting: August 20, 2010 at SCGS Library

### French-Canadian Heritage Society of California (FCHSC)

- Twice a year (see calendar for details)
- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Contact Lin LaRocelle at **fchsc@scsgsgenealogy.com** for more information
- Next Meetings: November 21, 2010, March 27 & October 30, 2011 at SCGS Library

### Genealogical Society of Hispanic America—Southern California

- Quarterly (see calendar for details)
- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Contact Donie Nelson at **doniegsha@earthlink.net** for more information
- Next Meeting: August 7, 2010 at SCGS Library
- Join us for Hispanic Tuesdays at the SCGS Library: 3rd Tuesday from Noon until 9 p.m.

### SCGS Writers Group

- Twice a month on scheduled Tuesdays and Sundays (See calendar for details)
- Tuesday: Noon to 2 p.m. & Sunday: 1 to 3 p.m.
- Contact Jean Snow at **jcs2007@snowstarjean.com** for more details
- Next Meeting: August 22, 2010 at the SCGS Library

## SCGS COMPUTER USERS GROUPS

### Roots Magic Users Group

- 3rd Sunday of every month
- 2 to 4 p.m.
- Contact Jay Holladay at **jholladay@ca.rr.com** for more information
- Next Meeting: August 15 2010 at SCGS Library

### Legacy Users Group

- 2nd Monday of every month
- 7 to 9 p.m.
- Contact Rich Schulthies at **fourpartz@verizon.net** for more information
- Next Meeting: August 9, 2010 at SCGS Library

### The Master Genealogist (TMG) Users Group

- 1st Saturday of every month
- 2 to 4 p.m.
- Contact Evelyn Maynard at **evmaynard@socal.rr.com** for more information
- Next Meeting: August 7, 2010 at SCGS Library

## SCGS WRITERS GROUP

What is the difference between Memoir and Autobiography? The latter usually shows an entire life, from birth to death. It's a daunting task, even for a historian. For Memoir writing, Raymonde Motil came up with a neat "cookie metaphor." You have a bowl of cookie dough, and each time you write a little tale, you've shaped another cookie to put on the sheet. Keep a small notebook handy to jot down ideas when they strike. Later, as you find time, begin to add to the memories.

Author Margaret Atwood says "Other forms can last and last: painting, sculpture, music, but they do not survive as voice." Aha! What is your *voice*? Why not be the voice for your family?

If you're a member of SCGS and would like to join our merry band, please contact me: Jean Chapman Snow (jcs2007@snowstarjean.com).

### Upcoming Meetings

Tuesday Aug 3, Noon-2 p.m.	Tuesday Sep 7, Noon-2 p.m.	Tuesday Oct 5, Noon-2 p.m.
Sunday Aug 22, 1-3 p.m.	Sunday Sep 26, 1-3 p.m.	Sunday Oct 24, 1-3 p.m.

## FRENCH-CANADIAN RESEARCH ON WEDNESDAYS AT THE LIBRARY

Members of our Team are responsible for staffing the library every Wednesday. We open it, close it and help anyone with their research. So if you are of French-Canadian heritage, Wednesday is a great day to visit. We have one of the largest French-Canadian research collections in the West.

We are currently looking for a couple of volunteer librarians to help out on Wednesdays for at least one day a month. Training available. Contact us at [fhsc@scgsgenealogy.com](mailto:fhsc@scgsgenealogy.com).

## FRENCH-CANADIAN HERITAGE SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

### **French-Canadian Heritage Society of California (FCHSC)**

#### **SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES for Sunday, November 21, 2010**

Doors open at 10 a.m., the show starts at 11. Join us for one activity or stay the entire time.

- 11 a.m. - Noon** "Beginning French-Canadian Research" by Pam Wiedenbeck  
**Noon - 1 p.m.** Social hour with potluck lunch  
**1 p.m. - 2 p.m.** Discussion of the major resources in FCHSC's research collection Panel: Doug Miller, Joan Phillips, & Raymonde Motil  
**2 p.m. - 3 p.m.** "Hands-on" research assistance from our team of experts

Keep abreast of FCHSC activities by visiting our website [www.fchsc.org](http://www.fchsc.org)

## FRIDAY PROOFREADING CLUB FOR THE 1890 PROJECT

Where can you meet jail prisoners, saloon permit owners, poor farm residents, newlyweds, and newborns from LA County of 1890? Why the Southern California Genealogical Society, of course.

Louise Calaway leads the proof readers for the 1890 Project on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the SCGS Library. Show up when you want and work any hours that work for you.

**The Southern California Genealogical Society DNA Interest Group  
and the International Society of Genetic Genealogy (www.isogg.org)**



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**DNA Interest Group Meetings – 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**

**Sat, Nov. 6, 2010 – What's New in DNA: What We Learned at the FTDNA Conference**

**Presenters: Project Administrators Panel**

- 10:00-11:00 Questions for the panel from those who have not yet tested or have just received their DNA results.
- 11:00-12:00 The panel of Project Administrators who attended the October 30-31 FTDNA conference in Houston will share what they learned at the conference.

\$5.00 donation is suggested for attendance. Individualized help will be available after the formal presentation for those who want to order DNA tests or who have received DNA results and need help managing their personal page or interpreting their results. A drawing will be held for a \$30 discount certificate for ordering a DNA test. Brown bag or join us for pizza for an additional \$5.00.

For additional information contact Alice Fairhurst, at [alicefairhurst@gmail.com](mailto:alicefairhurst@gmail.com) or call (626) 331-4791

Following the regular meeting from 2:00-4:00 p.m., those who are Family Tree DNA (FTDNA) Project Administrators or Project Co-administrators are invited to remain to discuss how they are managing group projects. The Roundtable format allows people to share expertise and create solutions to issues.

**Future Meetings:** Sat., Jan. 29, 2011; Apr. 30, 2011; July 30, 2011; Oct. 29, 2011

**FTDNA Normal Reduced Prices for SCGS DNA Project for ANY SURNAME:**

<b>Males (father's line only)</b>	<b>Males (father's and mother's line)</b>	<b>Females (mother's line only)</b>
___ Y-DNA37 \$149	___ Y-DNA37 + mtDNAPlus \$269	___ mtDNA \$99
___ Y-DNA67 \$239	___ Y-DNA67 + mtDNAPlus \$369	___ mtDNAPlus \$159

ALL: \_\_\_ Family Finder (traces through all 16 great-grandparents) \$289.00

Shipping & Handling: \$4.00 (inside the USA), \$6.00 (outside the USA)

To order, call Family Tree DNA at 713-868.1438 and ask to join the SCGS project or order online at:  
<http://www.familytreedna.com/group-join.aspx?Group=SCGS>

When your results come in, we will automatically join you to your surname and haplogroup project.

*The French Heritage DNA Project is dedicated to the hundreds of founding ancestors who came primarily from France to Canada in the 17th century. Our membership consists of persons of French, French-Canadian, Acadian, Métis, and/or Cajun descent. Visit our website at [www.frenchedna.org](http://www.frenchedna.org) to see test results for nearly 1600 members and to find out how to join the French Heritage DNA Project.*

Genealogical Society of Hispanic America  
 Southern California  
 Founded 1992



P.O. Box 2472, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

## **El Dorados: The People of Gold in 19th Century New Mexico**



Saturday, Aug. 7, 2010  
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

at the Southern California Genealogical  
 Society Family History Library  
 417 Irving Drive, Burbank, California  
 818-843-7247

Presented by  
 William A. Baxter, Author

Raw gold metal is not documented in New Mexico until after the advent of the Republic in 1821 and the coming of the Santa Fe Trail. This is the tale of the New Mexicans, native and immigrant; of those who were ruthless, and of those they squeezed and crushed; and of those New Mexicans, who did well. Several of them did very well indeed.

Fourteen years ago, William A. Baxter left San Francisco, CA, and retired to New Mexico. He now lives in San Marcos, Galisteo Basin, south of Santa Fe. Mr. Baxter and his wife are the staff of Lone Butte Press, which specializes in short-run books on New Mexico history and other topics. He is a past chair of the Santa Fe County Open Space and Trails Planning and Advisory Committee and played a role in the creation of the Cerrillos Hills State Park, the Ortiz Mountains Educational Preserve. He is also the Archaeological Conservancy's steward for the San Marcos Pueblo site. He is the author of *The Gold of the Ortiz Mountains: A Story of New Mexico and the West's First Major Gold Rush* and is a regular local guide and speaker.



**10 a.m.:** Coffee & Setup

**10:30 a.m.:** Announcements

**11 a.m.:** William A. Baxter

**12:30 p.m.:** Family style, no-host lunch. Bring your own or make a \$5 donation for pizza, beverage included.

**1:30 p.m.:** Door Prize raffle

The afternoon is also a time for members to network at this meeting with Mexico researchers or use the SCGS and GSHA-SC library collections. GSHA-SC members receive a 10% discount on book sales.

[www.scsgenealogy.com/GSHA.html](http://www.scsgenealogy.com/GSHA.html) • Facebook: Genealogical Society of Hispanic America - Southern California

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Margaret Donnellan Todd  
County Librarian

I am pleased to announce that the County of Los Angeles Public Library's Californiana Collection has reopened for public service effective June 21, 2010, in its new location in the Reference Services Department at the Norwalk Regional Library, 12350 Imperial Highway, in the City of Norwalk. The Californiana Collection is a system-wide non-circulating research collection focusing on Southern California and California history as it relates to the Southern California area, with emphasis given to local history materials about Los Angeles County and the cities and communities served by the County of Los Angeles Public Library. The relocation of the collection to Reference Services is part of the County Library's strategic plan to centralize its specialty collections at one location for improved access to these collections through greater staff availability and research expertise to assist our customers.

The Californiana Collection was previously housed at the Rosemead Library. Prior to its relocation, the collection was evaluated and inventoried by a select library staff committee with subject, archival, and preservation expertise to identify rare and unique materials and those items requiring conservation and preservation care. Some of the highlights among the nearly 25,000 items in the collection are several eighteenth century publications of James Cook's voyages of exploration in the Pacific and around the world, a number of nineteenth century California newspapers on microfilm, a complete twelve-volume set of the U.S. War Department's *Reports of Explorations and Surveys ... for a Railroad from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean* (1855-1860), and an extensive collection of Los Angeles City Directories from the 1870s through the early 1940s. In addition to books, the collection also includes periodicals and magazines, maps and atlases, microforms, government documents, and pamphlets.

For further information about the Californiana Collection and to access the collection, please contact Patty Banuilos, Reference Services Manager, at (562) 868-4003 or [referenceservices@library.lacounty.gov](mailto:referenceservices@library.lacounty.gov). Our Reference Services staff is looking forward to assisting you with your research needs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Margaret Donnellan Todd". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Margaret Donnellan Todd  
County Librarian

## Jamboree: Session Recordings Now Available

Posted: 14 Jul 2010 08:54 PM PDT

We just heard from JAMB-Inc., our partners who did the audio recording at Jamboree. The audio CDs are now available for purchase from their website, <http://jamb-inc.com>.

Happy shopping!

## FAREWELL TO THE NEWS & NOTES

After seven and a half years of reporting news and events at SCGS, **The News & Notes** will be saying farewell at the end of 2010.

This newsletter was created to publish calendars and events when **The Searcher** reduced its number of issues from 6 to 4 due to publishing costs and volunteer availability issues.

With the advent of more timely ways of getting the news on SCGS events our through the SCGS Blog (see below), it is time to retire this quarterly publication.

In both its printed and electronic forms, the newsletter served the membership well. We will all remember it fondly as we go on to more modern methods of communication.

In addition, we will be retiring the CA-SCGS email notifications and replacing them with this more effective and efficient BlogSpot. Your email address will never be shared and you will get an email only when a new message is posted. So sign up before you forget at <http://scgsgenealogy.blogspot.com>.

Modern methods of communication give you up-to-date information as you need it.

The SCGS blog gives you reminders and updates of activities at SCGS and helps stretch your genealogy budget by letting you know of discounts and bargains.

To be sure that you receive all of this news, sign up to receive email announcements at <http://scgsgenealogy.blogspot.com>.



## HELLO AND FAREWELL TO THE INFORMATION SCIENCES STUDENTS

This Spring, SCGS teamed up with the UCLA Department of Information Sciences and became a Service Learning Partner. SCGS hosted two students from the UCLA Masters in Information Science program, Natalie and Kyle. As part of the course entitled *IS 201: Ethics, Diversity and Change* in which they were enrolled for the Spring quarter, the students were required to donate a certain number of volunteer hours to an entity with library, archive, or information science needs.

The German Work Group put both students to work on the Germanic Collection usability project. Natalie and Kyle worked to develop a cataloging scheme that is compatible with the SCGS modified-Dewey system. The students set to the task at hand. They interviewed SCGS long time volunteers that work in the cataloging department and searched through some of the reference papers we acquired when the German Genealogical Society of America merged their collection with SCGS. They devised and documented a solution which the German Work Group will begin implementing in late Summer and on into the Fall.

## MORE FRENCH-CANADIAN NEWS

SCGS now has the following "France" films from LDS on indefinite loan and will be adding to the collection:

0729854	France, Cote d'Or, Paroisse de Marsannay la Cote. Baptisms, marriages, burials 1687-1792
0729967	France, Cote d'Or, Paroisse de Marsannay la Cote. Baptisms, marriages, burials 1661-1687
1080421	France, Versailles, Seine et Oise, Paroissiaux de Notre Dame 1684-1792
1356383	France, Seine et Marne, Eglise St-Etienne 1636-1667
2344552	France, Orne, Normandel, Paroisse de Normandel. Parish registers 1597-1792
2344568	France, Orne, Tourouvre Parish. Baptisms, marriages, burials 1671-1718 Feb
2359511	France, Orne, Paroisse de Goulet. Parish registers 1586-1792

# August 2010

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  UDC Meeting: 4-6 p.m.	2 Closed	3 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.  Writers Group: Noon-2 p.m. German Workgroup: 1 p.m.-9 p.m.	4 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  French-Canadian Research Team	5 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  German Research Group	6 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	7 Closed GSHA-SC: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. TMG Users Group: 2-4 p.m.
8 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	9 Closed Legacy Users Group: 7-9 p.m.	10 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.	11 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  French-Canadian Research Team	12 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group LRP Commit-	13 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	14 Closed for Research Lunch & Learn Noon-2 p.m. African-American 3 p.m.-5 p.m.
15 Closed Roots Magic: 2-4 p.m.	16 Closed	17 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.  Hispanic Tuesdays: 1 p.m.-9 p.m.	18 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  French-Canadian Research Team	19 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group SCGS Board: 6-8 p.m.	20 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	21 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Interest Group: 1-4 p.m.
22 Closed Writers Group: 1-3 p.m.	23 Closed	24 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.	25 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  French-Canadian Research Team	26 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  German Research Group	27 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	28 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
29 Closed for Research Irish Interest Group: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	30 Closed	31 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.				

# September 2010

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  French-Canadian Research Team	2 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  German Research Group	3 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	4 Closed
5 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  UDC Meeting: 4-6 p.m.	6 Closed — Labor Day	7 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Writers Group: Noon-2 p.m. German Workgroup: 1 p.m.-9 p.m.	8 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  French-Canadian Research Team	9 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group LRP Committee: 6-8 p.m.	10 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	11 Closed for Research Lunch & Learn Noon-2 p.m. African-American 3 p.m.-5 p.m.
12 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	13 Closed Legacy Users Group: 7-9 p.m.	14 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. SLC Trip Begins	15 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  French-Canadian Research Team	16 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group SCGS Board: 6-8 p.m.	17 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	18 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Interest Group: 1-4 p.m.
19 Closed Roots Magic: 2-5 p.m.	20 Closed	21 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Hispanic Tuesdays: 1 p.m.-9 p.m.	22 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. SLC Trip Ends  French-Canadian Research Team	23 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  German Research Group	24 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	25 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
26 Closed Writers Group: 1-3 p.m.	27 Closed	28 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.	29 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  French-Canadian Research Team	30 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  German Research Group		

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	2 <b>Closed</b> TMG Users Group: 2-4 p.m.
3 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. UDC Meeting: 4-6 p.m.	4 <b>Closed</b>	5 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Writers Group: Noon-2 p.m.	6 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. French-Canadian Research Team	7 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group	8 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	9 <b>Closed for Research</b> Lunch & Learn Noon-2 p.m. African-American 3 p.m.-5 p.m.
10 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	11 <b>Closed</b>	12 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. German Workgroup: 1 p.m.-9 p.m.	13 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. French-Canadian Research Team	14 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group LRP Committee: 6-8PM	15 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	16 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Interest Group: 1-4 p.m.
17 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Roots Magic: 2-5p.m.	18 <b>Closed</b>	19 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Hispanic Tuesdays: 1 p.m.	20 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. French-Canadian Research Team	21 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group SCGS Board: 6-8 p.m.	22 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	23 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
24 <b>Closed</b> All Hands Cleanup Writers Group: 1-3 p.m.	25 <b>Closed</b>	26 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.	27 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. French-Canadian Research Team	28 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group	29 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	30 <b>Closed for Research</b>
31 <b>Closed</b> Irish Interest Group: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.						

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	1 <b>Closed</b>	2 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.	3 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. French-Canadian Research Team	4 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group	5 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	6 <b>Closed</b> DNA Interest Group: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. DNA Admin: 2-4 p.m. TMG Users Group: 2-4 p.m.
7 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. <i>Fall's Back</i> UDC Meeting: 4-6 p.m.	8 <b>Closed</b>	9 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Writers Group: Noon-2 p.m. German Workgroup: 1 p.m.-9 p.m.	10 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. French-Canadian Research Team	11 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. German Research Group LRP Committee: 6-8PM	12 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	13 <b>Closed for Research</b> Lunch & Learn Noon-2 p.m. African-American 3 p.m.-5 p.m.
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21 <b>Closed</b> French-Canadian Heritage Society of California: 10 a.m.—4 p.m.	22 <b>Closed</b>	23 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.	24 <b>Closed</b> <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>	25 <b>Closed</b> <i>Thanksgiving</i>	26 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.	27 Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
28 <b>Closed</b> Writers Group: 1-3 p.m. Roots Magic: 2-5p.m.	29 <b>Closed</b>	30 Open 10 a.m.-9 p.m.				

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of Each Month:  
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**DNA Administrators' Roundtable**

Sign up with Alice Fairhurst ([alicefairhurst@gmail.com](mailto:alicefairhurst@gmail.com)) or call (626) 331-4791 if you wish to be notified about the DNA Administrators' Roundtable meetings. The meetings are intended for those who are currently or who wish to become **administrators** or **co-administrators** for Family Tree DNA Projects. Attendees are encouraged to share their expertise and assist each other with their DNA project development.

**LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWS**

Starting July 18, 2010, the Los Angeles Public Library will begin a five-day-a-week service schedule at the Central Library and all 72 branch libraries.

The change in service is the result of a reduction in staff made through layoffs and early retirement incentives, and other cuts made to reduce the city's budget deficit.

**Central Library** service hours will be: Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.; closed Sunday, Monday and holidays. The History & Genealogy Department will also be open during these hours.

**Branch Library** service hours will be: Tuesday and Thursday, 12:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.; Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.; closed Sunday, Monday and holidays.

If you have any questions about these changes or there is anything I can assist you with, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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