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Sonoma County Genealogical Society June 2005 Newsletter

President's Letter

By Anthony Hoskins, May 2005

I hope you were able to attend – and enjoyed as much as I – the Sonoma County Genealogical Society's Annual Conference on April 23. Sandra Luebking offered four very useful, interesting, and entertaining presentations. Sandy recently contacted me to follow up on a matter raised that day. She writes:

"During "Name That Source," a man in the audience asked what state had a census in 1784 (because that was the year shown on the transparency). The answer is: North Carolina. It is in print by Alvaretta Kenan Register, *State Census of North Carolina 1784-1787* (2nd ed., Baltimore, 1973). It names the head of household then gives number of white males from 21 to 60, white males under 21 and above 60, total of white females, and blacks of each sex from 12 to 50, and upwards of 50 and under 12. Not available for all counties."

As a side note, one earlier census, though perhaps not technically a "state" census, was Maryland 1776. It lists head of household and the rest of the people in age increments. But a few enumerators listed all members of the household with their ages (Lainhart p53).

On another subject, the Society finds it necessary to raise its dues from \$20 to

\$25 annually. The last time dues were raised was over 10 years ago, and this step is being taken so as to ensure that the Society continues to be able to offer its members the truly excellent offerings of programs, Annual Conference, and especially the splendid quarterly, *The Sonoma Searcher*. Please be advised that if your dues are as yet unpaid you can do so until August 1, 2005 at the current rate of \$20 – after that date, the new rate of \$25 will apply.

I have some great library news to impart! Wearing my "other hat" as Sonoma County Library's History, Genealogy and Archives Librarian, I recently combed the catalogues of major genealogical publishing companies and ordered \$4,500 worth of excellent genealogical books. Although covering a broad spectrum, they are mostly concerned with genealogical data highlighting families of colonial and early Federal America. This will be the largest single addition of genealogical books to the library to ever occur. So, keep visiting us at the Sonoma County History and Genealogy Library (3rd and E, behind the Central Library) and be the first on your block to view these books when they arrive!

*June 25
Meeting*

*End of the Year
Luncheon*

*12 noon to 3
p.m.*

*.L.D.S. Church
5301 Badger
Road, Santa
Rosa*

*Please bring a
bag lunch. Soft
drinks and cake
will be provided.*

*Look on page
2 for more
information
and directions
to the luncheon
location.*

Research Policy Statement

Research Policy Statement: SGGS will do limited research 'lookups' for a \$5.00 fee, which includes an SASE, postage & handling, and up to 5 pages copied. Additional charges will be made for research of more than one hour or more than 5 copied pages.

Visit Our Web Site at <http://www.scgs.org>

The Sonoma County Genealogical Society is a Nonprofit Organization which Encourages Interest in Genealogy and Family History

What's New at the Library

By Maggi Andrews, February 2005

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- 728 T *Historical/architectural Evaluation Of The Decarli House* at 421 I Street in Petaluma
- 728 T *Historical/architectural Evaluation Of The House* at 40 Sixth Street in Petaluma
- 912 N *Latest Official Survey, California* [map 1940]
- 917.9418 B *Socio-cultural Characteristics Of The St. Rose Neighborhood, Santa Rosa ... 1887-1949*, by Benson
- 917.9418 C *California Theater* [videorecording ... still photos of historic Santa Rosa theater located on B St., which was demolished in the 1960s]
- 917.9418 P *The Impact Of Rail Transportation On The Urban Geography Of Santa Rosa ... 1854-1906*, by Phillips
- 917.9418 S *Sonoma County Movie Map*
- 929.1 H *Locating Your Roots : Discover Your Ancestors Using Land Records*, by Hatcher
- 929.2 B *Genealogical Records Of The Bowles Family In Sonoma County* [including Seawell and Hessel families]
- 929.2 D *Todas As Vidas : Retrato De Um Tempo* [Donati family], by Donati
- 929.2 K *A Genealogy Of Some Of The Descendants Of Gershom And Miss (Weidknecht/whitenack) Wood(S) Of Morris County, New Jersey : with ...Breese, Butz/Butts, Pierson, Riggs, and Roosa*, by Kidder
- 929.2 M *History Of The Morin Family* by Morin
- 929.2 M *Genealogical Records Of The Morin Family In Sonoma County...1919-2002*
- 929.2 W *The Santa Rosa Fulkersons*, by Wendt

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This is a great opportunity to become better acquainted with fellow members. Bring projects or 'Family treasures' for 'Show & Tell' or display, and any extra books, notebooks or supplies no longer needed for swapping or giving away. There will be a panel of experts to answer your difficult genealogy questions, and next year's officers will be announced and installed.

Directions: Take highway 12 east to Calistoga Rd, turn left, go north for about a mile, then left onto Badger Road. The church is on the right, in the 2nd block.

Welcome New Members



John MONTESCHIO, interested in Southern States Group, researching names SWAIM & SWAIN

David SLEEPER, researching surnames GOODRICH, WHITEHEAD & SLEEPER in Sonoma County.

Carolyn MOLLER, has expressed interest in British and Irish groups, and names, USHER, MULLEN, GRIGGS and SPOKESFIELD.


Michael KELLER, interested in the SIGS for British, Irish, German and New York. He is researching the names of KELLER, GIBBS and WILSON.


Anita KING, with interest in British and Irish groups.


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- 929.3792 U *Utah Pioneers, 1847-1896* CD-ROM
- 929.373 I *Italians To America: List Of Passengers Arriving At U.s. Ports, 1880-1899*
- 929.3743 V *Vermont Families In 1791, vol. 1*
- 929.3767 H *History Of Boone County, Arkansas*
- 929.379418 A *Santa Rosa Rural Cemetery Veterans, by Anderson*
- 929.379418 N *The Young Family Cemetery In Sonoma Couny Genealogy, including Groshong, Hershberger, and McCracken, by Nichols*
- 929.379418 N *Mason Family Graves, Sonoma County, by Nichols*
- 929.379418 N *Early Sonoma County, California Disinterments, by Nichols*

Special Interest Groups

 **British Group** The next meeting will be on Saturday June 11, 2005 at 9:30 a.m. in the Public Library Annex, 3rd and E Streets in Santa Rosa. Tony Hoskins will be able to join us for at least part of the time, so bring your questions about using resources there for British research. For more information, contact Susan Simons: e-mail, susans@sbcglobal.net or phone 527-7191.

 **German Group** Will not meet until September.. For information contact Jim Cochran at 526-7331 or cougars@sonic.net.

 **Italian Interest Group** We meet bi-monthly. The next meeting of the will be on Septeimber 17, 2005 at 10 AM at the home of Ines Williams. All are welcome. For more information contact Inese Williams at inesw@comcast.net.

 **Computer Interest Group** Will not meet until September. For more information, contact Maggi Andrews at 538-1775.

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Coming Events

Several members have expressed an interest in having a program discussing how to get started in genealogical research in other countries. The best way to do this would be a panel of experts in various countries. In order to put together a panel, I need to know in which countries people are interested. Please send an e-mail message to Audrey at AudreyRae@earthlink.net listing the countries you would like to have represented, and I will try to put something together for a future meeting.

September 7-10, 2005: FGS, The Federation of Genealogical Societies will be hosting a conference in the fall, "Reminders of the Past: Visions for the Future", at Salt Lake City, Utah. Flyers are available at the Library Annex.

Oct 15, 2005: "Digging for you Roots", seminar sponsored by the Concord-Walnut Creek Family History Center, 1590 Denkinger Rd., Concord, CA.

Oct 22, 2005: The Genealogical Society of Stanislaus County will present a seminar featuring Hank Jones. See GSSC web page at <http://www.cagenweb.com/lr/stanislaus/gssc.html>



Workshops Offered at the National Archives: Rose Mary Kennedy, Genealogy Specialist, will offer a series of workshops at the San Bruno National Archives. They will be held Fridays, 9 A. M. to 12, or 1 P. M., as follows:

July 15, Military- Part 1, Revolutionary War to Civil War

August 19, Military Part 2, Spanish American to Viet-Nam

Sept. 23, Census Records Research.

All workshops will be held at NARA-Pacific Region (San Bruno), 1000 Commodore Dr., San Bruno, CA, 94066. To register and reserve a space, contact Rose Mary Kennedy, (650) 238-3485, or 238-3488. Fees are \$15.00 payable at the door.

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