



Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society

## Tree Tips

*Researching the World*

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*SBCGS dark in August — but the activities continue . . .*

### Wood Workers Needed

Members of our Society made all the beautiful bookcases in our main library stack room when we first moved into our wonderful Sahyun Library and they've aged beautifully over the last 12 years! One crew did the woodworking part and then we put out a call to Society members for "sanders." When that job was completed, the call went out for "stainers" and finally, for "finishers." There are many proud members today who look at our beautiful current shelving and remember what a good time they had helping to create it.

We'd like to continue that tradition and build the additional shelving we'll need for our new library wing along with extending our current shelving to fit our spacious new stack room.

So, we'd like to invite those of you who enjoy woodworking to join us in this rewarding and fun project. If you can follow directions, we have a place for you. You don't have to be a professional!

Please call Jan Cloud at 965-7423 (or leave a message with your name and phone number on her answering machine) so she can put your name on the list of interested volunteers. She'll also be happy to answer questions about the project (to the best of her ability). P.S. This is a great way to get to know other Society members, too!

### DNA Workshops

#### 4th Friday Lunch & Learn

12:00 Noon - 2:30 p.m.

Friday, August 27, Sahyun Library  
Bring your lunch & DNA test related questions, including new autosomal/Family Finder test

#### 4th Saturday: DNA One-on-One Help

9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, August 28, Sahyun Library; new to DNA testing and one-on-one assistance

Must RSVP at: [events@sbgen.org](mailto:events@sbgen.org)  
for July 24th One-on-One assistance. Or call Mary E Hall at (805) 687-7403

**SAVE THE DATE**

*For*

**A LEGACY BRUNCH**

**Saturday October 2nd, 2010**

*Invitation to Follow*

*The Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society exists today because of the passion and commitment by a dedicated group of volunteers who laid a firm foundation – a Legacy – from which we all benefit. We will recognize these “pioneers” at the Legacy Brunch at La Cumbre Country Club.*

*If you have memories of the first ten years of the existence of our Society, please contact either Emily Aasted ([eaasted@cox.net](mailto:eaasted@cox.net)) or Lily Rossi ([lilyrossi@aol.com](mailto:lilyrossi@aol.com)) so your memories can be included in the Legacy Brunch program.*

## Half and Half Book Buy Program

**Tracing Your Liverpool Ancestors**, by Royden. An essential handbook for Liverpool research! A relevant guide for archives, records & websites. An historical perspective for "Liverpudlians". Many photos! Index & appendices. Cost: \$24; 1/2 cost: \$12. Needed: \$12.00.

**Episcopal Marriages of the Southern Oregon Coast 1884-1940**, by Eakley. Marriages from six churches in 3 counties! Alpha by groom's name, has: date, church, minister, witnesses & sources. Bride, minister & surname indices. Cost: \$26; 1/2 cost: \$13. Needed: \$13.00.

**Handbook of Old Gallatin Co., IL.**, by Musgrave. Contains annotated Goodspeed History of Gallatin, Co; early anecdotes & military history; w/over 250 biographies from five sources! Huge everyname index! Cost: \$30; 1/2 cost: \$15. Needed: \$15.00.

**Austin Colony Pioneers, Texas**, by Ray. Mostly biographies of the early settlers & pioneers of Bastrop, Fayette, Grimes, Montgomery & Washington Counties. Extensive index. Cost: \$30; 1/2 cost: \$15. Needed: \$15.00.

**The Scottish Pioneers of Upper Canada 1784-1855**, by Campey. Lists pioneers of first major Scottish settlement in 1784, by Highlanders from Invernesshire. Details of 550 ships, 900 crossings and 100,000 emigrant Scots. Photos & maps. Cost: \$24; 1/2 cost: \$12. Needed: \$12.00.

**Index to the Obituaries & Death Notices in Dziennik Chicagoski 1920-1929**, 2 Vols by Hollowak. Alphabetical lists of deceased includes DOD, alias/maiden, age, names and cross references! Cost: \$18; 1/2 cost: \$9. Needed: \$9.00.

**Arkansas Prior Birth Index, NEW Edition CD**. Vols 1-8. Over 288,700 names of people born between 1856 and 1909 were able to register their births starting in 1942. This CD is searchable by child's name, mother's name and Co. of birth. Researcher can follow-up by ordering the birth certificate which will contain additional information! Cost: \$18; 1/2 cost: \$9. Needed: \$9.00.

### Members pay 1/2 – Book Fund pays 1/2.



Please send contributions to:  
SBCGS, c/o Louise Matz,  
P.O. Box 6103, SB 93160

Suggestions welcomed!  
Email: [Lmgen2@cox.net](mailto:Lmgen2@cox.net)



SPECIAL THANKS TO MEMBERS WHO MADE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE 1/2 & 1/2 BOOK BUY PROGRAM!

Norma Eggli	Sheila Block
Michol Colgan	Margaret Dahlke
Dinah Mason	Josephine Millett
Nancy Loe	Lila Wilbarger

## From the President's Desk

Hearing early stories from the SBCGS founders, those energetic and prescient individuals who formed this wonderful organization in 1972 (and whose legacy we'll be celebrating October 2nd at the La Cumbre Country Club), one is struck with how easy communication was between members back then.

Twenty-seven individuals answered a newspaper ad seeking family historians in Santa Barbara who were interested in forming a local genealogical society. Within a few years, their number had grown to over 70. And yet they were able to fit their entire membership roster, with phone numbers and addresses, on one page.

Our membership is now over five hundred. In a way, our Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society's strength also offers limitations. Thanks to the incredibly strong foundation laid by our early Founders, the Santa Barbara County genealogical society is one of the most active and largest in the nation. But our challenge is to stay connected with over 550 members (Hint: Time to renew your membership) and help members connect with one another.

In the SBCGS early days, members knew each others' pedigree charts almost as intimately as they knew their own. Imagine how valuable it would be to have the expertise of some of our 500+ strong genealogical society reviewing your brick walls and dilemmas, even passively thinking of where you might turn next? Wouldn't it be useful to know which areas of the country, and world, other members are working so that you might leverage their expertise and lend yours?

Magic happens – or at least synapses fire – when genealogists connect & share. Of course, this can occur by e-mail or message boards or any number of internet based communications that connect people from all over the world. I relish the email exchanges with my 3rd & 4th cousins a few times removed, and our family trees are much richer. But as we live all over the US, who knows if we will ever meet in person?

On the other hand, soon I can show my SBCGS Sherburne and Batchelder "cousins" the information gathered from a very short visit to southwest England, ancestral home of these early New Englanders. They'll appreciate the photos that make my family's eyes glaze. I'm looking forward to some quiet time at an upcoming SBCGS meeting to review the 18th C Loudon Virginia first-person account that a member who also has Virginia roots showed me at last month's meeting. And what could be more fun than working on a research project with fellow members, comparing notes & "next step" ideas over a library table? As SBCGS long-time leader and educator Jan Cloud always says, "Genealogy is the ultimate detective game!" And

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## Membership

Below are our newest members:

### New and Returning Individuals:

John Brand (Returning)  
Moorpark, CA

Patti Gillespie  
Decatur, TX

Peter Jackson  
Santa Barbara, CA

John R Johnson (Returning)  
Santa Barbara, CA

Janice Lynch  
Santa Barbara, CA

Carley & Don Worth  
Camarillo, CA

### Renewing at higher levels are:

#### Friend (\$50)

Bettie Day  
Barbara Ford  
Peggy Hall  
Barbara Hickok  
Lorraine Laabs  
Ken Morgan  
Bonnie Raskin  
Geraldine Shepherd  
John Shute  
Sue Stevens

#### Donor (\$75)

Joy Chamberlain  
Michol Colgan  
Alice Henry  
Clarence LeVan  
Mary Marsh  
Jan Olivas  
Julie Raffety  
James B Robertson  
Maner Thorpe  
Michelle Woodhouse

#### Added Donation:

John Brand  
Joy Chamberlain

*We extend condolences  
to family and friends  
of  
SBCGS Life Member  
Edith Zannon*

## From the President's Desk, con't.

how great is it to be able to work side by side, in real time, solving these mysteries?

To make your SBCGS membership meaningful, our board and society management challenge is to provide opportunities for you to not only receive information from, but also to, us and, most importantly, between one another.

Given our size, the rapidly changing landscape of genealogy, and all the news within the SBCGS, we must use electronic delivery for much of our communication. However, while most genealogy societies have gone or are going to e-mail delivery of newsletters, we still have a significant number of members who have not given us or do not have an e-mail address. So, we will continue printing & mailing Tree Tips newsletters for at least another year (and what a production this is!). We also have a website [www.sbgen.org](http://www.sbgen.org) and an intermittently updated blog <http://sbcs.blogspot.com/> for you to receive information about SBCGS. We're also fine-tuning email delivery to SBCGS.

But we know the most fun and rewards come from SBCGS member-to-member personal exchanges. In the next year, under Vice President Membership Sue Ramsey's leadership, we will focus on developing ways to increase opportunities for member-to-member exchanges. We'll be looking for your thoughts and ideas. What else can you do?

- Renew your membership! Online renewal at [www.sbgen.org](http://www.sbgen.org) is easiest but we'll take a check in the mail to Membership: P.O. Box 1303 Goleta, CA 93116-1303
- Give us your email address (contact Diane Sylvester at [fjordhest@cox.net](mailto:fjordhest@cox.net) if you want to opt back in for email updates.)
- Come to 3rd Saturday of the month General Meetings! September begins a new year of informative programs and "good society."
- Arrange to have a pedigree chart party or research day at the Sahyun Library on 316 Castillo St. And if you haven't been to this local gem recently, you better hurry as changes are underway...
- Take on projects to keep your research skills up to date. Share your success stories (December member share is only a few months away!)
- Spread the word about the personal enrichment that comes from the Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society, whose members research family history all over the world.
- Become involved. Besides the collegiality, I'm a better family historian due to the genealogical talent, experience and resources here within the SBCGS.

*Mary Hall, President*

## Keep in Touch

### SB County Genealogical Society Web

Page:  
[www.sbgen.org](http://www.sbgen.org)

SBCGS Blog: <http://sbcs.blogspot.com/>

Library e-mail address:  
[info@sbgen.org](mailto:info@sbgen.org)

*Please keep the Society in mind when considering planned gifts. Planned giving can take many forms, including providing life income and tax advantages to the benefactor. Board member and attorney John Woodward has offered to consult on a confidential, free-of-charge basis with any Society member who would like to explore the options. Call John at 805-963-2330.*

## Library Hours

- SBCGS Sahyun Library Hours  
316 Castillo Street  
Phone: 805-884-9909  
Sunday: 1-4 PM  
Tuesday: 10 AM-3 PM  
Thursday: 10 AM-3 PM  
Friday: 10 AM-3 PM
- LDS Library Hours  
2107 Santa Barbara St.  
Phone: 805-682-2092  
Wednesday: 10 AM-6 PM  
Thursday: 10 AM-6 PM  
Friday: 9 AM-3 PM  
Saturday: 9 AM-12 Noon

## Cool websites to help in your research:

[http://www.archives.cg68.fr/Services\\_Actes\\_Civils.aspx](http://www.archives.cg68.fr/Services_Actes_Civils.aspx) (What look like spaces are an underscore \_) for the Haut-Rhine "Upper Rhine" (the southern half of the Alsace)

<http://archives.cg67.fr/index.asp> (for the northern half of the Alsace. Both of these websites have posted actual images of Church records, civil registration records, postcard images of villages and the 1808 listings of Jews where they were required to choose a family name. These websites are in French, German or Latin. You can use Google tools to translate into English. To begin you must click on "Acceder aux registres en ligne" and agree to their terms in order to access the files via 2 options: flash or Accessible. (Accessible is for older computers.))

[www.census.nationalarchives.ie](http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie)

1911 and 1901 Irish Census. Free. Actual images. Includes Northern Ireland.

<http://www.irishgenealogy.ie>

The Irish Tourist Board is posting the church records from the 1800's to promote tourism. It is a work in progress as they continue to add more records.

<http://www.publicprofiler.org/worldnames/Main.aspx>

Surname frequencies throughout the world.

[www.nationalarchives.gov.uk](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk)

British Military records and military metal cards. Click on records at top. Then Online records on right side.

<http://www.montefioreendowment.org.uk/census/>

Beta website of the 19th Century Montefiore Censuses of the Jewish Population of Eretz Israel, Alexandria, Beirut and Sidon (Saida). At present, the census of 1839, 1840 (Alexandria) and 1855 are on line at. The census of 1849 will follow in the next few months.

<http://military-genealogy.forcesreunited.org.uk>

Military Records from the British Armed Forces going back to 1630 - over 2 million records.

Do you have an interesting website to share? Please email the information to Sharon Wilson at [swilsons@cox.net](mailto:swilsons@cox.net) so we may include it in the next issue.

## For Information, Call:

President: Mary Hall, 687-7403

Head Librarian: Kathie Morgan, 682-4456

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Newsletter Address Corrections: Diane Nelson, 964-4181

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Parsons, 964-9176

Tree Tips: [fjordhest@cox.net](mailto:fjordhest@cox.net); Deadline: 3rd Sat. of the month

## Special Interest Groups

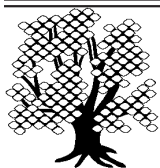
*The Santa Barbara Chapter of Sons of the American Revolution* Contact George Frakes at 687-2091 for information.

*Civil War Research*

Contact Bob Duncan at 684-5640 or [nacnud34@cox.net](mailto:nacnud34@cox.net).

*American Scandinavian Foundation*

Contact Evelyne Houdek for more information (Evelyne Houdek, 684-7736, or [gghoudek@aol.com](mailto:gghoudek@aol.com))



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