



# Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society

## Tree Tips

*Researching the World*

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## *Recent Discoveries about Juana Maria, Lone Woman of San Nicolas Island*

Join us for a Powerpoint presentation by Channel Islands Historian and author, Marla Daily. Ms. Daily will recount the remarkable story of Juana Maria, the Lone Woman of San Nicolas Island, who was rescued from the island in 1853 by Captain George Nidever. The illustrated presentation will include information about two newly discovered artifacts thought to have been possessions of Juana Maria, as well as the story of the recent discovery and placement of a headstone on the unmarked grave of Captain Nidever in Santa Barbara's Calvary Cemetery.

Marla Daily graduated in cultural anthropology from the University of California, Santa Barbara. In 1973 she began working at the university's Santa Cruz Island Reserve, and shortly thereafter was hired as personal assistant to Dr. Carey Stanton, who at the time owned 9/10ths of Santa Cruz Island. In 1985 Stanton founded Santa Cruz Island Foundation (SCIF), a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of the cultural histories of all eight California Channel Islands. Ms. Daily has served as president of the SCIF since 1987. Her career has been devoted to studying the cultural history of these eight California Channel Islands, and she has authored multiple books and articles on the subject. She is also the founder of the All Eight Club, dedicated to recognizing those few people who have set foot on all eight California Channel Islands—115 members to date.



*Photo of Marla Daily by Paul Wellman for The Independent, SB, 2008.*

Her work to preserve the history of the California Channel Islands has been recognized formally by the California Historical Society, which awarded her its Distinguished Service Award; by the Explorers Club of New York, which inducted her as a Fellow in 2008; and by the Santa Barbara Independent, which chose her as a Local Hero in 2008. *(Please note location change of meeting.)*

- *Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society Meeting*
- *Saturday, January 15*
- *9:30 A.M. — Noon;*  
*Program at 10:30 A.M.*
- *Goleta Presbyterian Church*  
*6067 Shirrell (Behind Bed,*  
*Bath and Beyond in Goleta)*

*There is ample free parking in the church's lot and the facility is handicapped accessible*

### *Special Interest Groups*

You are welcome to the open specialty groups (SIGS) that meet prior to the general meeting:

9:30 AM **Beginning Genealogy Group** meets under the leadership of Arlene Doty.

9:30 AM **DNA Group** is for those interested in DNA as a genealogical tool. Look for the DNA sign.

9:30 AM **German Ancestry Group** meets under the leadership of Cari Thomas. Call Cari, 965-5523, for details.

9:30 AM **Scan Your Photos and Documents—For FREE!** Bring



your photos and we'll scan them for you and discuss scanning tips and tricks; bring a flash drive to take your scans home with you.

Thanks to Rosa Avolio, Kathie Morgan, and Dorothy Oksner for offering this new SIG!

9:30 AM **Computer Genealogy Interest Group** meets under the leadership of Merna McClenathen.

10:00 AM **Coffee and Refreshments** will be served. Checkout the publications, creative gift ideas, and holiday traditions and memories

### *Venue Change*



**Board Meeting: open to members**  
Friday, January 14, 8:30 a.m., at the **Goleta Presbyterian Church.**

**January General Meeting**  
Saturday, January 15, 9:30-Noon, **Goleta Presbyterian Church, 6067 Shirrell.**

## From the President's Desk

It's January; the first month of another Gregorian calendar New Year. Did you prepare New Year's Resolutions?

I gave up "Resolutions" a few years ago and instead started compiling Annual "To-Do" lists. Amazingly, once I renamed the list in which my New Year goals appeared, I actually started accomplishing some of them!

One reason this occurred is I gain enormous satisfaction in crossing items off my "to-do" lists. Conquering "to-do" items encourages "Focus," a very practical state but one that I've noticed has become increasingly difficult since I picked up genealogy! There are oh so many family lines, locations, histories, and new resources to explore...

This year I'll be focusing on fleshing out my recent ancestors. I know I'll be sorry if I don't make those cousin connections among the living. And I'll be "sharing."

The SBCGS Board of Directors continues to be focused on the expansion of our genealogical research library expansion, and the campaign to raise funds for its construction, and to provide furnishings and equipment.

At the same time, we will focus on our members, over 500 of you, who join and annually renew your support of SBCGS mission. Where are your ancestral research interests? What family history-related education would be most useful? How can we best meet the needs of our local genealogical community?

You'll soon have a chance to help us plan our direction for the next few years. Look for a Member Focus Survey to arrive in your mailbox (virtual and actual)!

**Best wishes for a bright & shiny New Year!**

## DNA SIG Meeting

### DNA Lunch & Learn

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

Friday, January 28, Sahyun Library  
Bring your lunch & DNA questions.

### DNA One-on-One

Saturday, January 29th

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

By Appointment: e-mail [events@sbgen.org](mailto:events@sbgen.org)  
or call 687-7403



## 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)

#### Updates on Our Library's New Wing

<http://sbcsconstruction.blogspot.com/>

## 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

## New Year Resolutions for Genealogists

1. Finally accept that the 1890 U.S. Census is gone, and is not coming back. Get professional help if necessary or join a Geneaholic's Anonymous group.
2. Plan a trip with the family that does not include courthouses, libraries or tombstones.
3. ORGANIZE – sort through boxes, files, photos, documents.
4. SCAN all photos and documents and identify them for future generations.
5. Put copies – NOT ORIGINALS - in photo albums or picture frames.
6. Put all originals in acid free materials and store them in a safe place. Not the attic, not under the bed, not in the cellar – oh! we don't have cellars in California.
7. Support your Genealogy Library— buy a half & half book, become a volunteer librarian, serve on a committee, make a gift to the new building fund.
8. Source all information put into the computer program. Stop citing Google or Wikipedia
9. Tackle that brick wall .... again.
10. Accept that a copy of the 1890 U.S. Census is not going to be found in an attic or cellar or tomb somewhere. Get professional help if necessary. Submitted by your friends at the SBCGS Library Book Nook. We can help you achieve resolutions 3, 4, 5, and 6. Come to the January General Meeting and see how.

## For Information, Call:

President: Mary Hall, 687-7403

Library Director: Kathie Morgan, 682-4456

Librarian Scheduling: Marsha Martin,  
967-1146

Newsletter Address Corrections: Diane  
Nelson, 964-4181

Book Buy: Louise Matz, 967-7353

Vice President, Membership: Sue Ramsey,  
967-1670

Ancestors West: Dorothy Oksner, 684-  
3048, [ox@silcom.com](mailto:ox@silcom.com)

#### Adult Ed Genealogy Classes:

Jan Cloud, 965-7423

Louise Matz, 967-7353

Cari Thomas, 964-5523

Sales Table: Kristin Ingalls, 682-3499

Vice President, Programs: Marie Sue  
Parsons, 964-9176

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

## Membership

Below is our newest member:

### New and Returning Individuals:

Carolyn Wilson  
Santa Barbara

## Adult Education Classes

Registration begins Dec 6 for SBCC Continuing Education Genealogy classes co-sponsored by the Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society.

### Family History Research: Beginning to Intermediate Instructor: Louise Matz

001412 • 8 wks

Sect 01 Matz / Tu 5:15 - 7:15 pm

Jan 11 - Mar 1 / Wake Center, Rm 26

### Family History Research: Intermediate/Advanced Instructor: Janice G Cloud

001413 • 10 wks

Sect 01 Cloud / W 10:00 - 12:00 pm

Jan 12 - Mar 16 / Wake Cen., Rm 26

## 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.

### American Scandinavian Foundation

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



## Half and Half Book Buy Program

**History of Union Co., Oregon, With Appendix: The Chinese in OR by Mead.** A short historical overview is followed by chapters on agriculture, lumbering & mining. The Chinese were a large group of early settlers in the area. Huge bibliography section. Cost: \$16; 1/2 cost: \$8. Needed: \$8.00.

**Colonial Records of Swedish Churches in PA, Vol.2, 1697-1702,** by Craig. Contains early records from Pastor Rudman & Gloria Dei Church. The churches in Wicaco & Crane Hook also figure in this book. Cost: \$26; 1/2 cost: \$13. Needed: \$13.00.

**South Carolina Deed Abstracts Vol. 3, 1755-1768,** by Langley. This source provides deeds, mortgages, bonds, bills of sale, powers of attorney, apprenticeships, & more, during the "royal" period of SC history. Well indexed. Cost: \$40; 1/2 cost: \$20. Needed: \$20.00.

**Vital Records of Calais, ME., Prior 1892,** by Howland. Includes Washington Co, Maine towns of Red Beach, Milltown & Calais. People came across from Charlotte Co., New Brunswick, too! However people may have resided anywhere. Indexed. Cost: \$70; 1/2 cost: \$35. Needed: \$35.00.

**Gwinnett Co, GA Families 1818-1968,** McCabe. Family histories are arranged alphabetically. Bios usually mention earliest settlers through early 1970's. Photos & indexed. Cost: \$20; 1/2 cost: \$10. Needed: \$10.00.

**What Jane Austen Ate and Charles Dickens Knew,** by Pool. From fox hunting to whist, the facts of daily life in 19th Century England are presented. Add credibility to your family history stories or answer questions from family stories! A glossary: What was an abigail? Did you ever have "quinsy"? Cost: \$16; 1/2 cost: \$8. Needed: \$8.00.

**Guide to the Records of the 'Order Sons of Italy' in America,** by Guglielmo. The University of MN is archiving records of this organization, which began to help Italian immigrants to the USA. Discover unusual records of your ancestors. Cost: \$26; 1/2 cost: \$13. Needed: \$13.00.

### 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

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

Judith Powell

Jordan Cathryn

Rosalie Bean

Dinah Mason

### Welcome to John William Krause

It's not often TreeTips can announce the birth of a member's child, but we're privileged and delighted to announce the birth of John William, first child of new SB-CGS member Jeffrey Krause (who was our meeting speaker in October: "O William Where Art Thou?: A Gen-Y Genealogy Odyssey") and his wife Leah. Young JWK was introduced to the world on Friday 26 Nov 2010, 20-in long, and weighing 9lb 15oz. Sincere congratulations to Leah and Jeff and a warm, warm welcome to **John William Krause.**

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*Cool websites to help in your research:*

British Domesday list of landholders and other information  
<http://domesday.pase.ac.uk>

British documents online  
[www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documentsonline](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/documentsonline)

British Army WWI excellent site  
[www.1914-1918.net](http://www.1914-1918.net)

United States-National Digital Newspaper Program  
<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/search/pages/>

Commercial aggregator of public information. Try it with all your surname variations and you might find a record that you've been missing.

<http://sortedbyname.com/index.html>

Missouri Death Records and links to other Missouri state treasures.  
<http://www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/>

West Virginia records online  
[www.wvculture.org/history/vitalrecordsarticle.pdf](http://www.wvculture.org/history/vitalrecordsarticle.pdf)

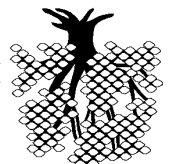
*Do you have a website to share? Please email to Sharon Wilson at [swilsonsb@cox.net](mailto:swilsonsb@cox.net)*



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