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### Editorial

This first issue of the TRACER is a humble beginning to provide better communication between members, potential members, and other organizations. We hope to provide a record of past activities and future events and thereby shorten business sections of our meetings, allowing more time for the genealogical objectives set forth in our by-laws.

This is your newsletter. All suggestions and contributions are welcome. I believe all contributions should carry the author's name.

As our organization continues to grow, so will your publication. Rapid increases in both are expected. It is interesting to note that we are increasing in size rapidly, and our membership has increased five-fold in a year.

Each month genealogical aids and sources of information will be included.

By trading newsletters with other genealogical organizations, new developments and new sources can be brought to our members.

The distinct possibility exists that funds for the organization can be generated through skillful use of advertising space.

Since we are planning on publishing a surname index in the near future, please get your surnames in, so they may be included.

Your Editor

### President's Message

One year ago this month, a group of us were ending a ten-week genealogy course taken through the Livermore Adult Education and taught by Ed Pyle.

Formation of a club was seen as a continuation of the sharing and learning experiences we enjoyed in class plus other benefits to be obtained through pooling of funds and efforts to bring helpful genealogical materials and speakers to the valley.

As President this past year, I have been extremely happy with the progress we have made. The Board you elected worked well together with each officer doing his or her respective job promptly and willingly. The appointed officers also carried out their duties on their own and without reminders or prodding.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my year as your president and would have run for a second term if news of my husband's temporary transfer to El Paso, Texas, had not come. I hope to keep in touch with the club during my year or two in El Paso and will look forward to renewing old acquaintances when we return. I would love to hear from any of you who can find the time to drop me a note.

Sometimes it is difficult for those busy with leadership details to get a true perspective of how things are going. Each of you should feel free to call any member of the board with suggestions or constructive criticisms. I would like to remind each of you that under Article III, B2, of our by-laws, you have the responsibility to accept assignments, committee appointments and officerships when asked. Remember, the more you put into your club, the more you will get out of it.

This first year for the club has been a busy one with organization matters. Some of the advantages of a club take a little time to develop--things such as the surname and locality indexes and periodical subscriptions. I am sure you will find them of more and more help as time goes by. I wish you all great success in your genealogical adventures.

This new club newsletter should also be a big help to you. But it is going to take lots of work to make it what it should be. Please do whatever you can to help the editor build it into a real genealogical tool for this area. And don't procrastinate! Get your material in before the deadline. You're sure to be read far and wide. We already have one out-of-state subscription from El Paso.

Shirley Terry

#### Meet Our Members

Shirley Terry, President, lives in San Ramon with her husband, Wayne, a Civil Engineer for Standard Oil, and their two younger children, Greg, age 12 and Melissa, age 4. The Terry's older daughter, Lori, age 20, has flown the nest.

The Terrys are active in their church (Church of Christ) and the usual school, soccer and Little League activities of most area parents. Shirley is active in two clubs other than genealogy. She just finished a term as Secretary for her TOPS group and enjoys the Pleasanton Y-Women weekly activities.

Shirley married her high school sweetheart a year after their graduation. She proudly holds a PHT degree (Pushed Hubby Through) for working  $5\frac{1}{2}$  years as a secretary while her husband earned his Bachelor's at Oregon State University and Master's at the University of Illinois.

Her interest in genealogy began 12 years ago when her Mother showed her a family Bible she'd been given. At that time, Shirley lived in Pleasant Hill and soon learned of the excellent Bay Area genealogical libraries.

Dr. "Gayle" Woody Pipes (Retired), first Vice President, was born and raised on a farm near Butler, Missouri. He received a doctorate in biophysics from the University of Missouri in 1955. After ten years on the staff at Missouri, he became a project leader at the LLL in the biomedical division. More recently he has worked as a research scientist at the Livermore VA. He is married to Alice Meyer Pipes, who is presently the medical librarian at Kaiser Hospital, Hayward; They have two adult sons who live in the Bay Area.

He has a wide range of interests in the various aspects of science, as well as history, poetry and writing. Much time has been devoted to community involvement.

Sandy Fox, recording secretary, was born and raised in the Bay Area. She attended the University of California in Berkeley and has a life time teaching credential in German, Anthropology, Biology and Math. After teaching junior high school in Hayward, she retired to raise her children: Elise, 6 years, Kari, 3 years, and Robert, now 1 year old. Her hobbies include photography and the copying of old photographs for a large ancestral photo album, writing an extensive genealogical history, and gardening. She and husband Terry have been Livermore residents since 1974. They own Pacific West Financial of Livermore, and enjoy community involvement.

"Roots and Branches"  
by Kathy Benapfl

I'd like to begin by welcoming new members to the club, and by thanking "old" members for the help and cooperation they've given me during our first year. Setting up our library has been easier because of it.

For those of you who are new to the club, I'll take a little space to explain things a bit. The club is a private organization among club members. The circulation system is similar to that of public libraries. Because the club is still small, we're able to be a little more informal about procedures. Each periodical, pamphlet, and book has a pocket inside, containing two colored cards: 1 pink and 1 green. The pink card has spaces for the member's name, address, phone and due date. This card must be filled out and given to the librarian when material is checked out. The green card has spaces for the member's initials and the due date. The initials column will serve as a later reminder to each member checking out the material that he has already seen it. The green card stays with the material when it's checked out. The length of time material may be kept varies, and will be decided at the time it's borrowed.

The librarian is also responsible for keeping the Surname, Locality, and Materials to Loan files. Each member may submit an index card for each surname and locality he is researching (instructions for these are available). Any member who has books or periodicals he is willing to share with other members may submit an index card for each item, for the Materials to Loan file. We've started an alphabetical index for each of these files, for quick reference. We also have an alphabetical index of club materials available, on loan, to members.

Although our club library is still small, it's growing fast, and I plan to use this column to keep everyone posted on new acquisitions. At the present, we have our first books on order:

Genesis of Your Genealogy  
A Handy Guide to Genealogical Library and Church Historical Departments  
Migration, Emigration, and Immigration  
Locating Your Immigrant Ancestors

There will be an announcement when these volumes have arrived, and are ready for circulation.

Ed. Note. Journals available through our organization will be discussed in our next issue.

News of Other Clubs

Through the courtesy of Max Coppage, President of the Contra Costa County Genealogical Society, we have received the addresses of the following genealogical associations, and are planning to acquire a directory of all California genealogical associations.

Fresno Genealogical Society, Box 2042, Fresno, 93718  
Sacramento--5048 J. Parkway, Sacramento 95823  
Santa Cruz--PO Box 72, Santa Cruz 95062  
Napa Valley--PO Box 385, Napa 94558, Marjorie Daugherty  
San Joaquin--PO Box 4817, Stockton 95204, Mrs. Robert Bonta  
San Mateo--Jr. College 94402  
Santa Clara Historical and Genealogical, 2635 Homestead Rd., Santa Clara 95051  
Sutter-Yuba City--Box 1274, Yuba City 95991

Upcoming Events

The speaker for our next meeting will be Fran Samans, well known historian and genealogist, who will speak on Patriotic Societies and their significance for genealogists.

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