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Ancestral Home of the Silveiras



This photo shows the remains of the original home of the Silveiras of the Azores, at Topo, Sao Jorge. The house was built by Wilhelm Van der Hagen, a Flemish nobleman who changed his name to the Portuguese Guilherme da Silveira, hence founding the family of Silveiras of the Azores. Azorean Silveiras are a distinct and separate breed from the Silveiras of mainland Portugal. Their coat-of-arms is identical to the Van der

Hagen crest of Flanders (modern day Belgium and Holland), the King of Portugal having approved that same crest for the Silveiras of the Azores.

Built in the late 1400s, this house gave rise to Van der Hagen's children and no doubt some of his grandchildren, many of whom later settled on the various other islands of the archipelago, especially the central islands of Faial, Pico and Terceira. Perhaps the majority of us with ancestors from the central islands are descendants of this gentleman. Most of those by the surname Silvia/Sylvia in this country are Silveira descendants, the custom having been to shorten the name upon entry into this country. Other Silveiras simply shortened the name to Silva, although most Silvas are descended from the actual Silva family, a very old Portugese family, which originated in ancient times from the Kings of Lyons (France). Azorean Silvas are most commonly found on the islands of Sao Miguel, Santa Maria and Graciosa, where the Silveiras are in the minority.

The remains of this house indicate that it was the home of a rich noble of the period. It was quite large and there is very fine detail work around the window ledges, indicating use of the best materials and workmen. The outside finish has been washed away by the centuries and today only the bare rocks remain. Numerous earthquakes over the past five hundred years have felled the proud walls, yet most of the facade remains intact, no doubt due to the caring efforts of those who were aware of the building's historical significance.

by Steven Silvia of California

The Godparents

Marriage records are so important to an Azorean researcher. In these records we find the names of parents, place of birth for the bride and groom, their blood relationship and if a dispensation was needed for the marriage. When marriage records are missing years or are badly deteriorated for those years you need, what do you do? If the baptism records exist for that time period you might be able to go back two or three generations. How? The godparents are a tremendous source. Let me explain how I took my ancestor, Joao Marques Leonardo, back two generations with the help of godparents.

In 1710, my ancestor, Magdalena Maria Leonardo, married in Sao Bento, Angra. She was born in Vila de Sao Sebastiao, and her parents were Joao Marques Leonardo and Maria Gato Rodovalho. I could not find their marriage record in Vila de Sao Sebastiao. The marriage records of that church begin in 1673 and baptism in 1611. Searching the baptism records I found seven of their children, the oldest born in 1670. I was out of luck in that parish by a few years. I searched six other nearby parishes for their marriage, and nothing, but it does show my persistence.

For most researchers this would be the end of the line for these two ancestors. But not for me and for others like me who noted all godparents for all seven children. After seven children I knew that Gregorio Marques was Joao Marques's father. I also knew most of Joao's brothers and sisters, and another plus--I knew the surnames of these brothers and sisters. As for Maria Gato, I'm certain she came from another place. I have not given up on her.

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The next step was to find the baptism records of Gregorio Marques's children and to learn his wife's name. Beginning in 1669 and going back through <u>every</u> record l found in March 1669--godfather, Joao Marques, son of Gregorio Marques. (Some priests list both father and mother, but not this one. Also note that Joao was single at this time because he is the son of; when married he is the husband of.)

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I continued going back, checking every record, and found the baptism of Gregorio's youngest child, born in 1646 and learned that Luisa Lourenco was his wife. I found eight children, the oldest born in 1630. The godparents gave me no clue to other ancestors. I checked marriage records in four nearby churches and nothing.

Back to the records, searching every record for Luisa or Gregrio as godparents and in 1625 I found--godfather, Gregorio Marques, son of Mathias Fernandes. And with that record I knew why Gregorio's oldest son was known as Mathias Fernandes. In 1617 I found a daughter born to Mathias Fernandes and Isabel Simoes. Without a doubt I had found the parents of Gregorio Marques. The oldest daughter of Gregorio was Isabel Simoes, named after her grandmother. As for Luisa, I could find nothing. I am certain she is from another place, possibly Vila Nova--a lot of Lourencos there.

Without marriage records I was able to go back two more generations for Joao Marques Leonardo. As for the surname Leonardo I have yet to find the ancestor with that name. It is there somewhere for me to find.

If you are a beginner and limited in Portuguese you must get the PORTUGUESE GENEALOGICAL WORD LIST. Check your nearest Family History Library or order it from Salt Lake City. For help and the correct spelling of nearly all the Azorean surnames of the past 540 years, and the origin of these names, the book by James H. Guill, <u>Azores Islands--A History</u> is one that every Azorean researcher should own. It is tremendously helpful with the parishes and churches on each island. I only wish I had had this book six years ago when I began this long journey into the past.

by Eloise Marie Cadinha of California

May we also suggest *BASIC PORTUGUESE PALEOGRAPHY* English Edition, which can be ordered from the Church of Latter-Day Saints, Salt Lake City, Utah. We ran many copies of pages from that booklet in our newsletters and found that it was a great source for understanding research materials.

Azores Islands A History

by James H. Guill

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The areas of Andalusia, Aragon, Asturias, Castille and Galicia are all of Spain. You might also like to know that the surame Bulhoes is tha family name of St. Anthony of Padua and Lisbon.



<u>U. S. Catholic Sources: A Diocesan Research Guide</u>. Compiled by Virginia Humling, Softbound, \$14.95 plus \$3.50 shipping, 8 1/2" x 11", 112 pages; available from Ancestry Incorporated, PO Box 476, Salt Lake City, UT.

From "Root Cellar Preserves", Vol. 18, No. 2.

SURNAME ORIGINS

by Doug da Rocha Holmes

Continued from the Winter, 1996 Issue......

The surname Gomes is very common, but assuming all people with that name are related would be an error, because Gomes was also a given name. I have seen it only as a surname in the past few centuries, however. A person wishing to honor his father or grandfather whose first name was Gomes might use it as a surname.

Other examples of names used both as given and surnames are Andre, Braz, Duarte, Francisco, Garcia, Ignacio, Joao, Jordao, Jorge, Leonardo, Lourenco, Luiz, Manoel, Pedro, Paulo and many others. Garcia is almost exclusively a surname now.

Similarly, the surname Vaz is an abreviation of the given name Vasco. Others are Rodrigues, from Rodrigo; Goncalves from Goncalo; Fernandes from Fernando or Fernao; Lopes from Lopo. And though I have never seen a reference using it, I suspect that Dias comes from the given name Diogo, and Martins from Martin.

Speaking of the surname Gomes, the 7th *capitao-mor* of Vila das Velas, Sao Jorge, was Paulo Gomes Leal, who married Maria Goncalves Fagundes. The surname Gomes Leal is prominent in Piedade, Pico possibly starting with *capitao* Francisco Gomes Leal who married there in about 1680 to Maria da Silveira Bettencourt Gomes is prominent in Santo Amaro, Prainha and in Sao Roque where Pedro Gomes Vieira, born in 1641, became *capitao-mor*. His selection of the name Gomes is a mystery; his parents and grandparents didn't use that name. His father was Sebastao Ferreira de Mello, but like Gomes, his selection of Ferreira de Mello is also a mystery; both possibly connecting to Diogo Gomes da Silveira mentioned earlier and to the Ferreira de Mello line of Graciosa and Terceira.

Other distinctive names from Faial and Pico are Bezerra, Camacho, Quadrado and Quadros. The first Quardos in the Azores was possibly Francisco de Quadros, a native of

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Santarem, Portugal. He was an early settler of Faial in the 1500s.

Jeronymo Goncalves Teixeira went to Sao Jorge in the 1500s, and is the "trunk" for Teixeira on the island. In my experience, the people with the surname Teixeira living in the Horta and Angra districts often have ancestry from the island of Sao Jorge. But early in the history of Terceira there was a Ruy Gil Teixeira who married Izabel Homem Valladao in 1534. Their descendants married into the Canto, Homem and Paim families.

Another was Joao Luiz Teixeira, a native of Braga on the mainland, living in Praia da Vitoria, Terceira, in the middle 1500s, who married Margarida Alvares de Arzilla. They had many descendants, who mainly include the Borges Teixeira families.

Yet another Teixeira family on Terceira is the one started by Francisco Jose Teixeira de Sampaio, native of Lamego on the mainland. But he is a relatively new addition to the group, arriving in the late 1700s. Tristao Vaz Teixeira, the discoverer of Madeira in 1416 (along with Joao Goncalves Zargo) is the "trunk" for Teixeira on that island.

The Simas name is a great example of having a "home region". The name was brought to Pico from Graciosa by Joana Teles de Simas, who married Joao Caetano da Cunha, and is a very old name on the island. From what I can determine thus far, all the noble families of Lajes do Pico using the name Simas, and all those living in Sao Roque do Pico in modern times, descend from *caoitao* Francisco de Simas de Oliveira and his wife Apolonia Dias of Sao Roque do Pico. I can almost guarantee that anyone named Simas comes from Pico or that their ancestors with that name moved from Pico at some point.

My Rocha surname has also proved to be one I can pinpoint as to the "home region". No matter where I find someone named Rocha, he or she eventually can be traced to Terceira. I have several separate Rocha lines, all from the *concelho* of Angra. I ran across a Rocha family for many generations in Santa Cruz das Flores, only to discover that they came originally from Conceicao parish in Angra in the early 1700s.

Flores is also a hotbed for the Pimentel surname. Just about everyone there has that name because of the prominent Mesquita Pimentel family. It's also where the Furtado de Mendonca family was so prominent. Pimentel is also in Pico, especially in Madalena, Santa Luzia, Sao Roque and Prainha do Norte.

Both Pico and Faial are overflowing with people using the Leal surname. There is some indication that Lajes do Pico is the source for them, possibly connecting to the Borges Leal line of Terceira.

James Guill, in his book <u>A History of the Azores Islands</u>, reports that the surname Rosa (formerly Roza) comes from the Flemish name of "de Rouze". Another reference claims the Flemish name is "Roose". In any case, the source of the Rosa name is Faial, whence it spread to Pico and Sao Jorge, and to a lesser degree to the other islands. Rosa is one of the most common names there.

Possibly surprising to many people, the surname Silva is not common everywhere. It is almost unknown in Sao Roque. Of the hundreds of my ancestors I found only one with the name Silva, from Prainha do Norte, Pico. The Madalena area of Pico has many Silvas, as do some locations on Faial. One runs across some in Angra, but they are fairly rare. To be Continued.....

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Dr. Albert Mello

In the spring of 1958, Walter Winchell's column on Broadway featured an article on Dr. Mello alerting patrons of the arts that the pianist, following a seven months engagement at Radio City Hall, was to appear at the Tulle Club on 55th Street, New York City.

It is interesting to note that the knowledgable and well traveled Dr. Mello, son of Albino and Germaine Mello of New Bedford, Massachusetts attended Holy Family High School in his native city, attended Boston College in 1950, went on to attend the University McGill, Montreal; University of Pennsylvania; University of Lille, France and was in the second year of medicine at a medical school in Paris, France before he abdicated his role of medicine to embrace the field of music.



In the 1930s, Mr. and Mrs. Albino Mello, Sr. were proprietors of a grocery store at 320 Rivet Street, New Bedford, a meca of Azorean entrepreneurs. Mr. Mello, Sr. later became a staff manager for Prudential Insurance of New Bedford, MA.

Fim Submitted by Mrs. Pat Amaral of Florida

A Brief History of the Portuguese People in Lawrence, MA from 1853 to World War II.

A talk given by Mrs. Millicent Silva Craig of California at the opening of the Portuguese Cultural Exhibit on April 30, 1995, Heritage State Park, Lawrence, MA.

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In my estimation, the single most important organizational drive occurred in 1930. Mr. John B. Sears, father of the aforementioned musicians and proprietor of a variety store, took the lead in organizing a non-partisan civic association. The goals were lofty and designed to help bring the Poruguese people into the main stream of the community. It promoted friendship, education, unity, naturaliztion and the social welfare of the Portuguese-American people of greater Lawrence and its suburbs. Mr. Sears brought together all Portuguese, Portuguese-Americans, Portuguese clubs and societies and thus formed the Portuguese-American Civic Association, a branch of a state wide organization. The men's council was formed first, and in 1931, a ladies' council was formed, followed by a junior council. A junior girl's council, a junior boy's fife and drum corps, a junior girl's baton team and a Portuguese school, starting with a membership of thirty. It reached over five hundred by 1938.

The enthusiasm was contagious and since one of the major goals was to take part 30. APGHS Newsletter, Vol. XVII, No. 2. (1996)

in all civic affairs of the community, state and nation, for a time the Portuguese were highly visible in parades, dedications, et cetera. In the late thirties and early forties, grandmothers and grandfathers who had no formal schooling, enrolled in basic English writing, reading and history classes at the Lawrence High Evening School. The day that they became citizens was the happiest day of their life. Suddenly the Portuguese community was seen as a formidable ethnic voting bloc to be courted. A new word "patronage" appeared in their vocabulary and perhaps the first example was the appointment of Mr. Anthony Jacinto (whom we knew as Jason) to the position of Manual Arts Training Teacher at the Lawrence High School. A master woodworker, there is picture of one of his custom pieces in the exhibit.

For Mr. Sears and those who worked with him, it was an herculean effort and no doubt it has had some long-lasting effects on many who participated in this movement. Since only the ladies' and mens' councils remain today and since the members again keep to themselve and to their own events, one wonders whether there will ever be full participation in the community as a whole.

A new wave of immigrants from Portugal arrived in the fifties, sixties and seventies and make up a large portion of the Portuguese community today. Perhaps we need another Mr. John B. Sears to lead the way, and maybe Mr. Lui Real, the exhibit Chairman, may be that person.

When we look back over the business men, artisans and shop keepers who made significant contributions to the community, we immediately think of Billy Wood, industrialist and financier. The Wood mill provided thousands of jobs for immigrants and Mr. Wood who was very patriotic, required that they learn English. His patriotism was evident in the naming of the "American Woolen Company". His development of spacious single family homes in Shawsheen, which were designed after an English village that he visited, is a lasting tribute to his memory. While assuming the trappings of an English gentleman, he virtually eliminated all trace of his Portuguese ancestry. But the fact remains that he was born on Martha's Vineyard to poor Portuguese immigrants, who were in turn born on Pico, one of the islands of the Azores.

There were many less wealthy immigrants with shops in the community. Manuel Dias operated the Sunny Side Bakery on Common Street, Manuel Joaquim had a market on Amesbury Street. At age 19, in 1918, my father, Fred Silva, had his first market there also, and remember Mr. Caesar Simoes, "The Chicken Man", who sold live chickens at his store on Hampshire Street. Manuel Azevedo was the Portuguese barber at Freedman's Barber Shop on Common Street and our barber was Manuel Espinola whose shop was on Franklin Street, Another Manuel Azevedo was the owner of Seward Coal Company and Mr. A. J. Felix was the proprietor of Auburn Dairy. Mr. Cyrino Silva was a custom shoe maker and repairer on White Street. My uncle Albino Ribas was a tailor who learned the trade from his father in mainland Portugal. He came to Massachusetts by a most circuitous route--from Portugal to Spain, to Cuba where he worked in the sugar cane fields, to Florida, to Connecticut where he worked on the railroad and finally to Lawrence where he plied his trade as a tailor for the rest of his working days. Mr. Jefferey Vasconcelos founded Jeffson, Inc., a general trucking firm and Mr. Herman Espinola operated a plumbing concern in Salem, NH. He was from Lawrence. Avila Plumbing was located on Cross Street and our Chairman, Mr. Leal, with many interests,

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operated the Bristol County Travel Service from his home in Londonderry, NH. We almost forgot Mr. Antonio Da Silva Neves who for years was superintendent of Rockingham Park in Salem, NH and employed many Portuguese throughout the years.

The last one that I will mention is Mr. Harry Costa who was a wood worker. The next time you visit St. Mary's Church, notice the communion rail. It was designed and hand turned by Mr. Costa. Portuguese with old world skills were always in demand for custom work.

There were many more creative people but time and memory are running short. In my generation were the young men who served in World War II. They took advantage of the GI Education Bill and thus a whole generation of professional people have gone on to leave their mark in this and in other communities. My generation had the advantage of the extended family and had grandparents to pass down family history, culture and traditions. But as the Social Security data show, more and more Portuguese are returning to their village, to their little piece of land or farm for their retirement years. Their grandchildren will lose some of the enrichment that was ours. It is hoped that those immigrants who came after World War II will record their life in America for their progeny and for the records of the archives.

Again, we want to thank Mrs. Dengler, Mr. Skulski and the volunteers at the archives for making today possible. Special thanks go to Mr. Leal, the Committee Chairman, to Mrs. Flora Silva for her untiring efforts, to Father Albert Sylva of St. Peter and Paul Parish, to Mr. Helio M. Mello, importer, who donated the Portuguese wines and cheeses for this event, to Mrs. Maria Barcelos, of Barcelos Markets, to Mr. and Mrs. Mario Soares, to Mr. John Parreira, to Mr. and Mrs. Renato Lima, to Mr. and Mrs. Jose Triguerio, to Algadiello De Mello, to Mrs. Mary Luciano and to Mr. Jeffrey Vasconcelos.

Thank you for inviting me and I will do my best to do research and to contribute to any Portuguese History Project at the archives. We hope that some of you will be interested in keeping the history of our people alive also.

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Using Obituaries

By Bud Schaffer

Have you ever wondered why people have obituaries printed? Or how many years back do obituaries go?

Webster's Dictionary says it is "a record or notice of a person's death, a short account of the significant aspects and accomplishments of a person's life published upon the person's death".

As a genealogist, you should be aware of the importance of finding a death certificate for each ancestor. They provide a source of information for an individual's marriage, place and date of birth, parents, siblings and children.

Obituaries can give you some insight into what kind of person your ancestor was, death date, place and cause of death, where he or she is buried, from what foreign coun-32. APGHS Newsletter, Vol. XVII, No. 2. (1996) try he or she emigrated, when he or she arrived in America and when he or she got to the area of the final resting place.

Some of the older obituaries may provide information for time periods before vital records were kept. Also when searchig in a certain area, do not overlook other people with the same surname. They may tie in later and save you from making another trip.

Obituaries vary in content and length. A person's social status is sometimes shown in the wording of their obituaries. When looking for the obituaries be sure to keep looking. They may appear days, weeks or even months after the date of death.

Some newspapers charged a fee to print obituaries, so if you had money your obituary was published in the newspaper.

One way to search for the death date is to start with the town where your ancestor lived. Then pick a town about 100 miles away and from that point draw a circle and start your search. In most cases you will find them.

From "The Tree Climber" January, 1996 Issue With permission

🔅 In Memoriam 🤞

We were sorry to learn of the passing of our member, Mrs. Lucinda R. Rodrigues of California last June 11th.. She had been our member since 1980.

We understand that she had also contributed a great deal to the Rodrigues Family newsletter which has been published by Mrs. Pat Amaral of Florida for quite some time.

In the Fall of 1982, descendants of the Rodrigues Furtado da Mendonca lineage whose forefathers stemmed from Fayal, Azores and the Flemish who settled there, initiated their quarterly family newsletter which now is in its fourteenth year.

Participants of the Family newsletter (Rodrigues Furtado da Mendonca and the linked Nunes Silveira line) reside in Fayal, California, New Mexico, Ohio, Canada and the New England States.

For further information, please contact Mrs. Pat Amaral of Florida.

A new regional branch of the National Archives has opened in Pittsfield, MA, just over the border from eastern New York state. This will allow easier access to the census, immigration, and military microfilms now available in that area only at the New York and Boston locations. The address is 100 Dan Fox Drive, Pittsfield, MA 01201.

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Anthony S. Catojo, Jr. Fund

The cost of microfilming his Colletion was \$1,366.69

To date we have received as donations 575.00

Tony was to us

Our first President, Our first Chairman of the Board, Our first Founder who went to a higher place. Our first officer who reached our goal-to put our lifetime research in a place where future researchers could have access to the information. And do we have anything further to say? Ah, yes, we miss you Tony!

Yes, I would like to assist with your microfilming of Anthony S. Catojo, Jr.'s Collection.

Benefactor \$100.....Other.....Other.....

Checks may be made payable to the Anthony S. Catojo, Jr. Fund, c/o APGHS

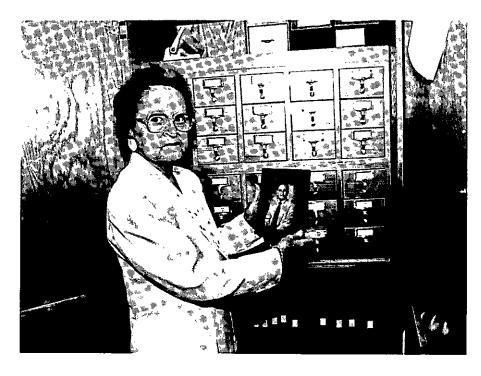
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Our Open House and the unveiling of the Anthony S. Catojo Ir. Lifetime Collection held June 8, 1996

was a lovely event. After Mrs. Marjorie Catojo, his widow pictured at the left, had cut the white ribbon to the cabinet holding his collection, there was a picture-taking session.



speaker program with Ernest Cardoza presiding. Mr. Jack Nobrega, president of the New Bedford Chapter of the Prince Henry Society of MA mentioned their activity and support with the January 31st cocktail party to raise funds for the

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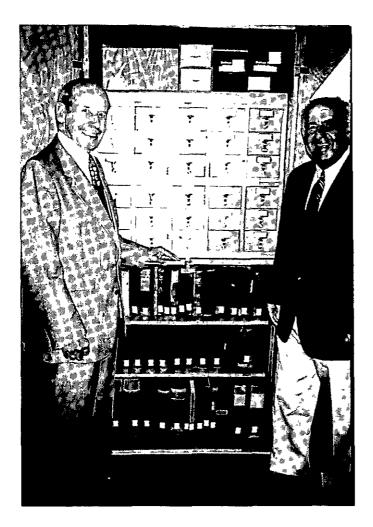
cabinet to house the collection.

Joseph Souza, PhD, talked about Tony's abilities and how so many folks turned to him for advice and guidance.

Cecilia M. Rose mentioned the work now being done with the putting of microfilm numbers on the cards and the index which it is hoped might be ready by the end of the year. She also thanked the many folks who helped to prepare his collection for the day's event.

On the next page is a picture of the cabinet with Dr. Souza on the left and Jack Nobrega on the right.

The middle section of thirty drawers holds the 25,000 records of Tony's lifetime APGHS Newsletter, Vol. XVII, No. 2. (1996) 35.



collection. About 20% is the listing of presumably Portuguese names of folks who served in our country's wars up to Somalia from everywhere, even from Hawaii.

There are all sorts of catagories, too many to mention; such as obits, census records, marriages.

In the lower section consisting of three shelves are the following directories: Acushnet, Dartmouth and Westport for 1940 and 1948 Attleboro, North Attleboro and Plainville for 1935, Boston for 1858, Fall River for 1896 and 1926, Lakeville, Freetown and Berkley for 1917, two books of Record of Massachusetts' Volunteers, 1861-1865, New Bedford Alphabetical Directory for 1937, New Bedford City Directories for 1852, 1873-4, 1875-76, 1875-76, 1877-8, 1879-80, 1890, 1941, New Bed-

ford and Fairhaven Directories for 1903, 1914, 1917, 1918, 1918, 1921, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1925, 1926, 1928, 1930, 1932, 1932, 1939, 1943, 1945, New Bedford, Fairhaven, Acushnet, Dartmouth Directory for 1955, Directory of Plymouth for 1909, Provincetown, MA Cemetery Inscriptions for 1980, and Taunton City Directories for 1913, 1942.

There is a small top shelf for miscellaneous items.

Keys to this and our other collections are available at the front desk.

The Taunton Public Library is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a,m, to 8:00 p.m. Saturdays, their hours are 9:00 a.m. through 6:00 p.m., excepting during July and August when they close on Saturdays.

This last year has been a busy, **busy, busy** one.

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The Taunton Public Library informed us that we would be having our own room there. They washed, painted and varnished it before we began to move in.

The room is just over the main entrance, on the second floor and has a lovely large fan-shaped window.

We became part of their internal security system. All our books and articles now have bar codes and have become part of their ABLE system, a computer network informing area libraries of their holdings.

Mrs. Suzanne Costa-Duquette, Director of the Library, went into the system to see if anyone had <u>The Azores: A History</u> by James Guill and <u>The Mulgeons</u> by Dr. Kennedy. We were the first to have these in this area of twenty-seven libraries. These being research materials, they can only be viewed at the Tauton Public Library.

Eventually this will become a full Massachusetts system and hopefully then a New England system.

When the Lifetime Collection of Anthony S. Catojo, Jr. arrived, the Prince Henry Society of Massachusetts, New Bedford, Fall River, Taunton and State Chapters held a cocktail party to raise funds for the cabinet to house that Collection. They also covered the expenses of the Open House and are taking care of the transferring of the Microfilm Frame numbers to the actual cards.

The Friends of the APGHS will help cover the making of the index of the Collection.

Our Special Collection of over 80,000 records has also been microfilmed.

Although we are a little over 20% of our goal of 500,000 records, it is gratifying to see the research materials that our members and friends have contributed over the last nineteen years.

A special "Thank You" goes out to those who worked to make our room so effective. Folks who have given tirelessly of their time have been our President, Ernest Cardoza; our Treasurer, Mrs. Teresa Bonenfant and her husband Brian; our Clerk, Mrs. Estella R. Margarido; our Directors, Mrs. Ida Baptiste and Mrs. Deolinda Dos Anjos; Executive Secretary, Cecilia M. Rose, Friends of the APGHS member, Mrs. Emma Andrade; President of the Volunteers, Joseph Cambra, the Library staff and Mrs. Marjorie Catojo.

\$1,000 Cash Prizes in London Bridge Genealogy Book Contest

Genealogy and family history books must have been published since October 10, 1971.

Judging criteria includes narrative presentation, generation organization, indexing, use of photographs, documentation of data and historical relationships placing ancestors in historical context.

Entries should be addressed to Don Foust, 3982 Trotwood Drive, Lake Havasu City, Arizona 86405, postmarked prior to October 10th.

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*	CADINHA Surname	*
*	Has any person come across this name in the Azores or Portugal? or USA?	*
*	Family was CADIMA on Sao Miguel, becoming CADINHA in Hawaii. Researching	*
*since	1920s in Azores and Portugal to find other CADINHAS (none found). Few CADI-	*
*MAS i	n Azores, all located on Sao Miguel. CADINHAS found in USA and Canada are of	*
*this li	ne from Hawaii. Eloise Cadinha, 532 Bancroft Ave, #305, San Leandro CA	*
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Query on Stone Family Ponta Delgada, St. Michael, AZORES

Searching for family origin for Sebastian Alexandre da Camara STONE. He married Leonor Clara Delfina on 7 February 1808. She was from Angra do Heroismo, Ilha Terceira, the widow of Antonio Jose Pereira. Can anyone help me verify the STONE family origin? Marie L. Stone Penney, 22 Salvia Court, Homosassa, FL 34446-5425



I have a new toy, wonderful new computer with all the bells and whistles, still haven't figured out how to use them all, but I am having fun trying.

l am looking forward to our next Bulletin Board, every one is doing such a good job on it. From Anthony M. Jose of California

Please know I finally received a copy of the hard-copy print-out of my computerized database; "Marriages of Santa Barbara - Ribeiras: 1775-1875". It was nicely done and I hope it can be of use to anyone who desires to use it, electronically or on paper, free. From Jeffrey L. Madruga of California

I do enjoy the <u>Bulletin</u>. The articles are very informative and it's helped me to learn much more about my people and culture. I am very excited because I will be making my first trip to the Azores in June. I have always dreamed of seeing the place where my grandparents came from and walking some of the paths of my ancestors.

Keep up your good work of helping us to acquire knowledge and a pride in our

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We are very happy to welcome the following members into our Society. Let us hope we will be of much assistance to them.

From Australia, Mrs. John A. S. Dow;

From California, Mrs. William R .Allen, Ms. Elayne Azevedo-Marrone, Mrs. Faro S. Barnhurst, Mr. D. R. Doc Begnal-Young, Mr. Robert M. Berg, Mr. Kenneth P.

Carvalho, Mr. Lloyd A. George, Mrs. Leonard W. Maas, Mr. Donald R. Marshall, Mrs. Manuel Oliveira, Mr. Frank R. Oliver, Mrs. Verna Perry, Mr. George E. Simmons;

From Colorado, Mrs. William G. Donahue, Mr. David Gonsalves;

From Connecticut, Mr. John Bairos, Mr. David Furtado, Mr. Francis W. Perry,

Jr,; From Florida, Mrs. Joseph A. Botelho, Mr. Bernard J. Diedrich, Ms. Jennifer Marr: From Georgia, Mrs. Lucinio J. Oliveira;

From Maryland, Ms. Shannon R. Perry;

From Massachusetts, Ms. Lois Ann Alves, Mr. James A. Ferro, Mr. Mathew P. Harper, Mrs. George D. Holden, Mrs. June D. Manning, Mr. John L. Pontes, Mr. Herman G. Silva;

From Missouri, Mrs. April Mello Murdock, Richardson Elementary School; From Nevada, Mrs. Gordon L. Rammage;

From New Jersey, Ms. Lynn S. Jefferies, Mr. Joseph A. Rodgers, Mr. Rui Rodrigues;

From New York, Mr. W. Robert Brittenham;

From Ohio, Mrs. Jerold L. Taylor, Sr.;

From Oregon, Mr. G. Michael Anthony;

From Rhode Island, Mr. John E. Arruda, Ill, Mrs. John L. Moran;

From Texas, Mrs. Larry L. Bogart;

From Washington state, Ms. Deborah L. Anderson, Mrs. Wayne A.Cardoza and Mr. Glenn W. B. Harvey.

Life Members

From Arizona, Mrs. Joseph A. Borroz;

From California, Ms. Eugenia E. Paine, Ms. Millie K. Smith, Mrs. Frank T. Silveira; Mrs. Alan Polsky, Mr. Steven Silvia;

From Hawaii, Mr. Wendell Brooks, Jr.;

From Illinois, Mr. Angelo C. Fraga;

From Kentucky, Mrs. Patricia Marirea Mudd;

From Maryland, Louis N. Abreu III;

From Massachusetts, Mr. Ronald J. Bettencourt, Mr. James P. Harrington, Mrs. Albert R. King and Mr. Leon J. Belanger.

Above all, we appreciate the confidence these folks have in our Society, We now have \$6,000. in CDs which are earning over \$300. per year in interest which we put to use on our work at the Library. Many Thanks. APGHS Newsletter, Vol. XVII, No. 2. 39.

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Father Captain Ioseph da Costa Runes May 10, 1895-May 30, 1962

Born by the sea..lived by the sea..died at sea At his conception the elixir of green sea permeated every fiber of his being flowing in every life-giving channel.

As a lad from his bedroom apartment window above his father's emporium he could view the harbor where square riggers and awkward whaling barks anchored leeward.

Infused with the wet sting of the Atlantic schooling was not uppermost on his mind. The housemaid was often sent to tug him home by the ear as he sat on the shore.

Yielding unresistingly to the lure of Poseidon's magnetic dimension. One pointed earlobe gave credence to the family tale; his every sinew objecting to a humdrum land existence.

His father's fascination of the sea consisted mainly of ownership of a small fleet of shore whaling boats. He sailed with an interpreter to the ports of Lisbon and Paris where he sold ambergris

A Paris firm insisted it was not the rare item; Grandfather begged to differ. Litigation over the years led the family into bankruptcy. Grandfather's Taurean tenacity remained with him throughout his life.

Undaunted by family financial downfall three of his sons mesmerized by some voltiac current from sunken Atlantis went on to answer the persistent call of the chameleon-like expanse of ocean

With its ever-changing colors and moods. At the turn of the century the eldest shipped out of New York as a master never to return..his death a mystery..as Tombstones often testify..LOST AT SEA.

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Next to the oldest sea-minded sibling, self-assured blue-eyed golden-red haired devotee of Neptune's symphony and father, the youngest, of brown hair and eyes, overly cautious but adventurous became masters of their own commercial vessels.

Dad's powerful Australian crawl was exhibited at family beach-side picnics where it seemed he wore two swim suits, one of knitted fiber, the other, a milk-white skin area seldom exposed to the weather.

Contrasting the patina of bronzed arms and face graced by elements of sun, rain, blizzards, gales, fog and ice giving him an appearance of the dauntless seafarer braving the unpredictable.

In the early 1920's his first lesson in navigation stemmed from a fishing trip aboard the 90-foot schooner Lincoln off George's Banks. The Lincoln later sunk by a U-boat, the crew ordered to their dories

And towed to the Nantucket Lightship. Throughout his life father tasted many facets of skippering, a stint aboard a tugboat, first mate on a private yacht sailing the intercoastal waterway.

Dull compared to the piloting of a high-powered low-lying speedboat equipped with a Chrysler 318 airplane engine that could outrun any Coast Guard vessel in sight. Such envy! What is life without a challenge.

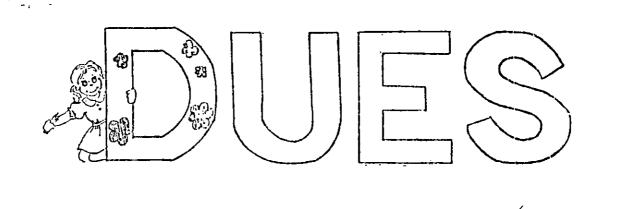
What is the lure of the sea that grapples youths to its bosom..he was one of the many awarded a citation for vigilance at sea during WWII. On land he played a mean game of soccer winning gold fobs.

The treasured navy blue silk muffler with inserts of white dots fringed in identical colored threads has been lost over the years..a gift of gratitude from a lady for his resourcefulness at sea preventing the demise of her spouse.

During Hurricane Carol in 1954, he cast off the line of the vessel 'Madonna di Trapini' and rode out the storm between the Palmer's Island lighthouse and Butler's Flat beacon saving it from destruction for the widow of Gloucester, Mass.

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Once again it is that time of year when we must mention dues. Many of pur members have already sent in their dues for 1996-1997. We thank you for that.

Please remember, if you wish to have your membership card sent to you, just enclose a stamped addressed envelope along with your check.

Dear Treasurer:

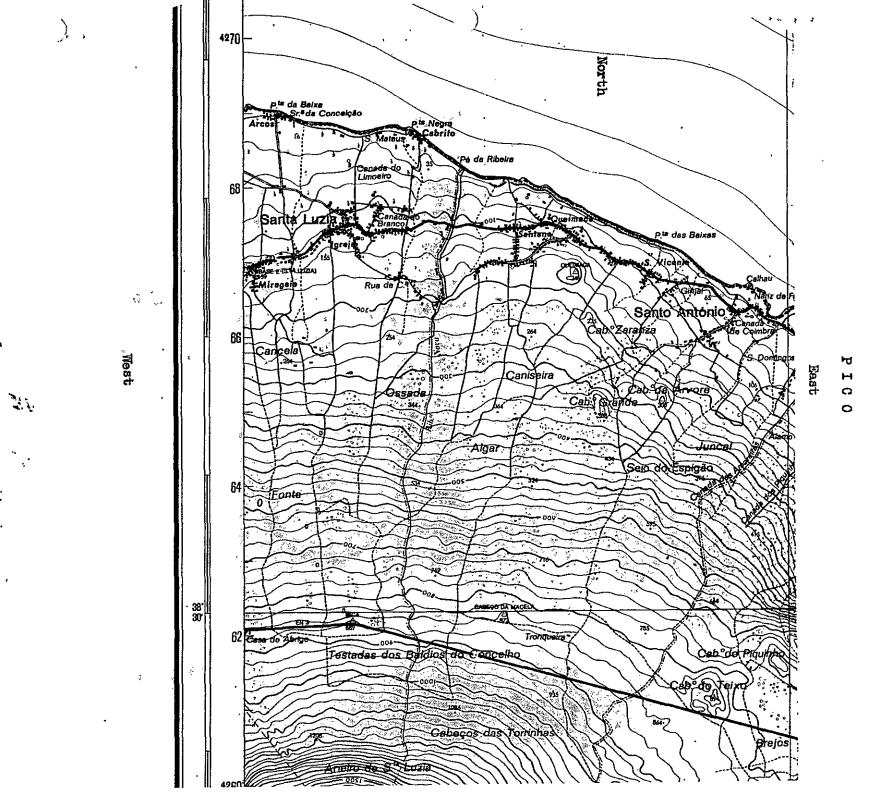
Enclosed is my Check No._____dated______in the amount of \$______in the amount of \$_____in the amount of \$______in the amount of \$_____in th

or from July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1997.

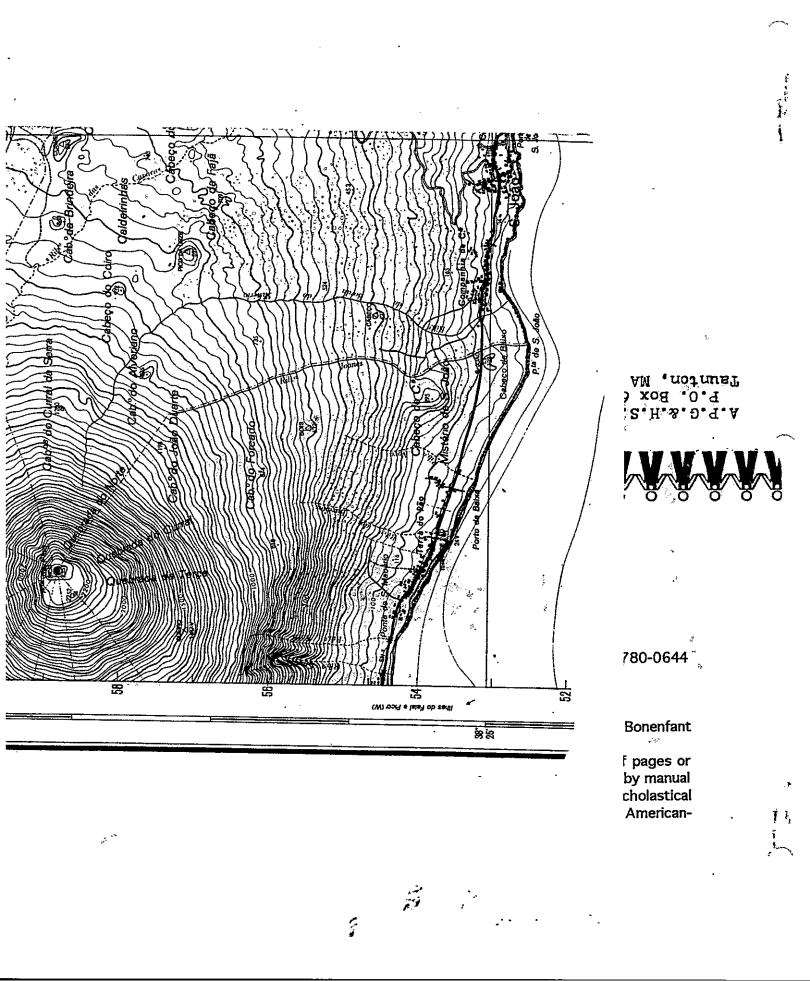
The Winter, 1996 will be the last newsletter mailed to any member who has not paid their Dues beyond June 30, 1995.

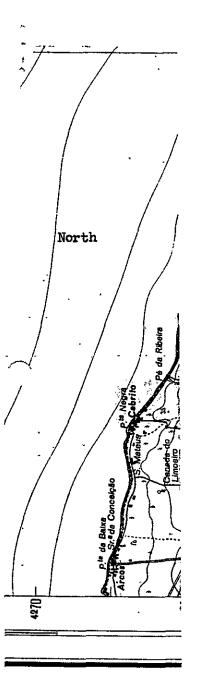
We would certainly appreciate ever so much receiving everyone's nine Digit Zip Code.

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As time passed on, his 'sea legs' gave out and he could no longer leap from pier to vessel. Capt. Joe then purchased a small dragger of 48 ft. which mother addressed as 'his toy'. The time arrived when he retired from the deep sea.

He eventually sold the Angeline to a young protege Capt. Frank who was to reenter his life under strange circumstances. On his 73rd birthday he arose early and tended to the family gravesites, invited the family pet

To accompany him to the cove where he kept a small skiff. Leaving the boxer Biffie on shore, he commandeered a rowboat and rowed out to bail out the night's rainfall. It all happened very quickly, the bailer frozen in his hand.

His wiah to die quickly was answered..at sea..a plus, Biffie from shore sensed the throes of death and swam out to the rowboat, it is said, and covered his master protectingly alternatingly leaping into the water

Swimming ashore barking frantically seeking help to no avail. Capt. Frank and wife Lucy driving across the overhead bridge witnessed part of the scene and reported the incident.

Zeus turned Castor and Pollux the protectors, of ships and seamen in distress, into the costellation of Gemini.. no doubt they kept vigil at the side of Capt. Joe as he was born May 30th under the sign of Gemini...one wonders...

Born by the sea...lived by the sea...died at sea.

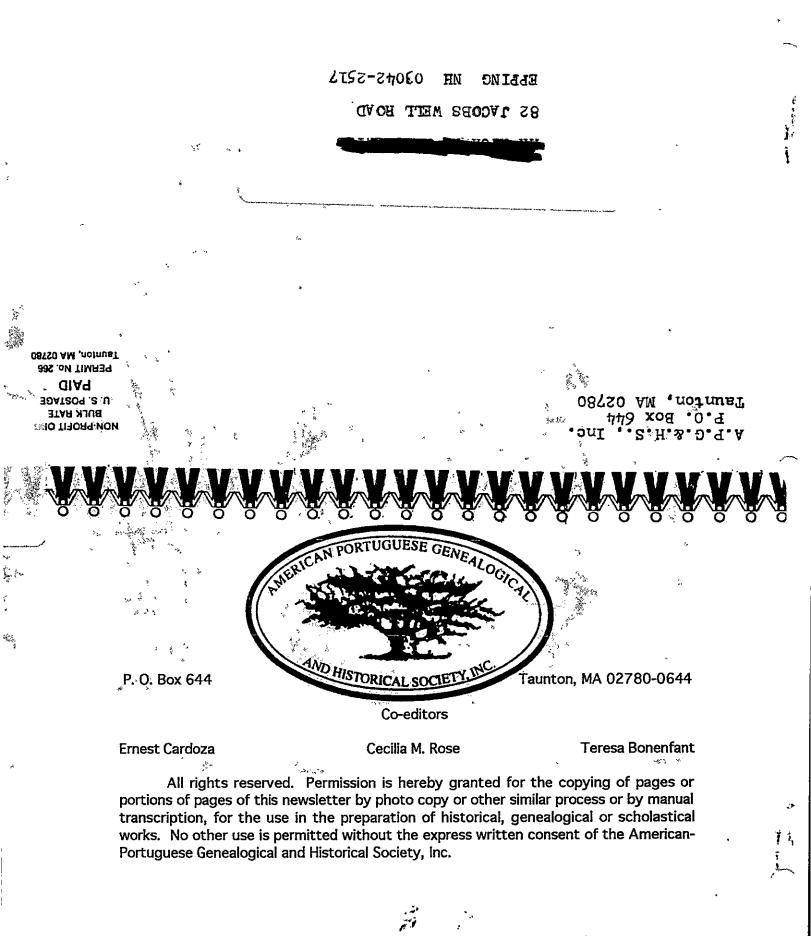
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