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Azorean Ancestors: Making the Connection

The population of the Azores has seldom exceeded 300,000. About half live on fifty-mile long, twelve-mile wide São Miguel; the other half on the remaining eight islands. Even today, most live in or near the villages where the family has lived for generations. Most Azoreans descend from some, if not many, of the pioneers who arrived after the archipelago's discovery in 1444.

Finding a genealogical link to those ancestors can sometimes be a relatively simple task and requires only finding previously documented genealogies, but some vital records have been lost or have succumbed to the damp climate, floods, moths, mice or aging decay, making the link a daunting task.

This is the first of a series on the founding Azorean patriarchs and parishes where their descendants are prominently represented with reference to further genealogical sleuthing.

Rui Vaz Medeiros

came to São Miguel in 1474 from Madeira with Rui Gonsalves da Câmara, the island's third Captain Donatary. Historical records indicate he had fled there from Vasco de Medeiros,¹ his father, in Ponte de Lima, mainland Portugal. On Madeira he had married Ana Gonsalves de Mendonça, daughter of Jorge de Mendonça, who Frutuoso says was "of the noble Furtado Mendonças."² Rui and Ana's eldest son established an entailed estate at Tabua.³

On São Miguel, the Captain Donatary granted Medeiros many lands in the Lagoa area for development.⁴ He and Ana established an entailed estate, an accounting of which was given by a grandson in 1559. After her death he moved to Ponta Garça and lived next to the chapel of Nossa Senhora da Esperança (Our Lady of Good Hope), which he had built and given to the settlement. He divided his property among his ten children and went on the pilgrimage to the Holy Land with the hope of spending his last days in penitential poverty and humility. The wish was unfulfilled because the Ottoman Turks refused him the safe conduct pass of a Christian pilgrim.⁵ In his undated will there is mention of his father-in-law, João do Porto, so he must have remarried.

His many children assured the succession of numerous descendants throughout São Miguel and his name and blood are represented in the nobility and peasantry of the island. The Houses of Praia e Monforte and Laranjeiras claim him as an ancestor.

His descendants are concentrated in Gintes, Lagoa, Povoação and Vila Franca . The following works contain much information about his descendants: *Genealogias de S. Miguel e S. Maria* , Rodrigo Rodrigues, Vol. I, Chapter 19; *Genealogias* , Carlos Machado, pp. 271 & 404; *Famílias Antigas da Povoação* , Câmara Municipal da Povoação, pp. 68-74; *Apontamentos Histórico-Genealógicos Sobre a Família Borges-Coutinho de Medeiros e Dias, Condes-Viscondes da Praia, Viscondes de Monforte* , António Borges Coutinho Sousa Dias da Câmara. The noted Azorean genealogist, Dr. José de Almeida Mello, is researching Rui Vaz de Medeiros and his descendants.

ORIGINS

The family's origins are disputed. Some suggest that Rui's ancestors took the family name from Medeiros in the parish of Vila Chã in the District of Montalegre in Vila Real. The first known of the name is Rui Gonsalves de Medeiros who lived in Évora during the reign of D. João I of Avis (1385-1433). His reward for helping the king take Évora Castle was to be named a castellan. He was a descendant of Martim Sanches de Medas, from who some genealogists claim the name Medeiros comes. Martim was a contemporary of D. Afonso III, Portugal's first king, and had taken part on the Battle of Porto in 1245. He married D. Dórdia Nunes de Aguiar, the daughter of Nuno Martins de Aguiar, a descendant of D. Arnaldo de Bayam and thus from the line of Charlemagne. D. Dórdia's mother was D. Teresa Afonso, a granddaughter of the aforementioned first king. Except for *Nobiliário de Famílias Portuguesas* , all genealogists and histories agree on the latter point.⁶

Ancestry

Martin Sanches de Medas (ca. 1180) m. D. Dórdia Nunes de Aguir (of the Sousas on her paternal line and the daughter of *Infanta* D. Teresa Afonso)⁷

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D. Urraca Martins de Medas m. Conçalo Pero, a Spanish gentleman

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Martim Sanches de Medas m. Margarida Gil

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Rui Gonsalves de Medeiros

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Gonçalo Rodrigues de Medeiros, a contemporary of D. João I

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Vasco de Medeiros. b. Ponte de Lima

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Rui Vaz de Medeiros

Beatriz Pires Delgado of the Delgados of Caniço and Ponta do Sol, wife of Fernão Affonso Paiva, o ruivo (the redhead)

"Fernão Affonso de Paiva, whose real name was Fernão de Paiva, was a native of Vouzela on the outskirts of Vizeu. He came to this island [Madeira] at the time of Captain João Roiz da Câmara ..."⁸ Having been orphaned while still a minor, he had lived in the home of his brother, Pedro, a rich and noble man who owned vast lands and herds of sheep and goats. A neighbor nobleman hunted in their fields and often stole Pedro's animals. Fernão confronted him and knocked him off his horse. Three days later the nobleman-thief died from his injuries.

Well provided by Pedro, Fernão was sent to safety in Madeira where he married Beatriz, "sister of Pero Delgado, kin to the Delgados of Ponta do Sol and Caniço."⁹ The family of the murdered man learned of Fernão's whereabouts so he fled again—this time to São Miguel. On "Ilha Verde" (Green Island) he settled in Ribeira Grande, where he bought vast lands.

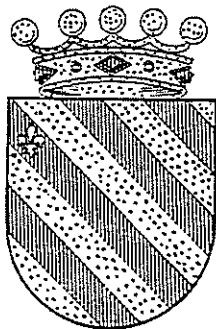
The Delgados descend from Pedro Delgado, nicknamed "o Nabo" (the turnip), who was married to Isabel Fernandes, nicknamed "a Velha da Serra" (the Old Lady of the Mountain), both of noble families and natives of Arruda. Pedro Delgado was the brother of Lopo Vaz Delgado, another early settler. Isabel was the daughter of Fernão Nunes Cardoso and Catarina Gouveia, granddaughter of Nuno Fernandes Cardoso, a descendant of D. Pedro the Cruel and D. Inês de Castro, according to various genealogists. According to historical evidence, Pedro and Isabel were among Madeira's first settlers. Frutuoso writes they had lands in Ponta do Sol and Lombo das Adegas.¹¹ Both had arrived in São Miguel in 1497 with João Rodrigues, the fourth Captain Donatary. While many, if not all, of their children might have been born and married on Madeira, the youngest came with them to São Miguel as infants.

The Galvões

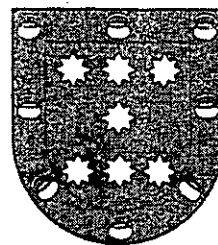
The Tavares Mirandas were absent from Bretanha for nearly a century from the death of Luis Tavares Mianda in 1784. In 1865 fifteen year-old Filomena Galvão of Ribeira Grande, the granddaughter of José Bento Miranda, a great-grandson of Margarida Francisca Miranda, married Manuel Carvalho dos Reis of Bretanha and returned with him to his village.¹² His parents were first cousins, both grandchildren of Manuel de Medeiros Galvão and Maria Rosa de Medeiros. Both traced their lineage to Pedro Vieira, the illegitimate son of Duarte Galvão.¹³ Born in Évora in 1438, Duarte Galvão was a statesman, diplomat and chronicler during the reigns of Afonso V, João II and Manuel I. He was the governor of Leiria Castle before ambassador appointments to the Courts Pope Alexander VI, Holy Roman Emperor Maximilian II and Louis XII of France. D. Manuel I named him ambassador to the Court of Abyssinia, but he died on 9 June 1517 before fulfilling the office. The Galvões traced their lineage back to Lopo Afonso da Costa, João Galvao and Gonçalo Vasques da Silveira, who died in 1320.¹⁴

Frutuoso writes that Pedro Vieira, who had married against his father's wishes, came to São Miguel with his wife in the early days of colonization, but does not identify her. During the war between Spain and Portugal Afonso V sent him as his representative to the Spanish Court. Frutuoso refers to him as a very noble and learned man and records he returned to the mainland where he died among his people. His son, Fernão Vieira, established himself in Lagoa.

Most of Filomena Galvão's descendants emigrated to the United States. Beginning on page 326 in Carlos Machado's *Genealogias*, the family ancestry can be back traced. A copy is at the APGHS collection in the Taunton Public Library.



Medeiros coat of arms



Delgado coat of arms

Endnotes:

- ¹ João Agostinho Pereira de Agrela, *Memórias Genealógicas*, Vol. III, p. 400.
- ² Gaspar Frutuoso, *Saudades da Terra*, Book IV, Vol. 3, Chapter XXVIII.
- ³ *Ibid*, Book II, p. 526.
- ⁴ *Ibid*, Book IV, Capter XIX
- ⁵ *Famílias Antigas do Povoação*, notes by Miguel de Cortereal, p.14.
- ⁶ *Apontamentos Histórico-Genealógicos Sobre a Família Borges-Coutinho de Medeiros e Dias*, Third Marquis da Praia e Monforte, Lisbon, 1950.
- ⁷ *Ibid*.
- ⁸ *Saudades da Terra*, IV, 3.
- ⁹ *Ibid*.
- ¹⁰ Henriques Noronha, *Registo GenealEogico da Madeira...: "Cardoso s de Gaula."*
- ¹¹ *Ibid*. and Liiz Peter Clode, *Registos Genealógicos de Famílias que Passaram à Madeira*.
- ¹² *Registos Paroquiais de Ribeira Grande; Casmentos: 27-09-1865*.
- ¹³ Gayo, *Nobilário de Famílias de Portugal: Galvão*.
- ¹⁴ *Ibid*.
- ¹⁵ *Saudades da Terra: Book IV*

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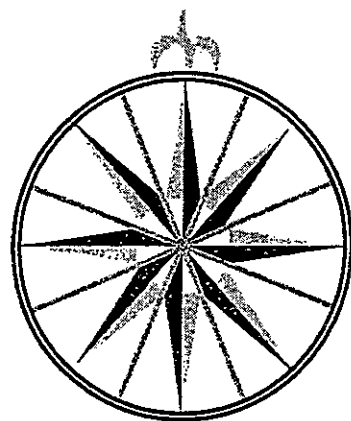
Messages

The APGHS, as charter member of New England Regional Genealogical Conference, has fully participated in six of its seven conferences (Vermont being the exception). A NERGC member wishing full conference participation and a share of its possible profit, must publicize the the event, purchase a minimum one-page ad (\$100) and provide on-site conference volunteers and a speaker at no cost to NERGC. For doing all of the above, the APGHS received \$1,897.99 as its share of the Falmouth, Mass., 2003 Conference profit.

In Maine, however, the Society does not have the member base it had on Cape Cod, so, as of this date, will not be a full participant in the eighth conference in Portland. This does not bode well for the APGHS. The absence of a booth, as at Falmouth when the on-site conference volunteers provided left none for APGHS staffing, means there will be little chance to promote the Society and attract new members. It will also lessen the Society's presence among the genealogical community.

The Society will publicize the event (pp. 29-34) and purchase a one-page ad.

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Thursday Afternoon


31 March 2005





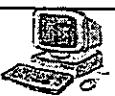
Track	1:30 - 2:30 pm	2:45 - 3:45 pm	4:00 - 5:00 pm
 Genealogy 101	T-1 Forms, Forms, and More Forms <i>Marcia Melnyk</i>	T-6 Getting the MOST from Census Records <i>Walter V. Hickey</i> [NARA]	T-10 Genealogy Research in the 21 st Century <i>John Konvalinka, CGRS, CGL</i>
 Photography Workshop*	T-2 Photography Workshop Identifying and Preserving Family Photographs <i>David Mishkin and Maureen Taylor, M.A.</i>		
 New England Research	T-3 Making Boston the Hub for Your New England Research <i>Ruth Quigley Wellner</i> [CMGS]	T-7 Tracking Seafaring Ancestors <i>John Battick Ph.D.</i> [MGS]	T-11 Researching Your Maine Ancestors <i>Patricia Odiorne</i> [MasSoG]
 Ethnic Genealogy	T-4 Roger Williams and the Native Americans in 17th-Century New England <i>John McNiff</i> [RIGS]	T-8 Basics of Polish-American Genealogical Research <i>Jonathan D. Shea</i> [PGS of CT & NE]	T-12 French Canadian History and How it Fits into Genealogical Research <i>Patricia Vigeant Locke</i> [AFGS]
 Technology	T-5 Maximizing Computer Tools for Genealogy <i>Emery & Jane Roth</i>	T-9 De-Mystifying Computer File Formats & Document Exchange <i>Emery & Jane Roth</i>	T-13 Gadgets for the Genealogist on the Go <i>Beau Sharbrough</i>

* Pre-registration REQUIRED. Space limited. Bring an old photo.

Thursday Evening

31 March 2005

5:00-7:00 pm	6:00-7:30 pm	7:30 pm
Society Fair & Social Hour  Cash Bar Societies from all over New England will be in attendance, offering information about their specialties. Meet and greet!	EXHIBIT HALL OPENING Exhibitors from across the U.S. and Canada will offer genealogical products and services. Be there when the ribbon is cut for the best selection!	Ethnic/Interest Groups Special interest groups will hold mini-gatherings for anyone interested in a wide range of topics. Check www.nergc.org for an informal list of these great get-togethers!

Track	8:30 - 9:30 am	10:00 - 11:00 am
 Beyond Basic Federal Records	F-16 They Came From Canada: Finding Your Ancestors in Canadian Border Crossing Records <i>Jean Nudd</i> [NARA]	F-21 U.S. Military Census: 1900, 1910 and 1920 <i>George Sermuksnis</i> [NARA]
 Ethnic Genealogy	F-17 An Introduction to the Vast Resources Available on <i>JewishGen.org</i> <i>Michael Marx</i> [JGSGB]	F-22 David Trombly of Ludlow, Massachusetts: Was He English or French? <i>Marcel Jussaume</i> [ACGS]
 Libraries & Records	F-18 The Identity Crisis: Right Name, Wrong Man? Wrong Name, Right Man? <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG</i>	F-23 Genealogical Resources and Services at the Connecticut State Library <i>Richard Clarke Roberts</i> [DFAW]
 DNA	F-19 Verifying and Establishing Family Connections through Genetic Genealogy <i>Diahan Southard</i> [Relative Genetics]	F-24 The Power of DNA: Discovering Lost and Hidden Relationships <i>Ugo A. Perego, M.S.</i> [Sorenson]
 Technology	F-20 Make Your Point with PowerPoint <i>Laura G. Prescott</i>	F-25 Evaluating Web Sites <i>Cyndi Howells</i>






11:00 - Noon






Unopposed Exhibitor Time



Noon - 1:30 pm

See registration detail for five special luncheon options.

Track	1:45 - 2:45 pm	3:15 - 4:15 pm	4:45 - 5:45 pm
 Beyond Basic Federal Records	F-26 Settled Accounts: The New England Experience in Federal Records <i>Craig Scott, CGRS</i>	F-31 Research in Washington, D.C., From Home! <i>Sandra MacLean Clunies, CG</i>	F-36 Beyond the Census: Local History in Federal Records <i>Horace H. Waters</i> [NARA]
 Ethnic Genealogy	F-27 Scots For Sale: The Fate of the Scottish War Prisoners in Seventeenth-Century New England <i>Diane Rapaport</i>	F-32 Abenaki Indians: Early Contact and Migratory Patterns <i>Sherry L. Gould, MSHS</i> [NHSOG]	F-37 The Six Phases of African American Genealogy <i>Tony Burroughs, FUGA</i>
 Libraries & Records	F-28 Maine Historical Society Resources Inhouse and Online <i>Kathy Bolduc Amoroso</i> [MHS]	F-33 What's in Your Courthouse Closet? <i>Helen A. Shaw, M.A.</i>	F-38 Using City Directories as Sources <i>William Copeley</i>
 DNA	F-29 Uncovering Your Roots With DNA <i>Bennett Greenspan</i> [Family Tree DNA]	F-34 DNA Solution to Assumed Identity Mystery, a Case Study <i>Mary Ann Boyle, CGRS</i>	F-39 Beyond Y- and mtDNA <i>Robert Charles Anderson, FASG</i>
 Technology	F-30 Avoiding Tangles in the World Wide Web - Beyond Google: Successful Searching Techniques <i>John Konvalinka, CGRS, CGL</i>	F-35 Fixing Family Photos: You Can Do It <i>Beau Sharbrough</i>	F-40 Using the Internet for Irish Genealogy <i>Dennis Ahern</i> [TIARA]

Track	8:30 - 9:30 am	10:00 - 11:00 am
 New England Research	S-41 To be announced [GSV]	S-46 King Philip's Indian War in New England <i>Michael Tougias</i> [SSGS]
 Writing & Publishing	S-42 Lights, Camera, Action! Using Video to Enhance Your Family History <i>Donna Moughty</i>	S-47 Writing in <i>Register</i> Style: Concise, Precise and Flexible <i>Helen Schatvet Ullmann, CG, FASG</i>
 Ethnic Genealogy	S-43 The 1704 French & Indian Raid on Deerfield (Mass.): Tracking Descendants of Captives & Captors <i>Jeanne Gendreau Carley</i> [CCGS]	S-48 The World of Pomp and Candace Spring: 1770-1810, Portsmouth, N.H. <i>Valerie Cunningham</i>
 Skills & Methodology	S-44 Finding Females: Wives, Mothers, Daughters, Sisters & Paramours <i>Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FASG</i>	S-49 You Know You Descend From Them, But Can You Prove It? <i>Ann S. Lainhart</i> [MSMD]
 Technology	S-45 Blogging for Genealogists <i>Dick Eastman</i> [NEHGS]	S-50 Planting Your Family Tree Online <i>Cyndi Howells</i>



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 New England Research	S-51 Connecticut's Barbour Collection: More (and Less) than Meets the Eye <i>Harlan Jessup</i> [CT Ancestry]	S-56 Organizations of Our Ancestors <i>Joyce S. Pendery, CG</i> [FGS]	S-61 The Sociology of Cemeteries <i>Helen A. Shaw, M.A.</i>
 Writing & Publishing	S-52 You've Dug 'em Up, Now What? The Account of a Winning Entry in the NGS Family History Writing Contest <i>Pam Eagleson</i>	S-57 Putting Ink on Paper: Getting Your Genealogical Material Published <i>Craig Scott, CGRS</i>	S-62 Telling Your Family Story: Heritage Scrapbooks to DVDs <i>Maureen A. Taylor, M.A.</i>
 Ethnic Genealogy	S-53 Successful Immigrant Research Strategies <i>Marcia Melnyk</i>	S-58 Using Early Maps in Canadian Maritimes Research <i>George F. Sanborn Jr., FASG, FSA Scot</i>	S-63 <i>Greffes des Notaires</i> : The Goldmine in Quebec's Notarial Records <i>Michael Leclerc</i> [NEHGS]
 Skills & Methodology	S-54 Genealogical Organization: Yourself, Your Ancestors, and All Those Collaterals <i>Sandra Goodwin</i>	S-59 Keeping Track of Your Research <i>Sandra MacLean Clunies, CG</i> [CSG]	S-64 Dissecting a Document: Transcribing vs. Abstracting <i>Marcia Melnyk</i>
 Technology	S-55 The Digital Office <i>Tony Burroughs, FUGA</i>	S-60 Searching the Ellis Island Database <i>Donna Moughty</i> [CPGC]	S-65 The Internet for Genealogy: Setting Straight the Myths and Misconceptions <i>Cyndi Howells</i>

SUNDAY 3 April 2005



S-66 Henry Cooke, presents "In the Spirit of 1776: A Divine Service with Reverend William Emerson of Concord." This lively recreation of a Revolutionary War era Congregational sermon will be conducted in costume and depicts the grandfather of Ralph Waldo Emerson preaching ... to us! Rev. William Emerson gave this sermon to the militia muster of Middlesex County just one month prior to the outbreak of hostilities at Lexington and Concord. In it he exhorts the officers and men to do their duty, traces the course of history that had led them to this place, and prayed for peace with the admonition "let every single step we take in this most intricate affair be upon the defensive."

SPECIAL DINING EVENTS

In addition to our usual luncheon fare, NERGC will offer special luncheons on Friday and Saturday, each hosted by one of our featured speakers. Space is extremely limited, so register early. This is an opportunity to have an exceptional meal in a relaxed setting – no lectures, just good conversation! See selections on the Registration page. *Pre-registration Required.*

FRIDAY EVENING



6:00-7:00 pm Social Hour, Cash Bar



7:00 pm BANQUET: Turkey Dinner or Grilled Salmon
Elizabeth Shown Mills Discovering "Forgotten People":
The story behind *Isle of Canes*

Pre-registration Required

Best selling author, Elizabeth Shown Mills will share some of her wonderful experiences in writing and promoting this exceptional historical novel, *Isle of Canes*, the true story of a multi-racial family you've never read about in high school history books.



SATURDAY EVENING



6:00-7:00 pm Social Hour, Cash Bar



7:00 pm BANQUET: New York Sirloin Strip or Vegetarian
Tony Burroughs "Becoming A Better Genealogist"

Pre-registration Required.

Meet a few genealogists who are not having much luck, and think they have hit a brick wall. But with a little bit of guidance, each one can become a better genealogist



SPECIAL EVENTS

ANCESTORS ROAD SHOW Got a thorny problem that just refuses to be solved? Ask an expert! Bring a concise statement of your toughest problem and spend 15 minutes with a skilled genealogist and explore ways to find the answer. Free to attendees on Friday and Saturday.

Registration	Postmarked BEFORE	Postmarked AFTER	
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Thursday Only	\$75	\$85	@
Friday Only	\$75	\$85	@
Saturday Only	\$75	\$85	@
Friday Photo Workshop \$ 25 fee includes entire workshop, bring an old photograph			@

Meals Noon to 1:30 pm Both Friday and Saturday we offer a regular luncheon at the hotel. In addition, there will be four premium luncheons each day, each hosted by one of our very popular speakers. No lectures, just a pleasant setting and relaxed atmosphere for conversation and a great meal.

FRIDAY			SATURDAY		
Luncheon	\$22	@	Luncheon	\$22	@
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Luncheon with Tony Burroughs	\$30.00	@	Luncheon with Craig Scott	\$30.00	@
Luncheon with Marcia Melnyk	\$30.00	@	Luncheon with Maureen Taylor	\$30.00	@
Luncheon with Walter Hickey	\$30.00	@	Luncheon with Dick Eastman	\$30.00	@

BANQUETS - 7:00 pm



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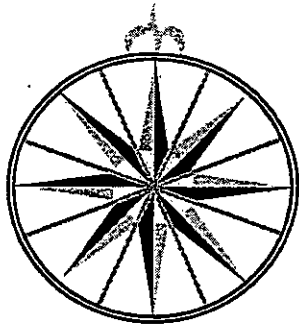
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Room reservations are to be made directly with Holiday Inn By-the-Bay Hotel and Convention Center, 88 Spring Street, Portland Maine 04101-3924. Please mention NERGC to receive the conference rate of \$114.00 plus tax, per night. Phone: 207-775-2311 Toll Free: 1-800-345-5070 Fax: 1-207-772-4017

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Genealogical Queries. The Conference is pleased to continue the popular *Query Column* in the Syllabus, providing participants an opportunity to reach hundreds of people who may be researching the same names. The cost is \$5 per query, up to 50 words, or three queries (max. 50 words each query) for \$10. Entries must be postmarked by 31 January 2005. Please enclose check payable to NERGC Queries.

You **DO NOT** have to attend the conference to submit queries.
TYPE/PRINT each query on a separate 8.5" X 11" paper,
and **MAIL TO THE QUERIES ADDRESS ON THE OTHER SIDE.**

The preferred format uses standard abbreviations, date written as 27 July 1927 (counted as one word), location of event shown before date, and known information stated *before* the question is asked. Editor reserves the right to edit for space and/or clarity, without changing thought.

American-Portuguese Genealogical and Historical Society, Inc.

The Society's year is July 1 to June 30.

DUES SCHEDULE:

\$ 10.00	Regular membership
2.50	Spouse, no Surname Roster reception
10.00	Professional Membership, no Surname Roster reception
15.00	Libraries, Societies, etc., no Surname Roster reception
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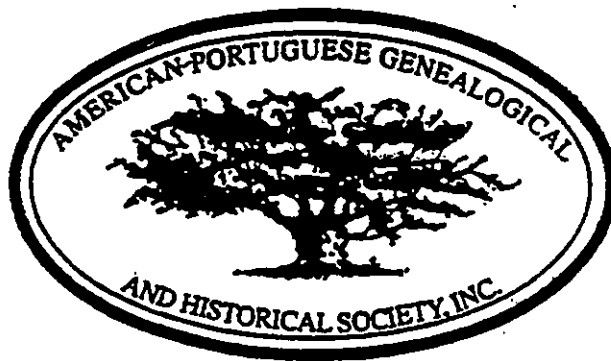
Regular members are those who have submitted a pedigree chart; their known ancestor's life dates and place of birth are printed in the summer Surname Roster. Because the Roster omits the ancestor's place of death and the date and place of marriage, members who wish to impart that information in a *Bulletin Board* should re-submit a new chart, which confers permission to print.

Life Member dues are kept in a separate account. When it reaches \$1000, certificates of deposit are purchased. The interest from the CDs is withdrawn each June 30 and put into the Library Fund to continue our goals with the Special Collection.

The following are available:

1. Maps (black-and-white):
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