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SEASONS GREETINGS

### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Roger Leroy Hall Katherine Rutland-Barnes Michelle Le Doux Muslimah Salaam Karim T. Aldridge-Rand [LIFE Membership] Anita L. Wills

### 4TH QUARTER BIRTHDAYS



#### **OCTOBER**

- 20 Shirley Evans
- 27 Arthur Stewart

#### **NOVEMBER**

- 8 William Reed, Jr.
- 13 Judy Miller
- 14 Marcheta Mines
- 18 Karim T. Aldridge-Rand
- 21 Jim Neal
- 22 Eunice Shaw

#### DECEMBER

- 2 Albert Mayfield
- 4 Janet K. Benson
- 12 Carole Neal
- 13 Antoinette Jaycox
- 14 Samuel Golden
- 14 Ranie Smith
- 15 Ralph Evans
- 15 Pat Willis
- 17 Cornell Celestine

#### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Membership dues should be renewed by January 31, 1999. Members who do not renew will have their name and information removed from AAGSNC's membership roster and mailing list. For your convenience, an application is included with this newsletter.

#### ANITA WILLS IS COMING!

Ms. Anita Wills, an Africa-American author, lecturer and genealogy researcher has agreed to become a periodic contributor to the AAGSNC web page and to FROM THE BAOBAB TREE.

Ms. Wills' first contribution can be reviewed on the AAGSNC web site, <u>www.afamgen.com/aagsnc/</u>. The article contains comments about her family research that led to her acceptance as a member of The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). For those of you who don't know Anita, she attended our last meeting and is the Moderator of the Genealogy Workshop at the Berkeley Library

Due to the length of the article, we cannot present it in this newsletter but future articles will appear here.

### AAGSNC Meetings

AAGSNC Meetings are generally held on the third Saturday of each month. Meetings are usually held at the Diamond Branch of the Oakland Public Library, 3565 Fruitvale Ave., Oakland, CA 94602-2326.

Directions: Take I580 to the Fruitvale Avenue exit, Turn left from I580 E or right from I580 W onto Fruitvale Avenue (see Map)



BAOBAB TREE

December 19, 1998

#### AAGSNC Events

December 19, 1998, Saturday, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monthly Meeting Place: Oakland Public Library, Dimond Branch, Upstairs Meeting Room 3565 Fruitvale Avenue, Oakland, CA 94602-2398 Speakers: Don "Little Cloud" Davenport, Zenobia Embry-Nimmer, and Bonita Sizemore *Topic*: Three of the co-founders of the Black Native American Association will tell about their rich Black Native lineage and their focus on the "wholeness of ourselves."

# Thursday Evenings, 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Electra Kimble Price is available at the Family History Center, 4766 Lincoln Ave, Oakland, CA, on Thursday evenings to assist with your research questions. This is a recurring event. If you would like to check with the Center before you visit, the number is (510) 531-3905.

# January 22, 1999, Friday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

AAGSNC Night at the Family History Center, 4766 Lincoln Ave, Oakland, CA. Electra

> Kimble Price will be available to assist with your research questions. This is a recurring event scheduled for the fourth Friday of each month. However, you should always check the calendar located on the AAGSNC Web Page

(www.afamgen.com/aagsnc /) to make certain it will be held.

#### <u>Reserve These Dates</u>

March 25-27, 1999, Thursday to Saturday.

Salt Lake City, Family History Library Research Tour. More information later about the cost, departure times, etc.

# October 17-24, 1999, Sunday to Sunday.

Salt Lake City, Family History Library Research Tour. More Information later. Watch the Calendar for more information.

#### AAGSNC WEBMASTER & WEB SITE HONORED

AAGSNC Webmaster Jim Neal has been honored for having a "great local web site" by Bayinsider. Bayinsider is a World Wide Web portal site specializing in links to local Web Sites of note. The Newsletter staff would like to add its congratulations and thanks to Jim for a job well done. Please visit the AAGSNC web site to see first hand the great job Jim has done.

Below is the text of the original e-mail from Bayinsider.

----- Original Message -----From: <u>Roger Hibbert</u> To <u>webmaster@afamgen</u> Sent: Friday, December 18, 1998 4:02 PM Subject: Congratulations from BayInsider!

Thank you for having a great local web site. We have added your URL and site description to the Bay Area's most comprehensive local Internet directory, powered by LookSmart.

As a Bay Area focused web site, we invite you to add value to your web site by offering your visitors direct links to San Francisco Bay Area information. This will give your users direct access to Bay Area news,

sports, recreation, entertainment and more. You can choose from a standard 88x31 animated image or a more content rich 140x118 image box for your link. Please visit http://www.bayinsider.com/linked\_ webmasters.html for more information and to join the BayInsider Link Program. You can review your listing on BayInsider by going to http://www.bayinsider.com/ and searching for your site by keyword or category along the left hand column. Happy holidays! Team BayInsider The Bay Area's best local web site

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

AAGSNC membership is open to individuals, families, educational institutions, churches, organizations, and other historical and genealogical societies. Applicants shall be eligible for membership upon submission and acceptance of a completed application form and payment of dues.

## **Membership Dues**

Dues for membership year from January 1 to December 31:	
Regular Membership - 17 and over:	\$20.00
Family Membership - Husband & Wife:	\$30.00
Youth Membership - 16 and under:	\$10.00
Organization Membership:	\$40.00
Lifetime Membership:	\$200.00
Lifetime Membership - Husband & Wife	\$300.00

Included in this issue is a copy of the AAGSNC Membership application. Please use it to initiate your AAGSNC membership.



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