

**Family History Society of Arizona
Annual Meeting and
Genealogical Seminar with Lisa Alzo
Saturday March 7, 2015**

Fountain Hills Community Center
13001 N. La Montana Dr. Fountain Hills, Az. 85268

Special Friday Evening Session, March 6, 2015

Granite Reef Senior Center, 1700 N. Granite Reef Rd., Scottsdale, Az.



We are thrilled to have award winning and expert genealogist, Lisa Alzo as our speaker this year. Lisa has worked as an editorial assistant, newspaper reporter, assistant editor, instructor, and freelance writer. She has been published in periodicals including Ancestry Magazine, Family Chronicle, Family Tree Magazine, The Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly among others. In addition, she has written nine books on a favorite topic of hers, Slovak family history. As a lecturer she has spoken at national and international conferences, including the Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International, the Federation of Eastern European Family History Societies, Ohio Genealogical Society, Ontario Genealogical Society, Southern California Genealogical Society Jamboree, Family History Expos, and the Czechoslovak Society for Arts and Sciences and has been a guest on several radio programs.

**Friday Evening Program with Lisa Alzo
Granite Reef Senior Center**

1700 N. Granite Reef Rd., Scottsdale

Cost: \$10.00 (Refunds available until February 28, 2015)

6:00 pm: Doors open for registration and refreshments

6:30 pm-7:30 pm: Murder, Mayhem and Town Tragedy

This talk, which includes a complex case study, demonstrates how to use census records, funeral records, obituaries, cemetery inscriptions, historical newspapers, town histories, court and jail records, and many other underused records and sources to find the heroes and villains in your family tree.

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Cost, including box lunch from Jason's Deli, plus morning continental breakfast snacks:

(Lunch not guaranteed after February 28, 2015)

\$40.00 FHSA Members **on or before February 28, 2015**

\$45.00 All Others

Refunds available until February 28, 2015

Registration: 8:00 am to 8:45 am (Coffee & snacks starting at 8:00 am)

Seminar: 9:00 am to 2:15 pm

9:00 am-10:00 am: Immigrant Cluster Communities: Past, Present and Future

There are a handful of 'cluster' immigrant communities throughout the United States that blossomed during the immigration influx of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Exploring the community, as opposed to the individual, can often break down brick walls. We can then use 21st-century technology to rebuild those 'cluster communities' in the virtual world and share and collaborate with other researchers.

10:15 am-11:15 am: Using a Genealogy Research Log

Want to be successful in your research? Learn the efficient way to save time, get organized and set manageable goals by using a research log. Examples and case studies will demonstrate its value.

11:15 am-12:00 pm: Lunch

12:00 pm-1:00 pm: Silent Voices: Telling the Stories of Your Female Immigrant Ancestors

This session will demonstrate effective ways to discover your female ancestors and how to document the important roles their lives played in society. Various methods for writing about your female ancestors along with options for publishing your family history will be discussed.

1:15 pm-2:15 pm: The Write Stuff: Using Nonfiction Writing Techniques To Write a Better Family History

As genealogists, we often focus on facts and uncover so much information that our research produces nothing but boring lists. That can be changed. This session will discuss how using nonfiction writing techniques will produce a "can't put down" family history that will keep the pages turning.

2:15 pm-2:45 pm: FHSA Annual Meeting

VENDORS & PRIZES

You may register online at www.fhsa.org and pay using your credit card or PayPal account, **OR** fill in this form, print and mail with a check payable to FHSA to:

Nikki VanReusen, 13822 N. Sunflower Dr., Fountain Hills, Az. 85268

Registration Fee:

Members receive a discount. If you are not currently a member but would like to join FHSA now and take advantage of the discount, please **join FHSA at www.fhsa.com** first, then return to this page.

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Saturday Session:

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\$45:00 All Others (\$5 applied to \$20 annual membership dues if you join)

Fee includes a box lunch from Jason's Deli, plus morning continental breakfast snacks

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Total Amount Due: \$_____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address*: _____

*Your FHSA registered Email address is required to obtain the member registration price.

Box Lunch Preference (includes sandwich, cookies and beverage):

Sandwich Choice

- Roasted Turkey Breast
- Smoked Turkey Breast
- Roast Beef
- Ham
- Chicken Salad with Pineapple & Almonds
- Tuna Salad With Eggs
- Vegetarian Wrap

Bread Choice

- Whole Grain Wheat
- White
- Rye
- Butter Croissant
- Organic Wheat Wrap
- Gluten-Free

Cookie Choice

- Chocolate Chip
- Macadamia Nut
- Peanut Butter
- Cranberry Walnut Oatmeal
- Fudge-Nut Brownie