AZOREAN GENEALOGY WORKSHOPS
2020
Escalon, California

April 26
**Workshop 1** - Azores Islands: history, settlement, geography, genealogy sources: church records, applications to priesthood, marriage dispensations, orphans’ inventory, genealogy manuscripts

April 25 - 9:30 am - 1 pm

**Workshop 2** - Birth records: their evolution throughout the centuries.

April 25 - 2 pm - 5:30 pm

**Workshop 3** - Marriage records: their evolution throughout the centuries.

April 26 - 9:30 am - 1 pm

**Workshop 4** - Death records: their evolution throughout the centuries.

- 2 pm - 5:30 pm

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Workshops 2, 3 and 4 will deal with copies of documents from different time periods, which will be analysed and explained, not only the information provided, but also the writing abbreviations.

Each workshop has a cost of $40, included are handouts and coffee breaks. Attendees can ask questions they have on their own genealogy research.

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