

Saturday, September 16, 2017

THE SONOMA COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

presents

The Real Story of Ellis Island



Some 12 million immigrants came through Ellis Island, including many of our ancestors. These immigrants provided the workers for our industrial revolution and for the last of our expansion into the Western US. How did they do it? How did a 19 year old who had lived his or her life in Poland or Italy get to America? What happened when they got to Ellis Island? Did the immigration officers at Ellis Island really change people's names?

George McKinney, coordinator for the Oakmont Genealogy Club, will include the facts about Ellis Island immigration – how people actually came to this country. He will focus on two people who immigrated from Poland/Lithuania/Russia to America in 1902. He will be joined in this presentation by Elihu Smith and Marilyn Pahr, whose grandparents immigrated from Poland/Lithuania during this period.

Santa Rosa Finley Center, CYPRESS ROOM 2060 West College Avenue
Chat at Noon – Meeting at 1:00-2:30