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## Moraga Royale's Alaskan Cruise

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From left, Connie Kuhlmann, Sharon Shields, Lois Valcalda, Aleksandra Bjelogrljic, Alsidea Canton, Dorothy Schwab, Anne Derose, Luita Lynch, Josephine Cuttica, Cece Fitzgerald, Elaine Fitzgerald, Cleo Fitzgerald. Photo provided

Four residents of Moraga Royale, along with three staff members and five friends and family members, set sail on a 10-day voyage from San Francisco to Alaska May 13, stopping in Juneau, Skagway, Glacier Bay, Ketchikan, and Victoria, aboard the Sea Princess. Luita Lynch, Josephine Cuttica, Dorothy Schwab and Lois Valcalda, all residents of Moraga Royale, filled their days with sight-seeing, reading, relaxing, eating, gambling, shopping, and much more.

Luita Lynch described her favorite part of their journey: "The whole Alaska trip was fun, exciting, and beautiful, and one of the very best memories I have is of coming home to San Francisco," she said. "It was stormy and raining when we sailed past Washington and Oregon, but when we got to the California coast it was calm and the sky looked like it was going to be a beautiful day. We came into San Francisco Bay just before sunrise, and when we sailed under the Golden Gate Bridge (which was all prettied up for its anniversary) the sun was just below the horizon. The sky was pink and the bridge looked awesome against the rising sun. San Francisco was gleaming as we passed all the familiar places. I've done a lot of traveling, but I think that arriving in San Francisco by water is one of the most beautiful experiences I've ever had. There truly is no place like home!"

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