A look into the life of a Russian American girl

The lecture will discuss the book, “Onya” in-full, and how Russian religion in California, Oregon, Australia, was actually carried over by boat in 1904 by Ann’s ancestors. She will address the story of her life with loads of humor, laughter, tears and sorrow. Ann will go into detail about her carefree childhood, her many challenges and hurdles as a teen and young adult, as well as her love of being a wife and mother. She will also address the challenges of writing a book, the publishing aspect, and the actual contentment of holding the book in her hands.

Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2011
Lecture: Noon-1 p.m.
Location: CSUSB/Pfau Library
PL-4005 (4th Floor)

Ann Loera is a native Californian, born and raised with strict Russian parents and a strict religious background. Her Russian heritage was very strict to the point that she was not allowed socialization with non-Russian kids. Her short journey to writing a book came about after she had total knee replacement surgery and could not walk around or drive a car for three months. Ann has a diverse background of occupations, from receptionist, to correctional officer in an all men's prison, to daycare provider and now Realtor and author. Her real purpose for starting to write the book was to share her life with any future grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Ann Loera’s novel will be available for purchase at the lecture for $10

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