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## *Educational Opportunities for Genealogists*

by Andi MacDonald

Education is the cornerstone upon which solid genealogical research is conducted. To some, it may seem there is no "real" training available, and to others it may seem the available training is lacking in professionalism. And for others, perhaps their monthly genealogy society meetings fill their educational needs so they look no further. Indeed there is far more education available than one would think.

Over the years genealogists have relied upon others who have done research to share their knowledge with us and we in turn share with still others. This sharing of information came in several formats -- seminars, structured classes, guidelines, personal communication, books, newspaper advice and so on.

Today, in addition to these informal methods, there are many formal avenues of education in family history and genealogy available. One university offers accredited courses which can lead to a Bachelor of Arts in Family History. Other universities and community colleges offer credit and non-credit courses on-site or by correspondence courses which can lead to certification. To go one degree further, some are offering televised classrooms and others are developing virtual universities.

Why is education so important to the genealogist? Without proper education, whether it be formal or informal, we probably would not learn as much as we could about a given subject. By taking a course or attending a seminar on, say, Federal census records, we are given all the known facts about them in a

nutshell. This allows us to spend our time researching our ancestor instead of spending hours learning how to use the census records.

Here, in the greater Puget Sound area, we are lucky to have three very large cities in close proximity of each other. Each city contains a large base of genealogical societies, libraries, and other institutions which offer a wide variety of training.

In the Seattle area, the Seattle Genealogical Society has a multitude of members very active in the pursuit of genealogy and their library. The Seattle Public Library has a genealogy department dedicated to providing research material for the avid genealogist. Fiske Genealogical Foundation is located in Seattle and the Fiske Library is dedicated to genealogy research. Seattle also boasts the only National Archive in a seven-state area. The archives contain information specific to our region along with many other items invaluable to a dedicated genealogist. Other societies in Seattle are South King County Genealogical Society which meets in Kent (south end of Seattle) and Sno-Isle Genealogical Society which meets in Edmonds (north end of Seattle).

The Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society (TPCGS) meets monthly at the Tacoma Public Library which houses a very large collection of research materials in a beautiful setting. Members of TPCGS are very active and include Myra Vanderpool Gormley, G.S., a world renowned genealogist and columnist, and Cyndi Howells of *Cyndi's List*, a famous internet web site dedicated to gathering in one place links to all genealogy sites on the internet (over 19,750 links at the time of this writing!). Also in Tacoma is the Pierce County Genealogical Society.

Olympia is the capital city of Washington state and as such the Washington State Library, Washington State Archives, and Washington State Historical Society are located there. The Washington State Genealogical Society and the Olympia Genealogical Society also make their homes in Olympia.

Each of these facilities provide training in some format. In addition, there are several other places and ways to get sound

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# President's Message

This issue of *family Backtracking* is partially dedicated to education which brings to mind some recent thoughts that I have had on the subject. How many of you have realized how much continuing education you are receiving in doing genealogy? You have perhaps, if you are retired, been asked what you are doing with your time. In the past I have answered that I am busy with family, church, genealogy, other hobbies, etc. This response does not lead to any further questions and especially not about genealogy.

Recently I have started answering, "I am studying history, geography, and humanities." Without exception I am then flooded with questions about my studies. Just think how much you have learned about the history of our country and other parts of the world as you seek out your ancestors, where they lived, their activities, and their reactions to the events of their time. It is impossible to really understand them unless you also understand the history of the time. It is just as impossible to understand them unless you also know the physical surroundings (geography) and their places of residence in the world. The family make-up, dynamics, and interrelationships within the family and community are also vital to a complete record of your ancestor.

Just think of the countless hours you have eagerly and wilfully spent studying these normally very didactic subjects! The history, geography, economics, and other humanity courses which I was required to take in high school and college were very boring for me. If I were to teach any of these subjects today, I would try to relate them to our personal histories. I could never have realized then that later, through genealogy, I would develop an insatiable appetite for knowledge in all of these fields.

Most disciplines have mandatory continuing education requirements to remain licensed or keep current in that particular field. We accomplish this education with non-mandatory attendance at genealogical seminars. We can be very thankful that we have a hobby with which we constantly can learn new material and constantly exercise our aging minds. Keep up your continuing education through genealogy!

Bill Richardson

## Belfair Chapter Meeting Schedule

this list is tentative

June 3	Trip to Seattle Public Library
July 1	History of Loyalists
August 5	Trip to Seattle Federal Archives
September TBA	Civil War
Oct 7	Trip to Tacoma Public Library
Nov 4	Last meeting for 1997.. Potluck
	Xmas. Arrange tentative schedule for '98. Voting on '98 executive board

## Puget Sound Genealogical Society

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### Meetings

Meetings are held at the Givens Community Center, 1026 Sidney Ave., Room 110, Port Orchard, Washington, on the fourth Tuesday of each month except December which is announced each year at the October meeting. Times for meetings are 7:00 p.m. for March through October and 1:00 p.m. for November through February. Visitors are welcome.

The Belfair Chapter meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 1:00 p.m. in the North Mason Timberland Regional Library, N.E. 23081 Highway 3, Belfair, Washington.

### Membership Fees

Single membership is \$12 and family membership is \$15 per year prorated accordingly. Membership includes free use of the library and a yearly subscription to *family Backtracking* published four times per year. Send membership application and fee to PSGS Membership, 1026 Sidney Ave., Suite 110, Port Orchard, WA 98366-4298.

### Library

Our library is located at the Givens Community Center, 1026 Sidney Ave., Port Orchard, Washington in Room 110. Hours are Monday through Friday 10:00 - 4:00.

### Queries

Questions may be sent to our genealogy society for investigation. A charge may be assessed for intense searches lasting more than two hours. Queries for the newsletter may be sent to The Editor, *family Backtracking*, 1026 Sidney Avenue, Suite 110, Port Orchard, WA 98366-4298. Queries will be placed as space permits.

### Newsletter

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# Club News

We are accepting donations for a new microfilm/microfiche reader/printer for our library. The total cost will be \$6,850. With this new reader/printer our patrons will have the most up-to-date technology at their fingertips. Those hard to read fiche/film will be a thing of the past. Donations may be mailed or brought to the Library.

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Broderbund Software, makers of Family Tree Maker and CDs is accepting grant proposals for \$500. to \$2500. PSGS is submitting a grant proposal for \$2500 for a new computer and printer. Money left over would go towards CDs for our library. We'll let you know.

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Our new telephone went in at a much lower rate than we originally planned -- the \$90 installation fee was waived. So, we put the money towards an answering machine which is on 24 hours a day. It cost \$40. On Mondays and Fridays our librarians take messages from the machine and forward them to the correct person or return the calls themselves. Our new number is (360) 874-8813.

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Our club is now incorporated. This allows our executive board to operate without fear of lawsuits to themselves. We also have received our non-profit status from the state. Now we are looking at Federal non-profit status. When we get the Federal non-profit status any donations made to our club will be tax deductible. We'll keep you posted on this.

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Our PSGS internet site is up and running. The address is <http://www.rootsweb.com/~wapsgs/homepage.htm>. The search engine at the site may be a long time in coming as Rootsweb is looking for someone to write cgi-scripting for webmasters to use on their web sites. When the search engine becomes available the site will be fully functional. We now have approximately 10,000 names in our database. New items will be added to the pages every once in a while. We are always looking for volunteers to help with typing or collecting information for our web site. If you can help, contact Andi MacDonald at 871-5694.

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Internet training scheduled for 1:00 on May 8th at Givens Community Center was cancelled. A new training date and time is being discussed. Those who missed the first sessions before Christmas and the session scheduled on May 8, will be contacted to see if they are still interested. No more names will be taken until after those previously scheduled are trained. For further information please contact Bill Richardson at (360) 377-5881.

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Beginning May 5, our library is open from 4-9, Monday evenings. If you can help out at the library, contact Cyndi Spore at 871-0202.

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Our May meeting went very well. Nancy Peterson, a member of Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogy Society and a teacher at Tacoma Community College (teaches beginning and intermediate genealogy courses), spoke on "Immigration and Emigration," "Where Did They Come From," and "Researching in an Unfamiliar Language."

Our next meeting in June features Carolyn McClerken from the Kitsap County Historical Society (see related story on page 17). Come and hear what's new at the historical society! July will be \_\_\_\_\_ Lentz speaking on Hessians and Loyalists. August's meeting will be a bit different with roundtable discussions on various regions.

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The Givens' Senior Christmas Bazaar is scheduled for October 25, 1997 from 9:00 - 4:00. We will once again supply the refreshments. Be watching for sign-up sheets.

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# Notes from the Library

by Marge Menees

Thanks to Andrea MACDONALD and Dave RUGH we have a functioning computer and printer. It takes 5 1/4 " disks so that you can copy materials by keyboard instead of by pen in hand. It is located in a quiet corner where the copy machine used to be. The copy machine has been moved to its work station at the end of the periodical files by the filing cabinets. We hope you will like this arrangement as much as we do.

Speaking of periodicals, we now have a duo team in charge of sorting and winnowing them to better accommodate our research availability and our ever bulging space. Nancy CARTER and Ida Mae SWEDORG have agreed to assume this tremendous task. Available to help them will be volunteers Marie WALDRON, Dianne ENOS, JoJean HARRAH, and Lorraine KNIERT. Nadine RUYLE who already has volunteered many helpful hours on Tuesday workdays as well as Duty Librarian days will also be on call. Pat EDER will be synopsisizing new periodicals as they are received.

Grooming our library materials into order, variety, and quality for the best possible use has been and is still a major task. The work was begun by Lois ROARK, Cereice COOK, and I under Nancy CARTER when she was

librarian. Lois moved to the full time job as Vice President in charge of membership. Cereice and I are so pleased that we finally have more help. It will enable us to spend quality time putting the long overdue new Library Catalog into print. Working with us on that job will be Cindy SPORE.

I know you have heard this refrain before -- but I would like to remind you that being one of the workers to help our Society function fills a vital need for its health and is a reward in itself for the volunteer. Please let us know if you can spare even a day's worth of time. It really is easier for you to call us than for us to call you!

Three notes for all of us to observe: (1) sign in at the Senior Desk as well as at our desk -- there is a column for PSGS. It helps the count for both the Senior Section and for us, (2) food is taboo in the library - if you want a snack please move over to the Senior part for that and (3) Smoking is not allowed on the porch by the door -- there is a smoking area on the other side of the building outside the door opposite the gym.

Our two major objectives - very major - for the library are to acquire a microfilm reader/printer AND to upgrade our computer system to include a CD-Rom.

Our new phone number is 871-8813.

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Type of Membership (circle one)

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Mail completed application and payment to: PSGS Membership, 1026 Sidney Ave, Suite 110, Port Orchard, WA 98366-4298.



# Kitsap County Historical Society

In past years, Kitsap County Historical Society was located in Silverdale in a rather small place with barely enough room to turn around let alone go through the stacks and stacks of papers and books people kept bestowing upon them. With money from several sources, KCHS was able to find a new site and remodel a building into a place that is visually interesting and even more spacious.

The new location is in 'the purple building' at 280 Fourth Street in downtown Bremerton, Washington, across from Bremerton City Hall. Parking on the street is difficult but just down at the corner there is a three story parking garage with plenty of room. If you can't find parking there, there are plenty of parking lots in the area -- none of which are very far away.

Over the years the building has housed a bank and a gymnastics center. The high ceilings are reminiscent of a cathedral. The height allowed KCHS to install a mezzanine which appears free-standing with an elegant solid wood and tile staircase winding gracefully down to the first floor. Over the last year or so, the society has accepted donations from citizens and corporations and in return, tiles with dedications were set into the riser of each stair.

May was the month for the grand opening with a traveling Smithsonian exhibit. In the future, the museum may hold special exhibits including, hopefully, theme exhibits centering around history. Vicki Peterson, Curator of Collections hopes that a special area will be set aside for genealogists to set up an 'ancestor exhibit' in concert with the current theme. For instance, if the theme is the Civil War, a genealogist could bring items a Civil War ancestor passed down such as photos, certificates and memorabilia for display.

As I toured the building during construction to see the collections, it became clear that there is much more involved to this move than one would think. The collections are in boxes stored in the basement rooms that will one day be research rooms. (A new stairway and elevator have been added to make the basement and mezzanine wheelchair accessible.)

There are boxes stored in the vault also. Because the building was once a bank, there is a rather spacious vault in the basement that is completely sealed in concrete with only metal used inside for storage. Because there is only metal and no possibility of fire, archived items that are one-of-a-kind and very old are stored in the metal cabinets. One electrical plug has been allowed for a computer which may be used by patrons. Because the vault is not yet ready for the oldest collections to be moved in, a bank in downtown Bremerton has graciously allowed KCHS to store the majority of its oldest items in their vault.

On the main floor there is another research area with more boxes and more shelves stacked with more items.

Currently, there are two paid employees. One full-time and one part-time. Catherine A. Borstad is the Managing Director and has her hands full with the duties required of the job. She helps out in other areas as she can. Vicki is the other paid employee and it seems to her that there just isn't enough time in the three days she does work to get everything done.

Another hard working person is Carolyn McClerkan who is an unpaid volunteer. She is the Archivist dedicated to preserving all the old collections that I saw in the vault and scattered here and there in boxes and on shelves. Carolyn's job as archivist is unending.

Over the years many people have volunteered to help out the society and they have started many jobs. It just seems that the jobs never get done before people

move on. KCHS is in need of consistent, long term help. The ideal person would be someone who wants to take on the task of completing one specific job. Someone who enjoys seeing things organized and finished. One of the jobs that really needs to be completed is a listing of all of KCHS' holdings. Without this listing, no one knows everything that is currently available at the new facility. Of course, there are many other jobs that need to be done -- placing records in drawers and on shelves, answering phones, sorting through papers, welcoming patrons and showing them around, and so on.

If you are looking for a project or place to call your own, this is it. Contact Vicki Peterson or Catherine Borstad at (360) 479-6226, e-mail [KCHSMuseum@aol.com](mailto:KCHSMuseum@aol.com).

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training in genealogy methods and resources. One university provides accredited on-site courses (Brigham Young University), several provide certification upon completion of their specific on-site program (University of Washington, Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies, and Samford University); several institutions offer correspondence courses which can lead to certification (Brigham Young University, The Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies, National Genealogical Society); and one college offers a virtual university (Carl Sandburg College). Listed here are the institutions and the offerings they have.

You'll find a contact address, phone, and/or internet address for further information on each.

### **Brigham Young University**

Brigham Young University offers a Bachelor of Arts in Family History -- Genealogy. The course requirements may be met by taking correspondence courses that are offered through BYU along with on-site courses at BYU, at Rick's College in Rexburgh, Idaho, and/or in Salt Lake City, Utah. The courses for the Bachelor of Arts in Family History -- Genealogy are too numerous to list here - a total of up to 18 courses.

Also offered from BYU is a Certificate in Family History -- Genealogy which may be earned by taking the offered correspondence courses, by taking those same courses on-site at any of the three available sites listed above, or by mixing correspondence and on-site courses. The number of courses required for the certificate are six to eight.

For more information contact the History Department of Brigham Young University in Provo, UT at (801) 378-4335; <http://www.byu.edu>.

### **The University of Washington**

The University of Washington, through its extension program, offers a nine-month evening *Certificate Program in Genealogy and Family History*. Over a nine-month period of Thursday evening (6-8:30) classes, many different subjects are covered.

In the first term -- Genealogy and Family History -- topics covered include vital records, oral history and interviewing techniques, conservation and interpretation of photographs, immigration and migration, census records, cemeteries, and much, much more.

Research Sources and Strategies -- focuses on land, military, religious, naturalization and probate records and examines social history concepts such as immigration, ethnicity, social structure, and demographic changes.

The last term -- Research Seminar in Genealogy and Family History -- is actual hands-on experience exploring your own families and putting together your genealogies. Presentations on findings are given by students and a completed family history project is due at the end of the term.

While no college credits are actually earned for this program, a certificate is awarded upon completion of the three terms. Instructors and members of the advisory board evaluate students in each course and at the end of the course students are determined to have passed or not passed the course. Courses are offered only once each year and are given in a specific order. Successful completion of one course allows the student to progress to the next.

To be eligible for admission, two years of college or other

education (i.e.; professional training or something showing academic performance) must have been completed and a letter demonstrating an interest in genealogy and family history must be provided. Also, a strong commitment to completing a genealogical project during the program must be evident.

Fees include a \$40 non-refundable application fee, and a \$15 non-refundable registration fee for each. Tuition for the entire program is \$747, excluding the above fees and is payable on a term-by-term basis.

The first two terms are limited to 35 students each and qualified applicants are enrolled on a first-come, first-served basis. When the program reaches enrollment capacity, those students who are eligible but not the first 35 to apply, will be placed on a waiting list.

To find out more about this program, an information meeting is scheduled for Denny Hall, room 211 on the UW campus in Seattle on Thursday August 21, 6-7 p.m. Prospective participants are encouraged to attend. Instructors will be available to discuss the program and answer questions. Course information and textbooks will be on display and staff members will be available to answer admissions questions.

Instructors include Sarah Thorson Little, past president of the Seattle Genealogical Society, and Lorraine McConaghy, historian and author. The Advisory Board includes Myra Vanderpool Gormley, famous columnist and certified genealogist, Scott Cline, City Archivist for the Seattle Municipal Archives, Phillip E. Lothyan, Director of the National Archives in Seattle, Gary L. Menges, Head of special Collections and Preservation Division of UW Libraries, and others.

If you cannot make the informational meeting, call (206) 543-2320, press 0, and ask to speak to someone about the certification program.

### **Samford University**

Samford U's Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research is a private Southern Baptist school located in Birmingham, Alabama which provides a one-week course of intensive genealogical study. Students choose one of seven courses offered. They range from courses for beginners to courses on specialized topics for the advanced student. The week-long course for 1997 will begin on Sunday evening, June 8 at 6:00 p.m. and conclude on Friday, June 13 at noon. 1997 courses:

1) Fundamental of Genealogy and Historical Research -- for those with little or no experience in genealogical research. Includes specific research in the Jefferson County Courthouse and Birmingham Public Library;

2) Intermediate Genealogy and Historical Studies -- Requires some experience in genealogical research. Explore naturalization and immigration research; court, military and pension, and church records;

3) The Trans-Appalachian South -- covers the migration history and settlement patterns of the Trans-Appalachian states of Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas, and reviews records available to researchers;

4) Advanced Genealogical Methods -- concentrates on problem solving techniques and advanced correlation of evidence for various types of records. Includes a field trip to the Cumberland Law Library and Samford University Library's Government



# Genealogy 101

For those of you who are new to genealogy and aren't sure yet which direction to take, start with yourself.

One of the first things to do is to set down on a Family Group Sheet all the information you have at hand or know of personally about your parents, grandparents, and so on. This includes full names, birth dates, birth

intimidated by these inhuman items and tend to clam up.

These may seem a bit overboard but as you become more and more involved in your hobby, you will find many uses for

possibly can, transcribe everything. The longer you wait, the harder it will be to remember just what was said. After a transcription is made, put the original away and use a copy to work with. Never use original items in your research, always carry copies. It would be devastating if you lost the original of a very important document.

By now you have probably collected information on 10 to 100 individuals or more. The paperwork you are compiling is starting to take over the kitchen table so your next step might be to find a filing system appropriate to your cause. Here again, go to your local genealogy library and look for a book that discusses filing systems. There are many more filing systems for genealogists than you will find in any one book. The number of people who began filing with one system and outgrew it very quickly is staggering. Don't worry if this happens to you.

Another thing to be looking at is whether or not you will be using the old method of paper and pencil or if you will be using a computer to record all of your family's history. If you belong to a society, talk to several members before or after a meeting

places, marriages, divorces, death dates, and death places. If there are copies of any paperwork that can prove these "vital statistics," they should be photocopied and stored with the Family Group Sheet until you have a better idea of how you will be filing your "evidence."

Once you have accomplished this task, go to the oldest person in your family, tell them of your new hobby and ask them if they would mind being interviewed. Set a time and date in the near future and then go home and ....prepare.... for it. You can do this with as many relatives as you feel necessary to gather as much information as possible.

Preparing for an interview is fairly simple and there are many books available that will help with the interview questions. Seek out a book written for just this occasion at your local genealogy library.

Armed with questions, a tape recorder, and if possible, a video recorder, arrive for the interview at the correct time. Be sure to ask permission to use the video recorder and/or tape recorder; some people feel

the audio and/or visual "heirloom." Many of the new genealogy programs that are purchased for the computer have the ability to attach a video or audio clip to the person's photo. This is a wonderful invention for our many descendants that will one day want to see what great, great-grandma looked and sounded like.

As you are asking questions of this older relative, keep in mind that they might tire more easily than you and take breaks every so often. Be sure to jot down answers to the questions you have asked --

don't rely on the tape or video recorders as the batteries could run low or you might forget to set the proper buttons.

Once the interview is over, take your new treasures home and as soon as you

and discuss with them what computer programs they are using and why they like it so much. This is a good time if you do decide to use the computer; the number of improved or new genealogy software is staggering and many of them are easy to use -- even for the beginner..

In the next issue we'll discuss some primary evidence; census records and birth, marriage, and death records.



Documents Department;

5) Genealogy as a Profession -- Learn how to become a professional genealogical researcher. Information on certification, managing clients, and documenting for tax purposes.

6A) Special Topics Course - U.S. Military Records -- Research and problem solving in records of the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Indian Wars, Mexican Wars, Spanish-American War, and World War I;

6B) Special Topics Course - Scottish Genealogical Research at Home and Abroad -- sources to be discussed include census and vital records, parish registers, estate and inheritance records, pre-1750 sources, and emigration. There will be clear explanations of accessing records in the US and in Scotland.

For further information on Samford University, call toll free (800) 888-7218 (Admissions) or (800) 870-2084 (Student Services). Or find them at <http://www.samford.edu/aboutsam.html>.

### The Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies

The Institute offers day and residential courses as well as correspondence courses. Because it is located in England and would be difficult to attend, only the correspondence courses are spoken to here.

Upon completion of the correspondence course, students are invited to sit the examination for the *Part II Certificate* which is an essential step towards the *Record Agent* qualification and the *Diploma in Genealogy*, both of which are recognized professional qualifications. The *Licentiate of the Institute* (LHG) is awarded to those who have completed a prescribed course of study and research of a period of (usually) not less than four years, passed examinations and submitted an approved thesis or dissertation. *Fellowship of the Institute* (FHG) may be awarded by the Trustees to those deemed worthy of special recognition for academic eminence. Contents of the courses include:

- 1) The objects and value of family history research.
- 2) Names: surnames, origins, meanings, occurrences, nicknames, etymology, orthographic and hypocoristic changes, spellings, etc.
- 3) Literature of Genealogy: students' aids, calendars and classified catalogs of printed and manuscript pedigrees and genealogies, indexing, cataloging, care and handling of books and documents, directories, newspapers, magazines, records and collections, ecclesiastical and heraldic visitations, manuscripts, etc., rapid and detailed evaluation of the contents of books and other references.
- 4) Preliminary steps: home sources, oral and written history, (birthday books, family letters, bibles, church and society records, schools, colleges, etc.), writing to relatives, advertising.
- 5) The registration of births, marriages and deaths: the General Register Office.
- 6) Demography: family origins, rise and fall, social framework, changes in class distinction, family and community studies, census returns, pool books.
- 7) The Parish: parish registers, bishops' transcripts, the vestry, religious trends, non-conformist records, parish chests and ecclesiastical archives.
- 8) Historical geography: local histories, antiquarian and historical studies, maps.
- 9) Rural and urban society: religious, village and civil divisions

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and administration.

10) Town, village, country migration, immigration and emigration, social and economic mobility.

11) Trades and professions: tinker, tailor, military, naval, legal, medical, clerical, artisans, laborers.

12) Other ecclesiastical records: marriage licenses, bonds, allegations, banns, cases in the ecclesiastical courts.

13) Probate documentation: wills, administrations, inventories, their value and location. Inheritance, settlements and trusts.

14) The manor: manorial courts and records, title deeds, private muniments.

15) Public Record Office: local and central government, taxes, legal records, the courts of equity, records of chancery and exchequer.

16) Estates: muniments, title deeds, leases, recoveries and other land transfer documents.

17) Reading and deciphering documents, paleography: writing, dating and formulae, Latin use. More printed and manuscript sources, historical interpretation.

18) Monumental inscriptions, cemeteries and churchyards, tablets and ledgers, maps and terrain.

19) Heraldry: its language, armories and ordinaries, the College of Arms, value in genealogy.

20) Applications of genealogy: intestacy, genetical transmission, titles.

21) Analysis of problems, planning research, cross-checking, recording, the layout of the pedigree.

The correspondence course can take any length of time to complete, normally a minimum of three years. For further information on these courses, contact The Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies, 79-82 Northgate, Canterbury, Kent, CT1 1BA, U.K. IHGS can be found on the internet at <http://www.cs.ncl.ac.uk/genuki/IHGS/>.

### National Institute on Genealogical Research

The 1997 National Institute on Genealogical Research is to be held at the National Archives in Washington, DC on July 21-25. The institute has an annual one-of-a-kind educational program for experienced researchers. Nationally known professional genealogists and specialists from the Archives staff and the Immigration and Naturalization Service will discuss the records, their use and interpretation, and how to find them in the Washington area. Tuition is \$195/\$225. Space is limited to 40 students. For further information contact National Institute on Genealogical Research, P. O. Box 14274, Washington, DC, 20044-4274. NIGR can be found at <http://www.genealogy.org/~nigr/welcome.html>.

### National Genealogical Society

The Education Department of the NGS teaches a correspondence course which includes 16 lessons that provide an introduction to each of the major record groups used in American genealogical research. Also included is instruction in basic record keeping practices and the evaluation of evidence. Subjects covered include: Secondary sources, census records, vital records, probate records, land records, military records, immigration records, and church and cemetery records.

Also offered by NGS is an annual conference usually held in late spring. The next scheduled conference is April 1998 in



# News From the Internet

A new maillist for the Puget Sound area is PSRoots-L. The list covers any genealogical subject in the Puget Sound area. This list is sponsored by the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society and Cyndi Howells is the list owner. To sign up, send an e-mail to **PSRoots-L-request@rootsweb.com** and in the body of the e-mail type **subscribe**. Make sure there is no subject line and no other information such as a signature in the body. Cyndi Howells via the e-mail.

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The Third Street Bookstore in Marysville, Washington has a permanent collection of high school and college yearbooks from around the country, as well as duplicates for sale. The Seattle Genealogical Society has decided to keep only Washington State high school and college yearbooks and is making deals with the bookstore on keeping the others. Ida Skarson McCormick via PSRoots-L.

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The Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society has the three volume set *History of Pierce County* for sale. The cost is \$167.50 plus \$10. shipping fee. Send a check for \$177.50 to Marie Hayden, TPCGS Printing Chairperson, 4010 N. 36th Street, Tacoma, WA 98407-5601. PSRoots-L.

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The Department of Archives and Manuscripts at Arizona State University and the Manuscript Society have established the Manuscript Society Information Exchange Database, which lists collections throughout the United States. The database contains a broad range of material, national and international in scope. The database can be searched for documents by an individual or about an individual. In addition to name searches, the database is accessible by subject. The American Revolution and the Civil War are heavily represented. The address is: Information Exchange Database, Manuscript Society, Archives and Manuscripts, Hayden Library, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ 85287-1006; phone (602) 965-3145; fax (601) 965-9169; e-mail **iapae@ASUACAD**. ??? via Cindy Ford via **GEN-NEWBIE-l@rootsweb.com**.

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If you are a World War II veteran, the U.S. Army Military History Institute is seeking information regarding your experiences during the war. Please contact Army Services Experiences Questionnaire, U.S. Army Military History Institute, Carlisle Barracks, 22 Ashburn Dr., Carlisle, PA 17012-5008, (717) 245-3611; **http://carlisle-www.army.mil/usamhi/**. Many sources on the internet.

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The Cornish American Connection, sponsored by the Murdoch House in Cornwall, UK, was begun recently by Moira Tangye. It is hoped that this project when complete will be the one source to turn to for finding any Cornish emigrant. Information, from bits to biographies on your immigrant Cornish ancestor is appreciated. Mail it to: Attention: Moira Tangye, Murdoch House - Adult Education Center, Cross Street, Redruth, Cornwall TR15 2BU, UK. **CORNISH-L**.

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New mailing lists for Washington:

**Washington**. A mailing list for discussing the history of our ancestors. You are welcome to post messages with stories, family lines and history of their movement. Washington was a place where a lot of people homesteaded in North America. Mailing address for postings is **washington@northwest.com**. To subscribe send the following as the only text in the body of a message to **majordomo@northwest.com**, **subscribe Washington**.

**WASHINGTON**. A mailing list for anyone with a genealogical interest in the State of Washington (interested individuals may want to check out the Washington USGenWeb page). Mailing address for postings is **washington-l@rootsweb.com**. To subscribe send the word **subscribe** as the only text in the body of a message to **washington-l-request@rootsweb.com** (mail mode) or **washington-d-request@rootsweb.com** (digest mode).

**WESTERN-ROOTS-L**. Discussions of genealogical and historical research in Washington, Oregon, Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, California, Nevada, Hawaii, Colorado, Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico. Mailing address for postings is **western-roots-l@listserv.indiana.edu**. To subscribe send the following to **listserv@listserv.indiana.edu**: **SUB WESTERN-ROOTS-L** **firstname lastname**. Cyndi Howells via PSRoots-L.

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Helpful Hints from Heloise on prolonging the life of newspaper clippings. "There is a home-style 'bleaching' process that will help counteract the acid in the newspaper. It's the acid that causes the paper to yellow over time. When done correctly, the simple 'bath' should keep your newspaper articles from turning that old, yellow color. They say it works for up to 50 years. Make the magic solution by mixing two tablespoons of milk of magnesia with one quart of club soda. Then refrigerate it for eight hours. Next, pour the mixture in a shallow pan wide enough to hold the largest clipping. Lay one clipping at a time in the liquid and let it soak for an hour. When the time is up, remove the clipping and place it between several layers of paper towels to remove the excess moisture. Then dry on a clean flat surface." Shari Barnett via GEDMTD-L.



# Kitsap County Indexes for Sale!!!

Kitsap County, Washington  
Cemetery Index  
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## Kitsap County, Washington Cemetery Index 1817-1988

Includes 9,105 burials occurring in 23 cemeteries located in Kitsap County, Washington.

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## Kitsap County, Washington Probate Index 1861-1944

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1892-1907

## Kitsap County, Washington Death Index 1892-1907

Includes the first 373 death entries in Kitsap County between 1892 and 1907.

Puget Sound Genealogical Society  
Library Catalog  
1997 edition

## Puget Sound Genealogical Society Kitsap and North Mason County Library Catalog 1997 edition

Complete listing of PSGS holdings.

Puget Sound Genealogical Society  
Surname Index  
1997 edition

## Puget Sound Genealogical Society Kitsap and North Mason County Surname Index 1997 edition

An index to over 1,000 5-generation pedigree sheets by members of PSGS.

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1891-1907

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Contains over 900 births between 1891 and 1907 in Kitsap County.

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1026 Sidney Ave.  
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3.	Death Index 1892-1907		\$ 7.50	
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5.	Surname Index 1997 Edition		\$ 15.00	
6.	Birth Index 1897-1907		\$ 7.50	
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# Statistical Census 2000?

by Richard Pence

I have noticed a number of "speculative" e-mails on this topic. Recently, there was a call-in show on this issue on public radio featuring two members of Congress. As I understand what is going on based on this two-hour discussion, news reports, and past knowledge.

No one, not the Bureau of Census or Congress, is proposing an "all statistical" census for the year 2000. The issue is whether, after the population is counted by the normal method (mail questionnaire, plus some follow-up) the Census Bureau will be allowed to use statistical sampling/counting methods to determine how many people were missed and thus, supposedly, get a more accurate count.

The decennial census, as we all know, is required by the Constitution for the purpose of determining representation in Congress. There is no requirement in the Constitution that every person be listed nor is there any method of doing the enumeration specified. As most genealogists know, from 1790 through 1840, the enumeration was accomplished by listing the heads of households and then giving the number of individuals within that household in various age categories. From 1850 on, each person has been listed, with progressively more information about the family and its members gathered by the enumerators. The added demographic and economic information was sought both to provide additional information to the government about the population and as an aid to businesses.

The decennial population count has become extremely important in a number of ways not relating to representation in Congress. For instance, there

are numerous programs involving federal assistance that are based on population.

For the past several censuses, largely in response to complaints by cities that the mail questionnaire method results in an undercount of minorities or underprivileged persons, the Census Bureau has used various sampling techniques to adjust the final count.

At issue now is whether these statistical methods can be used in determining the final count for the 2000 census. As you might guess, the Democrats feel they benefit most by the use of these techniques because they result in more representation for those whom they feel traditionally vote for their candidates. The Republicans oppose use of these techniques for the same reason and have succeeded in attaching a provision to a supplemental appropriations bill now before Congress which will prohibit the use of statistical sampling in determining the final count. The president has said he will veto the bill if it contains this provision.

There are some interesting sidelights. For example, during at least the past three censuses, sampling has been used in that one out of every six households gets the "long" form, which asks dozens of questions about the household. The number of TVs, refrigerators, etc., in the U.S. are extrapolated from this sample. There is some question as to whether this sampling process would be prohibited under the proposal being considered. Since this demographic information is extremely valuable to business, obtaining it would then require everyone to get the long form - with the possible result that even fewer people would return the questionnaires,

especially by those in groups that are felt to be traditionally undercounted. The Republican proposal anticipates that additional funds will be appropriated to hire additional enumerators to do the follow-up counts in certain areas. The Democrats say the cost of this is estimated to be \$200 million and cite scientific data which indicates the resulting count from this would be less accurate than it would if statistical sampling methods were used.

Bottom line for genealogists in the year 2072: No matter what the outcome of the current debate, the population schedules for the 2000 census will probably be no more accurate/inaccurate than they have been for the last 200 years!

Further, as I have stated before, the reason past population schedules have been so important to genealogists is the lack of other data, in particular, vital records. For genealogists 75 years from now, there will be such a large amount of other data about persons now living that the census will not be an important tool. In fact, it likely will be consulted only in desperation.

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For further information contact National Genealogical Society, Education Department, 4527 17th Street, North, Arlington, VA 22207-2399, phone (703) 525-0050. Internet address is <http://www.genealogy.org/~ngs/>.

### **Federation of Genealogical Societies**

The Federation sponsors a national conference (usually in conjunction with that city's genealogical society) each year for genealogists of all levels of experience. Usually covered are management workshops (for those heading societies), genealogical lectures, and exhibitors. The 1997 conference is scheduled for Dallas, Texas, on September 3-6.

For more information contact Federation of Genealogical Societies Annual Conference, P. O. Box 3385, Salt Lake City, UT 84110-3385. Can be found at <http://www.fgs.org/~fgs/>

### **GENTECH, Inc**

GENTECH is an independent, non-profit organization chartered in the state of Texas to educate genealogists in the use of technology for gathering, storing, sharing, and evaluating their research. Each year a conference is held in a different location. The 1997 conference was held earlier this year and the date for 1998 has not yet been set. For more information contact GENTECH, Inc, P. O. Box 28021, Dallas, TX 75228-0021. Internet address is <http://www.gentech.org/~gentech/>.

### **New England Historical and Genealogical Society**

NEHGS provides several seminars during the year. Weekend seminars or conferences and one-day programs are open to the general public. Brochures regarding these seminars are sent to members in the general location of where the seminar will be held. Tours and week-long programs are open only to members. Brochures for these are mailed to all members. Scheduled programs are:

NEHGS' Weekend Seminar in Seattle, WA, is to be held October 17-18, 1997, at the Sea-Tac Airport Marriott Hotel. The seminar will include one set of sessions Friday and Saturday instead of two concurrent ones. On Saturday, additional sessions will be held geared toward the beginning researcher. The seminar will also feature a book sale and personal consultations with Senior Research Scholar Gary Boyd Roberts.

To reach NEHGS, call the Education Department toll-free at (888) 286-3447. Their internet address is <http://www.nehgs.org/educdpt.htm>.

### **Carl Sandburg College, a Virtual University**

The college is located in Galesburg, Illinois. These on-line courses are non-credit courses and offered through Sandburg's Office of Community and Extension Services. Courses include Genealogy on the Internet, Beginning Genealogy, and Intermediate Genealogy. The cost is minimal. Courses are taught on-line and homework is submitted on-line. For further information contact <http://www.csc.techcenter.org/~mneill/csc.html>.

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## *Upcoming Courses/Seminars on Genealogy*

**Organizing your Genealogy "Stuff,"** June 16, 1997 at Heritage Quest Research Library. Call (360) 893-2799 or [HQRLibrary@aol.com](mailto:HQRLibrary@aol.com) for more information. Classes held at 220 Bridge St. S.W., Orting, WA. Reservations are necessary.

**Preserving Our Heritage,** June 21, 1997, in Portland, Oregon at Portland State University Ballroom, Room 355, Smith Memorial Center, 1825 SW Broadway. Call (503) 227-2398 for more information.

**WSGS Conference & Annual Meeting,** July 11 & 12, 1997, in Wenatchee at the Wenatchee Valley College campus. Lodging is available at the Holiday Inn Express, (509) 663-6355. Theme is Generating Genealogy Through Technology. Call (509) 884-8352 for more information.

**Taking the Mystery out of the National Archives,** July 14, 1997, at Heritage Quest Research Library. Call (360) 893-2799 or [HQRLibrary@aol.com](mailto:HQRLibrary@aol.com) for more information. Classes held at 220 Bridge St. S.W., Orting, WA. Reservations are necessary.

**The Wonder of the Seattle Public Library,** August 4, 1997, at

Heritage Quest Research Library. Call (360) 893-2799 or [HQRLibrary@aol.com](mailto:HQRLibrary@aol.com) for more information. Classes held at 220 Bridge St. S.W., Orting, WA. Reservations are necessary.

**Dating Old Photographs,** August 25, 1997, at Heritage Quest Research Library. Call (360) 893-2799 or [HQRLibrary@aol.com](mailto:HQRLibrary@aol.com) for more information. Classes held at 220 Bridge St. S.W., Orting, WA. Reservations are necessary.

**How to Write a Family History,** begins September 22, 1997 at Olympic College. Call (360) 478-4504 for more information.

**Beginning Genealogy** courses, begins in the fall through Central Kitsap Community Schools. Call (360) 692-3171 for more information. Brochures should be available mid-summer.

**Rendezvous '97,** October 11, 1997. Sponsored by Washington State Genealogical Society. More info to come.

**NEHGS Weekend Seminar,** October 17 & 18, 1997, in Seattle at the Sea-Tac Marriott. Call toll free (888)-286-3447 for brochure.



# Exchange Notes

by Pat Eder

Ellen Payne Odom Genealogy Library 7:2 "Family Tree: (Apr/May '97): is repository for 94 Scottish clans, family organizations and groups as well as research on other ethnic groups.

Everton's Genealogical Helper 51:2 (Mar/Apr '97): Advertisements, queries, questions and answers; federal court records.

The Irish At Home and Abroad 4:1 (1st Quarter '97): Royal Irish Constabulary records; British Army pension records; Irish settlers in Manitoba sources; CO Sligo records; Irish of Isle of Man; New Zealand old age pension records.

National Genealogical Society 23:1 (Jan/Feb '97): getting your journal into print; IGI review; creating a gedcom file.

CA Orange CO GS 34:1 "Journal: (Apr '97): Santa Ana High School grads 1916; witnesses to New Orleans riots 1866; CA news items from various sources; COLLINS, PEYTON descendants; HENRY bible; CROSS diary; OUTS family; patriotic organizations.

CA Sequoia GS 24:1 (Mar '97): Tulare CO WWI draft registrations ABBOTT to AZEVEDO.

Ibid. 24:2 (Apr '97): Cherokee Strip Land Run of 1893 BLEVIN to BREMAN; WWI Draft Registrations BACA to BALLEW.

Ibid. 24:3 (May '97): WWI draft registrations BALLEW to BEDFORD; Cherokee Strip Land Run 1893 BREMAN to CLARK.

CT Saybrook Colony Founders Assn. 10:1 Issue 33 (Spr '97): ministers in Saybrook 1639-1851 from First Church of Christ records.

FL South Lake CO GS "Pastfinder" 9:1 (Win '97): Lake CO pioneers 1887.

IL Peoria CO GS "Prairie Roots" 24:3 (Spr '97): Peoria midwife records 1888-1903; SALTZ family; local newspaper items 1903.

IN-IL-KY TriState GS 20:4 "TriState Packet" (Mar '97): funerals from Trinity Episcopal Church, Vanderburgh CO, IN 1843-77; marriages St John's German Evangelical Church, Evansville, IN 1857-60; Zeimer's funeral home records 1928-38 HARMOUTH to KORTZ; deaths

Bethlehem United Church of Christ, Evansville, IN 1921-41.

IA Boone CO GS 15:1 "Newsletter" (Mar '97): membership list and list of surnames being researched.

IA Jackson CO GS 18:1 (Mar '97): WWI Draftees from local newspapers.

KS Crawford CO GS 27:1 "The Seeker" (Spr '97): marriages CLOSE to HUSSON' births 1894 ISHMAIL to SPEGAL.

MA Berkshire CO GS 18:2 "Berkshire Genealogist" (Spr '97): Ancestor tables for FLYNN, HAFF, TURNER, MARKHAM, BUCKLEY, POWERS, DAWES; 1876 Peru, MA map with residents listed; marriages 1792-1802 Windsor, MA; WALKER diary; cumulative census of New Ashford, MA 1790-1920 CASEY to GIRARD; state census of Lee MA 1855 ongoing.

ME Falmouth GS 9:2 (Mar/Apr '97): Rhode Island special collections libraries; MA resources; genealogy internet sites; Welsh genealogy sources; American Antiquarian Society library holdings.

Ibid. 9:3 (May/June '97): English research.

MD Frederick CO GS (Apr '97): rules for good documentation; local post offices 1897 and people receiving mail there; MILLER, BOWMAN, WEEKLEY family group sheets; Brill ahnentafel.

MN Otter Tail CO GS 15:1 (Mar '97): Everts Twp landowners, cemetery and tax lists 1880-84; Otter Tail CO naturalizations index 1903.

MO Lincoln CO Historical and Archaeological Society 10:2: history of Briscoe, MI; articles from Troy Herald 1876.

MO Scotland CO GS 11:2 (Apr '97): school records with student names 1915; Memphis Democrat obits 1994-95; little known VA records in National Archives.

MT Flathead Valley GS "Trees and Trails" 22:1 (Mar '97): Flathead CO grantor index SHEETS to SHELDON.

MT Glendive "The Tree Branches" 16:1 (Feb '97): Dawson CO deaths Oct-Dec 1996; pioneer families of Montana certificate info.

NH Rockingham Society of Genealogists "Kinship Kronicle" 20:1 (Mar '97): Stratham cemetery tombstones.

NM New Mexico Genealogist 36:1 (Mar '97): Old Spanish Trail sources; DAR library research in NM; Mora CO guardianships 1882-85; Mora CO cemeteries.

OH Brown CO GS20:1 "On The Trail" (Spr '97): baptisms Red Oak Presbyterian Church, Brown CO ALEXANDER to DUNLAP; news items 1905-07.

OH Tuscarawas CO GS Vol 24 (1996 Index).

Ibid. 24:1 (Feb '97): local news items 1907.

OR Genealogical Forum "Bulletin" 46:3 (Mar '97): BLEWETT bible; 1876 Portland fraternal organizations; list of microfilm holdings of Pacific NW National Archives, Seattle; Lone Fir cemetery 1846-80; OR civil war veterans.

OR Willamette Valley GS "Beaver Briefs" 29:1 (Win '97): JL Johnson biography; Marion CO execution docket #1 ongoing; 1911 death index A to M.

PA Mercer CO GS, "Past Times" (May '97): marriages BERKMAN to BETTS; news items 1897; militia list 1853.

PA Lycoming CO GS "Lycoming Lineage" 14:2 (Mar/Apr '97): Rev. War vets buried in Clinton CO; understanding quaker records; births, deaths and marriages taken from various quaker records; nicknames; divorces WADELL to ZECHMAN; destitute families of civil war soldiers QUICK to RUSSEL.

PA Mercer CO GS "Past Times" (Mar '97): marriages BEN to BENNINGHOFF; local news items 1897; Mercer CO militia lists 1857.

Ibid. (Apr '97): marriages BENNINGHOFF to BERKICH; militia lists 1846.

SD Sioux Valley GS 23:2 "Pioneer Pathfinder" (Apr '97): WWI casualties from SD; Sioux Indians and their habitats.

WA Clallam CO GS 17:2 "Bulletin" (Spr '97): locating naturalization records; marriages Clallam CO 1895, 1896.

WA Clark CO GS 23:3 "Trail Breakers" (Spr '97): list of members in the first emigration to Columbia River 1843; records of Old City Cemetery, Vancouver;

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# Queries

## Reed

Researching Elizabeth (Betsy) REED born circa 1845 in Washington Territory, (1879 Pierce County Census), "a full Snohomish Indian woman," married Warren H. REED born circa 1838 in ME. Family of 8 children; elder daughter Emma born 1868 in Bremerton; family later lived on lower Kitsap Peninsula at Whiteman Cove. Any information on this family would be appreciated since I am trying to trace the REED line and the Snohomish Indian line of Elizabeth. Stephen G. Schweyen, 5514 22nd Ave. So., Seattle, WA 98108. Remeor@aol.com

## Oliver/Monhollan/Eaton

Looking for OLIVER in VA and TN, for Charles Berry MONHOLLAN (or variations), and for Alice EATON, both in KY. Contact Marie Waldron, Bremerton, WA 98310. (360) 377-7553.

## Tonge/Tongue

Seeking information from Family Tree Maker CD#100, Family Pedigrees, about Alice and Elizabeth TONGE. Contact Marge Tonge, P. O. Box 429, Seabeck, WA 98380. (360) 830-0319.

## Seals/Sceals/Catlin/Buell

Looking to find out who 'The School Teacher in NY' is who put the C in SCEALS. Looking for information on Thomas and Avis (BUELL) CATLIN. 1950 Connecticut. Contact Dianne Enos, WA. (360) 674-2538.

## Walmsley/Roberts

Need help on the families: WALMSLEY 1870-1890 and ROBERTS 1700-1850 both in MD. Contact Tara Walmsley Wage, 772 NE Mesa Lane, #F101, Bremerton, WA 98310.

## Gosman

Seeking information on Henry Franklin GOSMAN. He was born in 1854 in Baltimore, MD. Who were his parents? Where were they from? When did they marry? Contact Tara Walmsley Wage, 772 NE Mesa Lane, #F101, Bremerton, WA 98310.

## Whisple

Need information on Florence Madeline WHISPLE born on 11 Feb 1900 in Shady, NY. Who was her husband? When were her parents born and where? Contact Tara Walmsley Wage, 772 NE Mesa Lane, #F101, Bremerton, WA 98310.

## Pittman

Need help with information on Lola PITTMAN born April 1879 in IN. What were the names of her parents? Where in IN was she born? She married Chester C. Wallace about 1900 and they were living in St. Paul, MN in 1900. Contact Mrs.

Lorraine Jackson, 106 Peter Hagen Rd. W., Seabeck, WA 98380.

## Nichols/Staggs

Need help with information on (Nettie) NICHOLS, born 1860's or 1870's in TN. She married William STAGGS. They were living in Maury County, TN in 1897. They had four children; Caroline, Jennie, Maude and a boy. What was her full name? What was the name of her parents? Where in TN was she born? What was the date of her marriage and her death? She died about 1899 or 1900. Contact Mrs. Lorraine Jackson, 106 Peter Hagen Rd. W., Seabeck, WA 98380.

## Staggs

Need help with information on Williams STAGGS, born 1860's or 1870's in TN. What were the names of his parents? Where and when in TN was he born? What was the date of his first marriage and his first wife's name? Contact Mrs. Lorraine Jackson, 106 Peter Hagen Rd. W., Seabeck, WA 98380.

## Stidger/Lohnes

Need help on the following families: STIDGER 1874 in MO and in KS by 1880; LOHNES 1878 in KS. Contact Sandy Lewis, 8972 Watson Pl. NE, Bremerton, WA 98311.

## Knights

Need help with information on Thomas Frederick KNIGHTS born in England and died in Springfield, MA about 1926. When and where in England was he born? What were the names of his parents? What was the date of his death and where is he buried. Contact Sandy Lewis, 8972 Watson Pl. NE, Bremerton, WA 98311.

## Wilkes/Hamilton/Purdy

Seek ancestry of Frederick WILKES born in Kempville, Canada prior to 1859. His mother was Susan PURDY HAMILTON. Was PURDY her maiden name and HAMILTON another marriage? Frederick's father was a Mr. Wilkes; can anyone help me with his first name? Where and when were Susan and Mr. WILKES married? Did they have other children? Contact Mrs. Karen Ross Ashcraft, 100 NW Westmont Lane, Bremerton, WA 98311.

## Wilkes/Hamilton/Purdy/Weidmark

Seek ancestry of Frederick WILKES born in Kempville, Canada, to Susan PURDY HAMILTON and (\_\_\_\_) WILKES prior to 1859. He married Suzanna WEIDMARK in Kempville, Canada. Both died in New York. They had one son, Frederick, and two daughters, Ida and Rena, born 2 July 1879, Kempville, Canada. Contact

Mrs. Karen Ross Ashcraft, 100 NW Westmont Lane, Bremerton, WA 98311.

## Ross(Russu)/Wilkes/Karlson

Need help on following families: ROSS(RUSSU) 1906-1922 OH, WILKES 1850-1900 Canada; KARLSON 1820-1865 Sweden. Contact Mrs. Karen Ross Ashcraft, 100 NW Westmont Lane, Bremerton, WA 98311. Contact Mrs. Karen Ross Ashcraft, 100 NW Westmont Lane, Bremerton, WA 98311.

## Hartley/Bean(Biehn)

Need help with the ancestry of Margaret A. HARTLEY who was born in 1881 in PA. She married 1904 in PA to Manassah G. BEAN/BIEHN and had 4 known children: one died at birth, Edna born 1908, Margaret born 1910, and Arthur born 1912. What were the names of Margaret HARTLEY's parents? Where in PA was Margaret born? Contact Doris Beahm, 8048 SE Halfmoon Lane, Port Orchard, WA 98367.

## Bean/Biehn

Need help with information on Camilla (\_\_\_\_) who was born 1841 in PA. She married Henry H. BEAN/BIEHN in 1868 in Bucks Co., PA. What was Camilla's maiden name? What were the names of her parents? Where in PA was Camilla born? Contact Doris Beahm, 8048 SE Halfmoon Lane, Port Orchard, WA 98367.

## Del Rossi

Need help with information on Angelina (\_\_\_\_) who was born in Italy in 1860. She married Gabriele DEL ROSSI in 1880 and immigrated to the U.S., settling in Philadelphia, PA. What was Angelina's maiden name? Where was she born in Italy? What were the names of her parents? Contact Doris Beahm, 8048 SE Halfmoon Lane, Port Orchard, WA 98367.

## Serio/Del Rossi

Need information on parents of Loretta "Laura" SERIO. She married David DEL ROSSI in 1910's in Philadelphia, PA, had 2 known children: Rita born 1918 and Alma born 1919. Loretta's parents were Giovanni SERIO and Elizabeth (\_\_\_\_), both born in Italy; where in Italy? What was Elizabeth's maiden name? Did Loretta have brothers and sisters? Contact Doris Beahm, 8048 SE Halfmoon Lane, Port Orchard, WA 98367.

## Gish(Gisch)/Hock(Hogue)

Need help with information on Christian GISH (GISCH), born 1741, Penryn, PA. Married Sophia HOCK (HOGUE), moved to Roanoke, VA area

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Vancouver Register news items 1869; ancestor charts for ELLIFRIT, LENZEN, WILSON, CLAUSEN and SMITH.

WA Grant CO GS "Big Bend Register" 17:1 (Mar '97): 1910 Grant CO census; NORTHRUP letters; Grant CO directory 1914.

WA Grays Harbor GS "Family Tree Searcher" 8:2 (Mar/Apr '97): internet genealogy addresses; local newspaper items; cemeteries of Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Lewis and Pacific COS.

Ibid. 8:3 (May/June '97): Thomasson's of Osage CO, KS and Carrollton, IL; MCCLEARY, GOSE families; MARTIN family.

WA Jefferson CO GS 13:1 "Newsletter" (Spr '97): marriage licenses 1878.

WA Mason CO GS "Mason CO Log" (Feb '97): Terminology used in recording births to unmarried parents.

WA South King CO GS 12:4 (Mar/Apr '97): local research facilities.

Ibid. 12:5 (May/June '97): Memorial records of So. King County name index; research facilities in Puget Sound area.

WA STATE GS 13:1 (Jan/Feb '97): calendar of WA events; WSGS bylaws; info from state genealogical societies.

Ibid. 13: 2 3 (Mar/Apr and May/June '97): calendar of WA events; using the Suzzalo library for genealogical research.

WA Stillaquamish Star Valley GS 10:4 (Mar/Apr '97): funeral index McMILLIAN to MELLEY.

WA Tacoma-Pierce CO GS, 28:3 "The Researcher" (Spr '97): Pierce CO probates/tracts, ongoing; news items 1886; WWI casualties among WA men who served with WA National Guard; military records; Tacoma naturalizations 1896.

WA Wenatchee Area GS "Appleland Bulletin" 25:1 (Mar '97): research tips; old handwriting samples; HEIDEMAN ahnentafel; Wenatchee cemetery STRAUSS to STURTZ; 1993 update Wenatchee City cemetery LINK to OLIVE.

WA Yakama Valley GS 29:1 (Mar '97): articles from local old-timers; WALLACE journal; HERSON ahnentafel; ESTES records; Janeck Drug Store accounts 1896.

WV Kanawha Valley GS "The Journal" 21:1 (Apr '97): Red Warrior cemetery STANLEY to ZLEA.

1792. What is the date of their marriage? What is the date of his death? What is the location of his death and/or burial site? Contact Mary B. Kerdus, 3256 Quinault Dr NE, Bremerton, WA 98311.

### Vold/Pederson

Seek ancestry of Haakon VOLD, born 26 Sep 1844 in Solar, Norway. He married Dorothea PEDERSON in 1872; she died in 1932 in IA. They immigrated to U.S. in 1878 and lived in WI and northeast IA. Contact Mary B. Kerdus, 3256 Quinault Dr NE, Bremerton, WA 98311.

### Hurley/Turnquist/Johnson/Larson/Thorsen

Seek information on parents and grandparents of Patrick Joseph HURLEY born 1900 County Cork, Ireland; Gust TURNQUIST born 5 Feb 1857 in Sweden with surname of JOHNSON, he lived in IA; Ole LARSON born 12 May 1867 in Norway and died in IA in 1953, he had a son named Lars THORSEN who died 1899 in Buena Vista Co., IA. Contact Paula HURLEY, P. O. Box 23, Tracyton, WA 98393.

### Perrigo/Wetherbee/Willis

Seek family information on William E. PERRIGO and his wife Myrtle WETHERBEE, when and where were they born? When and where were they married? When and where did they die and where were they buried? Their 5th child, Edith Lillian PERRIGO was born in 1906 in NH and she was adopted in MA by John I. and Clara T. WILLIS in 1919. Who were the other 4 children? When and where were they born? Where and when did they die? Who, when and where were they married? Contact Nancy L. Bockelie, 9011 Olson Rd. NW, Bremerton, WA 98311-9018.

### Lee/Loomis

Need help with the family of Loami LEE who was born 1820 in VT. Married as his third wife, Laura LOOMIS in 1857, they had three children all born in VT; Charles L. born 1860, Owen L. born 1865 and Lucia B. born 1868. Who were his first and second wives? Did he have other children? Contact Nancy L. Bockelie, 9011 Olson Rd. NW, Bremerton, WA 98311-9018.

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