

Discover...
Your family roots

Explore...
Your family heritage

Locate...
Your missing ancestors



Genealogy Center

Kitsap Regional Library
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Membership

Membership is open to anyone. Dues are \$15 a year for an individual or \$20 for a family. Membership forms are available at the Genealogy Center, at our general meetings or on our website. Member benefits include access to the Members Only page on our website.

Hours

Monday 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Tuesday 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Wednesday 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
Thursday 1-5 p.m.
Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

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**Puget Sound
Genealogical
Society**

**PRESERVING
FAMILY
HISTORY
THROUGH
EDUCATION
& RESEARCH**

Puget Sound Genealogical Society

Speakers, Classes, Research Groups ... and More

It is our mission to provide tools and techniques to help people discover facts about their ancestors. The Genealogy Center, located at Kitsap Regional Library, Sylvan Way, is filled with reference books for every state and many countries plus computer access, and is a great place to start your research journey. It is our goal to provide educational opportunities and meet the needs of all levels of research experience.

Meetings & Lectures

Held monthly on the fourth Wednesday from 12:30-3 p.m. in the Heninger Room, meetings start with social time and are followed by a lecture at 1 p.m. featuring speakers on a variety of genealogical topics.

Classes

Monthly on the first Tuesday and fourth Saturday join us for a free class focused on a topic our members have selected. For a complete list of topics and our schedule visit pusogensoc.org.

Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Are you interested in a particular research subject? We currently have SIGs on Legacy Family Tree Genealogy Software, the online database Ancestry.com and DNA tests. If you are interested in attending a SIG not currently offered, just ask.

Seminars

Biennially, we sponsor a full day seminar featuring well-known and knowledgeable genealogists. The day includes lunch and snacks, as well as helpful books and research materials offered for a reasonable cost.

Research Trips

Annually, visit the Family History Library in Salt Lake City with us! For more information on our Society, member benefits, volunteer opportunities and helpful resources visit our website at pusogensoc.org.

Our History

On May 2, 1973, three people gathered to discuss their genealogy research. This small group decided to organize a club. Pro-tem officers were Marlys Marrs, President and Jim Hanf, Vice-President. At the November 1973 meeting held at Sheridan Park, officers elected were Jim Hanf, President; Naomi Morris, Vice-President; and Donna Jean Bruce, Secretary/Treasurer. One year later the library was started and the group adopted the name Olympic Genealogical Society.

At the May 1975 meeting held at the Great Northwest Building in Bremerton, members selected the new name of Puget Sound Genealogical Society. At a later time the quarterly newsletter name was changed from Family Backtracking to The Backtracker.

As it grew, the PSGS library had many locations, most often in members' homes. In 1995, the library and monthly meetings moved to the Givens Community Center. In April 2003, the location of the library and the meeting place was moved to larger quarters in the North Kitsap Memorial Armory in Poulsbo. This lasted only a few months and the collection was eventually moved to the East Port Orchard Center. It resided there from 2004 until late 2011 when PSGS formed a partnership with the Kitsap Regional Library. In January 2012, the Genealogy Center was established at the Sylvan Way location of the Kitsap Regional Library.

The Genealogy Center features more than 4,000 titles of books, periodicals, microfilm, microfiche, cemetery records, obituaries, funeral home records and maps. Computers for internet research are also available.

