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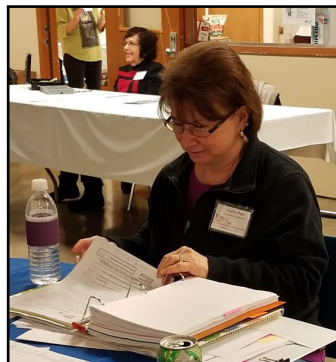


Heidi Ginder, Peg Powell, and Lew Noah oversee the annual PSGS Antique Show.

It's a wrap. The antique show for 2019 is over. The Puget Sound Genealogical Society and the Kitsap Historical Society share the duties for putting on the show. We also share the profits. This year both groups are getting \$5,500.

That tidy sum is thanks to a great group of volunteers. There were at least 60 of you who helped on Friday, Saturday and/or Sunday. It was great seeing so many friendly faces helping to make this a successful show despite some snow on set-up day Friday. We had about 1300 people come to the show. There were 40 vendors. We closed the doors Sunday night at 10:40pm when the last dealer had their trailer loaded.

The executive board has had their first meeting to start the planning for next year. As soon as we lock down the dates, I will let you know so that you can put it on your calendar to join us again.



Rachelle Peel reviews paperwork as Sandra Watson, in the background, helps out with the cafeteria.

2019 Antique Show Recap

(See more pictures on page 3)



Jim and Sandie Morrison were on the other side this year; they were vendors as well as members.

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Presidential Ponderings

by Jean Yager

A special thanks goes to those that made our Antique Show on Feb 23 and 24 another success! Our society earned \$5500.00. This is our only fundraiser. It helps fund our activities such as classes (twice a month), our monthly General Meeting Program Lectures and it also allows our membership dues to be at a minimum (\$15 for individual / \$20 for joint). But there is no rest for the weary. Peg Powell will be representing PSGS as the chairperson for the Antique Show for 2020 and the committee continues to meet monthly. If anyone is interested in participating on this committee, please contact Peg at Antique-show@pusogensoc.org

The printing of this newsletter is another example of the funds received from the Antique Show. The Backtracker committee, chaired by Sharon Hornback, meets monthly to organize this quarterly newsletter. Members read interesting articles from other members and are kept updated on the happenings within PSGS. However, the committee needs your input. This is YOUR newsletter, so consider contributing family stories, old family recipes, how you broke through a brick wall, or anything genealogical related.

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Genealogy Center Report

Since the last Backtracker, Mary Ann Wright, the Genealogy Center Coordinator for so many years has departed for Arizona. As we wish her all the best in her new home, we also must deliver a huge vote of thanks for all her hard work and dedication to the tasks and responsibilities as the Coordinator over the years. Mary Ann began her work with the PSGS Collection when the society's library was still in Port Orchard. She directed the transition of the entire library's collection from the Port Orchard location to the current space at the Sylvan Way Branch of Kitsap Regional Library in 2011 and all the hard work that this major move entailed. Mary Ann's commitment to the excellence of the Genealogy Center collection, her work with the many additions to the Center, her meticulous record keeping of the materials in the collection and the weeding project, are just some examples of the many tasks that she undertook during her years with the Center. She will be greatly missed.

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More from the 2019 Antique Show



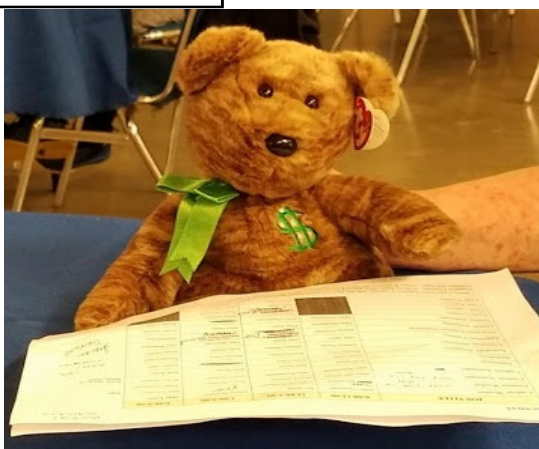
What's it worth? Sharon Hornback gets good news from Earl Bowers and Debra Kong about her early 1900s Whiting & Davis Sterling Silver Purse.



Bev Smith and Cheryl Bartholomew were excited to take money from the patrons



Tink and Jim Callahan show off their new treasure from one of our many vendors.



Billionaire "Bill" Bear checks the finances for accuracy at the Antique Show



Low Noah cleans up

Presidential Ponderings (cont'd from page 2)

You might even want to consider being a part of this committee! If interested, please contact Sharon at bt-editor@pusogensoc.org

Lastly (for now), I want to thank Sharon Overman (our PSGS Secretary) and Gwen Detweiler (our Website Chair) for doing a remarkable job with our Facebook page. I believe the new faces in our classes and monthly meetings are just one result of this avenue of publicity.

Genealogy Center Report (cont'd from page 2)

The weeding project committee continues; thank you to new committee member Kathy Cowser and to all who give their time to this very important project. This committee also decides on materials that need repair and preservation. Books that are weeded are then passed to the members at the monthly meetings; many happy PSGS members have added to their library. The next meeting of the committee will be Wednesday April 10th from 10:15 – 11:45am when the mid-western states will be reviewed.

Putting Down Roots— Norway to New York

by Ruth Reinert



The Salt Lake City Family History Library was such a goldmine of information! I would go again in a “New York Second”.

However, my research is a little different than most as both my parents arrived separately to the United States from different towns in Southern Norway. Mother, **Gurine Tomine Allestad**, came with her cousin, **Ingeborg Kristine Hoveland**, aboard the Queen Elizabeth Streamliner, tourist class, into New York Harbor in 1947. They passed through Ellis Island, which closed in 1954, the year my maternal grandparents came from Norway to the United States. My mother had a job on arrival as housekeeper and cook for a very kind family who had paid her passage to the USA.

Before I introduce my father’s side of the family let’s review the Patronymic naming system from the old days of Norway. To select the last names of children, they used the father’s first name for their last name such as, Sven Pedersen was the son of Peder or in the case of a daughter the name would be Malene Pedersdatter. In later years they could choose to use the father’s last name as written or the middle name adding ‘sen’ or ‘datter’ or use the name of the farm they lived on. That system in Norway was illegal to use by 1922. Of note, females kept their maiden names in the Norwegian records. Many of the indexes are organized by first name and the farm of birth. The last names of my paternal grandparent’s offspring are varied.

My paternal great grandfather was **Johannes Peder Nilsen Stave** who was a fisherman and farm owner and his father was **Nils Andersen Vere**. Johannes was born 1851 on the farm Stave. He married **Malene Kristine Østensdatter Ore**. Malene was born 1859 on the

farm Ore. She was the daughter of Østen Mikal Johannessen Ore and Pauline Kristine Zakariasdatter Stave.

Johannes Peder Nilsen and Malene Kristine Østensdatter together had 11 children of which my grandfather Daniel Pedersen was the youngest. Their children used three different last names; Nilsen, Stave and Pedersen.



Karakteristisk listabebyggelse. Gårdene lå tett, ofte samlet i rekke- eller klyngetun, med jordteigene spredt rundt. Foto:Widerøes Flyveselskap 1949.

Photo from Lista, Vest-Agder, Norway. The farm community was called Stave, on the Lista area, in the Vest-Agder district of Norway. This photo is from the book [Det Amerikanske Lista](#) by Siv Ringdal published in 2002.

My paternal grandparents **Daniel Pedersen** and **Anne Oline Birkeland** owned a farm on Lista which they purchased in 1928 called Langåker. The farm was about seven acres in size with half the acreage in crop cultivation and the rest in pasture. The undeveloped land was fenced and used to graze the animals. They raised wheat, oats, potatoes and some years rutabagas. They milked six cows daily; that was their cash crop. They raised sheep in later years which provided

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canned meat and sausage for the family. The sheep were also grazed in the nearby mountain fields. A dozen chickens on the farm provided eggs and occasional fresh meat. The grains produced were milled at a nearby mill owned by their Uncle Peter Birkeland; the grains were used for the household and animals. The horse provided the farm labor and transportation.

My grandfather and some of his siblings came to New York City during the 1920s as carpenters to earn money for their families in Norway.

The photo below shows **Nikolai Nilsen** my grandfather's older brother working on the docks in NYC. In his later career he was a construction superintendent.



Nikolai Nilsen fra Lista på «dockbuilding» i 1920-årene. Legg merke til en lettere henslengt arbeidskamerat i bakgrunnen.

Picture by Nils Nilsen Photographer and was published in the book Det Amerikanske Lista by Siv Ringdal published in 2002

My grandfather, **Daniel Pedersen**, who had been travelling to New York City to earn extra money, came back to Norway to stay with the family as the talk of World War II had begun.

From 1941 until 1945 the Pedersen farm home at Langåker, Lista was occupied as a 24 hour German Officer Headquarters for the German Air force. The family lived in the basement and rented another home nearby to accommodate the entire family. My father Peter stayed on the farm to care for the livestock. The farm stayed in operation the entire time. The wooden airstrip was less than a mile away.

Lista Air Station was primarily used by Luftwaffe fighter aircraft. Its main task was to provide support for the North Sea and Skagerrak areas along the coastline. The squadrons and aircraft stationed and dispatched to Lista varied over time, and often Lista was one of several airbases in Southern Norway used by a division at any given time.

After the war was over in 1947 my father raised enough money to secure his passage to New York City where he began his career in building and construction. In Brooklyn at the Seaman's Hall, he met my mother and they married in 1948.

By 1950 my grandfather Daniel Pedersen had sold his farm on Lista and the entire family immigrated to New York City.

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DID YOU KNOW—

A recently recommended free site is The.ances-torhunt.com. There are many pull down areas you can search. There are blogs you can search. There are over 27,310 free historical newspaper links from

United States Newspapers. Pull down the newspapers link. Take time to review the 13 lessons and start searching. More info is always added so check back.

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Above is a photo of the Pedersen family in New York; my father is the tall man on the far right.

Getting back to the Family History International Library in SLC the farm books or as they are known in Norway, the Bygdebok, are organized by Counties then by cities, parishes, clerical districts and, for rural Norway lastly, farm names. The books state who lived on which farms their children; birth, marriage and death dates, as well as if the family or children moved to oth-

er areas. With the Bygdebok it is then easy to pick up additional information with the use of the records found on the free Norwegian Digital Archive site.

Those books were my target, and I spent my week successfully researching several branches: Pedersen, Stave, Ore, Hammersmark, Moskeland, Hellenen and several more, all names on my tree.

In Remembrance



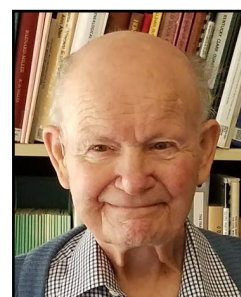
We are sorry to share that during the past year, three of our valued members have died.
Good bye to:



Estelle Foster



Edith "Edie" McKelvy

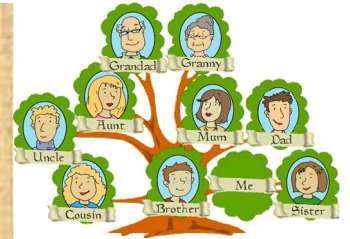


John Smith

We extend our deepest sympathies to their families.

My Favorite Ancestor—The Browns of South Carolina

By Elizabeth Burgess



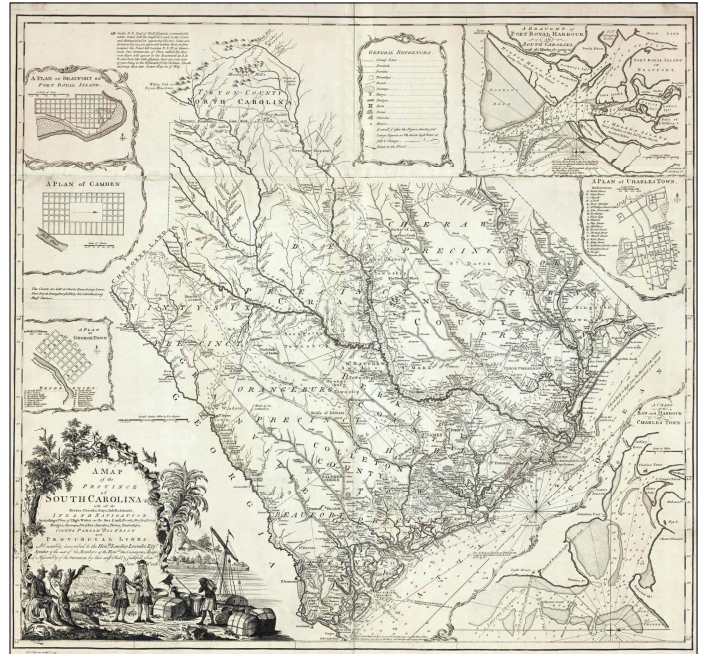
George and Rachel Felton Brown are my seventh generation grandparents. I have been fortunate in discovering a treasure trove of information about this couple. The most entertaining of these is from the *Anderson Intelligencer Newspaper* from Anderson County, South Carolina, dated August 18, 1905, describing a reunion picnic at Jolly's Spring attended by about 75 descendants of the couple. The second is a document "the Family of George and Rachel Felton Brown and Allied Famililies (sic) of the Piedmont Section of South Carolina" by Clarence Gist Brown, found in Genealogy Trails.com.

I am more intrigued and impressed by Rachel Felton than husband George. The reasons should be obvious from the descriptions of the couple, which were provided by their grandchildren.

Rachel was born in 1774 in North Carolina in the Yadkin River valley, probably in or near Surrey County. Her family was of English descent and it is said they were rebels in the Revolutionary War, although surrounded by Tory neighbors. Her father was Job Felton but there is some confusion about her mother. Job may have had two wives by the time Rachel was born. The woman commonly thought to be her mother was actually her step-mother. George Brown was born in Surry, North Carolina about 1768. It is claimed his parentage was also English and they were also Revolutionaries. His family is unknown.

Rachel married at age 16. The family told a story about her reaction to a wedding she attended as a girl. She thought the wedding was a great ordeal for the bride and was told that everyone eventually married. She exclaimed "I do wish my wedding was over, for I do dread it." She also told her children that if her mother had been alive she would not have married when she did but she added that she did not say she

would not have married the man she did. Her husband George posted a \$200 Marriage Bond in North Carolina.



Map of South Carolina

In 1805 George and Rachel moved to the Pendleton District of South Carolina where they bought a 403 acre farm for \$700. That farm is now part of the city of Anderson, South Carolina. In the mid 1750s the land had been the site of a large Cherokee Indian village that had been dispersed. George built a house of logs with an enormous rock fireplace, several downstairs room, and an attic. The house was located near a spring and Rachel maintained a spring house to store milk in.

George was tall and exceedingly strong, delighting to engage in feats of strength and other physical contests with his friends. He was described as an honest, upright person that abhorred falsehood. He was a fervent Baptist and teetotaler, serving in his church as a deacon. His resistance to modernizing the church

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MY FAVORITE ANCESTOR

By Elizabeth Burgess

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and the Missionary Movement were documented in the records of the Old Salem Baptist Church, in Anderson County, SC. It is not known what his education was but he wrote a "fine hand."

Rachel was small, slender, with 'dark indigo blue eyes, seen in her posterity to the fourth generation'. She was known for her neatness in person and surroundings. She was a very capable manager. Her kitchen was spotless and scoured, "exceedingly clean with homemade soap and sand". Her spring house was also noted for its pristine condition and that of the vessels in it.

The family loved to visit her and eat "good loaf, butter, and honey. From field, orchard, hog pen, cow pen, bee hive, poultry yard there came to her table an abundance of the best and most wholesome food."

She and her three daughters also had spinning wheels and looms and produced enough cloth to clothe the family and to sell.

George had a different reputation. His descendants describe him thus: "Although possessing many and probably more admirable traits, George Brown was, nevertheless a relatively poor business-

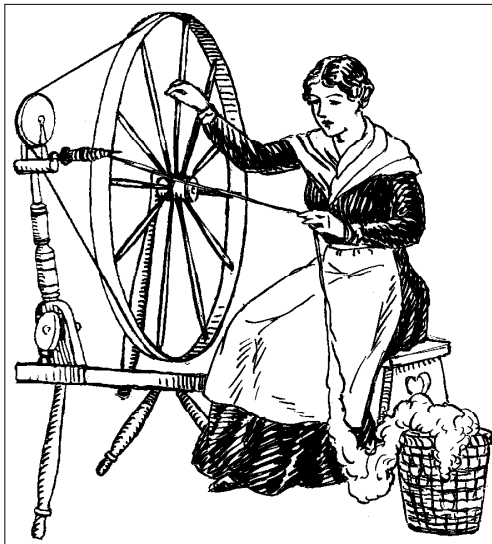
man." In 1805 when he arrived in South Carolina he had at least \$700, the amount he paid for his land. Forty years later when he died his property was appraised at \$712 with cash of \$26.52. \$5.00 went to pay for his coffin, lumber and carpenter.

Twelve years before he died, George sold half his farm to his son Elijah, who died a year after the purchase. He also sold several smaller tracts of land. At his death he had 165 acres. His will provided for Rachel's use but at her death the farm was to be sold with the

proceeds divided among his sons. He did not provide for the three daughters but it is thought that he had somehow assisted his sons-in-law.

Rachel outlived George by 7 or 8 years. After his death, Rachel signed a letter to the Old Salem Baptist Church withdrawing opposition to the Missionary Movement, which George opposed.

I am a descendant from George and Rachel Brown's daughter, Elizabeth "Betsy" Brown, seven generations back.



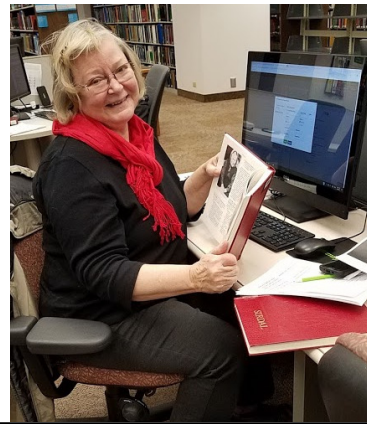
Reminder —

Have you paid your 2019 Puget Sound Genealogy Society dues yet? Dues are \$15 for a single membership and \$20 for a family in the same household. Applications can be found on the members page at www.pusogensoc.org or in the Genealogy Center in the library.

Thank you for your support.



Salt Lake City February of 2019



The field trip to SLC provided many hours of work in the books and on computers. Elders were there to help too. Microfilm was not used as much as in the past, since so many records are now digitized.



It wasn't all work. We did still have time for fun. A great dinner was enjoyed by all on the first night in Salt Lake City. Larry found a superb Italian Restaurant. I think we all ate too much.



A Look Back...

at the past three months of programs presented by PSGS



January 23, 2019: Daniel Horowitz

Discovering Your Family History with MyHeritage's Unique Technologies:

This was a webinar that helped us develop seven powerful technologies to help genealogy researchers find records of ancestral families without even searching - while you sleep. These will definitively change your life. We learned about smart matching, DNA matching, and record matching. We learned how can we make Search Connect work for us. We learned about Book Matching and Pedigree Maps in My Heritage. This was a great webinar.

February 27, 2019: Midori Okazaki

Using The Washington State Archives:

What we learned was the Washington State Archives is a great stronghold of information about our state with lots of information about ancestors who lived and died in Washington. Midori gave a great overview of the collections and services. Go to the catalog at sos.wa.gov/archives to explore the area of Washington where your ancestors lived. Find your area and call ahead for a visit as all areas are not staffed daily. Explore the collections on the main menu, by selecting collections, then Record Series.

March 27, 2019: Winona Laird

Research Techniques for Genealogists:

What we learned was a good research plan is a way to stay focused and keep your genealogy goals in sight. Winona showed us helpful hints for unpuzzling your family tree such as recording common surnames, nicknames, and spelling variations. Winona showed us multiple research options. She reviewed organizational strategies and encouraged us to make a plan and decide on our goal. We must locate our sources that are available and note the addresses of each. Then we need to evaluate the information we get — is it accurate, logical, and probable. Timelines are essential to sort two individuals with the same name so we can find our true ancestor. Use webinars, blogs, and podcasts to gain more information. Start simple and refine your searches. She shared genealogy software tools that we could use for our research. LOCKSS — Lots of Copies Keep Stuff Safe (paper, Flash Drives, Computer Disks, External Hard Drives, and Cloud Based).





Looking Forward...

at the next three months of programs presented by PSGS

- April 24, 2019** **German Immigration in the 1800s** with Evelyn Roehl
 Discover how ports of departure/arrival, settlement patterns and location of native villages can help you trace your Germanic ancestors.
- May 22, 2019** **George Washington on “Constitutional Convention of 1789”**
 with Vern Frykholm
 Learn of George Washington’s role in the Constitutional Convention and the resulting document — the Constitution of the United States.
- June 27, 2019** **Censational Census Strategies with Mary Kircher Roddy**
 Discover 20+ tips for finding missing ancestors and mining the census for more clues for follow-up research

Schedule of Classes — April — June 2019

- Sat, April 27** **Class #4 Organization of Papers, Books & Digital Files; Courthouse Research, including Wills and Probate** Presenter: Janet Camarata
- Sat, May 4** **Class #5 The Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS) & Military Records**
 Presenter: Janet Camarata
- Tue, May 7** **Using Family Search (Hands on)** Presenter: Jolene Aitchison
 Bring your laptop and be ready to delve into your own genealogy while exploring the many features of the FamilySearch.org website. Computer experience required. Class size limited to 15.
- Sat, May 25** **Class #6 Immigration & Naturalization, plus Tips, Tools, Tricks, and Techniques for Genealogists** Presenter: Janet Camarata
- Sat, June 1** **Series #3, Class #1 Detailed Research Planning** Presenter: Janet Camarata
- Sat, June 22** **Series #3, Class #2 Analysis Process and Analysis Tools** Presenter: Janet Camarata

All classes are held in the Heninger Room, Sylvan Way,
 1301 Sylvan Way, Bremerton

Contact: educ@pusogensoc.org or call 360-475-9172 to register



Gwen Detweiler

I had more of a curious interest in family stories in the 1980s. I was interested in learning more about my Mom's family and some of that history. I don't think I even knew it was called genealogy. I was never able to spend much time on it since I was working and raising a family.

I joined PSGS July of 2017 after I retired from my job with Kitsap Regional Library. I knew I wanted to spend more time exploring my family history as well as my husband's so it made sense to join and learn as much as I could ... and to give back to the organization that would help me.

My research goals are to continue to explore the family stories for my family as well as my husband's. I also hope to get better organized with all of the information I have compiled, not only from my research, but also family photos and other items I have inherited. So far it has been very interesting. I've always loved reading mysteries and this is a bit like unraveling a mystery. I also love how history seems more alive when you can place your ancestor in that time period.

For a long time I was very curious about my Mom's family. I've learned a lot but still have a ways to go. I'm also spending more time exploring European lines for both my Mom and Dad's families.

Besides being an active member, I am the Chairperson for the Website Committee and a volunteer in the Genealogy Center.

I was born in South Carolina and moved several times since my late father was in the Navy. I consider Illinois my "hometown" since that's where I lived the longest growing up. My husband was also in the Navy and we moved several times before finally settling here in Washington.

Side By Side



Sharon Overman

I've been interested in genealogy since high school. One of my senior projects was to get in contact with living relatives to write down stories they knew of their parents and or grandparents. I didn't keep the stories I got back and really wish I had. My interest got peaked again about seven years ago when one of my aunts put together a book of family members on my mom's side.

I joined PSGS in July of 2015 when they moved to Sylvan Way library branch and started to have classes there.

My research goals including being able to find my mom's family but it is challenging with all the different ways everyone spells the last name. Finding where my great grandparents came from in Russia and why they immigrated to the United States are also my research goals.

Surnames I am researching on my mom's side are Rohrbauck/Rohrback/Roeback/Rohrbach (some of the different ways the name is spelled). Other names are: Hinzman, Buchholtz, and Marzlof. Most of these relatives are in South Dakota and have come from Russia.

My dad's side is Overman, Ross, Maker, Ferrell, Stout, and Pike. The start of the Overmans to America was their immigration to the North Carolina area in the mid 1600s.

My contributions to PSGS include holding the office of secretary and am co-chairperson with Gwen Detweiler on the Facebook Page. I have also just signed up to volunteer in the Genealogy Center at the library.

I was born in Chamberlain SD, but we moved out to Washington when I was 6 months old, so I consider myself a Washingtonian. I got married shortly after high school and my husband was in the Navy. We were stationed in San Diego, Moffet Field in South San Francisco, China Lake in the Mojave Desert, Whidbey Island then to Bangor, where we just stayed. I was divorced in 2000. I work for the City of Bremerton since 1997 in the Utility Billing Department; hoping to retire in the next two years. I love to knit and crochet and belong to a small group that makes hats for cancer patients and the homeless.

WHAT I FOUND ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

By Sharon Hornback

I was never in the Family History Library when it was full of books on the first floor. My first visit showed only a room blocked by hanging black plastic, but I have heard stories. This year, I saw FHL's vision of the technology age. Do you have a tree on Family Search? Then you must stop here when you go. Members of the LDS Church are there to help you. They give you a tablet that you use to log into your Family Search account. You then take it to an area by a large screen and hook it onto the wall. Then you await the magic. You can find out who you are related to. Check out the Presidents and their ladies, Inventors, Pioneers, LDS Church Members, Entertainers, and more. You will also see who you are related to that is currently (within the last four hours) in the library.

What did I find? It was amazing. You see a chart that lists your line and another line to get back to a common ancestor. The only place you can do this is at

the FHL. But, you can send your information home. Most of the relations are cousins many times removed, but it is still very interesting. You will also get a few hints to help you find more ancestors.

I also got another surprise. I found three cousins that I already knew, even though they weren't on my family tree. My new family consists of:

Madi Cataldo, Linnie Griffin, and Jackie Horton. It was so fun to find new relatives in PSGS. Later during the week, I was notified of another relative that was in the library that day, but no matter how long I looked, I couldn't find her or her family. Maybe another day.

Below are a few of these chart so you can get an idea of what I am talking about. (Jackie's chart didn't come through either in my email or hers.)

MY RELATIONSHIP TO

m cataldo

14th Cousin


William Spencer 166-1632	Susanna Knightley 166-1632		
Thomas Higginson 166-1634	Agnes Spencer 166-1632	John Spencer 166-1634	Catherine Edison 166-1634
Thomas Benson 166-1634	Isabel Higginson 166-1634	Thomas Stone 166-1634	Anne Spencer 166-1634
John Carter 166-1634	Elizabeth Bridget Benson 166-1634	Christopher Matthew Locke 166-1634	Anne Sackville 166-1634
John Carter 166-1634	Sarah Ludlow 166-1634	Thaddeus John Hermans 166-1634	Jane Locke 166-1634
Robert "king" Carter 166-1634	Elizabeth "betty" Landon 166-1634	William Berry 166-1634	Jane Locke Hermans 166-1634
Thomas Wren 166-1634	Jean F. Carter 166-1634	John Locke 166-1634	Elizabeth Berry 166-1634
William Carter Wren 166-1634	Joannah George 166-1634	Nathaniel Church 166-1634	Dorothy Blake 166-1634
John T. Shortridge 166-1634	Nancy Wren 166-1634	Moses Blake 166-1634	Mehitable Locke 166-1634
John Hopper 166-1634	Sally Shortridge 166-1634	Timothy Blake 166-1634	Pudence Webster 166-1634
Wesley Hopper 166-1634	Emily Drury 166-1634	Daniel Blake 166-1634	Sarah Bakeman 166-1634
Truman Partridge 166-1634	Melissa Hopper 166-1634	Henry Blake 166-1634	Eliza Colton 166-1634
Alvin Sylvester Partridge 166-1634	Mary Emily Potts 166-1634	Charles H. Blake 166-1634	Henrietta C. Gray 166-1634
Frank Smith 166-1634	Myrtle May Partridge 166-1634	Brooks William Grindle 166-1634	Annie Estelle Blake 166-1634
William Marion Dobson 166-1634	Ann Jane Smith 166-1634	George Abbott Smith 166-1634	Ruth Estelle Grindle 166-1634

MY RELATIONSHIP TO

L Griffin

11th Cousin 3 times removed

Robert Hadlocke 1525-1572	Michael Gent Gerard 1525-1598	William Garrard 1546-1625	Jane Partridge 1540-1616
William Clarke 1566-1632	Margaret Hadlocke 1570-1622	William Garrett 1583-1640	Mary Bridget Biddon 1580-1650
Simon Stone 1585-1665	Joane Clark 1595-1624	Nicolas Ware 1626-Deceased	Elizabeth Garrett 1628-1665
Simon Stone 1595-1708	Mary Whipple 1634-1720	Matthew Branch 1654-1728	Frances Ware 1645-1720
Edward Goddard 1675-1714	Susanna Stone 1675-1714	Charles Bates 1714-1750	Elizabeth Branch 1714-1750
John Drury 1692-1754	Susannah Hermans 1695-1752	James McGeog 1714-1750	Molly Bates 1714-1750
Edward Drury 1708-1763	Sarah Maudridge 1725-1785	David McGeog 1765-1836	Elizabeth McMahon 1770-1817
William A. Drury 1750-1823	Rachael Willis 1757-1836	James McDowell 1806-1853	Rachel McGeog 1812-1850
Samuel Drury 1762-1850	Anna Reynolds 1783-1885	Aaron M. McDowell 1851-1896	Isabella Weldon 1859-1840
Wesley Hopper 1803-1862	Emily Drury 1811-1844	Clare McDowell 1887-1866	Jose G. Evans 1891-1943
Truman Partridge 1803-1862	Melissa Hopper 1811-1844	Jasper Asbury Nelson 1810-2003	Grace R. McDowell 1820-Deceased
Alvin Sylvester Partridge 1803-1862	Mary Emily Potts 1811-1844		
Frank Smith 1886-1975	Myrtle May Partridge 1886-1975		
William Marion Dobson 1913-1996	Ann Jane Smith 1918-2000		



MY RELATIONSHIP TO

Franklin D Roosevelt

32nd President of United States 11th Cousin 1 time removed

Henry Best 1527-1572	Margarita Maud (Mawd) 1531-1572		
Henry Best 1553-1628	Grace Boithes 1557-1628	Henry Best 1554-1622	Grace Boithes 1557-Deceased
Abraham Shaw 1585-1638	Elizabeth Bridget Best 1592-1638	Abraham Shaw 1590-1638	Bridget Best 1592-1638
John Bicknell 1623-1678	Mary Shaw 1626-1658	John Shaw 1600-1694	Alice Phillips 1607-1654
John Dyer 1643-1696	Mary Bicknell 1640-1677	Anthony Shaw 1626-1705	Alice Stannard 1633-1720
Daniel Thomas 1677-1742	Ann Dyer 1677-1746	Joseph Church 1662-1715	Grace Shaw 1666-1737
John Christopher Harbin 1711-1795	Elizabeth Anne Thomas 1700-1762	Nathaniel Church 1701-1748	Innocent Head 1686-1778
Nathaniel Thomas Harbin 1734-Deceased	Sarah Parks 1745-1848	Caleb Church 1720-1771	Mary Pope 1755
Benjamin Franklin Goss 1777-1857	Martha Patricia Goss 1783-1853	Joseph Church 1752-Deceased	Deborah Perry 1754-1808
Neely Dobson 1767-1860	Zilpha Goss 1803-1890	Warren Delano 1770-1856	Deborah Church 1783-1827
William Neely Dobson 1820-1824	Susan Octavia Weaver 1841-1897	Franklin Hughes Delano 1813-1893	Laura Eugenia Astor 1824-1902
Robert Clyde Dobson 1883-1937	Abbie Rebecca Barnes 1890-1974	James Roosevelt 1828-1900	Sara Delano 1845-Deceased
William Marion Dobson 1912-1996	Ann Jane Smith 1918-2000		

Bob Howard's

South Kitsap's Happenings

We meet at 9:30 at the Church Of Christ, 2535 Carr Lane SE, Port Orchard. Carr Lane is off of Salmonberry. Entry is through the basement door at the lower parking lot. A small orange sign is posted on the door.

Bev Smith gives us an update on the Executive Board meeting at the beginning of each meeting.

January: There was a discussion about our South Kitsap Chapter taking on the research of the five boxes of Bernie Kountz's (deceased) research. This material was donated to PSGS by Bernie's family. Heidi agreed to contact Jean Yager about this challenge. Bev Green shared a World War I commemorative medal she had found in her mother's items. She had researched what the medal is and what its meaning is. Bob Howard commented on the results of his "Y" DNA results that confirmed that his great grandfather of record was not his biological great grandfather. He should be a Hervey instead of a Howard.

February: Randy shared some of his discoveries from his recent trip to Pennsylvania. He had been able to research court records revealing interesting finds on his ancestors. Heidi then looked up some of his family names to add to his research.

March: We discussed ways of obtaining an obituary. Suggestions were contacting local historical or genealogy societies. Randy's family tree during discussion of the new Thrulines in Ancestry. Generally we were not happy with the changes to Ancestry's DNA format. Randy's family name changes when arriving in this country from England was discussed.

Our next meeting is April 4th.

Submitted by Bob Howard

Gail Reynolds'

Belfair Bulletin

Hello Genealogy Researchers –

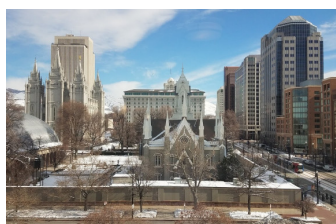
We are going to catch up on the happenings in the Belfair Chapter. We start the first of 2019 in January. The members do not have a meeting in January. In February, Linnie, Madi, Jackie, Judy and I all went to Utah for the PSGS annual Salt Lake City research trip. So...we cancelled the meeting in February. In March we reviewed the results of our research in Salt Lake City. There were a few finds – like Judy found a Portuguese marriage record for her husband's family. This was a great find for her.

I am of the opinion that Janet Camarata should move over to the peninsula since she is such an expert that she is always in demand. At our April meeting, she came to speak on Family Search. We can always use more information on how to use FamilySearch.org. The one thing that I took away from this program is that Family Search is always changing. One of the major reasons for this is that you can only find facts that have been indexed. At this point in time that is *less than* 25% of all the information contained in the website. That tells you that you must check and recheck all your research for new information.

Janet will be back to our chapter in May to continue speaking about FamilySearch.org. It works best if you bring your laptop and an extension cord so that you can follow along with her.

Tentatively, we have a field trip to Shelton Genealogy Society in the evening on Thursday, June 6. For July and August, please check the PSGS website for more information.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 1 at 1:00 pm in the Timberland Regional Library in Belfair. As you know, everyone is invited and welcome. Thanks.



March 2020 Salt Lake City Field Trip

Mark your calendars for March 22 to March 29, 2020 to take part in

the Salt Lake City Field Trip. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel at Temple Square. Standard Room rates are \$95 a night for single/double and \$102 a night for triple/quad. Deluxe room rates are \$105 a night for single/double and \$112 a night for triple/quad. Taxes are additional. If you are interested, contact Larry Harden prior to January 31, 2020 at

treas@pusogensoc.org.

Watch for more information about SLC in future issues of The Backtracker.

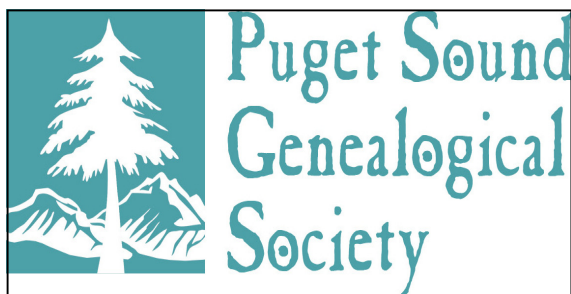
Opportunities

Genealogy Center Volunteers NEEDED!

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