

Programs For April, May, June 2023

April 26th, 2023: Gregory C. Gardner MD,
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"Digging into Death Certification Data to Uncover Family History and Family Health Information Treasures: A Physician's Perspective:"

During this session we will discuss the fascinating history of recording death. We will then explore those death records in the US that contain a cause of death such mortality schedules, mortality registries and death certification all from a physicians perspective. We will discuss some pearls and pitfalls along the way and help those participating access these useful records. Finally we will discuss diseases to be on the watch for during your family history journey and how to use family health information to develop a family history portrait and actually calculate your risk of certain illnesses.

May 24th, 2023: Midori Okazaki: "Using Washington State Archives"

Midori Okazaki, Archivist at the Puget Sound Regional Branch of the Washington State Archives, will give an overview of the state archives system and discuss public records frequently used by genealogical researchers. She will also provide information on how to go about researching at the archives in person, submitting remote requests for records, and searching online at the Washington State Digital Archives.

June 28th, 2023: Michael Lee Stills: " Torry's Treasures": "Discovering the Hidden Gems buried inside New England Marriages Prior to 1700"

Genealogists often cite Torrey's New England Marriages Prior to 1700 as the source for documenting the marriages of their Colonial

New England ancestors. In doing so, they often overlook the real source gems hiding in this Index.

Together we will open this treasure chest to learn who Clarence Almon Torrey was, what's hiding inside, where his sources can be found, why you need to understand sources, when you should use this reference and how using this Index properly will further your research.