



## President's Message

Hi,

Summer is over, the kids are back in school and some of us genealogist are sorting through data we collected through the last months on trips, family gatherings and vacations. It is good to get back to routine things again.

Right now as I write these words, I am preparing to leave to attend our 3<sup>rd</sup> Beginner's Genealogy Workshop. For the months of September and October Skagit Valley Genealogy Society is offering these classes at the Burlington and Anacortes Public Libraries. In total we are sponsoring 6 two hour lessons at each of the libraries, that would make a total of 12 classes. So far the response has been pretty good. 23-24 people have been attending the classes. Preregistration is over, however, if you are interested in attending a class or two you can drop in. The charge is \$10 per class. The classes in Burlington are from 1 to 3 pm on Tuesdays and the Anacortes classes meet on Wednesday from 12:45 to 2:45 pm.

Our June 14<sup>th</sup> seminar was very successful. We received good reviews. We even made a little money. I don't want you to get the wrong impression. SVGS doesn't exist just to make money. We are a nonprofit organization. If you want to donate for our cause, just go to [skagitvalleygenealogy.org](http://skagitvalleygenealogy.org). Those monies are used for creating pamphlets, handouts, publications, room rentals, storage unit rentals and other expenses.

Hazel is spearheading the revision of our standing orders so they correlate with our bylaws. Not an easy task but much needed. Nominations are pending soon for a new President and Secretary. There are plenty of of board positions that are available. Let one of us know if you have an interest. We need to support the society and the new officers that will be elected.

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I am probably leaving out something important I should be telling you. I tend to make our newsletter editor nervous by waiting the last moment to getting my message out. Have a good day and keep on tracking.

President

*George E. Ridgeway Jr.*

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### THINGS THAT ARE FOUND IN FAMILY HISTORY

This is an excerpt from some of my genealogy that was sent to me by my cousin who has worked more than 20 years on our one family.

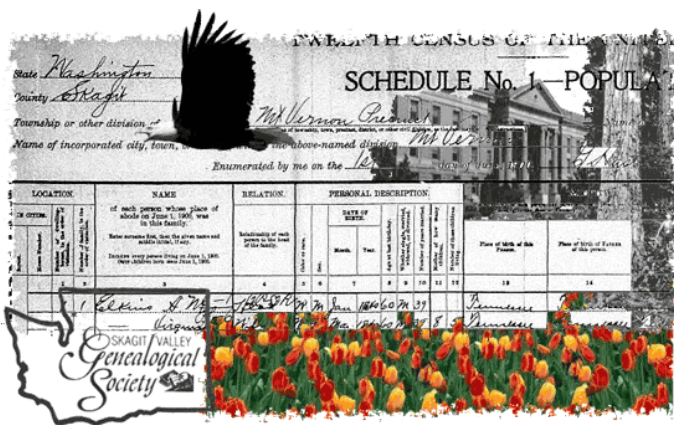
William Logsdon, Sr. was born 11 Nov 1652 in Blunham, England; died ca 1737 in Carroll Co, Maryland. William married ca 1702 in Fort Tobacco, Maryland to Honora O'Flynn, who was born ca 1681 in Kerry Co, Ireland.

William entered the colonies Jan 21, 1674— listed as passenger on board a ship captained by Samuel Smith.

Honora O'Flynn was a beautiful and vivacious Irish girl who was kidnapped in Ireland and brought to Maryland by a sea captain for barter. She was bought by William Logsdon and later became his wife. Most of the kidnapped girls were traded for tobacco. Honora was a pious Catholic and it was through her that the Catholic faith appears in the family line. (This story has been passed down through the family.)

Submitted by Dottie Cork Chandler

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Your advice is needed. If you have suggestions of program topics for next year. Or if you just can't wait to present a program yourself, please contact Carol Torset at [torset@comcast.net](mailto:torset@comcast.net) or 360-856-2410. She will happily take your ideas to heart.

The Skagit Valley Genealogical Society Newsletter accepts business card size advertisement. The cost will be \$10.00 per issue and the editor can help put one together for you if you don't have something ready.

If anyone would like queries or surnames to be posted in the newsletter, please send to... *Ye Editor*

### Needed New Volunteers

Our genealogists is looking for new volunteers to train to help with research requests when she is gone. If interested please give Diane Partington a call at 360-336-5832 or send her an email at [nonie.dl@comcast.net](mailto:nonie.dl@comcast.net)

### Fred Meyer's New Program

Fred Meyer has rewards points, fuel points and now community rewards. This is a new program where you help decide which organizations Fred Meyer supports. They will donate up to \$2.5 million a year.

Customers can enroll online at [www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards](http://www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards) and link their Rewards Card to the organization of their choice. The customer will continue to receive reward points, rebates and fuel points.

At the end of each quarter, Fred Meyer will make a donation to the participating nonprofits based on the accumulated spending of the Rewards customers linked to each nonprofit. If you would like to learn more you can go to [www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards](http://www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards).

Skagit Valley Genealogical Society is enrolling in this program.

Most purchases qualify for Community Rewards but some items are not eligible: Those excluded are:  
Prescriptions  
Fred Meyer Gift Cards and Kroger Co Family Store Gift Cards  
Green Dot Prepaid Reloadable Products  
Bottle Deposits  
Lottery Tickets and promotional tickets  
Money Orders  
Western Union  
Fuel  
Sales Tax  
Tobacco

### Burlington Public Library

820 E Washington Ave  
Burlington, WA 98233  
Phone (360) 755-0760  
Email: [blibrary@ci.burlington.wa.us](mailto:blibrary@ci.burlington.wa.us)  
Hours: Monday – Thursday  
11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
Friday & Saturday  
11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday – Closed

#### SVGS Library Collection

located here. SVGS Volunteers available on Mondays from 11:00—1:00 to assist with questions.

Margie Wilson—SVGS Librarian



## Skagit Valley Genealogical Society Upcoming Programs



**Sept. 23rd** at 7:00 pm Pamela McNaughton from Tattered Pages in Mount Vernon will be discussing old books and how to repair and preserve them. If you have a book bring it to repair, she will be showing us how to repair them.

**October 28th** at 7:00 pm : Germans from Russia

Jean Roth, Family Historian and researcher, President of the Greater Seattle Chapter American Historical Society of Germans from Russia and AHSGR Village Coordinator - Volga Villages of Walter and Walter-Khutor. She is also the Vice President of Seattle Genealogical Society.

**November 18th** at 1:00 at the Burlington Library:

What have YOU discovered this year and what do YOU want to learn in the next year? Also, Brick Walls - year-end meeting. We invite each member to consider sharing something new they learned to do this year in their research, or someplace new where they found information. NEW being something you had never done or tried before. If you have Brick walls to shatter maybe we have a way to help. Guided by Carol Torset but presented by YOU.

### *Comb Binding ...*

*For members,* The society owns a comb binding machine. If you call Dan Royal @ 360-826-6141 he will make arrangements to bind your pages into a book for you. Cost is: \$1.00 per book to cover supplies.

## Calendar of Society Meetings in WSGS Region One

WSGS Region One Representative: Stephen Eric Baylor, [s.baylor@comcast.net](mailto:s.baylor@comcast.net)

### Sept. - Oct. 2014

(Please send calendar corrections or updates to Steve Baylor, 360-435-4469) or [s.baylor@comcast.net](mailto:s.baylor@comcast.net))

**Thursdays in Sept. - Comeford Genealogical Group - CfGG** - Meets Thursdays, 10:00 - 11:30 AM at the Ken Baxter Community Center, 514 Delta Ave., Marysville, WA, in Comeford Park. The group meets informally to assist one another in genealogical research. See <http://comefordgroup.wordpress.com/category/class-times-schedule/>

**Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2014 - Skagit Valley Genealogical Society - SkVGS** - 7 - 9 PM. Program: Pam, the owner of **The Tattered Page** bookstore in downtown Mt. Vernon will demonstrate *How to Repair Old Books with Damaged Bindings*. She will also discuss how to prevent damage from aging in the future. Bring a damaged book or two and you will leave with a better binding. Meeting will be held at the Burlington Senior Center, 1011 Greenleaf Avenue, Burlington.

**Saturday, Sept. 27, 2014 - Snohomish Genealogy Workgroup - SGW** - 10AM - Noon. Group members assist each other with their research. Library staff may give a brief presentation. Meetings at Snohomish Public Library 311 Maple Ave., Snohomish.

**Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2014 - Sno-Isle Genealogical Society - SIGS** - 6:30 PM. Program: **David Richardson** presents *Can This Book Be Saved?* David has restored over 400 books for the Fiske Library and a Benedictine Monastery, many of them published in the 1800's, the oldest published in 1702. Bring a book and David will let you know if it can be restored. Meeting at Heritage Cottage (next door to Humble House), 19903 Polar Way, in Lynnwood's Heritage Park. All are welcome.

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**Monday, Oct. 6, 2014 - Camwood Genealogical Group - CwGG** - Meets first Mondays at 1 PM at Stanwood Historical Society Museum, 27108 102nd Ave NW, Stanwood, WA.

**Monday, Oct. 13, 2014 - Genealogical Society of South Whidbey Island - GSSWI** - Education classes at 11:45 AM. **Beginning class:** Read pages 1 - 29 of "First Steps in Genealogy." by Desmond Walls Allen. Session will focus on getting started. **Intermediate class:** Mary Sue Kriefall, instructor. "Who Do You Think You Are?" Program at 1:00 PM:

Speaker, **Becky Hanich**, presents *Using Family Search.org*. Meeting at Trinity Lutheran Church, Hwy 525 & Woodard Road, Freeland.

**Monday, Oct. 13, 2014 - Whatcom Genealogical Society - WGS** - Meeting: 2:00 - 4:00. Program: TBA Meeting at Bellingham Elks Lodge #194, lower level, 710 South Samish Way, Bellingham. (The Elks Lodge is just east of the I-5 Exit 252 northbound off-ramp on South Samish Way.)

**Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2014 - Whidbey Island Genealogical Searchers - WIGS** - 1 PM until about 3. Program: TBA. Plan to attend. There will be information for all levels of searchers, refreshments and raffles. All are welcome. Contact Ruth Hancock 675 -4086 at [randr.hancock@frontier.com](mailto:randr.hancock@frontier.com) for more information; also, Gordon Garnhart [garnhart@whidbey.net](mailto:garnhart@whidbey.net). Meeting at 2720 Heller Rd., Fire station #25, just north of Crosby Road in Oak Harbor.

**Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2014 - Stillag** *Discover Your Ancestor's Story in Their Records*. Each attendee will receive a set of birth, marriage, census, and death records. Together we will extract the stories waiting to be discovered and/or investigated further. Meeting at the Arlington Free Methodist Church, 730 East Highland Drive, Arlington.



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**Saturday, Oct. 25, 2014 - Snohomish Genealogy Workgroup - SGW - 10AM - Noon.** Group members assist each other with their research. Library staff may give a brief presentation. Meetings at Snohomish Public Library 311 Maple Ave., Snohomish.

**Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014 - Skagit Valley Genealogical Society - SkVGS - 7 - 9 PM.** Program: **Jean Roth**, family historian and researcher, President of the Greater Seattle Chapter of American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, will give a presentation on *Germans from Russia*. Jean also serves as Vice President of the Seattle Genealogical Society. Meeting will be held at the Burlington Senior Center, 1011 Greenleaf Avenue, Burlington.

### Seminars/Workshops:

**Saturdays, Sept. 6 - 27, 2014 - Whatcom Genealogical Society - WGS.** Classes in Beginning Genealogy 10 AM - Noon, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 2117 Walnut St., Bellingham. \$45 for all four sessions or \$15 per session. Register by Aug. 27 at [www.EnrichmentStPauls.org](http://www.EnrichmentStPauls.org)

**Tuesdays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 14, 2014 - Skagit Valley Genealogical Society - SkVGS.** Classes in Beginning Genealogy 1 - 3 PM, Burlington Public Library, 802 E. Washington Ave., Burlington. \$50 for class series or \$10 per class. Register by Sept. 2. Drop-ins welcome.

**Wednesdays, Sept. 10, 17, 24, Oct. 1, 8, 22 - Skagit Valley Genealogical Society - SkVGS.** Classes in Beginning Genealogy 12:45 - 2:45 PM. Anacortes Public Library, 1220 10th St., Anacortes. \$50 for class series or \$10 per class. Register by Sept. 2. Drop-ins welcome.

**Saturday, October 4, 2014 - Whatcom Genealogical Society Fall Seminar - WGS. Eric Stroschein** of *Generations Detectives* will conduct three sessions on *Brick Walls*. Eric picked three or four case studies from WGS members who will be attending the seminar. Attendees submitted brick wall problems by June 9, 2014 so Eric could research prior to the seminar. **Jim Johnson** of *Heritage Quest* will have his book store open and will give a presentation on *Land Records*. For registration information contact Cindy Harris, [caharris1182@yahoo.com](mailto:caharris1182@yahoo.com), or Sharon Neem, [neemsre-treat@frontier.com](mailto:neemsre-treat@frontier.com). Seminar will be held at Bellingham Technical College, 3028 Lindbergh Ave., Building G, Bellingham. \$35 WGS members, \$40 non members. \$5 additional after Sept. 26. \$10 box lunches available.

**Mondays, Oct. 6 - 27 - Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society - StVGS.** Classes in Beginning Genealogy 6:30 - 9 PM. Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society Library, 215 S. French Ave., Arlington. \$10 for series. Register through City of Arlington Recreation and Community Education office at City Hall.

### Miscellaneous News:

The 2014 WSGS State Conference hosted by the Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society set an all time attendance record for any state conference at 317 students. Vendor, Jim Johnson, of Heritage Quest reported over \$13,000 in book sales, also a record. StVGS will host another education conference at Arlington High School on August 14 and 15 of 2015 (and possibly Aug 13 as well) featuring legal genealogist Judy Russell and DNA expert Cece Moore.

### **BLACK SHEEP ANCESTORS AND THEIR RECORDS**

**We all have them, so don't shy away from them; use them as they usually leave wonderful records. We normally hear about them as stories passed down through the families. The next step is to prove the story. You need to know where you are going before you can start out on this discovery trip. Write out the story, combining the various versions you have heard. Where there are differences, preface them with the person's name and/or color code the differences. For example: Jonathon was hung in 1886 [Aunt Mable noted that he was shot in 1887]. Now create a research plan noting all the resources you can use to help. Here are some places to look. Court records, coroner reports, military records, convicts, prison records, wild west and notorious characters, newspapers, and PERSI (Periodical Source index). Now execute your research plan and make a report. How much of the story was true? Which parts were held with a grain of truth? You might find you may need to rewrite the story. This is an excerpt written by C. Ann Staley CG< CGL article in the NGS magazine, July-September 2014 issue..**

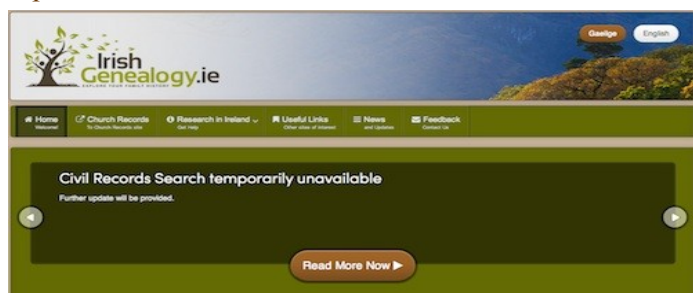
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## SKAGIT REBEKAH LODGE #82 Mt. Vernon, Washington

[Dick Eastman](#) · [July 21, 2014](#) · [Current Affairs](#)

The Irish government closed part of its genealogy website on Friday, after the country's data protection commissioner warned that potentially sensitive personal details were available to all.

[Irish Genealogy](#), a website at <http://www.irishgenealogy.ie/en> created by the Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, offered people born or married in Ireland the ability to search for civil records such as birth certificates as part of their research into



their heritage.

The online records contained data such as dates of birth and mothers' maiden names, information which is frequently used as security questions for accounts such as online banking. That information is not legally defined as "sensitive" under Irish data protection law, but the commission stepped in to prevent the data anyway.

You can read the details in an article by Alex Hern in the Guardian web site at <http://goo.gl/O8XBIM>.

Shortly after being instituted as a fraternal lodge in Mt. Vernon, Skagit Co., Washington, Skagit #82 lodge gave this semi-annual report dated June 30, 1896 for names of candidates who were initiated into the lodge (some names might be misspelled as they are hard to read):

Minnie ANDERSON	A.F. ANDERSON
Sarah PARKINSON	Stewart ANDERSON
Mary ANABLE	David STEWART
Maggie SNODGRASS	Peter LARSON
Lucretia T. MORRISON	Peter LOREGER
V.F. ANDERSON	Elmira MCTAGGART
Joseph SNODGRASS	Mrs. L.N. FERGUSON
J.A. MORRISON	Lillie TANSEY
N.A. MCTAGGART	Dora ANDERSON
Frank NEFF	Amanda QUINN
J.W. GOODRICH	Laura THOMPSON
C.E. KORN	May FREEMAN
Warren K. TAYLOR	Lizzie MARTIN
Robert THOMPSON	Avis ELKINS
Fred MILL	A.E. FREEMAN

**Officers listed on card: S.A. DOWNS, H.P. DOWNS and M.A. STORRS.**

Applied but did not initiate: Annie WARD, Maggie MORAN, Mary MCKEOWN, and Ina PATTERSON.

SKAGIT REBEKAH LODGE #82 was originally STAR REBEKAH LODGE #7 which folded around 1890-1891. If any questions, I can be contacted at [sylvammns@hotmail.com](mailto:sylvammns@hotmail.com). Sylvia Ammons

### >REDUCE THE SPREAD OF COMPUTER VIRUSES

To reduce the spread of computer viruses it would help if you use  
 >Blind Courtesy Copy (BCC) for the big lists of people. In this way  
 >the email inbound accounts don't contain emails of everyone else to  
 >spread a virus. Each recipient doesn't get email address of others  
 >to which it is sent. Attaching a list of emails in doc form would  
 >be an easy way of spreading an email list and it would require a lot  
 >more sophistication on a virus designer than going into the email  
 >addresses of the "IN" box.. Put your own email as the "TO". Some  
 >email providers won't accept your own email as the main "TO". In  
 >this case perhaps pick an outdated email address that would bounce.

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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION - 2013**

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