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## "Skagit Memories"

Series # 6 compiled by the Skagit County Historical Society will be excerpt in future newsletters.

The editor was Charles Dwelley and Assistant editor, Helen Dwelley, published in 1979.

These are stories of the settlement years as written by the pioneers themselves.

## PREFACE

It was Captain George Vancouver, in 1792, who organized the charting expedition that revealed to the world a new territory for settlement by those restless individuals who are the pioneers of civilization. Captain Vancouver called the territory "New Georgia" and he wrote: "The serenity of the climate, pleasing landscapes and abundant fertility, require only to be enriched by the industry of man, to render it the most lovely country that can be imagined.

And so they came, by sea, later overland by covered wagon. The hazards of pioneer life and how they survived the early years is told by those who experienced those hard times. Their diaries, ledgers and letters, reveal their land, their home and their own way.

The Skagit River, named by the Indians, flows from the high Cascades the full length of the county to the shores of Puget Sound. It was the lifeline of communication and the river was a highway. Steamboats plied the waters as far up as the site of Newhalem, where gold was found. The pioneers tell their stories from before this land became Washington Territory.

1885---A Year of Fires---There probably has never been a summer in which destructive forest fires have not raged and 1885 was certainly no exception to the rule when fires swept through Guemes and Fidalgo Islands. The country was ravaged by the destructive fires that destroyed trees two or three hundred feet in height. It destroyed wood, rails, fences and buildings and the entire county was wrapped in a pall of smoke until September 26<sup>th</sup> when drenching rains put out the fires.

*The book, "Skagit Memories," can be purchased at the Museum store for \$ 19.95 plus tax. You may see the book at 501 South Fourth Street, La Conner, WA or call 360-466-3365*

## HISTORY EXCERPTS:

### Mount Vernon Herald, 6 December 1917:

Richard, the three year old son of Mr. & Mrs. Fitzpatrick of McMurry, died last Sunday and was buried Monday afternoon. The little fellow had been ill for some time and passed away while the father was away from home, being confined in the hospital. The family has been in poor circumstances and friends appealed to the Rev. AW Wilson for charitable aid in effecting a suitable burial for the child. The undertaker, Grotheim, came to the rescue and furnished the casket, declining compensation.

Mrs. Esther Asp, wife of Carl F.O. Asp, died Tuesday morning, 4 December, after a long illness. Mrs. Asp came to Skagit County in 1894 from Ballard, WA. with her parents, Mr. & Mrs. L. E. Nelson, who reside at Deitrich, Idaho. She is survived by a husband and two children, Reynold, age 13, and Marguerite, age 12. Three sisters, Mrs. Oscar Polson of Mount Person, Mrs. Glen Gott of Falls City, and Florence Nelson of Dietrich. She was thirty-two years, three months of age. Saturday. in the Swedish Baptist church, Rev. A. F. Lysell, officiating. Interment will be at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery.

### **AMOS BOWMAN, CITY FOUNDER, MAN OF AMBITION, FORESIGHT** *By Wallie Funk*

A dream and a love that transcended mere hope for personal reward and an indomitable spirit are the cornerstones of Amos Bowman's Anacortes. After his arrival on Fidalgo Island in 1876 and until his death in 1894 Bowman held to his faith that Anacortes would someday, if not in his lifetime, rise to take its place among the foremost cities of the West. No soldier of fortune, Bowman was a man eminently qualified to carve from an island wilderness a city that would weather the whiplashes of boom and depression.

Then began years of strenuous planning, appeals to officials of the nation's greatest railroads, and the systematic and widespread publicizing of Anacortes as the prospective "New York of the West." The "firsts" to Amos Bowman's credit in establishing the new city are a tribute to his tireless initiative.

Bowman sought and succeeded in the establishment of the first United States mail service here, then the first post office. His was the first general store, the first civil and mining engineering company. He owned and operated the first pile driving service, scow building company, real estate and loan firm, and the first notary public, all accomplished by 1882. He then founded the "Northwest Enterprise Newspaper."

**EXTRACTS FROM THE NORTHWEST ENTERPRISE Continued**

**Saturday 31 Oct. 1885:**

Died at Whatcom, Monday 26 Oct. **Mrs. Carrie Baber**, wife of **James M. Baber**. She was the youngest daughter of the late **Rev. B.B. Bowman** of Kent County, Mich. And **Mary Bowman**, now of Deception Pass, Fidalgo Island. Born at Blair, Waterloo County, Ontario 3 August 1849, she attended Otterbein University, near Columbus, Ohio after her parents moved there in 1856. She then graduated from Hillsdale College, Mich. in 1873. After she taught school one year at Grandville, Mich. she married James M. Baber and moved to Sterling, Illinois then Dunlap, Iowa. In 1883 they moved to Riverside, CA, raising oranges and raisins.

She suffered a typhoid fever attack which developed into consumption. She came to Puget Sound to be near her mother, sisters and two brothers, **Amos and A. C. Bowman**. Her decline was rapid. Burial was in **Joseph Wolfe's** private lot at Whatcom, overlooking Bellingham Bay.

**Saturday, 14 Nov. 1885:** Born 6 Nov, to the wife of **Noah Nelson** of Anacortes, a boy

**Saturday 21 Nov. 1885:** Married at Whatcom, 18 Nov. **John Berg** of Nooksack to **Miss Eden Nelson** of Fidalgo.

**Saturday 5 December 1885:** **Robert Feltwell** died when his boat capsized between Hat Island and the Samish shore. He hung on until help reached him, but died of the cold before reaching land. He was an industrious young man who had come to this county from Kansas and settled on a ranch on the Samish.

**Saturday 12 Dec. 1885:** Born 7 Dec. to the wife of **J. Hodder** of Fidalgo Island, a son.

**Saturday 9 Jan 1886:** Born 23 Dec. to the wife of **E.J. Stewart** of Sumner, Pierce County, a daughter.-----FINI

**MY FAVORITE ANCESTOR By Member *John Royston Fisher***

Daniel Boone, my fourth great-grandfather, was born 2 November 1734 in Berks County, PA. He had very little formal education but did learn to read and write. His English Quaker family moved to North Carolina while Daniel was still a youth. While he was not the first into Kentucky, he and companions did go into that area to hunt and trap in the late 1760's. An attempt in 1773 to go into Kentucky to settle was turned back by an Indian attack which resulted in the death of one of Daniel's sons. In 1775 a further attempt resulted in the future development of the Wilderness Trail through the Cumberland Gap and the first settlements in Kentucky....one of which was Boonesborough. In the move to this area Daniel's wife, Rebecca Bryan Boone and their daughter, became the first white women in Kentucky.

Although Daniel Boone settled on, or purchased a number of pieces of land, he did not prosper because he did not always follow up on the registration of the land – or he was bilked out of the land by dishonest or political situations. In 1799 he left Kentucky, moving his family to Missouri, following his son Daniel Morgan Boone, and lived there in the St Charles area until his death 26 September 1820. In 1845 a delegation from Kentucky traveled to Missouri to retrieve the bodies of Daniel and Rebecca Boone and re-inter them in Frankfort, Kentucky.

A few years ago, in the company of a Boone Historian in the St Louis area of Missouri, we visited most of the Boone locations in Missouri. In May of this year we plan to visit many of those locations in Kentucky. Incidentally, Daniel did not wear a coonskin cap, though he is often so portrayed. His favorite topper was a fedora. The coonskin caps were worn by frontiersmen Kit Carson and Davy Crockett!

**BOOKS TO SHARE**

Our Librarian, Joan Udd, is willing to share her books with other members. She has Doukhobors as part of her ancestry. Some of her books are "The Dukhobors: Their history in Russia, Their migration to Canada," by Joseph Elkinton, 1903, a facimilie reprint with 336 pages and index.

She also has "Bridging the Years: Era of Blaine Lake & District 1790-1980," written and compiled by a committee to celebrate the province of Saskatchewan's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday. It has 762 pages with index, illustrated with family photos, printed in 1984.

A Canadian Ethnic Studies publication printed in 1995, dedicated to the Doukhobors. Many writers contributed articles of historical as well as current research on the subject. 303 pages with notes and pictures accompany most articles.

Two issues of "Saskatchewan History" a twice yearly publication, these being Fall 1999 and Spring 2000, published by the Saskatchewan History and Folklore Society.

Call Joan 360-757-7907

**COMING EVENTS**

Washington State Genealogical Society members should be aware that their board meeting and the annual meeting will be held in Portland during the NGS Conference.

**NGS CONFERENCE**

**May 16-19 2001, at the Oregon Convention Center**

The National Genealogical Society, together with the Genealogical Forum of Oregon, is hosting  
**"Explore New Frontiers."**

Supporting Societies are Clark County Genealogical Society, Genealogical Council of Oregon, National Endowment for the Humanities and the Washington State Genealogical Society.

Societies from the Pacific Northwest, regional and ethnic organizations and libraries, will provide information to researchers at the Society Fair, beginning at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday evening. This is a free event open to the public. Wednesday evening dinner speaker will be Myra Vanderpool Gornley.

On Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> a scheduled tour to the Oregon State Archives and Oregon State Library and a tour of the Fort Vancouver facility, which was once the stronghold of the Hudson's Bay Company. On Sunday, May 20, a Queen's Birthday Party (Queen Victoria) and open house will be held at the Fort.

On Thursday plan an evening tour of Portland's Chinese Garden, including The Garden of the Awakening Orchids, ending with a 9-course dinner at Great China Seafood, with traditional entertainment.

The NGS Banquet will be on Friday at the Doubletree Hotel at Lloyd Center, with speaker, Megan Smolenyak, who has appeared on "Today" and was lead researcher of the PBS "Ancestors."

Of particular interest is a delegation coming from England associated with the PRO (Public Record Office) who will be in the Exhibit Hall.

There are 72 workshops and lectures to pick from over the 4 days, covering methodology, records, US research, family health history, international, Pacific Rim, and migration. There is something for everyone.

The Genealogical Forum Library will be open during the conference when classes are not being offered. There will be a free shuttle on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, and no guest fee during the conference. Contact The Gen Forum Of Oregon PO Box 42567, Portland, Oregon 97242-0567

E-mail: <http://www.gfo.org> Or [conference@ngsgenealogy.org](mailto:conference@ngsgenealogy.org)

**BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY CONFERENCE**

At the BYU Campus, 2001 Genealogy and Family History on July 31-August 3<sup>rd</sup>, will have lectures by faculty, and representatives of the Family History Department of the LDS Church. President of the National Genealogical Society, Curt Witcher, is one of the presenters. Syllabus materials will be available from each presenter.

For workshop information write to 136 Harman, Continuing Ed. Bldg, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah 84602. Phone: 801-378-4853

Web: <http://conecf.byu.edu/cw/cuigeneal> or e-mail [valiant-evans@byu.edu](mailto:valiant-evans@byu.edu)

**WIGS VAN TRIP****MARCH 30<sup>TH</sup> IS THE DATE**

A trip to Fiske Genealogical Library is on the agenda for those interested in research at that location. The van will leave Whidbey Island and make stops along the way for the convenience of Whidbey Island Genealogical Society members and Skagit Valley Genealogical Society members.

Call Doris Rowe @ 360-675-9385 or email her: [rowe@whidbey.net](mailto:rowe@whidbey.net)

**SCANDINAVIANS OF SKAGIT COUNTY**

Members of The Solidaritet Lodge # 396 Vasa Order of America in Mount Vernon, WA. are collecting information on the area from descendants of early pioneers from the Scandinavian countries, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland or Iceland, such as biographies and photos in order to publish a book. They ask that your articles be received by April. If you want to contribute please respond by calling Martha Johnson 424-1705, Carl Pearson 428-5745 or Larry Nelson 293-4217

**TRAVELING LIBRARY**

John Fisher, the keeper of our wonderful Traveling Library for your use & pleasure, tells us the video "Family Tree Maker" is gone! Does it happen to be at your house? Please check and see if you have forgotten you have it.

**NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY***Donated by Laura Kennedy*

"Monarchs Of Scotland" by Stewart Ross  
 "Who Were The Celts" by Kevin Duffy  
 "Vital Records Of Londonderry, New Hampshire" compiled by Daniel Gage Annis  
 "New York Genealogy Research" by George Schweitzer, PHD Sc. D.  
 "Genealogical History of One Branch of the Dodge Family" by Thomas Dodge 1880  
 "Sketches Of Historic Bennington, VT" by Caroline & John Merrill, VDS  
 "Early New Brunswick Probate Records 1785-1835" by R. Wallace Hale  
 "The Settlement of Illinois 1778-1830" by the Chicago Historical Society  
 "Mohawk Valley Revolutionary War Pension Abstracts" compiled by Maryly Penrose  
 "The Loyalists in The American Revolution" by Claude Halstead Van Tyne  
 "High Lights of the State of Washington" by the Spokane Branch of the Univ. of Women  
 "A Brief Historical Sketch of Port Townsend" by William Welsh 1969  
 Volumes 1-20 of The "New England Historical & Genealogical Register" 1847-1866

**PEDIGREE CHARTS**

We welcome your pedigrees, after all, they are a genealogists life-blood. The genealogist will gladly accept them for the Society Chart binders. If you would like to have yours published in this newsletter please send me a copy. No family group sheets, please. At least one line must have four generations developed. Start with your parents. Show dates and places of at least some of the events. If you know the county, please show that also. Do not use iffy dates. If you do not know for sure then place (1932) around the date.

**Heritage Quest** has a new 3 CD World Immigration Series 1820-1924 on Germany, Ireland and Great Britain, and can be purchased individually. Look at [www.HeritageQuest.com](http://www.HeritageQuest.com)

**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS****CHANGES**

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**QUERY**

Looking for Descendants of my uncles, **LUTHER BAXTER ENSLEY & JAMES DEE ENSLEY** originally from Jackson County, NC. Please contact me if related to this line. Lynda Webster at [lkwebster@mindspring.com](mailto:lkwebster@mindspring.com) or [lkwebster@hotmail.com](mailto:lkwebster@hotmail.com)

**TOLVIN B. ENSLEY and JOSEPHINE P. MIDDLETON** had two sons:

- LUTHER BAXTER ENSLEY born 16 April 1905 in NC. He died 4 February 1997 in Hamilton, Sedro-Woolley, Skagit County, WA. He married 1. MARY JANE QUEEN born 1906 and died 1971, buried in Hamilton, Skagit Co. WA. 2. LOU QUEEN died April 1983. 3. BYDA  
 Children: 1. L.B. ENSLEY, 2. MARY ELLA ENSLEY, 3. LOUISE ENSLEY, 4. AMOS ENSLEY married ETHEL LOUISE ASHE. 5. ANDY ENSLEY, 6. JUANITA ENSLEY.
- JAMES DEE ENSLEY born 1907 in NC. Died May 1976. Married: 1. IVALEE SHULER born 12 August 1905. Children: 1. ROBERT LEE ENSLEY married 1. \_\_\_\_\_ ? 2. THELMALINE  
 2. GENEVA ENSLEY ROGERS.

James married 2. NORA MABEL ASHE, born 1919.

Children: 1. BOBBY JO ENSLEY married RAYMOND FOX Jr. 2. JAMES DEE ENSLEY, JR. married DEBRA KAY FOX. 3. CHARLES ENSLEY, 4. IDA MAE ENSLEY married 1. KEN WILLIS, 2. McCOY, 5. ROBERT LEWIS ENSLEY married JOAN FIGECO, 6. NORCILLA JEAN ENSLEY married 1. BART HODGINS, 2. BROWNFIELD

**NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL**

Members will receive both mailed and emailed newsletters this month.

The Editor would appreciate your sending a message when you receive yours by email and say how it came through the transmission phase. It is being sent by plain text and using Times New Roman and Arial fonts. This will be a first for me so keep your fingers crossed.

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**The NEXT BOARD MEETINGS are April 3 & May 1 2001**

Held the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a. m. Burlington, Wa.

Washington Federal and Savings Bank Conference Room.

All members are welcome.

**NOTES FROM THE BOARD**

**Treasurer, Jane Russell** reported the year's income exceeded expenses, due to the success of publications, so the Society is in good financial shape.

**The Editor** is asking for members to submit short biographies of their favorite ancestor, direct line or not.

Several members have expressed their willingness to receive the newsletter by email.

**Margaret Cookson, Telephone**, was congratulated on her work since taking that chair.

**Membership, Donna Hinds**, reported a new membership list will be in the March-April newsletter.

**John Fisher, Projects**, distributed new Society brochures. Members should pick one up at the general meeting and discard the old ones. He also reported that the reading of "Pleasant Ridge Cemetery" is progressing well.

**Hazel Rasar, Publications**, reported that the "Grandview Cemetery" possibly be ready to publish by April. The Board purchased an Adobe Pagemaker Plus, an indexing program to aid in the publication. Hazel also said the existing publications may have a price increase due to increased costs of printing and postage.

**Shirley Ijams, Education**, said the Senior Center at Burlington has requested help in setting up classes in beginning Internet Genealogy. She also has volunteered to serve as **Chairman of the nominations committee**. She is also looking for volunteers to serve on the committee with her.

**Shirley is looking for a Vice President and Treasurer.**

**Would You like to volunteer?**

**GIVEN OR MIDDLE NAMES SOUND LIKE SURNAMES**

Sometimes an ancestor's first name or middle name sounds like a surname. It could be the mother's maiden name, and she tacked it onto one of her little darlings so it would not be lost to posterity.

This could be one of your clues to finding unknown maiden names. It could be she was the little girl down the road, and her family is listed in the same census as her future husband.

### PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE BY YOUR SOCIETY

Skagit County, Washington Cemetery Records - Volume I Union Cemetery, Sedro-Woolley, WA. 1889-1992 @ \$20.00. A annotated index of Burials, Tombstone Inscriptions, Sexton Records, Cemetery Map, Section and Plot numbers with obituary and family information where available, as well as information about unmarked graves. It has 470 pages.

Skagit County, Washington Cemetery Records. Volume II Green Hills Memorial Cemetery, Burlington, Washington 1900-1993 @ \$12.50 A listing of burials at the Burlington City Cemetery, including lists of burials where there is no stone with a complete alphabetical index with 175 pages.

Pioneer Book of Skagit County, Washington — An alphabetical listing of over 4000 Skagit County Pioneers whose deaths were recorded between 1926 and 1955. It includes date, town where death occurred, plus additional information on some individuals. There are 78 pages @ \$ 9.00

Skagit County, Washington Death Records 1891 – 1907 The index copied from the County ledger that is the only record of deaths during this time period, alphabetically sorted by name of deceased, by father of deceased and by mother of deceased.  
36 pages for \$ 8.00

Skagit County, Washington Index to Funeral Home Records More than 44,000 names, alphabetically indexed, of all available funeral home records in the County from 1908 to 1994. Each person is listed with, as available, year of death, age at death, birthplace, mortuary reference and cemetery where buried. It has 280 pages for \$ 20.00 (microfiche - \$8.00)

Every Name Index For The 1906 History of Skagit & Snohomish Counties, Washington is comb bound for \$ 12.00. 150 pages. We also have this publication in a hardbound brown imitation leather for \$ 40.00.

1906 Illustrated History of Skagit and Snohomish Counties, Washington includes Index. Hardbound has 1265 pages @ \$150.00 plus \$10 postage/handling.

[The supply is gone- Will take orders if desired for a future reprint.]

1910 Federal Census for Skagit County, Washington with 965 pages including alphabetical index in a 3-ring presentation binder @ \$50.00 plus \$ 5.00 postage & handling.

1910 Federal Census Index for Skagit County, Washington 262 pages with comb binding @ \$15.00

Favorite Recipes, Generation to Generation – Recipes included represent the heritage of only a few of our members. Many have been passed from generation to generation, from mother to daughter and even, in some instances, from son to grandson. (87 pages. \$ 8.70)

Publications are 8 1/2" x 11" in size except the recipe book which is 8 1/2" x 5 1/2". All are comb bound. The 1910 Census comes in a 3 ring binder. Postage & Handling: \$ 2.50 for the first item ordered plus \$ 1.50 for each additional item. SVGS members receive 10% discount.

Send orders and inquiries to: Skagit Valley Genealogical Society P O Box 715 Conway, WA 98238-0715

### PIONEER CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

There are four levels you can secure for your family history with qualifying evidence. The cost is \$ 5.00 for each certificate. Proof of descent is required with the application fee. Include documentation of lineage, a biography of the ancestor, a photo if possible. Do not send original papers. The successful completion of an application gives you opportunity for additional certificates for your children, siblings and other relatives. These will be numbered.

1. **SKAGIT COUNTY FOUNDING PIONEER**  
(Ancestor was in Skagit County before it was declared a county on 28 November 1883.)
2. **SKAGIT COUNTY TERRITORIAL PIONEER**  
(Ancestor was in Skagit County between 28 November 1883 and 11 November 1889.)
3. **SKAGIT COUNTY PIONEER CITIZEN**  
(Ancestor was born in Skagit County prior to Statehood on 11 November 1889.)
4. **SKAGIT COUNTY CENTURY PIONEER**  
(Ancestor was a resident of Skagit County more than 100 years prior to date of application.)

Send for yours today

**NEXT GENERAL MEETINGS**

**THE MOUNT VERNON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
EAST 1511 BROADWAY, GOOD SHEPHERD HALL  
7:00 P.M. MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup> AND APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup> 2001**

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**PROGRAMS**

**MARCH :** Jean Roth will speak on preparing for a research trip.

**APRIL:** The Bayview 8<sup>th</sup> grade school children, telling about their genealogy projects.

**MAY:** Andrea McDonald from Port Orchard, President and founder of the Washington State Cemetery Association will be speaking on cleaning headstones, recording cemeteries, and preservation.

**MEANINGS OF GRAVESTONE CARVINGS**

Winged Effigies	Flight of the soul	Willows	Eternal sorrow
Darts	Mortality	Bouquets of flowers	Condolences
Broken Ring	Family circle severed	Doves	Purity
Broken Column	Lost head of family	Weeping Willow	Sorrow
Cherub	Angelic	Trumpeters	Resurrection
Crossed Swords	High ranking military	Garlands	Victory in death
Full blown rose	Prime of Life	Imps	Mortality

See Shirley Horbeck's "This & That Genealogy Tips on Cemeteries"

<http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~hornbeck/cemetery.htm>

**THE STATUE OF LIBERTY-ELLIS ISLAND**

April 2001 the American Family Immigration History Center will open at Ellis Island. On line, the records of 22 million immigrants between 1892-1924 will be available.

For more information Phone: 212-883-1986 or email: [pr@ellisland.org](mailto:pr@ellisland.org) for cost and reservations.

On the internet [www.ellislandrecords.com](http://www.ellislandrecords.com)

For more information on tracing your roots of immigrant

families: [www.rootsweb.com/~rwguide/lesson15.htm](http://www.rootsweb.com/~rwguide/lesson15.htm)

**INTERNET TIPS:**

Never use punctuation marks after initials in a name.

Example: J. M. Smith. It will cause the search engine to show zero hits.

Use quotes such as "John Smith" and the search engine will look for that exact phrase.

Do not use abbreviations! The search engine does not know that regt and regiment are the same, so your search will be ineffective.

Do not use any capital letters. Enter names in the lower case, then the search engine will look for any variations of upper and lower case or mixed case.

Make sure there are spaces between each search word, and try different search engines.

Be consistent. Try all your names before moving to a different search engine.

Keep a log: for whom, when and results. Go back often to recheck for new data.

**BUILD YOUR 4-GENERATION FAMILY TREE!**

Join an interactive genealogy training Web site and receive hands-on training from a genealogy expert. Learn how to use Family Tree software, search ancestral databases, collaborate with others, get expert advice, and more! Look at: <http://adforce.imgis.com/adlink>