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President's Message

"The books are here. The books are here."

Yes, the history book, "Skagit County, Washington & Its People!" has finally been printed. Dan is getting them out to people who purchased them as quickly as he can. There is still some last minute work to be done to finalize the Index on Book 2.

I hope everyone had a nice holiday with family and friends. A lot has happened since our last newsletter. The Washington state Genealogical Society decided to let Stillaguamish take over the 2014 State Conference in Arlington on August 15 and 16. We at Skagit Valley Genealogical Society wishes them success.

Lois LeBlonde, Sharon Johnson, Hazel Rasar and I are working on the budget for 2014. We have more bills and aspirations then we have funds. We could use your donations and your help.

Our website committee met with Lois and Joe LeBlonde, Hazel Rasar and myself. Unfortunately the meeting was on our only snow day on a Friday and kept Judy and Dan away. Those who attended were excited about some of the things we will be able to do. We will hold another meeting later in January. If you are interested in knowing more, contact me at genealogy0715@gmail.com.

We now have a vacancy for the Education chairperson. The Communications and the Sunshine committee will be combined as one.

The library research phase of the ROOTS project will now morph into the internet phase. The students will start research using computer tools. As expected they are picking up on the procedures faster than the mentors.

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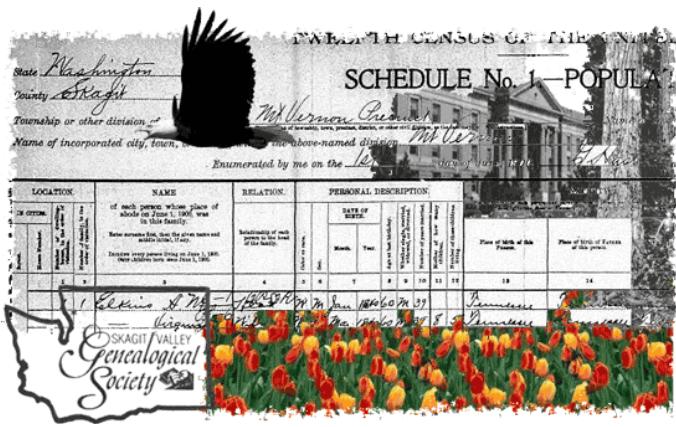
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Some Old Medical Terms

Below is a small list of medical related terms and below that links to several Web sites for additional information.

ague: Often used name for malarial fever or chills.

apoplexy: Stroke

bleeding, bloodletting: Draining a patient's blood, either by lancing the flesh or by applying live leeches.

calomel: Widely prescribed drug throughout the first half of the century. Thought to be a purgative because it caused heavy salivation and had a laxative effect. Highly toxic. Large doses destroyed patient's teeth and gums, caused oral ulcers, hair loss, sometimes facial deformities, and unbeknownst to the physicians of the time, heavy metal poisoning.

catarrh: Frequently used for any inflammation of the mucous membranes, especially in the nose and throat.

consumption: Tuberculosis.

dyspepsia: Indigestion.

gripe/la grippe: Influenza.

jalap: A powder used as a cathartic.

lung fever: Pneumonia.

miasma: Bad air or poisonous effluvium thought to be responsible for many diseases.

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[OliveTreeGenealogy.com: Glossary of Ancient Diseases](#)

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[Old Disease Names & Their Modern Definitions](#)

[Rudy's List of Archaic Medical Terms](#)



Skagit Valley Genealogical Society is no longer involved with the State Conference in August 2014. Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society will be hosting the State conference. The SVGS Conference Committee wishes them well and encourages SVGS members to mark their calendars for August 15-16, 2014 and plan to attend. The WSGS State Conference will be held at the Arlington High School in Arlington. Watch for more information at a later date.

It is regrettable that David Rencher of LDS will not be able to attend. Josh Taylor will be the Keynote speaker. He is president of FGS and is known for his association with the Antique Roadshow.

SSDI Access is Now Limited



Judy Russell, author of *The Legal Genealogist* blog, has written about the new restrictions now in place on the Security Death Master File — also known as the Social Security Death Index (SSDI). Her article is available at <http://www.legalgenealogist.com/blog/2013/12/30/ssdi-access-now-limited/>.

There is both bad news and good news:

Bad News: there are new restrictions on what was public domain information that can be useful to genealogists.

Good News: the restrictions apply only for records of individuals who died within the past three calendar years. I don't like that but suspect most genealogists can live with the restriction.

You can read more at <http://www.legalgenealogist.com/blog/2013/12/30/ssdi-access-now-limited/>.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on December 30, 2013 in [Legal affairs](#) |

Washington State Genealogical Society

Region One Report

Stephen Eric Baylor s.baylor@comcast.net

Sno-Isle will also host a mini seminar featuring guest speaker **Mary Kathryn Kozy** on three DNA topics. Seminar will be on Saturday, March 15. Times and venue TBA.

The Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society will be hosting the 2014 WSGS State Conference next August 15 and 16 at Arlington High School and the Byrnes Performing Arts Center. Featured speaker will be **Josh Taylor** of *Genealogy Road Show* fame. See the conference website at <http://www.wsgs2014conference.com>. You can also like us on facebook.

Society Programs:

Camwood Genealogical Group - CGG. Meets first Mondays at 1 PM at Stanwood Historical Society Museum, 27108 102nd Ave NW, Stanwood, WA.

The group meets informally to assist one another in genealogical research. No report.

Comeford Genealogical Study Group - CGSG. Meets every Thursday at 10 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. No report.

Genealogical Society of South Whidbey Island - GSSWI. Meets second Mondays at 1 PM at Trinity Lutheran Church, Woodward and HWY 525, Freeland, WA. Preceded by beginner's classes at 11:45 are at the same location.

Jan. 13: **Doreen Johnson** will give a presentation on *Using Newspapers in your Genealogical Research*.

Feb 10: **Eva Doherty Gremmert** talks on *Irish Research*.

Mar. 10: **Mary Roddy** will discuss *World War II Research*.

Skagit Valley Genealogical Society - SkVGS. Meets third Saturdays November through February at 1 PM at the Burlington Public Library, 820 E. Washington. Meets fourth Tuesdays March through October at 7 PM at the Burlington Community Center, 1011 Greenleaf, Burlington, WA.

Jan. 18: **Peter Ally** will combine family history and music in a presentation entitled *Genealogy and Flutes*.

Feb. 22: **Local "Experts"** will offer *Speed Dating for Genealogists*.

(Tue.) Mar. 25: (7 PM @ Burlington Community Center) **Carol Torset** will speak on *World War I and Genealogy Research*.

Sno-Isle Genealogical Society - SIGS. Currently meets first Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at the Heritage Cottage, 19903 Poplar Way, Lynnwood.

No January meeting. Happy New Year!

Feb. 5: **Steven Morrison** presents *Peopling the British Isles*.

(Sat.) Mar. 15: **Mary Kozy** mini seminar on *DNA*.

Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society - StVGS.

Meets Second Tuesdays at 1 PM at the Arlington Free Methodist Church, 730 East Highland Drive, Arlington, WA

Jan. 14: **Marlene Agnes** will talk on *Records of the Veteran's Administration*.

Feb. 11: **Leilani Lucrisia** will discuss *DNA Tests*.

Mar. 11: **Eric Stroschein** speaks on *Newly Discovered Records of the Poor*.

Whatcom Genealogical Society – WGS. Meets at the Bellingham Elks Lodge #194, lower level, 710 South Samish Way, Bellingham. I - 5 exit 252, then north on Samish Way.

Jan 13: No meeting. Happy New Year!

Feb. 10: **Eric Stroschein** will speak on a topic of interest to all members.

Mar. 10: **Judy Bayless** will give a presentation on *Cyndi's List*.

Whidbey Island Genealogical Searchers – WIGS. Meets second Tuesdays at 1 PM at Heller Road Fire Station, 2720 Heller Road, Oak Harbor, WA

Jan. 14: **Teru Lundsteen** will speak on *Writing Your Memoirs*.

Feb. 11: **Laura Sparr** will present the topic *Ship Passenger Lists and Beyond*.

Mar. 11: **Mark Burley** will talk on *Funeral Home Records for the Genealogist*.

MORE WEB-SITES TO LOOK INTO

1. Digitalarkivet (Norway) at <arkivverket.no/eng/content/view/full/629>

2. Missouri Digital Heritage at <www.sos.mo.gov/mdh>

3. Civil War Daily Gazette at <www.civilwardailygazette.com>

4. California obituaries at <www.cdnc.ucr.edu/cdnc>

Upcoming ROOTS events at the Burlington Library

Greetings,

Attached is a link to the Burlington Library website. The link goes to a page describing an exciting, professional, living history performance that is part of the ROOTS Project. The February 20th evening program will be a portrayal and a multi-media presentation on the subject of a Swedish immigrant's arrival in the Puget Sound area in the early 1900s. All of you with Scandinavian heritage will enjoy a look back into the hardships and struggles of your immigrant ancestors to the Pacific Northwest. Please help spread the word and invite your friends and family to attend this free community based event made possible by the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation grant to the Skagit Valley Genealogical Society and the Burlington Library.

See you there!

Margie Wilson

Link to the Burlington Library website:

<http://burlingtonwa.gov/Index.aspx?NID=351>

Your membership dues purchases subscriptions to "Internet Genealogy" and the "NGS Magazine" of the National Genealogical Society. They have a lot of information on a variety of topics that can be helpful to our individual research. The publications are located in our genealogy section of the Burlington Library. The list of articles (sometimes with commentary) are listed in the SVGS newsletter. Find something of interest? Go to the library, find the magazine, locate the article and photocopy it. Less expensive than subscribing to the magazine and you can take it home to read

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

Margie Wilson—SVGS Librarian



PASSPORT APPLICATIONS, 1795-1905

By (c) Michael John Neill, "Genealogy Tip of the Day," <http://genealogytipoftheday.blogspot.com>
Archive.Org Unindexed--Well not Quite
US passport applications are on Archive.org at no charge. The Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana, has allowed their microfilm copy to be digitized. The problem for most users is that the film on Archive.org is not indexed.

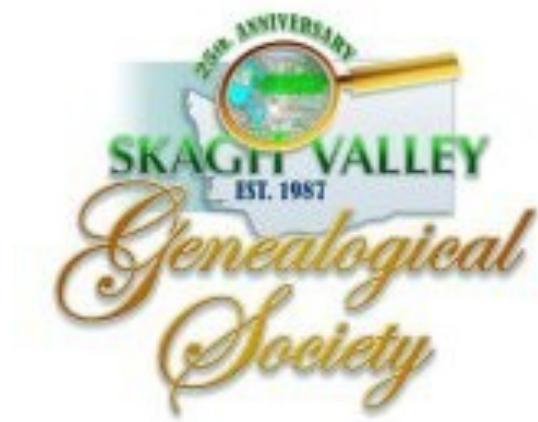
The US Passport Applications, 1795-1905 are indexed on Fold3.com. Non-subscribers to the site can search the passport application from 1795-1905 on Fold3.com and view "mini" versions of the documents and source information without a membership. This is done after searching and clicking on "quick look" after the search results come up.

December 12, 2013 EOGN Blog by Dick Eastman

New Congressional Bill Proposes to Limit Access to the Death Master File/Social Security Death Index
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SSDI Unfortunately, this is no surprise. The genealogy community has been watching the trends to stop access to public records and Congress has been pressured for some time to restrict one of the more important tools for genealogists. Sadly, if this bill passes, identity thieves will find it easier to steal money than ever before. (See my earlier article about that at <http://goo.gl/z8vHfx>.) The Records Preservation and Access Committee, a joint committee of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, the National Genealogical Society, and the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies, has been watching this issue for years. The committee reports: The Bipartisan Budget Bill 2014 includes a revenue –generating provision that limits access to the Death Master File/Social Security Death Index. The provisions are identical to bills IAJGS and the genealogical community have been opposing in submitted statements to the US Congress for several years as there are no provisions to permit genealogists to have immediate access nor the special categories of genealogists that the genealogical community have agreed are to be given immediate access while the rest of us may wait a few years. The budget bill includes penalties for violations \$1,000 per violations with a cap of \$250,000 per person violator which is included in the revenue generating provisions.

You can read much more about this in the Records Preservation and Access Committee blog at: <http://www.fgs.org/rpac/2013/12/11/budget-bill-includes-the-access-limitations-for-death-master-filessdi/>.



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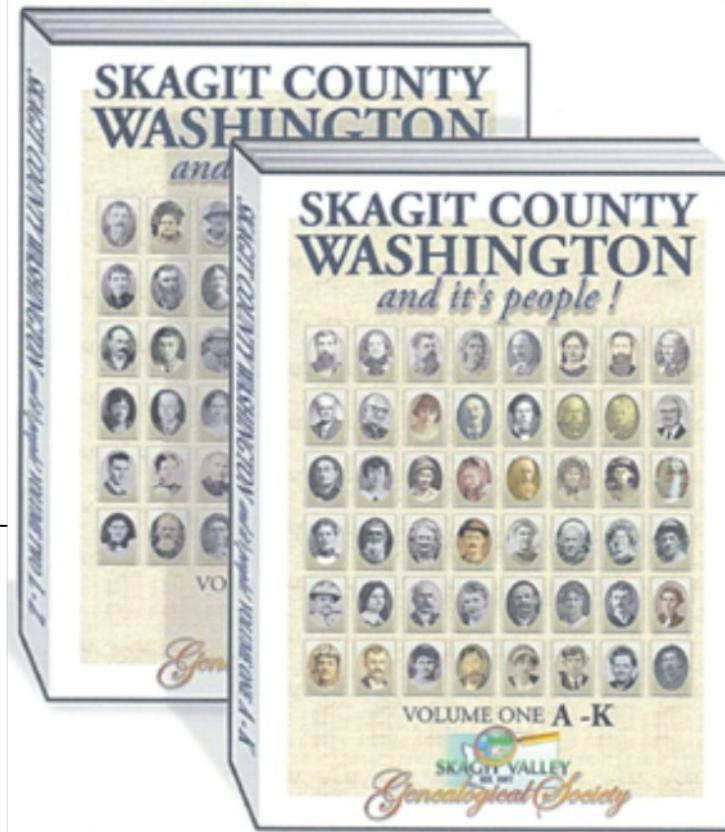
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Remembrance World War I Centenary

2014 marks the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of the first World War in which more than 4 million Americans and over 600,000 Canadians would eventually serve. With the death of Canada's last surviving WWI veteran in 2010, and America's in 2011, the war has now passed from living memory.

To commemorate the centenary, many more resources are being made available online which can help you learn more about your WWI ancestors .

This is part of an article in the Internet Genealogy magazine Dec/Jan 2014. It was written by Carol Richey.

It has commemorative sites that you can go to, such as www.livesofthefirstworldwar.org. This site aims to profile more than 8 million men and women from Britain and the Commonwealth who played a role in the war both on the home front and who served. Another site www.canadaatwar.ca, which is dedicated to Canadians who served; <http://firstworldwar.com> is a multimedia history of the conflict which contains primary documents, details of significant battles, memoirs and diaries. They have many more site from American resources, also a site that examines WWI remittance listed on the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) Archive.

This article has many more sources that are not listed and it also gives an article on obtaining your WWI ancestor's service records

I would like to thank Barbara Johnson for an excellent job as vice-president for the last 4 years. She was able to find many interesting topics for all of us to learn from.

Congratulations to our new vice-president Carol Torset. It is nice to see new faces step up and volunteer. She has not held an office or been on the board of the society before. We need some new blood that can help bring new ideas to help the society improve and get better.

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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

Skagit Valley Genealogical Society Upcoming Programs



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Peter Ali will entertain us with some lovely music while he discusses his family history.

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We had so much fun with this last year so we are going to try it again. You'll have 4-5 minutes to present your Brick Wall; we'll answer in 4-5 minutes.

March 25th @ 7:00 PM at the Burlington Senior Center: "World War 1 and Genealogy Research"

presented by Carol Torset.

April 22nd @ 7:00 PM at the Burlington Senior Center: "DNA" presented by Barbara Johnson.

May 27th @ 7:00 PM at the Burlington Senior Center: "Recap and Outcomes of the ROOTS Program" from the instructor's perspective presented by Linda Larabee.

June 24th @ 7:00 PM at the Burlington Senior Center: "Researching Land Records" by Cori Russell, Records Management Coordinator, Skagit County Records Management.

September 23rd TBD

October 28th TBD

November 18th Brick Walls - Year-end meeting.

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SVGS Library Report for March 2014

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To show our appreciation for former SVGS president for her leadership for two terms, SVGS purchased a new book in her honor: "Family Photo Detective" by Maureen Taylor. Thank you Dottie for your service to SVGS.

The paper files of family histories and photographs that were contributed to SVGS for inclusion in the publication of the two family history books: *Skagit County and Its People* are now archived at the Burlington Library in SVGS' allocated cabinets. These valuable documents are stored in the lateral file cabinets located in the center of the main library room adjacent to the database only computers. These cabinets are kept locked at all times to secure this valuable collection. *If you wish to access these files, please ask the Burlington Library reference desk librarian to unlock the files for you.* These materials may not be removed from the library. These materials are only for in-the-library reading, and research. If you have a specific question about any of these files please direct your questions to Dan Royal or Hazel Rasar, who are more familiar with the contents of those files.

See you at the SVGS Library!

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Can you believe it? Almost a quarter of 2014 done flashed by. As a society we are working hard to get our 2014 Spring Seminar organized. We have a place and we have speakers lined up. All we need is to advertise and have the people come. There is more detail in this newsletter.

At our last board meeting, we plan on tiding up the last pieces to complete Book 2 of the book project. Dan says we need to think about ordering more books to sell.

We are working on developing and offering a series of "Basic Genealogy" classes. We will be offering new classes starting in Anacortes in the very near future. Stay tuned for more information.

The ROOTS project is still going well. On March 20, 2014 the students and mentors will be traveling to Seattle to NARA and to the Seattle Public Library. Promises to be an educational and fun day.

Finally, Judy Hakins, Margie Wilson and I took the two evening Wordpress class offered by Skagit Valley College. Lots of new things have been added to our new website, skagitvalleygenealogy.org. Be sure to take a look.

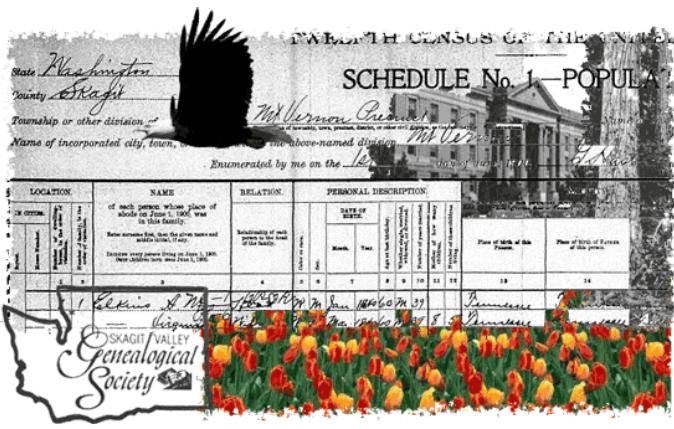
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2014 Annual Seminar

"GENEALOGY FOR EVERYONE"

We have missed a year or two but when we checked back on our calendars this will be our 11th Annual Seminar. We have reserved the First United Methodist Church at 1607 E. Division in Mount Vernon for June 14. Our speakers have been scheduled. Donna Potter-Phillips from Spokane will be with us as will Dave Obee from Victoria, B.C. We will also have sessions that we hope will interest beginners. Two of our society members, Barbara Johnson and Rita Schulze will be having sessions as will Judy Bayless of Bellingham. Barbara and Judy have been active in the Roots project. Whatever your level of researching we hope you will join us and enjoy our upcoming seminar. We are planning early registration to begin in mid April. Watch for further information

Some Humor and Facts

There is a fine
Line between a
Packrat and a
Serious family

If you think your family
Is normal, you probably
Aren't a genealogist.

Here are a few laws that were on the books and some still are.

Virginia Laws:

It is against the law to have a bathtub inside, they must be outside.

In any eating establishment, it is illegal to flip a coin to see who will buy a cup of coffee.

Tennessee Laws:

It is illegal for frogs to croak after 11pm

It is illegal for a woman to drive by herself in Memphis.

A man must walk or run in front of the vehicle, waving a red flag in order to warn approaching pedestrians and motorists.

North Carolina:

Persons in possession of illegal substances must pay taxes on them.

If a man and a woman who aren't married go to a hotel/motel and register themselves as married, then according to state law, they are legally married.

2014 Washington State Genealogy Conference

The 2014 Washington State Genealogy Conference will be August 15th and 16th at the Byrnes Performing Arts Center located in Arlington, Washington. The Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society is this year's host. The registration fee is only \$75 (\$70 early registration for Washington State Genealogical Society members) so attendees from out of town can afford to stay overnight. This is a 2 day conference that anyone interested in research and family history will not want to miss.* Online Registration opens March 15th* at www.stillygen.org. Some class sizes are limited so early registration is highly recommended.

Following a full day of classes D. Joshua Taylor of NBC's Emmy nominated **Who Do You Think You Are?** and PBS's **Genealogy Roadshow** will address the crowd at Friday's banquet with an exciting and poignant topic on the future of genealogy entitled *Gen Y and The Family Tree.* Saturday he will conduct three different presentations, focusing on methodology and advanced online search techniques. Josh is an internationally known genealogical author, lecturer and researcher.

With over 23 sessions, this conference will help you destroy your brick walls, advance your skills, and further your research by featuring some of the best genealogy speakers in the northwest and the nation. Speakers will explore methodology, technology and DNA. Some will demonstrate great techniques, others the use of technology, plus some will explain how you can incorporate science into your research.

You will find the lineup of speakers and so much more at www.wsgs2014conference.com you can also find info on Facebook at WSGS2014Conference

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Reap the rewards of relatives' genealogy research in online family tree databases.

The online family tree collections that are listed below have billions of names. Most of these databases have a lot of duplicates, so the number of unique persons is much lower. Searching in one of these databases might even tie you to a tree that instantly extends your pedigree back several generations. You may be able to find names, dates and places; old documents, photos attached to a profile. Remember to always double check your leads, because not all are correct, but they may still help lead you in a direction to help you. Some are free and some have a free basic account while others may cost money.

Ancestry Member Trees:

Public Trees: search.ancestry.com/search/db/aspx?dbid=1030

Private Trees: search.ancestry.com/search/db/aspx?dbid=1006

2.1 billion names in Public Trees; 769 million in Private Trees.

Family Search Family Tree:

www.familysearch.org/tree

900 million names

FamilySearch Genealogies:

familysearch.org/family-trees

240 million names

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2.1 billion names (this site claims 5.3 billion, but that number includes living people, who come up in searches as "private")

My Trees

www.mytrees.com

307 million names

MyHeritage

www.myheritage.com

1.5 billion names

RootsWeb WorldConnect Project

wc.rootswb.ancestry.com

720 million names

Tribal Pages

www.tribalpages.com

115 million names

This is from an article in Jan/Feb 2014 issue of Family Tree Magazine by Rick Crume

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Bottle Deposits

Lottery Tickets and promotional tickets

Money Orders

Western Union

Fuel

Sales Tax

Tobacco

Headstone Heirlooms

You usually don't think of tombstones as heirlooms but they are historical artifacts that preserves information about your family. There is more to learn from them than what you might see in an online photo, says Joy Giguere, a trustee of the Association for Gravestones Studies

www.gravestonestudies.org

Besides names and dates what should a genealogist look for in the cemeteries?

Gravestones can tell you about society at the time they were created such as the material, and carving are just one of the things

There are clues on restoring and or repairing a tombstone, cleaning the stones, advice on QR (Quick Response) codes, like laser etching and other modern technology. There are some books listed on clue for different times and places such as **Stories in Stone: A Field Guide to Cemetery Symbolism and Iconography** by Douglas Keister.

This is just part of the article that is in the Family Tree

1921 Canada Census— ready to explore.

Search 8.8 million new records from the Roaring Twenties.

Discover your family story during this iconic era in the most recently released census of Canada. Find new information such as names, ages, and occupations of your ancestors—available only at Ancestory.com.



Would You Qualify as a Witch in 1692?

The Salem Witch Trials of 1692 accused many of practicing witchcraft, almost all of them on evidence we would consider to be "shaky" today. If you were around in 1692, what are the odds that YOU would be so accused? And, if found guilty, hanged?

Leah Beckman has written an eye-opening article describing the things that could be used against you and identify you as a witch. You can find her article at <http://www.mentalfloss.com/article/55276/17-signs-youd-qualify-witch-1692>.

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Washington State Archives is Running Out of Space to Store its History

The Washington State Archives is overflowing with boxes of records and other items worth preserving. As a result, each new box of historic materials generated by the Inslee administration forces a box of older keepsakes from preceding executives, state leaders, Supreme Court justices and others to be shifted around in the 47,000-square-foot building, or shipped out. Birth, death, and marriage records are also crammed into the diminishing available space.

Secretary of State Kim Wyman, who oversees the archives, is seeking \$250,000 for a study to put a new facility in the Olympia area to house the archives and state library. She's also asked for \$105,900 to secure a multi-year lease for 25,000 square feet of warehouse space and \$707,500 to pay for shelving and equipment. This week, she got the good news that the Senate and the House had each included money in their proposed supplemental budgets.

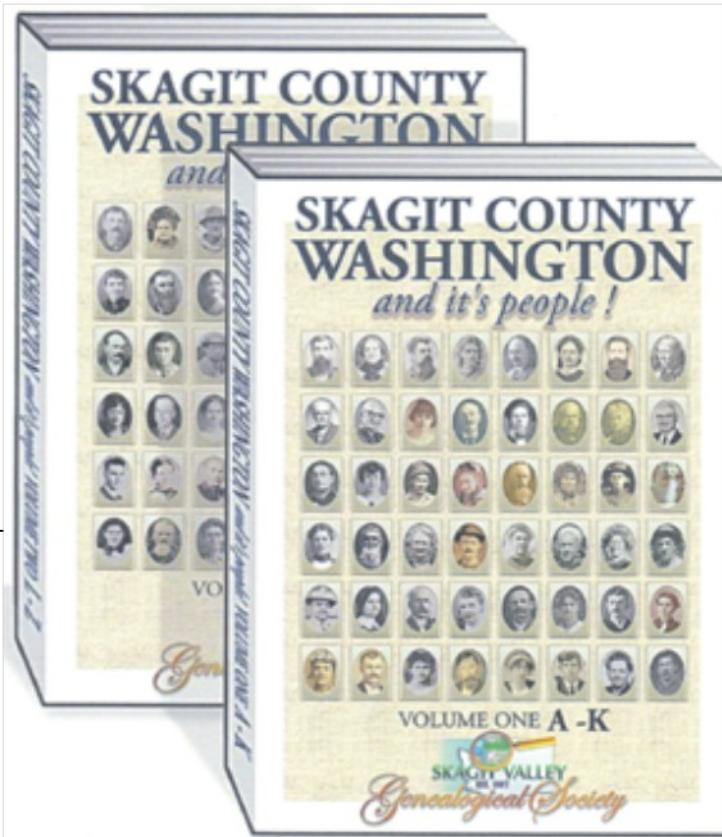
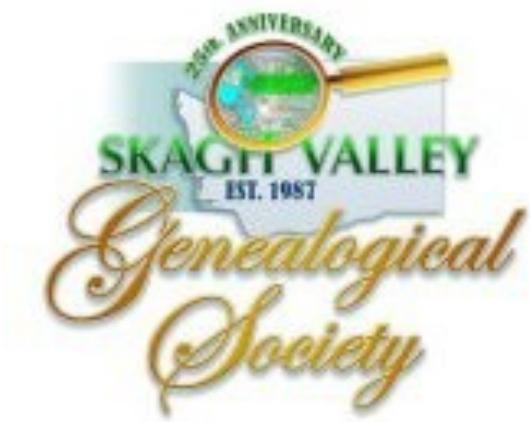
You can read much more in an article by Jerry Cornfield published in the Daily Herald of Everett, Washington, at <http://goo.gl/hjs27i>.

Posted by [Dick Eastman](#) on March 03, 2014

ARRIVALS AT CASTLE GARDEN

[From the Bureau County Tribune 29 March 1889]

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LOOKING AROUND FOR A WAY TO GET MORE GENEALOGICAL EDUCATION?

Why not try a Webinar?

Legacy Family Tree has just announced their Free Webinar Schedule for 2014, Yes, I said FREE!

Here is what is up for January 2014

What's New In Legacy Family Tree 8, by Geoff Rasmussen.

Are You a GOON: What is a One-Name Study and Why Do One?

By Kirsty Gray

Too Many with the Same Name, by Karen Clifford

Irish Research 101, by Judy Wight

Ten Reasons Your Ancestor Was in Canada, by Kathryn L. Hogan.

For what is coming up and how to sign up, just go here:

<http://www.familytreewebinars.com/>

Orders for Microfilm and Fiche Will Be Restricted During April, 2014

The Granite Mountain Vault will be shifting a large amount of films into their newly renovated space. This entails moving half a million rolls of film, and numerous cabinets of fiche and digital media. Since it will be risky to pull items during this time, the Family History Library will not be able to order microfiche or any microfilms above 1,881,705. Film and fiche with numbers less than 1,881,704 and lower can still be ordered.

Woman's Fashion 1840-1847

Bodice: Long and tight with fan-shaped gatherings; pointed in the front; back fastening.

Neckline: Wide, shallow, horizontal neckline; gradually gets narrower.

Sleeves: Long, tight to arm, with tight oversleeve on upper arms.

Accessories: Fingerless gloves; gold watches on a long chain; caps and bonnets; ribbon bracelets.

Hair: Large combs; center part; close to head; long ringlets

Men's Fashion 1840-1850

Coats: Extra-long, narrow sleeve

Shirt: Dress; tailored white cotton, narrow sleeves; small collar turned up under a tie

Work: colors and patterns or smocks

Necktie: Tied in a horizontal bowknot, dark colored

Trousers:

Hair & Beard: Ear-length, parted high at one side; clean shaven but fringe beards.

This is from the book Family Photo Detective by Maureen A. Taylor. It is only a sample of excellent info on solving photos from the past.

Skagit Valley Genealogical Society Upcoming Programs



March 25th @ 7:00 PM at the Burlington Senior Center: "**World War 1 and Genealogy Research**"

Carol Torset will talk on "World War I and Genealogy Research." 2014 marks the Centennial Year of the beginning of World War I. Carol will share information on the war and its impact on generations as well as burial sites and lost records.

April 22nd @ 7:00 PM at the Burlington Senior Center: "**DNA**"

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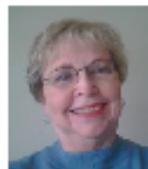
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SVGS Library News

It has been another period of generous donations being made to the SVGS Library collection. Recent donations include: Several New England region genealogy books from Bob Witherspoon's estate. We are particularly pleased to have received his donation of "The Great Migration" books series. This series covers the early settlement of Massachusetts from 1620 to the mid-1630s. Also, several books of interest to Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Maine researchers were included.

JoAnn Duckworth's estate also contributed another set of beautiful books. These books focused on Nova Scotia, Canada, Iowa and Ohio genealogy research. SVGS extends a sincere thank you to both the Whatcom Genealogical Society and the Duckworth family for their assistance with these donations to SVGS' library.

Bill Melander donated books of interest to Norwegian and Swedish genealogy researchers and a series of *Swedish American Genealogy* magazines.

Volunteers are always needed to help assist visitors to SVGS' collection on Monday's from 11am-1pm. For those of you new to SVGS, the genealogy library collection is located at the Burlington Public Library, 820 E. Washington Ave. The more volunteers we have on the team means the volunteers don't need to sign up for a shift as often. The 3rd and 4th Mondays of the month are currently needed during the summer months. If you would like to volunteer or if you want to learn more about how you can help with the SVGS Library collection please contact Margie Wilson, 360-757-6224 or wil-songm@frontier.com. We'd love to have you join the library team!

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President's Message

Hi,

A year ago, I described how I flew out to see my parents in Casper, Wyoming. This year my daughter and I drove out in my pickup. Had a wonderful, wonderful trip and time with my folks. They were so excited to see their granddaughter.

Lots of things change in a year's time. We are not hosting the 2014 State Conference but instead are having our own Summer Seminar on June 14, 2014 at the Mount Vernon First United Methodist Church. Hurry and register before June 1st. More details are available in this newsletter.

The R.O.O.T.S. Project is winding down to its conclusion on this coming Thursday the 22nd of May. If you can come, please do not miss the inspiring story of 15 students working with genealogy mentors at the Burlington Public Library. Check out our calendar on skagitvalley-genealogy.org for more details.

Our next major project after the summer break will be to start holding Beginner Genealogy classes. I could really use some help in the development of curriculum, scheduling, volunteers, etc. *You do not have to be an expert in genealogy to help with this project.*

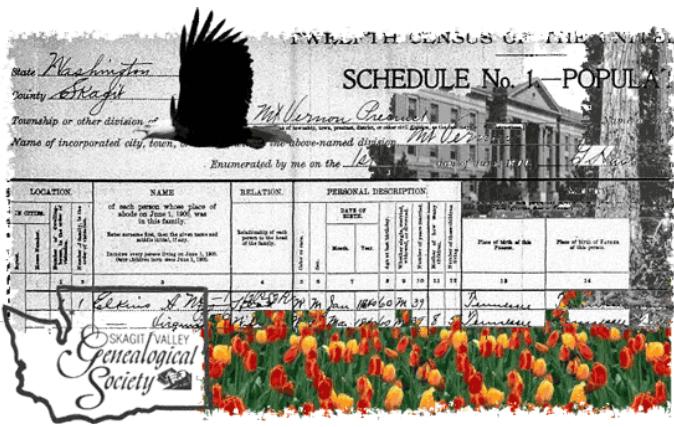
SVGS needs to branch out throughout the county. We need to try to involve Anacortes, LaConner, Sedro Woolley and upriver Concrete.

Finally, I will not continue as President after this year. This fall we need to find and elect a new President. I will continue on the board as Previous President. I will be happy to mentor the new electee. If you have any leanings this way, please step forward. The society needs you.

President's Message

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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 or 360-856-2410. She will happily take your ideas to heart.

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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

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November 18th **Brick Walls –What have you found this year** and what would you like to see?
Year-end meeting.

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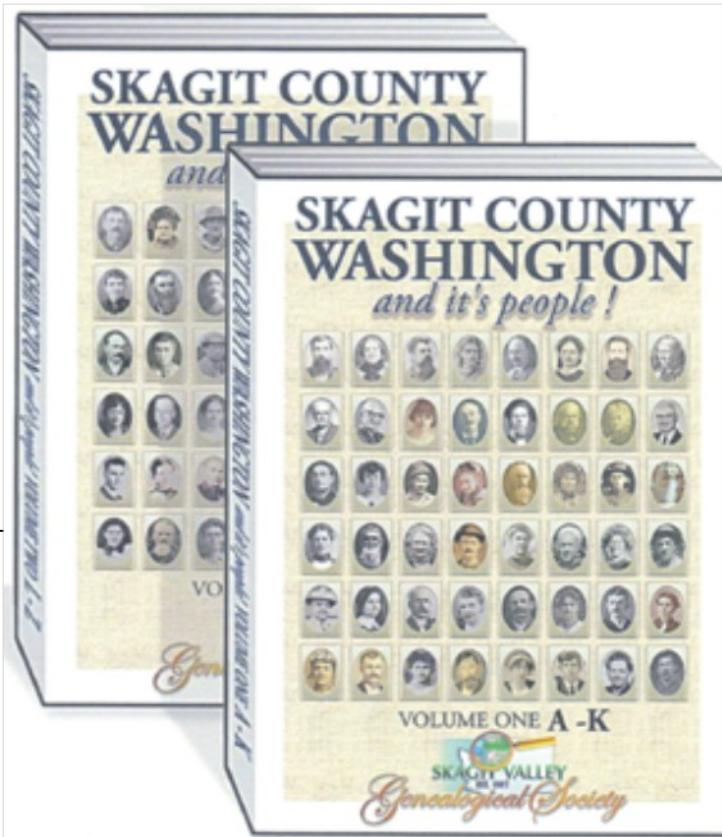
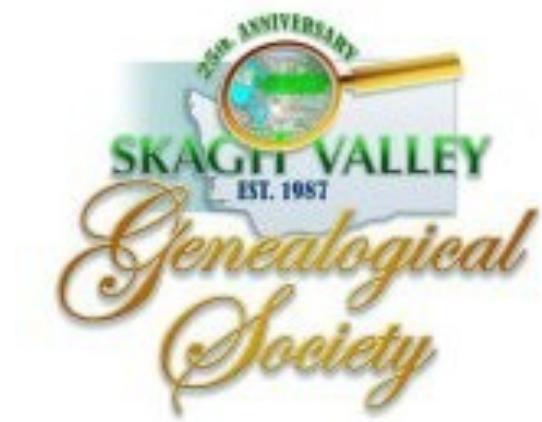
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9:00 am - 9:10 am WELCOME - George Ridgeway		
9:10 am - 9:25 am Jim Johnson/Heritage Quest - <i>Introduction to the Flip Pal Scanner</i>		
9:30 am - 10:45 am <input type="checkbox"/> A1 <input type="checkbox"/> A2	A1 Donna Potter-Phillips - <i>Researching A Place Online Living Here And Searching There</i> Learn how to locate research resources in distant locales.	A2 Rita Schulze - <i>Basic Beginning Genealogy</i> Begin with group sheets & ancestor charts progressing to more involved aspects of researching your family history.
10:45 am - 11:15 am	BREAK / VENDORS / DOOR PRIZES	In REES FIREPLACE ROOM
11:15 am - 12:30 am <input type="checkbox"/> B1 <input type="checkbox"/> B2	B1 Dave Obee - <i>Seven Habits of Highly Successful Genealogists</i> - It doesn't matter where you are researching, certain practices will help to increase your chances of success-- and the quality of your collected information. Keep these 7 points in mind as you work, and you will be less likely to be led astray.	B2 Judy Bayless - <i>"Getting the Most Out of Cyndi's List"</i> Cyndi's List, the mega-index for genealogical resources on the Internet, has been a "go-to" site for genealogists for 18 years. Now with over 300,000 links in 200+ categories and more than 43,000 sub-categories, as well as a major upgrade, Cyndi's List is better than ever. Learn what's new since the upgrade and discover the many features you may be overlooking.
12:30 am - 1:30 pm	LUNCH / VENDORS / DOOR PRIZES	
1:30 pm - 2:35 pm <input type="checkbox"/> C1 <input type="checkbox"/> C2	C1 Dave Obee - <i>Your Library in the Cloud: A Genealogical Guide to Digital Collections</i> There are billions of scanned pages on the Internet -- a collection few physical libraries could match. The problem is that pages relevant to your research can be difficult to track down. This session provides ideas on how to find the documents that will help you learn more about your families or the local histories of the area where they lived. Includes web links.	C2 Judy Bayless - <i>"The Genealogical Proof Standard –What is it and Why You Should Be Using it?"</i> The GPS is a standard by which genealogists can reach a greater degree of credibility in their conclusions, whether proving the identity of an ancestor or a relationship. The five-step process will help to focus your research, provide ways to better analyze and evaluate the evidence, and come to a valid and sound conclusion, or proof – one that will stand up to careful scrutiny.
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Medical history (e.g. Health issues common with family members, life-threatening disease diagnosis)

Life advice (e.g., view on aging, words of wisdom to share with children and grandchildren)

Career highlights (e.g., significant work achievements, favorite job).

The survey, which polled 2,058 U.S. Adults ages 18 and older, was commissioned by APFM to explore the relationship between adult children and their mothers and to emphasize the importance of learning more about a parent's history. Survey highlights include: The top three things U.S. Adults wanted to learn were family history (64 percent), personal history (59 percent) and medical history (45 percent);

42 percent of U.S. Adults were interested in hearing more life advice from their mothers, such as views on aging and words of wisdom to share with children and grandchildren;

Out of the five topics presented, career highlights ranked the lowest at 23 percent;

Men and women were both equally interested in knowing more about their mothers with 79 percent of males and 82 percent of females indicating they are interested in learning more about their mothers

"For Mother's Day, we are encouraging adult children to learn more about their family history, beginning with their mothers," said Sean Kell, CEO of A Place for Mom. "Making the effort to explore your ancestry can bring family members closer together, provide important health information and help facilitate discussions about how parents envision spending the rest of their lives. This conversation can help families bridge the discussion to the more complex topic of senior care." To honor mom, APFM encourages families to take the time to learn about their personal, medical and family history. Not only does this shed light on important pieces of information, it can also serve as a way to start the difficult conversation about senior care. APFM recommends the following five questions to help start or continue the conversation: What have you enjoyed the most about your life? Ask mom questions about her childhood, her college years or when she met her spouse. Find out what she enjoyed the most during these different stages of her life. Her responses could provide some insights into what she values the most and can pave the way for a discussion on how she would like to live the next stage of her life.

What would you like to do or accomplish in the next five years? Whether it's travelling, spending more time with family or learning new skills, this question can help mothers feel as though their opinion is valued. Furthermore, it can help adult children figure out what type of senior care or living arrangements they should consider in the future. There are many different types of niche communities available today that cater to different interests.

What financial and legal documents should I know about? Knowing where and how to access important financial and legal documents can help the process of planning for senior care easier. Furthermore, information such as whether mom was previously married to a war veteran, or if she signed up for long-term care insurance, can help figure out budget parameters for senior care.

Does our family have a history of illnesses? Being familiar with your family's health history is important in anticipating potential health issues – for yourself and your aging parents.

How can I help you continue to maintain the best quality of life? Starting the conversation about senior care is usually not easy. But reminding your parents that you are there to provide support and to help ensure a good quality of life during their senior years can help them feel in control.

As part of their mission to encourage families to research their family history, A Place for Mom is offering the chance to win a one-year membership to Ancestry.com, the world's largest online family genealogy resource. More information can be found on the A Place for Mom Senior Living Blog. About A Place for Mom

A Place for Mom, Inc. (APFM) is the nation's largest senior living referral service with 300 senior living advisors providing resources and personalized assistance in finding senior living services. Using its nationwide network of nearly 20,000 providers, APFM helps families find options based on a loved one's stated needs, preferences and budget. This may include independent senior housing, home care, residential care homes, assisted living communities and specialized Alzheimer's memory care. The service is offered at no charge to families as providers pay a fee to APFM. For more information, visit <http://www.aplaceformom.com>, call 1-877-311-6099 or visit one of APFM's social networks at Twitter, Facebook, Google +, Senior Living Blog and Pinterest. Methodology

This survey was conducted online within the United States by Harris Poll on behalf of A Place for Mom from May 1-5, 2014 among 2,058 adults ages 18 and older. This online survey is not based on a probability sample and therefore no estimate of theoretical sampling error can be calculated. For complete survey methodology, including weighting variables, please contact kdela@hlgrp.com.



Who will you remember?



It's finally here – on Monday 12 May, we're launching Lives of the First World War to the public. Read on to find out how you can get involved.

Registering with Lives of the First World War

On Monday, everyone will be able to register with Lives of the First World War, and start piecing together the Life Stories of millions of people. As the permanent digital memorial, it brings together material from museums, libraries, archives and family collections. We need your help to explore those documents, to link them together, and to start telling the stories of the people behind them.

You'll be able to start piecing together a Life Story with a source of evidence – perhaps a photo of a letter home, or an official death record. From there, you can start adding facts – like the date they died, or the names of their parents, or even a family story about their experiences in the war.

This is just the beginning. We are continually improving the site and we'll be adding great new features to help everyone discover and explore those Life Stories. This is a project of unprecedented scale, and we look forward to welcoming you on board.

[Watch the video](#)

Launch day

On Monday, we'll be talking about Lives of the First World War all over the place; join the conversation on [Twitter](#) and on our [Facebook](#) page.

And if you want to read more about the project and the stories being uncovered, check out our [blog](#) – have you been keeping up with Rifleman Stephen Brown's letters home?

Thanks,

Lives of the First World War team

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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 3rd 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 14th 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. 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 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.

George E. Ridgeway

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 apious 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 or 360-856-2410. She will happily take your ideas to heart.

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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

Fred Meyer's New Program

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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.

Skagit Valley Genealogical Society is enrolling in this program.

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Tobacco

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.

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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

Sept. - Oct. 2014

(Please send calendar corrections or updates to Steve Baylor, 360-435-4469) or 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.

Thursdays in October - 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/>

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 - GSSI - 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 for more information; also, Gordon Garnhart garnhart@whidbey.net. Meeting at 2720 Heller Rd., Fire station #25, just north of Crosby Road in Oak Harbor.

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2014 - Stillaguamish Genealogical Society - SGGS - 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.

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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

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, or Sharon Neem, neems-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.

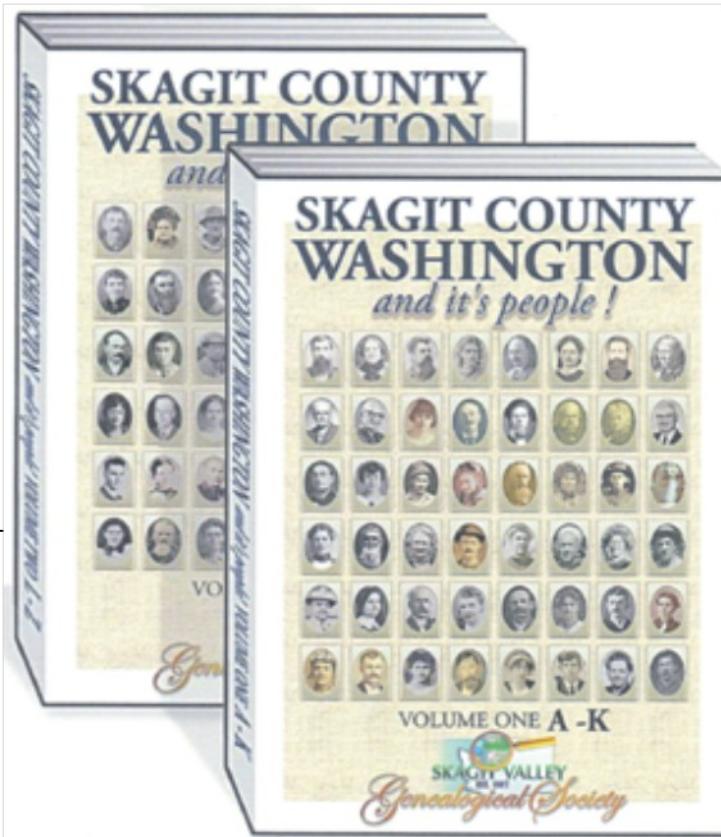
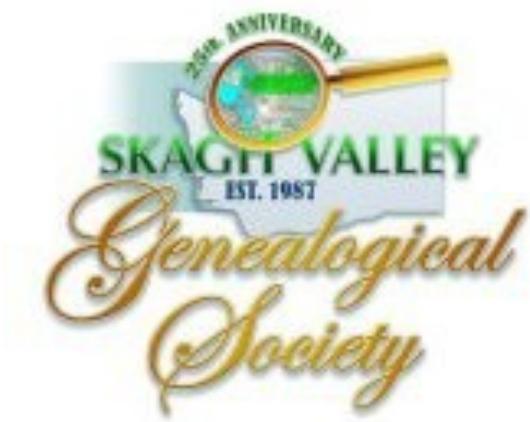
Mondays, Oct. 6 - 27 - Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society - StVGS. Classes in Beginning Genealogy 6:30 - 9 PM. Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society Library, 215 S. French Ave., Arlington. \$10 for series. Register through City of Arlington Recreation and Community Education office at City 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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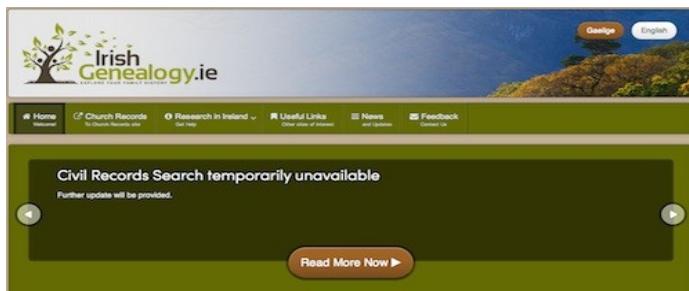
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Dick Eastman · July 21, 2014 · Current Affairs

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/> 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>.

SKAGIT REBEKAH LODGE #82

Mt. Vernon, Washington

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):

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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. 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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President's Message

Usually a Colorado river raft trip begins in relatively calm waters and quickly proceeds to rough and turbulent rapids. My tenur as Skagit Valley Genealogical Society President began with chaotic and wild water and gradually settled to smooth and tranquil waters.

During my presidency I am proud of the accomplishments of the SVGS board.

After a rocky start in 2013, we partnered with the Burlington Public Library in a new and unique program that brought senior citizen genealogy mentors together with high school seniors toward finding family ancestors. The program sponsored through a Paul Allen grant concentrated on research methods. Margie Wilson wrote the grant. The program ended with 15 high school students presenting the results of their finding to family and friends at the BPL.

In these last two years, SVGS completed a history book projected entitled "Skagit County Washington & It's People". The history book project started 10 years ago this fall and was spear-headed by board members and co-chairs Hazel Rasar and Dan Royal along with a sub-committee of the Publication Committee. The result of this project is two volumes in both paperback and hard cover.

We were encouraged to hold the Washington State 2014 annual genealogy seminar in Skagit County. Circumstances caused the event to be held in Arlington by the Stillaguamish Genealogical Society. I like to think that this years resounding success for the State seminar came from the excellent advise and planning SVGS offered in the beginning stages.

The SVGS board consisting of the presidency and the chairpersons planned and hosted a very successful Summer Seminar at the Mount Vernon First United Methodist Church. We held a good seminar with excellent presentations and made a little money.

During the months of September and October, 2014, we held a 6 week, 2 hour per session Beginners Genealogy Workshop at the Burlington and Anacortes Public Libraries. During those twelve sessions, we had a total of 36 people attend the classes. I want to thank the volunteers who taught those classes: Rita Schultze, Judy Bayless, Nancy and John Ruhlmann, Barbara Johnson and myself. I also want to thank all of the people who acted as support in registration, and putting up chairs and tables. □

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As the webmaster I recommended that we leave Rootsweb and revise our website. The new website is located at skagitvalleygenealogy.org.

And finally, the board was constantly active in house-keeping with bylaws, standing order revisions, budgeting, etc, etc. Mainly keeping the SVGS ship of state gliding through waters in order to provide you, our membership, the benefits of an active and thriving genealogy society.

George E. Ridgeway Jr.

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President/Webmaster 2013 – 2014

I was proud to be your president for these two years.

I want to extend my congratulations and good wishes to SVGS new president and secretary

Hawaii State Archives Go Digital

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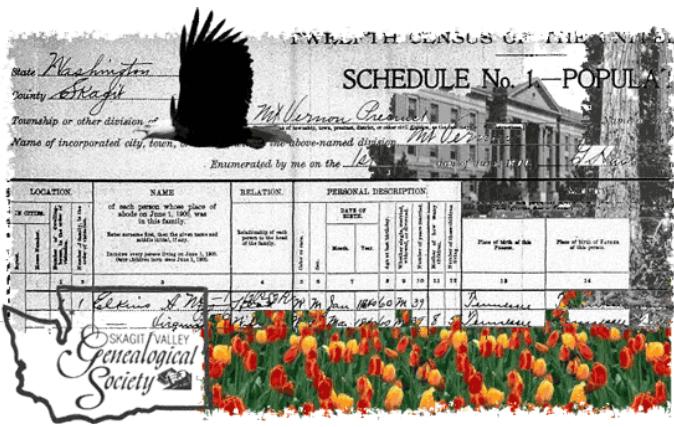
Hawaii's state archives are going digital. Soon, from the comfort of your home you can check records that include your genealogy and marriage licenses.

Paper state government records have been preserved at the archives for decades. However, for years now the government has gone paperless for many documents and that became a problem. A team is now working on how to store the digital data properly to make it available for everyone online.

Officials said legislative records will go online first, but the more than half a million records will eventually include historic documents, such as an 1849 petition.

A few of the documents are already online. The remainder are expected to be completed in October 2015.

You can read more and watch a video at: <http://goo.gl/BeMvzF>.



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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 or 360-856-2410. She will happily take your ideas to heart.

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If anyone would like queries or surnames to be posted in

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



SVGS Member,

If you have been to our website, you can see that it has a lot of useful tabs. I am looking for some people who would like to learn how to create pages and posts on the site. If you have an interest or if you know someone who would like to learn a little about WordPress. Let me know at george-wayjr@gmail.com.

Thank you.

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

Margie Wilson—SVGS Librarian



Step by Step Procedure to Use Fred Meyer Rewards Program

1) Go to browser and put the following address in the search window.◦ www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards

2) On the right top corner you will see Sign | Register ◦ Click on Register if you have not done so already.◦ You need to create an account by registering.▪ You will be asked for an email address and a password of your choice.▪ Be sure to select the store. The zip for the Fred Meyer in Burlington is 98233.▪ Be sure to write down this information in case you forget it.

3) When your account is being setup you will receive a 14 digit number. That will be number for your account.◦ Again, write this down.

4) Once you sign in to your account with your email address and password. You will be in an Account Summary page.◦ At the bottom of that page is Community Awards.◦ Click on the Edit button and enter the following:▪ Skagit Valley Genealogical Society▪ 86204▪ Enrollment Date

5) That's it. You are now registered in the Fred Meyer rewards program with your matching rewards points going to SVGS.

We have received two \$50.00 + checks with only 9 people registered.

EARLY VITAL RECORDS OF MASSACHUSETTS FROM 1600 TO 1850

[Michael John Neill, "Genealogy Tip of the Day," <http://genealogytipoftheday.blogspot.com>>The following are articles by Michael John Neill]

If you've got ancestors in Massachusetts between 1600 and 1850, consider taking a look at the free transcriptions of vital records on this site: <http://ma-vitalrecords.org/>

Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter

The Daily Online Genealogy Newsletter

Huge New King County, Washington, Database Unveiled

[Dick Eastman](#) · [October 30, 2014](#) · [Online Sites](#), [Societies](#) · [No Comments](#)

The following announcement was written by the Seattle Genealogical Society:

The Seattle Genealogical Society is proud to announce the availability of a huge database, the SGS King County Court Cases Index, 1881-1980, or KC3I for short. This index contains over 1.7 million records. Of these, divorces and other end-of marriage cases comprise over 700,000 of the entries, and probate and similar cases account for nearly 300,000 more.



Seattle Genealogical Society

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The KC3I was created over a ten year period by a small but resolute group of SGS volunteers from over 100 boxes of index cards from the Chicago Title Company. It is an index of **ALL** King County court cases that could potentially affect property rights, and therefore the title to property from before 1881 through 1980. In addition to divorce and probate cases, the KC3I also includes all King County court cases involving name changes, community property agreements and guardianships, among others. Nearly 80,000 hours of volunteer time went into the creation of the KC3I.

As its name suggests, the KC3I is an index only. It does not contain abstracts or summaries of these cases. A search of this index:

- A) informs you if your ancestor was a party in one or more cases during this period;
- B) lists the date and a few other details about each case (such as date of marriage or death, wife's maiden name, etc.); and
- C) provides you with the case number and date of each case.

Once you have the case numbers, you can then obtain the complete case records from the King County Court Clerk's office.

Anyone with ancestors who lived in King County, Washington between 1850 and 1980 should be aware of this index, which is not available anywhere else, other than in the King County Superior Court Clerk's office.

For more information, please visit <http://www.seattlegenealogicalsociety.org/kc3i> or email us at SGSkc3iLookups@gmail.com.

The Skagit Genealogical Society would like to extend our condolences to members John Hayes whose mother Irene M. Hayes age 98 passed away Sept 24, 2014 and Dan Royal whose mother-in-law Adrienne Gorgon age 85 passed away on Nov 12, 2014. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.

Skagit Valley Genealogical Society 2015 Programs



January 10th Preservation Techniques for books and documents: Presented by Barbara Johnson. Do you have books such as a family bible that you wish to preserve? How about letters from Civil War ancestors? This program will show you the step-by-step way to make your own custom-sized boxes to preserve those precious family memorabilia inexpensively.

February 14 Tugboats, Log Rafts, and River Rats - Tugboats on the Skagit River: Presented by Danny Vandenburg, Captain of the Patsy D tug boat used on the Skagit River in the 1950's. This 40 minute presentation is a good example of documenting local/family history before it is too late.

March 21st You Found It ...Now Flaunt It: Presented by Teresa Schulze. Tessa has been scrapbooking for 20 years and family research for 15. She will demonstrate techniques in digital scrapbooking to showcase your important documents and photos.

April 11th

May 9th

June 13th

July: **No meeting**

August: **No meeting**

September 12th

October 10th

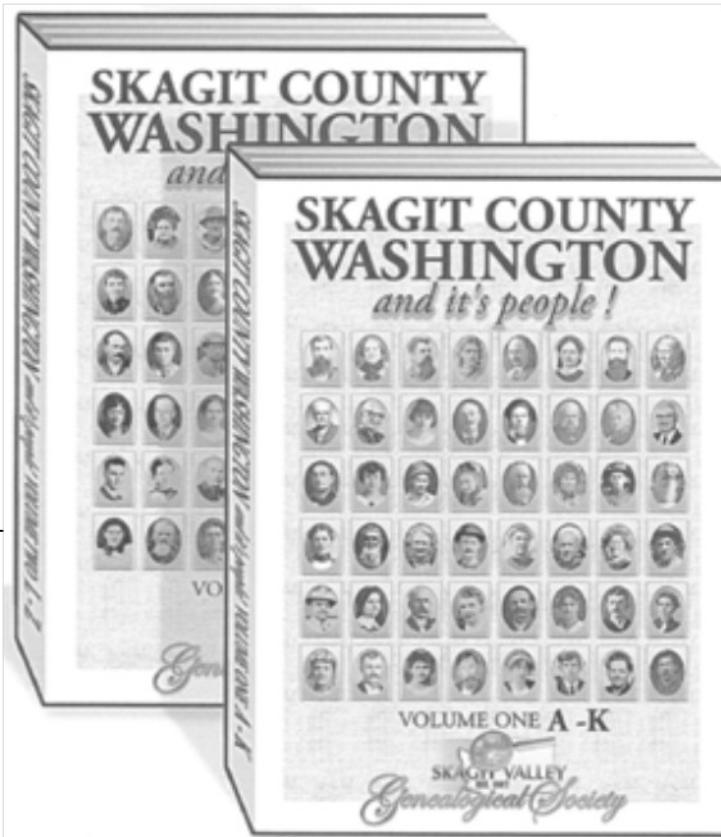
November 7th **Year-end meeting. Brick Walls**

<https://rootstech.org/about/videos/>

The link above is to the RootsTech 2014 Conference in Salt Lake City. Scroll down through the various session/video selections, click on the ones you wish to view. I thought perhaps some of you would be interested in these educational sessions. -- Margie Wilson

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Just a friendly reminder that dues are now due for the Skagit Valley Genealogical Society. In the event you may have already paid, it is possible that they were sent in and just haven't reached me yet. Our year goes from Jan. 1st through Dec. 31st. Dues this year have raised to \$15.00 for single membership and \$20.00 for family membership. Christine Cooper



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SVGS Members,

We have a new BLOG on our website. If you are interested in participating in our blog go to skagitvalleygenealogy.org/blog to see how you can register and log in.

Thank you.

SVGS Webmaster
George E. Ridgeway Jr.

UPPER CANADA LAND PETITIONS (1763-1865) INTRODUCTION

[From the Library and Archives Canada on the internet <www.collectionscanada.gc.ca>]

Before the arrival of the Loyalists and British military settlers, the present-day Province of Ontario was an extension of the Province of Quebec. Following the Constitutional Act of 1791, the colony of Quebec was divided to create Upper Canada (today Ontario) and Lower Canada (today Quebec). Many early settlers, both military and civilian, submitted petitions to the Governor to obtain Crown land. Sons and daughters of Loyalists were also entitled to free lands.

The Upper Canada Land Petitions contain petitions for grants or leases of land and other administrative records. This research tool provides access to more than 82,000 references to individuals who lived in present-day Ontario between 1783 and 1865.

Happy Thanksgiving

This is how you say Merry Christmas in different languages. Is your ancestors language here?

African/ Eritrean/ Tigrinya: Rehus-Beal-Ledeats

Albanian: Gezur Krislinjden

Arabic: Milad Majid

Argentine: Feliz Navidad

Armenian: Shenoraavor Nor Dari yev Pari Gaghand

Bahasa Malaysia: Selamat Hari Natal

Bohemian: Vesele Vanoce

Brazilian: Feliz Natal

Bengali: Shubho borodin

Bulgarian: Tchestita Koleda; Tchestito Rojdestvo Hristovo

Chile: Feliz Navidad

Chinese: (Cantonese) Gun Tso Sun Tan'Gung Haw Sun

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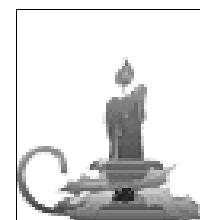
Choctaw: Yukpa, Nitak Hollo Chito

Columbia: Feliz Navidad y Próspero Año Nuevo

Corsian: Pace e salute

Cree: Mitho Makosi Kesikansi

Croatian: Sretan Bozic



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Czech: Prejeme Vam Vesele Vanoce a stastny Novy Rok

Danish: Glædelig Jul

Dutch: Vrolijk Kerstfeest en een Gelukkig Nieuwjaar! or
Zalig Kerstfeast

English: Merry Christmas

Eskimo: (inupik) Jutdlime pivdluarit ukiortame pivd-
luaritlo!

Ethiopian: (Amharic) Melkin Yelidet Beaal

Finnish: Hyvaa joulua

French: Joyeux Noel

Gaelic: Nollaig chridheil agus Bliadhna mhath ùr!

German: Froehliche Weihnachten

Greek: Kala Christouyenna!

Greenlandic: Juullimi Pilluaritsi!

Haiti: (Creole) Jwaye Nowel or to Jesus Edo Bri'cho o
Rish D'Shato Brichto

Hawaiian: Mele Kalikimaka

Hebrew: Mo'adim Lesimkha. Chena tova

Hindi: Baradin ki shubh kamnaaye

Hungarian: Kellemes Karacsonyi unnepeket

Icelandic: Gledileg Jol

Indonesian: Selamat Hari Natal

Iraqi: Idah Saidan Wa Sanah Jadidah

Irish: Nollaig Shona Dhuit, or Nodlaig mhaith chugnat

Iroquois: Ojenyunyat Sungwiyadeson honungradon nag-
wutut. Ojenyunyat osrasay.

Italian: Buone Feste Natalizie

Japanese: Shinnen omedeto. Kurisumasu Omedeto

Korean: Sung Tan Chuk Ha

Latin: Natale hilare et Annum Faustum!

Lithuanian: Linksmu Kaledu

Maltese: IL-Milied It-tajjeb

Navajo: Merry Keshmish

Norwegian: God Jul, or Gledelig Jul

Papua New Guinea: Bikpela hamamas blong dispela Kris-
mas na Nupela yia i go long yu

Pennsylvania German: En frehlicher Grischdaag un en
hallich Nei Yaahr!

Peru: Feliz Navidad y un Venturoso Año Nuevo

Philipines: Maligayan Pasko!

Polish: Wesolych Swiat Bozego Narodzenia

Portuguese: Feliz Natal

Romanian: Craciun Fericit

Russian: Pozdrevlyayu s prazdnikom Rozhdestva is No-
vim Godom

Serbian: Hristos se rodi

Samoan: La Maunia Le Kilisimasi Ma Le Tausaga Fou

Slovak: Vesele Vianoce. A stastlivy Novy Rok

Slovene: Vesele Bozicne Praznike Srecno Novo Leto or
Vesel Bozic in srecno Novo leto

Spanish: Feliz Navidad

Swedish: God Jul and (Och) Ett Gott Nytt År

Thai: Sawadee Pee Mai or souksan wan Christmas

Turkish: Noeliniz Ve Yeni Yiliniz Kutlu Olsun

Ukrainian: Srozhdestvom Kristovym or Z RIZDVOM
HRYSTOVYM

Vietnamese: Chuc Mung Giang Sinh

Welsh: Nadolig Llawen

Yugoslavian: Cestitamo Bozic

**Wishing everyone a Happy and
Prosperous New Year**

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