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Nordic Heritage Day

A Celebration of Scandinavian Genealogical & Cultural Roots
presented by

*Skagit Valley
Genealogical Society*

Saturday, October 29

11am - 4pm

Burlington Library

820 E. Washington

GENEALOGY

Researching Your Swedish Roots ~ Sharon Johnson

The Finn Settlement of Skagit County ~ Bruce Matson

"Ask a Genealogist" / Computer Look-ups ~ SVGS Members

CULTURAL HIGHLIGHTS

Norwegian Folk Tunes ~ Einar Tapio, accordionist

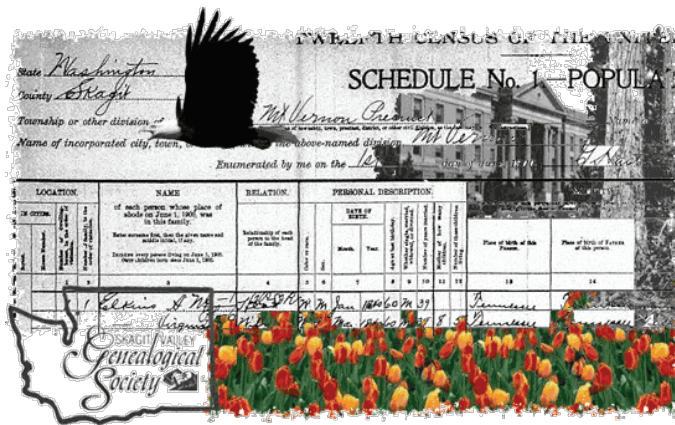
Scandinavian Baking Traditions ~ Linda Olie of Nordic Pantry

Norwegian Artifacts ~ Tordis Maland Busskohl

Scandinavian Folk Dancers, Rosemaling, Handicraft displays, etc.



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

Change in Ordering Microfilms from Family History Library

As of July 27, 2011, film/fiche ordering from the Family History Library can only be done on the Internet. You will be prompted to create an account. The films will be delivered to your local FHC. Local family history centers are no longer permitted to accept funds for film orders. You must use a credit card or PayPal to pay film order fees online.

FamilySearch's Microfilm Ordering service is your gateway to a vast collection of genealogical and historical records. The service allows you to reserve and loan films to family history centers and affiliate libraries. The loan is free, but there is a small shipping and handling charge for each film.

Ordering is simple:

1. Locate the microfilm number(s) you want to order from the [Family History Library Catalog](http://www.familysearch.org) located on FamilySearch.org at <http://www.familysearch.org>.

Note: Before ordering any film, check to make sure the Family History Library Catalog does not show that a digital copy is available for you to use directly online.

2. You must go to the Online Film Ordering website at <https://www.familysearch.org/films/>.

There does not appear to be a direct link button yet from the <http://www.familysearch.org> website.

3. Sign in using FamilySearch Accounts with the link in the top right corner. If you do not have an account, clicking the Sign In link will prompt you to Register.

4. Once registered, just follow the instructions or study the Ordering Help menu at <https://www.familysearch.org/films/Help/>. You will need your email address, a credit card, debit card or a PayPal account. Regular Rentals are \$5.50 for a film. Extended loan is \$13.75 and the fiche is \$4.75 no matter how many you order up to 100.

5. Select your loan type, enter the microfilm number, and click Search. Repeat this step for additional items.

6. When you are ready to submit your loan order, click the shopping cart in the upper right portion of the screen. You will then have a chance to review and confirm your order.

7. After you submit your order, all films will be delivered to the family history center you have designated. Normally the local FHC will automatically be designated based on your address when you register for an ac-

On August 18th, Footnote announced it will focus on offering the finest and most comprehensive collection of U.S. Military records available on the internet. As part of this new focus, the name of the site has changed from Footnote to Fold3. The Fold3 name is derived from a traditional flag folding ceremony in which the third fold in the ceremony honors and remembers veterans for their sacrifice in defending their country and promoting peace in the world.

Why Fold3? "We chose a name that would better show honor and respect for those who served in the military. The Footnote name was appropriate for a general historical records site, but for many people, a footnote is something of insignificance and the name is not applicable to the service and sacrifice of those who have fought for their country over the last 250 years."

Check out this subscription site, with more than 75 million record images and 99 million memorial pages, at www.fold3.com. For more information on these changes, please see <http://blog.fold3.com/footnote-is-now-fold3/>.

Burlington Public Library

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blibrary@ci.burlington.wa.us

Hours: Monday – Thursday

11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Friday & Saturday

11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – Closed

SVGS Library Collection

located here. SVGS Volunteers

available on Mondays from

11:00—1:00 to assist with ques-

tions.

Joan Udd—SVGS Librarian



Coming Events

Sept 21 Fiske Genealogical Foundation will resume their fall class schedule. Classes are usually held on Wednesdays at the library. Not yet published.

Sept 27 Skagit Valley Genealogical Society will present Jim Johnson from the Heritage Quest Research Library. For more information go to their website: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasvgs/meetings.html>

Sept 28 Puget Sound Genealogical Society will hold their monthly meeting. Topic: "A Families Story: Out of Germany to America after WWII," by Ursel Krumme. Time 1 pm to 3 pm. Held at the Sylvan Way branch of the Kitsap Regional Library, 1301 Sylvan Way, Bremerton, WA.

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Oct 1 The Puget Sound Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists will host Jean Yager on "Citing Your Sources." This workshop will be held at the Heritage Quest Research Library in Sumner, WA. Time: 9 to 2 pm.

<http://www.psapg.org/MeetingFlyerOct12011Sourcing.doc>

Oct 3 Kittitas County Genealogical Society will hold their meeting. Topic: "Hatfields & McCoys," by Virginia Hanks. Time 7pm at the Society Library in Ellensburg, WA.

Oct 5 Sno-Isle Genealogical Society will hold their general meeting at the Heritage Park 19921 Poplar Way, in Lynnwood, WA. Time 6 pm.

Oct 6 Lower Columbia Genealogical Society will hold their monthly meeting at the Somerset Retirement Apts., in Longview, WA. Time: 7pm.

Oct 8 Clallam County Genealogical Society will hold their general membership meeting at the Port Angeles Public Library Culver Room from 9:45 am to noon. Topic to be announced, probably a genealogy workshop.

Oct 10 The Jewish Genealogical Society of Washington State will have their monthly meeting at the Stroum Jewish Community Center at 3801 East Mercer Way, Mercer Island, WA. Time: 7pm. Topic TBA.

Oct 11 Stillaquamish Valley Genealogical Society will hold their monthly meeting "Early U.S. Census Research 1790-1840," by Dick Thaler at 1 pm at the Society's library 135 N. Olympic Ave., Arlington, WA 98223.

Oct 12 Mac Users Group will meet at the Fiske Genealogical Library from 7 to 9 pm. They meet monthly on the 2nd Wednesday of the month October through June. For more information contact [Diane Hedtrick](#)

Oct 12 Tri-Cities Genealogical Society will hold their general meeting at 7 pm at the Parkview Estates 7820 W. Sixth Ave., Kennewick, WA.

Oct 13 Eastside Genealogical Society will hold their monthly meeting at the Bellevue Regional Library. Time: 7 pm.

Oct 14 Olympia Genealogical Society will present "Peopling the British Isles," by Steven Morrison. Time 7 pm. Held at the Thurston County Courthouse, Bldg 1, Room 152.

Oct 15, Jefferson County Genealogical Society will hold their monthly meeting. Topic: "Researching Online," by Eileen Johnston. Time: 9:30 am to 11 am, at the Tri-Area Community Center, 10 West Valley Road, Chimacum, WA.

Oct 15 South King County Genealogical Society will hold their monthly meeting at the First Baptist Church of Kent, 11420 SE 248th St. Kent, WA. Time 9:30 to 12 noon.

Oct 21 Bainbridge Island Genealogical Society will hold their monthly meeting. A Collaborative problem-solving workshop will be held. Time 10 am at the Bainbridge Public Library.

Oct 22 Eastern Washington Genealogical Society will have a Fall Seminar and Luncheon from 8 to 4 pm at the Hayden Lake Idaho Family History Center. More info at their website

Oct 22 Heritage Quest Research Library will hold a class on "Genealogical Resources at the Washington State Library and Archives," by Kim Smeenck. Fee free. Time 9 am to 11 am. at the HQRL library.

Oct 24 Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society will present "Land Records, Getting the Dirt on Your Ancestors," by Myra Vanderpool Ghormley. Time 7 pm at the Bates Technical College in Tacoma.

Oct 25 Skagit Valley Genealogical Society will present Brick Wall. For more information go to their website at: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasvgs/meetings.html>

Oct 26 Puget Sound Genealogical Society will hold their monthly meeting. Topic: "It's Not a Family Tree, It's a Bramble Bush," by Terry Mettling. Time 1 pm to 3 pm. Held at the Sylvan Way branch of the Kitsap Regional Library, 1301 Sylvan Way, Bremerton, WA.

Google News Archive Halted

After scanning approximately 2,000 historic newspapers from around the world, Google has stopped archive project. The Google News Archive will not be taken offline right away. Users can continue to search digitized newspapers at <http://news.google.com/archivesearch>.

Google does not plan to introduce any further features of functionality to the site and is no longer accepting new microfilm or digital files for processing. NGS Magazine, July/Sept 2011, pg 14

Skagit Valley Genealogical Society Upcoming Programs **2011- 2012**

September 27 – Jim Johnson – Heritage Quest- Jim will tell us what's available at the HQ Library in Sumner. He'll also bring some books for sale.

October 22- Special Saturday meeting. Legacy Family Tree software: Jim Terry will demonstrate some of the features of this powerful genealogy software. NOTE: This meeting will be at the Burlington Senior Center at 1:00-3:00 pm.

October 25 – Brick Walls: Bring your brick wall challenges. We'll help you find those elusive ancestors. This is our Annual Meeting.

November 26, Saturday – George Ridgeway – Internet Research. Not everything genealogical is on The Web, but George will give us pointers on what *is* on The Web.

December: No meeting.

January 28, Saturday – John Ruhlman - Planning a Family Reunion – John will give us tips for having a successful reunion.

February 25, Saturday – Brick Walls – Do you still have unfound relatives who don't want to be found? Let us help you break down those brick walls.

March 27 –1940 Census – Carol Buswell from the National Archives and Records Administration in Seattle will fill us in on the soon-to-be-released 1940 Census.

April 24 –Mary McGoffin – “Under the Red Tile Roof” – Mary will discuss her book about Northern State Hospital and its fascinating history and architecture.

May 22 – Sharon Johnson – Land records – Sharon has been researching for years and has great tips on searching through land records.

June 26 – Barbara Allen – Updated familysearch.org – What's the latest about the New And Improved Family Search web site? Come and find out.

We meet from 7:00-9:00 pm on 4th Tuesday of the month at Burlington Senior Center, 1011 Greenleaf Avenue, Burlington, Washington, September, October, March, April, May and June;

November we will meet November 19th from 1:00-3:00. January and February: we meet on the 4th Saturday, from 1:00-3:00pm at the Burlington Library, 820 East Washington Avenue, Burlington, Washington.

1940 U.S. Census to be Free on Ancestry.com

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Great news in this announcement written by Ancestry.com:

PROVO, UTAH (August 17, 2011) - Ancestry.com, the world's largest online family history resource, today announced that both the images and indexes to the 1940 U.S. Federal Census will be made free to search, browse, and explore in the United States when this important collection commences streaming onto the website in mid-April 2012.

When complete, more than 3.8 million original document images containing 130 million plus records will be available to search by more than 45 fields, including name, gender, race, street address, county and state, and parents' places of birth. It will be Ancestry.com's most comprehensively indexed set of historical records to date.

Ancestry.com is committing to make the 1940 Census free from release through to the end of 2013, and by doing so hopes to help more people get started exploring their family history. As this census will be the most recent to be made publicly available, it represents the best chance for those new to family history to make that all-important first discovery.

“The release of the 1940 U.S. Census will be an exciting event for any American interested in learning more about their family history,” said Ancestry.com CEO Tim Sullivan. “By making this hugely important collection free to the public for an extended period, we hope to inspire a whole new generation of Americans to start researching their family history.”

“Ancestry.com is working to make the 1940 Census a truly unique interactive search experience...as well as the starting point to help new users easily get started on the world's leading online family history resource. After finding that first family connection in the 1940 Census, we believe new users will be able to make amazing discoveries by searching our 7 billion digitized historical records, exploring the 26 million family trees created on Ancestry, and collaborating with our nearly 1.7 million subscribing members. We think that 2012 is going to be a great year of discovery for all family historians.”

Librarian's Report for the September 2011 Newsletter

The new library shelving will be arriving sometime during the month of September. Once the shelving arrives the staff will coordinate the assembly with the vendor/contractor. When the shelving is assembled and ready for books the staff will contact me so I can coordinate the library volunteer team to put the books on the new shelves. The library staff and I both hope to have the expansion completed in time for Family History Month in October.

A brief tour of the new library configuration will be offered towards the close of the Nordic Heritage Day. Also, I a Library Orientation at the November general meeting since the members will be already at the library. Shirley Christensen will provide helpful information on key resources to use at the library when assisting visitors with questions.

Book "Bonanza" – at the October 25th membership meeting. There are about 3 boxes of hardcover books from the book donations by Charles and A. Norene Schilter, plus lots of magazines to offer. Books will be sold by donation. This is will be a great opportunity to take home some excellent resource books to supplement your own private collection.

The library volunteers are considering offering another time, perhaps in the evening, to assist patrons who come to visit the library. Once the volunteers meet this fall and decide a schedule I will notify the members so they can take advantage of the volunteers' extended hours and assistance.

Maggie Buckholz, the director of the Burlington Library wishes to offer SVGS an opportunity to add our genealogy collection list to their master catalog system. Maggie and I will discuss the logistics of how to coordinate this in the months ahead. I will keep you up-to-date on the progress of this new project.

Finally, my continued thanks and appreciation to Nancy Bonafede and all the library volunteers for keeping the library running so smoothly while I'm in Seattle.

If you would like to volunteer to help out on Mondays between 11:00am to 1:00pm at the library please contact Nancy Bonafede or me. Remember: "Many hands make light work" – and the work becomes more congenial as the volunteers are a great team to be a part of.

If you have questions about the library please contact me via email: wilsongm@frontier.com

TIDBITS FROM THE JOURNAL

Jan 4, 1907

Safe crackers visited the Great Northern Depot at Sedro Woolley on Thursday night.

Taken up. White and red bull, came to Tobias Steaven's place about 3 weeks ago. Owner come and get as soon as possible.

President's Message

I hope everyone had a great summer. Now it is time to put all the info you collected over the summer into files or on a tree program. With summer over it is time to take some classes or seminars to use your info to it's full extent.

Our month of October us a very full month. We are having Jim Terry from Legacy for a special meeting Oct 22, 1-3 pm, our annual meeting Oct 25th, 6-9 pm and then Heritage Day Oct 29th. Heritage Day is coming together with special guests showing us dances, music, costumes and food of the Nordic heritage. Plus we will have speakers on different subjects. September meeting will be the potluck at 6:00 before the meeting. So bring your food, plates and come join us for visitation before the meeting and good food.

Dottie Chandler, President

Jan 11, 1907

John Slater came down out of the Snow Tuesday and is visiting for a few days in Burlington.

There is prospects of another lumber mi8ll in Burlington. Anything in this line goes, there is nothing too good for Burlington.

Jan 18, 1907

It is reported that the Skagit river is frozen over in places, something that has not happened for years.

The Ethels, ball on the 26th promises to be a grand affair, with everyone there.

The Zansburg Co. at the Burlington Opera House this (Friday) evening. This is above the ordinary. Don't miss it.

Jan 25, 1907

Mrs. M. LaMar has an attack of the lagrippe.

Born Jan 14 to Mr. & Mrs. Robert Cane, a son.

W.O.C. Rouse the Baker Mountain railroad man was in town today.

Magazine Report from Sharon Johnson

Family Chronicle, May/June 2011

Genealogy Road Trip! (advantages of traveling in an RV); Sharing Your Genealogy: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly! (using other's research); The Short Life of a Civil War Era Soldier; Who Was the Man in the Attic?; Visiting Gettysburg for Genealogy (resources available for researching); Exploring Civil War Widows Pensions; Researching Civil War Engineers; Using Wills and Probate Records in Your Research; So you're Related to an Axe Murderer!; One Woman's Journey: The Irish Adoption Scandal; Hiring a Professional: Do's and Don'ts! (helpful ideas on choosing, what to expect, getting a good value).

Internet Genealogy, June/July 2011

Google's Archives: News You Can Use (five types of information to search); Family History Centers: Visited One Lately?; The New Look of FamilySearch; Top Websites for Irish Research!; (six pages about various sites!) Don't Just Sit there, Volunteer! (indexing information for familysearch.org); Civil Registration Records in Western Europe; Write On! Writing Your Family History; Family Tree Maker for Mac: Research Ready!; Historic Pittsburgh Research Resources; How Safe is Your Genealogy Data? Get Involved with the WikiTree; Two Great collections Available Online (Honolulu Passenger List, 1900-1953 and Reports of Deaths of American Citizens Abroad, 1963-1974).

NGS Magazine, April/June 2011

Using OCR to Search City directories by Address; Proving or Disproving Family Legends (testing for Acceptability, Relevance, and adequacy of Grounds); Military Service in the "War to End All Wars" (searching various WWI records); Old Envelopes and Postcards Reveal Incorrect Veteran Statuses in the 1930 U.S. Census; Reading History (bringing your ancestors to life); Evidence: (an unexpected answer results in more questions to understand the original question); Why Was Joseph Gosling Buried in Ann Arbor?; Thinking in Soundex (understand and develop potential alternative spelling for a surname) Unraveling a Family Mystery One Archival Clue at a Time; Case Study: the Library of Congress; Who Is That Witness (the repeated appearance of a name on various records); Using Metadata; Pivotal Moments in U.S. and Personal Family History (placing your family in historical context)

NGS Magazine, July / September, 2011

Ask Granny (A free program designed to be presented at places where seniors gather. It has been used by genealogical societies, family reunions & schools). Genealogy in the Classroom; Breaking Through the Scholarly Divide: Open Access for Family Historians (locating theses and dissertations to supplement your research); Protecting Precious Photographic Memories; How Typical Were Your Ancestors? (using area histories); Fur Trade Permits Granted in the District of Montreal, 1721-52 (also concerns permits to travel to the English colonies and various trading posts under France's control); Who was Brockbank of the Confederate Submarine H. L. Hunley? (*written by our SVGS member Eric Stroschein*); Kilroy Was Here (there was a real Kilroy); The Lightning Brothers: A Brief Case Study in Union Civil War Research; Open Access, Public Domain, and Bibliographic Tools.

Family Chronicle, July / August 2011

Follow the Money for Accurate Results (many records, including those of collateral relatives, that deal with money); Learning About the Census: Why It Matters to Beginners; Archival Help: What You Need to Know (using state and provincial archives); Something Old, Something New: Family Tree Builder 5.0; A Weaver, a Tailor and a Piarist; Deeds, Not Words: Americans in the CEF (Canadian Expeditionary Force of WWI); What's in a Name? (tracking ancestors with ever-changing names); Divorce Records and Your Genealogy; Was Your Ancestor an Entrepreneur of Another Kind? (capitalists on the wrong side of the law); Grow Your Genealogy: Join A Society (benefits of membership); The Duchess of Cambridge and her American Connections (Kate Middleton's ties to America)

Internet Genealogy, August / September 2011

Mobile Genealogy: Family History Research on Your Phone, Tablet and More!; Researching in Pennsylvania (resources for Northampton & Lehigh counties); Family Tree Builder 5.0: A bit of the Old, A Lot of the New!; Leafing Through History: What Our Ancestors Read (magazines influencing life in the 18th – 20th centuries...The American Periodical Series, a database found in many university libraries contains digitized, full-text images from over 1,100 periodicals published in this country between 1740 and 1940); My Grandfather's Secret (benefits of using Czech parish books online); Need Help Researching Your French Roots? (list of online sources); Military Burials: What You Need to Know! (various online resources); Investigating a Murder in the Family (tips on investigating a murder or violent crime in the family) What's in Your Google Toolbox? (a book review, mentions the various elements of Google); Tracing Your Welsh Roots (various types of records); Using Google Scholar for Genealogy.

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