



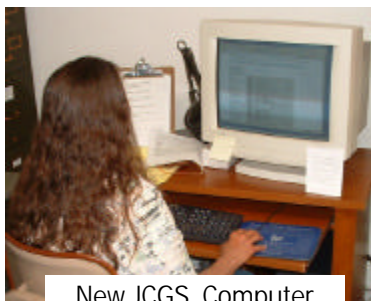
Jefferson County Genealogical Society Newsletter

JCGS Gets New Computer and DSL Connection

By Bev Brice

The big news in the library is the new computer which is up and running. Not only is the computer much faster but the DSL connection which we now have makes our on-line databases much less painful to use. Ancestry and New England Historical Genealogical Society just might hold the clue you have been needing for your research. Using the on-line databases is one of the benefits of being a member. They are available to you at no cost (donations, of course, are cheerfully accepted).

Need help with researching on-line? Good idea to give a call and see if the volunteer on duty that day will be able to help you. Saturdays have been the quietest day lately



New JCGS Computer

at the Center, so try coming out then if you can.

We can help you with all aspects of your on-line searching, including how to print census information from Heritage Quest. Then you can work on those from home. Have you tried using the every-name census indexes on

Ancestry and then printing out the forms from Heritage Quest? The expanded Ancestry indexes can be very useful in finding those ancestors who have been hiding under a rock. It is a real benefit being able to search all areas of the country at one time. Combining the best of both these sites is an easy way to get a good clean copy of your family information.

The New England Genealogical Society site has just added a major collection of information on Irish research.

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Special points of interest:

- New Computer and DSL connection
- Beginners' Classes
- Research Trips
- More great books
- Port Townsend History

Beginning Genealogy Class Scheduled

Eileen Martin and Bev Brice will teach a five week Beginning Genealogy Class on Monday afternoons Sept 13th to Oct 11th 1:00-3:30 pm at the Research Center. The class is an introduction to Family History research. We cover the basics of how to get



Beginning Genealogists

started, what forms to use, how to organize your information, and resources in our area. Census, Land, Probate, and Military records are the work horses of genealogical research and we will provide an introductory level look at how they can help.

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Monthly Research Trips

by Jesse Stewart

We will continue our projective research trips on a monthly basis—your suggestions for places to visit are always welcome!

Thursday, September 9:

Tacoma Public Library. The TPL has an extensive catalog of genealogical resources, including many local, county, and state resources as well as a vast collection of family histories. Their searchable catalog is on-line at www.tpl.lib.wa.us.

Wednesday, October 6: Heritage Quest Library & Tacoma Public Library

Although a bit of a trek, the Heritage Quest Library in Sumner has an extensive collection of research books, family histories, census indices, city directories and microfilm. The catalog is on-line at <http://www.hqrl.com>.

Since Heritage Quest closes at 4:00 pm we'd hit the Tacoma Narrows Bridge at rush hour, so instead of wasting time in traffic, we'll grab a quick dinner and head back to the Tacoma Public Library to finish what we may have left behind last month.

Friday, December 3: Puget Sound Genealogy Society (Kitsap County) What a pleasant surprise we had when we ventured to the newly re-opened library of PSGS. Their collection is a nice adjunct to ours—strong in some areas where JCGS has fewer resources. This will be a shorter trip than most, so perfect for those who don't want to take a full day away for researching. PSGS does not have its catalog on-line, so you'll have to come prepared to research everything!

Tuesday, January 4: National Archives & Seattle Genealogical Society Archives are well known for having microfilms of all federal censuses from 1790 to 1930 as well as index books and soundex microfilms to help you find your ancestors more easily. However, the Archives has other resources available such as Revolutionary War Pensions and land bounty records, Civil War military indices, some passenger and naturalization lists, some land records, listings of postmasters and more. You can check the website at <http://www.archives.gov/facilities/wa/hunt>

Across the street from the Archives is the Seattle Genealogical Society (open 10-3) which houses many reference books and CDs, specializing in Canada, England, Scandinavia, Washington State, New Jersey, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Oregon and family histories (a listing of resources is available at <http://www.rootsweb.com/aseags/library/hmtl>).



The New Seattle Public Library

There is no entrance fee for the Archives. The Seattle Genealogical Society charges a \$4 fee for non-members.

Monday, February 7: Seattle Public Library If you haven't been to the "new" Seattle Library, you're in for an experience. What a change from the temporary location! SPL offers many reference books for most states and many countries, immigration, foreign countries, family histories, and some microfilms. The library catalog is on line at <http://www.spl.org>. You can search it to see if your areas or families are represented

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for one or more of these trips. If you're interested, contact Jesse Stewart at :

Jessebinder@cablestee.com or 437-8103.



"If you haven't been to the 'new' Seattle Library, you're in for an experience"

Our Growing Library Collection

Our reference book collection continues to grow due to our members who have generously donated materials. Thanks to Beverly Brice, Robert Bowman, Isobele Manley, Cheryl Miller, Winona Sharpe, Lora Eccles, Marge Samuelson, Jack Hawker, Jesse Stewart and both the Jefferson County Historical Society and Port Townsend Public Library for your contributions in expanding our resources.

Germany—Story of the Palatines, An Episode in Colonial History

Great Britain—My Ancestors Came with the Conqueror; the Scottish Tartans, The Original Scots Colonists of Early America 1612-1783; Clogher Record

Idaho—Building the Virginia City to Lewis-ton Wagon Road

Kentucky—Kentucky Family Archives (KY Genealogical Soc.); Kentucky “Blue Grass Roots” (Vol. 8), Kentucky Ancestors (6 issues)

Massachusetts—The Mayflower Quarterly (1994-2000); Records of the Colony of New Plymouth in New England Court Records (Vol. 1-4, misc. records Vol. 8); The Essex Genealogist

Missouri—History of Davis County

New Jersey—Somerset County Quarterly (Vol. 5)

New York—The Mohawk Valley; The Pala-

tine Families of New York (introduction); History of New Paltz, NY and Old Families from 1678 to 1820; History of the Huguenot Emigration to America; Town of Bedford, Westchester County, NY

Northwest—Let’s Go! Day-tripping in and around the Palouse

Norway—Norsemen (1982-84)

Pennsylvania—The Scotch-Irish of Colonial Pennsylvania; Early Lutheran Baptisms & Marriages in Southeastern Pennsylvania; 1850 US Census, Green County, PA

Virginia—Giles County, Virginia History

Washington—The First Presbyterian Church, Port Townsend, WA

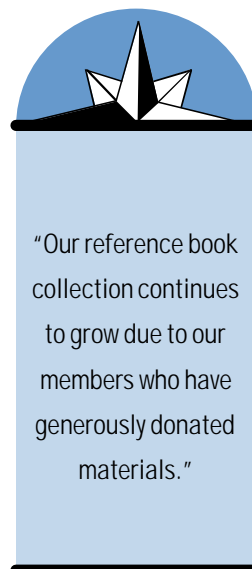
Family History—Dearest Friend: A Life of Abigail Adams; Jane A Gould: Her Journal; The Ancestors & Descendants of Pernille & Halvor Norby; Saga of the Nordbys-Halvor & Pernille; Descendants & Ancestors of Adam Overpeck and his wife Elizabeth Mann; The Coles of Cole’s Hill; The Conklin-Prosch Family; Family History “Crow”; Family History “Ford”; Miller Monitor; Rose Family Bulletin; Smith Papers

Instruction—Tracing Your Irish Ancestors; National Genealogical Society 2001 Conference, presentation outlines

Religion—The Dutch Reformed Church in the American Colonies



Home camp of the Chief of the Clallams
Old Alcohol Plant in the background
from collection of the Jefferson County Historical Society



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Beginning Genealogy Class (cont)

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We can not go into immigration research in detail, but will give an overview.

New to this class session will be an expanded look at doing research on-line. We will consider what is available out there and how to effectively make use of information in your own living room. There will also be a review of genealogy programs to help you organize and manage your infor-

mation. There will be an opportunity to look at your specific research questions at the end of the class.



Rothschild House
Jefferson County Historical Society

The cost of the class is \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members. Register by sending your check, made out to JCGS, to PO Box 627, Port Townsend, WA. Class is limited to 15 members, so sign up before the SEPTEMBER 8th deadline.

Schedule of Events

- **Sept 3**—10:00 am Library Committee Meeting, Research Center
- **Sept 8**—Beginning Genealogy Class Registration Deadline
- **Sept 9**—Research trip to Tacoma Public Library
- **Sept 13**—1:00 to 3:30 pm Beginning Genealogy Class, Research Center
- **Sept 14**—1:30 pm New England Group, Research Center
- **Sept 17**—10:00 am Southern Group, Research Center
- **Sept 18**—9:30 am JCGS Monthly Meeting
- **Sept 20**—1:00—3:30 pm Beginning Genealogy Class, Research Center
- **Sept 24**—10:00 am Resource Corner, Research Center, Researching on-line; favorites, e-mail folders and more
- **Sept 27**—10:00—3:30 pm Beginning Genealogy Class, Research Center
- **Sept 29**—10:00 am Library Volunteer Meeting, Research Center

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September Program Standard Records

What are standard records and how can they help us in our research?

Join us this month for a special presentation by June Robinson from the Clallam County Genealogical Society. June, a noted researcher and speaker, will share her knowledge of these records and will be sure to answer your questions and lead a discussion about these often-mentioned sources.



Resource Corner Researching On-Line

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chance to learn from our collective experiences. Come and share your questions and your experience. Genealogists helping each other is what it is all about.

This month we will review how to organize your favorites, create e-mail folders, and keep track of your on-line research. How to print census images can be included.

Plenty of chance for questions. Bring them and your success stories.

Picturesque Port Townsend— The History of a Pioneer Town

by Mary B. Smith and Edith E. Hewitt

Mary B. Smith, who served as city Librarian from 1904 to June 30, 1907, wrote, with the help of her good friend and neighbor, Edith Hewitt, a manuscript describing Port Townsend. Seen through the eyes of a young girl who arrived in Port Townsend with her family in 1888 this unpublished manuscript give us a very personal look at the town and it's people. the following are excerpts.

Preface

“On a mild breezy morning in April 1888, slender, gray-eyed girl from San Francisco—a girl with long dark braids falling down over the plaid velvet collar of her tight-fitting brown Basque, stepped out on the balcony of the old Central Hotel.

Looking up the street, her eyes encountered a novel sight—a man at the town pump replenishing his supply of water, which he carried away in a brimming pail.

A little later when the girl walked up the street to the Datz store, she met an old red bossy ambling along Water Street, tossing her horns and switching her tail as she proceeded to her milking shed.

In striking contrast were those village activities to the busy scene at the dock where she and her family had landed the night before, when the *City of Mexico* from San Francisco had unloaded a full cargo, to be transferred the next day to the old *Idaho* for the Alaskan canneries.

And the girl from San Francisco watched—fascinated, the manifestations of a life new to her—wondered, loved it all and so became a part of it, that now she lovingly recalls her old-time memories, and with the aid of a collaborator, who in the quiet days that followed the spurt of activity occasioned by the Great War, first fell under the spell of this romantic old town, gathers them together, in the hope that the many new-comers may know Port Townsend, not only as it is now—but as it was—and that the “old-timers” may find here a true pic-

ture of the old dead days that are gone beyond recall.” November 1929.



The Episcopal Church
Jefferson County Historical Society

Chapter IV

An Old-Timer's Reminiscences

In a recent interview with Mr. Horace Tucker he slipped back, in memory, to the early days, and gave us a glimpse of the picturesque life of those times. Mr. Tucker is now over ninety years of age, straight and tall, and keen of intellect. He came here in 1862, and took a very active part, as a builder and contractor, in the development of the town.

“The first Custom House?” said Mr. Tucker. “Why, that was down on Adams and Water Streets, where the Glendale Dairy now stands. It was built with its back walls made of logs

and its two street fronts made of boards. Those were busy days in shipping and there was lots of smuggling going on. DeWitt Dennison was the deputy collector then and one day he was sitting in his front office, and the *Blue Jay* slipped in right back of the Custom House and piled a big heap of whiskey right down on the dock in plain sight. There were men watching from both directions, but of course, nobody would give it away, and that night all the saloons got their supply.

Where the Mount Baker Block is, at Taylor and Water, was a saloon called the Whalemens' Corner; and on the next corner, a block below, was another saloon, known as the 'Dog Corner', for the man who ran it always had a lot of dogs.

A good many vessels and steamers have been wrecked along the Straits in the past. One time one was coming in with a cargo for the British side, but she was wrecked on this side. They were salvaging her cargo in small sloops; there were a lot of blankets, coats and such things. One sloop, with her load, ran in here at the entrance to the business part of town. I knew

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- **Oct 6**—Research trip to Heritage Quest Library and Tacoma Public Library
- **Oct. 8**—9:30 Executive Committee, Research Center
- **Oct 11**-1:00-3:30 pm Beginning Genealogy Class, Research Center
- **Oct 12**—1:30 pm New England Group, Research Center
- **Oct 15**— 10:00 am Southern Group, Research Center
- **Oct 16**—9:30 am JCGS Monthly Meeting
- **Oct 27**— 10:00 am Library Volunteer Meeting, Research Center
- **Oct 29**—10:00 am Resource Corner, Research Center, Developing a Research Strategy

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October Program Researching on the Internet

It is truly amazing the information that can be found on the internet. However, genealogical research on the internet can be a frustrating, confusing headache.

This month's program is a chance to learn from our Port Ludlow neighbor, Betty Kappler. Betty will share her methods and tricks for a successful search.

Join us and learn how to save yourself time and frustration in your on-line searching.



Resource Corner Developing a Research Strategy

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At one point in our research we just collect everything that is out there. As time goes on, there are specific problems we need to solve. Let's talk about how we approach that task in the October meeting.

We will discuss what works to keep moving ahead in our research

Picturesque Port Townsend (cont.)

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her captain, and I saw him down on the beach. I asked him what he was going to do with the stuff. He said, "Do you want a pair of blankets? Help yourself!" And I picked out a pair of red Hudson Bay Blankets, and I have them yet. He went on up sound and then sold the rest of his load.

Most of the old buildings are gone now, but the old Rothschild's store (Barthrop Building) is still there; that's where the Frye Market is. Then, next to that was Ross's restaurant;—no, not the Ross who came herewith Hastings and Pettygrove. This was Bill Ross—he was a Negro. And then came the Hastings store, where the Bartlett Block is now. It was a one-story building, made of boards, with its gable end to the street. Yes, it was painted white, once—but its front was so full of doors and windows that you couldn't see much of the paint. Then down on the other side of Rothschild's store was the old Pioneer Hotel; that used to be a two-story building, but they cut it down a few years ago, to one story.

The lower part of the town was pretty well built up, clear down to Jackson Street. The town was organized before I came here; I think it was in 1855 or 6. I was one of the trustees in 1869, and George Bathrop and Clinger were the other two. Clinger then lived next to the old Masonic Hall, and his house is still there.

Dr. O'Brien had a drug store on Water Street where the Hill Building now is, and he had the Sailor's Hospital, too—on the bluff, in front of the Marine Hospital. He sold it to Dr. Minor, and then went to California.

There were a few houses on the hill, just five, I think, when I came here, in '62 [1862]. There was the Webster log house, where the Rothschild Mansion now stands, and the present Webster house out on the bluff, and another where Mariotts live now. Then there was the old Fowler house, and the old Tibbals house. Yes, and Plummer had a log house nearly opposite the park.

And right across the street from my house is the schoolhouse they were using when I came. It stood on the opposite corner of the block then, and a man named Lippincott taught school in it. Afterwards they moved it up here for a residence, and built on so many additions that you

can hardly see the first room; but it's the one with the bay window in front of it.

How did they get down the hill? Why, there used to be several trails; there was one down below Rothschild's but they cut it away when they made the Adams Street cut.

Yes, I did a good deal of building in this town. I built three of those old houses on Maple Avenue, back of the Drygoods Store, the Rothschild's home and three little houses for Fowler back of the Presbyterian Church. And I built the Episcopal Church, the other side of the Marine Hospital it stood—then afterwards, it was moved up where it is now—I don't know why.

I wish you could have talked to my wife, for she could have told you so much more than I can. She was a Caines.

Yes, most the Indians around here were Clallams. There were the Chimacums, but they're all gone now. Once there was a general in here inspecting the Army posts, and we put on a little entertainment for him. The Duke of York [Chief Chetzemokal] was in town and we dressed him up in a uniform and put a big shako (peaked military headdress, usually with a plume) on his head, and had him lead the parade. He was the biggest man in town that day, and the happiest.

No, he didn't live over on Scow Bay. That's the Prince of Wales, and he's living there yet. I was down town one morning about five years ago, and I was about to pass on old Indian woman sitting on a corner of Water Street, where she said, "cla-how-yah, Tucker?" I looked at her, but didn't know her. Then she said, "Halo cumtux Jenny Lind?" Sure enough, it was Jenny Lind [wife of Chetzemoka], but she's grown so old an wrinkled—you know how they get! I heard she died soon after that.

Well I'll come over and see you some day. No! Don't send for me. I like to walk for exercise."

This excerpt was transcribed from a copy in the collection of the Jefferson County Historical Society Library located in the Jefferson County Historical Society Research Center. The original manuscript is in the collection of the University of Washington, Seattle, WA. The manuscript is 132 pages long (it was recently indexed) and gives a wonderful look at early Port Townsend history.



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- **Nov 19**– 10:00 am Southern Group, Research Center
- **Nov 20**– 9:30 am JCGS Monthly Meeting
- **Nov 26** 10:00 am Resource Corner, Research Center, Forms, Forms, Forms

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Welcome
New Members
since June 1, 2004

Barbara Danielson
Stan & Lois Barber
Donald C. Wilson
Mary Beth Yntema
Carolyn Skinner
Judith Wallin
Donald Yantz

November Program Favorite Non-Fiction

It's time to pull a chair up to the fire and read a good book.

This month we are asking society members to tell us about their favorite non-fiction books and authors. How have they helped in your research and understanding your family history?

This should be a fun way to get new ideas and start our cold and wet winter.

Resource Corner Forms, Forms, and More Forms

The Resource Corner is an informal discussion on subjects that can help you in your research. This is not a structured class, but a chance to learn from our collective experiences. Come and share your questions and your experience. Genealogists helping each other is what it is all about.

The November topic of, "Forms, Forms and More Forms," addresses how handy forms are in helping us keep track of where we are in our research and managing the large amount of information we accumulate.

Bring along the ones you have found useful and we can all share our experiences.



Chetzemokal
Chief of the Clallam Tribe

Jefferson County Genealogical Society

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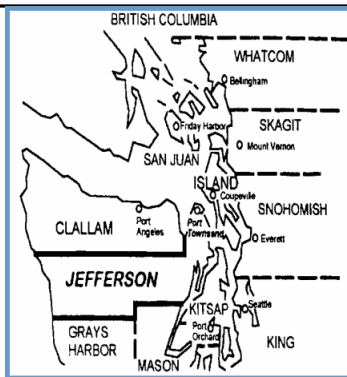
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\$15 Single/\$20 Couple
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 Phone (360) 385-9495
 \$4.00 admission for non-members
 \$2.00 children



Surname List

Tom Berg is maintaining a list of surnames being researched by members of our society. Send you updates to
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 Port Townsend, WA 98368--0627

Treasurer's Report—respectfully submitted by Marge Samuelson, August 16, 2004

Activity for April 29—August 16, 2004

Beginning Balance	\$ 4,319.29
Income	\$ 960.08
Expenses	\$ 328.04
Income less expense	\$ 632.04
Less adjustment	\$ 0.09
Total Checking	\$ 4,951.42

CD's	
1 year	\$ 579.02
6 month	\$ 569.07
1 year	\$ 778.43
6 month	\$ 772.77
Checking	\$ 4,951.42
Seattle Foundation	\$ 85,603.47
Net Worth	\$ 93,254.17

Checks #813 (last # for P NW Bank)—# 951-#956 Wells Fargo Bank

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<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wajcgs>



Meetings
3rd Saturday each
month
9:30 AM
Tri-Area Community
Center, Chimacum,
Washington



Port Townsend, Wa

Port Townsend, Madison Street Marine Ways
from the collection of the Jefferson County Historical Society