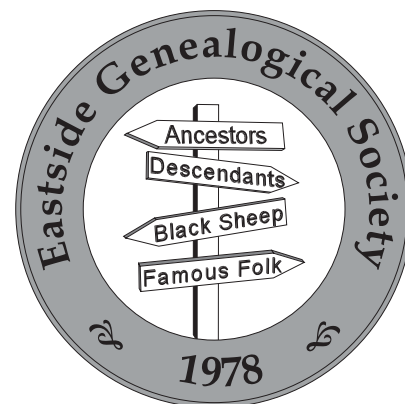


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### NEXT MONTH'S EGS MEETING:

Thursday, February 12, 2009  
 7 PM  
 Bellevue Regional Library

### EGS MEETING INFORMATION

**Date:** Thursday, January 8, 2009  
**Time:** Welcome New Members 6:30 PM  
 Meeting Begins 7:00 PM  
**Location:** Bellevue Regional Library  
**Topic:** Another Approach to the Pre-1850 Censuses  
**Speaker:** Dave Thaler

#### About The Program:

For our January meeting, Dave Thaler will be presenting "Another Approach to the Pre-1850 Censuses." Dave has taught classes at the annual Family History Expo for several years and is a member of the organizing committee. He has developed an original and interesting way to get the most information out of the pre-1850 censuses where, as we all know, only the head of household is named. Please join us. Visitors are welcome.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

Hopefully we all survived the holidays and winter storms and are looking forward to new and interesting research in the new year.

This is a good time to sit by the fire and review your "stuff." Sometimes we get so busy digging up new information we don't bother to see where it fits into our big picture. Careful re-reading can reveal information that's "hiding in plain sight" and reveal holes that need to be filled as well.

It's also a good time to revisit your favorite online sources to see if any new tidbits have been posted. Doing this, I found a map and list of all burials in the Alton, IL city cemetery!

You can also evaluate any goodies turned up in holiday visits with the relatives.

So—here's to a happy, prosperous 2009 with many new genealogical discoveries. May this be the year at least some of your brick walls come tumbling down!

Judy Meredith, EGS Vice President

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## NOVEMBER EGS MEETING SUMMARY

At the November meeting we recognized long-time members, held our annual "Show and Share" and Cookie Social. Long-time members attending were Mary Anagnost, Melissa Clausen, Frankie Larsen, Jan Pankratz, Janice Watson, Hettymae Weaver, and Betty Wilder. We enjoyed meeting them and, having heard from several, they enjoyed meeting more recent members and chatting with old friends.

Show and Share was, as usual, very interesting. It's always fun to see what comes down through the generations. The cookie table, as always, drew a crowd. This was, as always, a group endeavor and I'd like to thank those who helped out and without whom it would not have happened. Sharron Filer served on the committee for long-time member recognition and helped plan that portion of the program as well as contacting members and seeing to transportation. Betty Bennett once again served as cookie chairman and organizer of the helpers. Bob Barnes, whose penmanship is way better than mine, wrote the names on the nametags, and members brought their family things to show us and brought cookies to share. THANK YOU one and all!! *(Submitted by Judy Meredith, EGS Vice President)*

## PAT CLARKE

Pat Clarke, former EGS Bulletin editor, passed away December 9, 2008. Pat was raised in New Orleans. She met Pete Clarke in Atlanta while training to be a Delta Airlines flight attendant. They moved to Bellevue in 1981.

Pat enjoyed boating, traveling, and spoiling her grandchildren. She was an avid computer user and self-published two family history books, one each on the Clarke and the Bryan families. She is survived by her husband, Pete, former EGS Treasurer, two brothers, a son and a daughter and their families. A funeral mass celebration was held at St Louise Church, Bellevue, on Monday, Dec 15 at 4 PM. The EGS Board and membership appreciated her effort and hard work and we will miss her at our meetings. *(Submitted by Sharron Filer, EGS Trustee)*



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new members:

Dottie ANDERSON

Lorene LECHNER

Researching McCULLOUGH, LINVILLE, GILKEY and LOWERY in Scotland, Ireland, and England.

Denise NIELSEN

DEFPREZ, MOLET, and MATTER in France, Michigan, and Ohio.

## HISTORY IS HAPPENING IN REDMOND

History is happening in the Redmond area! The Redmond Historical Society will meet on Saturday, January 10, 2009, 10:30 AM to Noon, at The Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center Auditorium, 16600 NE 80 Street, Redmond, WA. Lorraine McConaghy, historian with the Museum of History and Industry, will be speaking on "The Civil War in Washington Territory." The Civil War involved citizens on the Pacific Coast, as settlers in Washington Territory did not leave the war behind them, but brought the war with them. Don't miss this meeting.

To receive the monthly newsletter, contact the Society office at 425-885-2919, or email your request to [redmondhistory@hotmail.com](mailto:redmondhistory@hotmail.com). Books, note cards, free historic walking tour brochures, and the book, "Redmond Reflections," are available in our office, which is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM and on Tuesday from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Visit our website: [www.redmondhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.redmondhistoricalsociety.org).

**EGS BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

EGS Board Meeting - October 2, 2008

**Present:**

Bob Barnes, President; Judy Meredith, Vice-President; Norb Ziegler, Past President; Sharron Filer, Trustee; Margery Perdue, SIG co-chair, Walta McCarley, Secretary

**Actions:**

EGS-Bellevue Library Contract Renewal. The library acquisition committee agreed to the proposed contract. This is renewed every 10 years. KCLS maintains a book list online and EGS keeps a list of books purchased by EGS for the library collection. These are reference books and not in general circulation. A motion that the board confirm to BRL and sign the contract when it is written was passed.

Norb's interview on radio KARR was broadcast 4 times. Station manager in Salt Lake City requested copy of our Bulletin. Motion passed to give a 6-month free subscription.

**Discussion:**

Open positions: Education chair, library research assistants, library co-chair. Suggested Winnie write a job description for the bulletin. Bob will contact Betty Bennett about being publicity co-chair.

Ways to increase membership. Schools, senior centers, ask members for ideas.

**Reports:**

Membership – 277 memberships, 289 members.

Program: October – Sarah Fleming speaking on newspaper research. November Saturday meeting to acknowledge long-time members, have “show and tell” and cookies with an ethnic theme.

Outreach Schedule and Status – Bob Barnes, Dave Abernathy, Patty Wehrs, Ann Lamb, Judy Meredith attended and participated in the Issaquah History Museum event. Ann gave an excellent presentation.

BRL genealogy classes October 18, 25, Nov. 1 – 2 hour sessions. Chaired by Dave Abernathy. 1st week Ann Lamb on why one gets into genealogy. 2nd week Judy Meredith on sources of information, vital records and census records. Bob Barnes on maps, city directories, etc. 3rd week Dave Abernathy on internet information.

Family History Expo, November 8. A motion passed for EGS to participate with a main information table as well as individual SIG displays.

SIG report – Margery Perdue is working on the Family History Expo. Interest in new groups include Scottish and Family Tree Maker.

*A complete copy of the minutes can be made available upon request.*

**JANUARY EGS BOARD MEETING**

The EGS Board usually meets on the first Thursday of each month. Because the first Thursday in January falls on New Year's Day, the Board instead will meet on Friday, January 2nd, 2009, from 10 AM - Noon, at Bob Barnes' house. Please email [rstithbarnes@hotmail.com](mailto:rstithbarnes@hotmail.com) or call Bob (425-747-4863) for directions.

## **BOOK REVIEW – *BIG COTTON. HOW A HUMBLE FIBER CREATED FORTUNES, WRECKED CIVILIZATIONS, AND PUT AMERICA ON THE MAP***

Whatever your interests – genealogical locality research, everyday life in times past, inventions, the Civil War, world politics, environment, genetic manipulation or nanotechnology, cotton – the plant, fiber, fabric, oil and seed – has impacted all.

This is an engrossing book, well documented, from the domestication of the cotton plant in India and Peru to today's major production of genetically modified seeds and the world's largest exporter, China. The great technological advances as well as environmental disasters are well explained.

Did you know?

- New England Puritans were first to import slaves from Africa in order to barter them for cotton and rum from West Indies plantation owners.
- Cotton is originally gray in color. The fibers and the fabrics must be bleached, chemically treated to accept dyes, and dyed.
- Brown lung disease was prevalent among the mill workers.
- Prior to the Civil War, the South had the climate favorable to growing cotton while all the mills and manufacturing plants were in the industrial North.
- The boll weevil was cause for the creation and overuse of our most toxic insecticides.
- Cotton fibers are used in dynamite, rocket propellant, shoes, book bindings, plastics, fingernail polish, food casings for sausages & hot dogs, thickening for ice cream, photographic and x-ray film, automotive parts and much more.
- Recycled remnants from blue-jean factories make up 75% of the content of U.S. paper currency.
- Companies such as Wal-Mart and Gap have been manufacturing clothing offshore for decades, leading many U.S. plants to close.

Cotton plays an important part in the world's view of the United States and was cause for the breakup of talks at the WTO in 2003. Other nations, principally poor third world countries, believe the U.S. is dumping subsidized cotton on the open market. U.S. companies are now selling genetically engineered seeds to other countries with the caveat that they cannot gather seeds from their plants, but must buy new every year.

You can learn all about the living and working conditions of mill workers in Manchester, England, Lowell, Massachusetts, and China.

*Big Cotton. How a Humble Fiber Created Fortunes, Wrecked Civilizations, and Put America On the Map*, by Stephen Yafa, Viking Penquin, 2005. Illustrated. This is a fascinating book, well written and easy to read. Originally \$26.00, I found it at Third Place Books in Bothell for \$6.00. Check for it at your local library. (Submitted by Sharron Filer, EGS Trustee)

### **TIPS FROM THE PROS: CHECK NEWSPAPERS FOR IMMIGRANT ORIGINS FROM LORETTO D. SZUCS**

Search local and ethnic newspapers for information about your immigrant ancestors. Obituaries and other notices pertaining to life events (birth, marriage, anniversary, etc.) frequently list the town or county of origin for immigrants. You may also find lists of new arrivals, immigrants who were treated in a local hospital, lists of arriving indentured servants or apprentices, queries about missing relatives or friends, and notices of probates of estates--all of which may include clues to the immigrant's origins. And don't just look for direct line ancestors. While your ancestor's obituary may not list that town of origin, the death notice of a sibling or cousin could be just what you're looking for.

Check for newspapers in online collections like those at Ancestry. Inquire at local and ethnic libraries and genealogical/historical societies as they may have or know of collections, indexes, or compilations. State libraries and archives are another good place to check. (*Ancestry Weekly Journal, Copyright 2008, The Generations Network and its subsidiaries*)

## REPORT FROM THE INTRODUCTORY GENEALOGY CLASS HELD OCTOBER 25 AND NOVEMBER 1, 2008



The second and third sessions of the introduction to genealogy were held at the Bellevue Regional Library on October 25 and November 1. The second session featured Judy Meredith who spoke about where to find and how to use vital records, church records and different types and forms of state and federal census data. Bob Barnes followed with an introduction to finding and using city directories, tax records, court house records, military records, immigration and naturalization records, newspapers, photographs, and county histories.

On the following Saturday, Dave Abernathy concluded the classes with a presentation on the ins and outs of conducting genealogical research on the Internet. Dave highlighted the need to be very careful in understanding the scope and origin of source material found on the Internet and the importance of documenting all the sources, Internet and otherwise, that one uses or visits while conducting their research. Dave demonstrated a number of the online resources available through the library and cautioned that while not all relevant records are or are ever likely to be found on the Internet, the volume of material is simply enormous and more is being added all the time.

More and more people showed up as the classes went along and by the final day we had almost two dozen in attendance. In response to requests from attendees as well as from the library there will be a follow up hands-on computer session on Saturday, January 31, 2009, from 10 AM – Noon. The library has asked the EGS to consider offering a class every quarter or so and a variety of topics are under consideration. Stay tuned!

In conjunction with the genealogy classes, the library's Lisa Fraser and Judy Meredith and Bob Barnes set up an attractive and interesting genealogical research display in one of the library's display cabinets in the main hallway.

And well deserved thanks to all EGSers who participated in the classes as students, presenters and helpers.  
(Submitted by Bob Barnes, EGS President)

### DAR SCHOLARSHIPS

Do you know that there are lots of scholarships available from the DAR? History, medical, teaching, historic preservation, law, music, etc. Membership not required. Tell your kids, grandkids and friends to check out the DAR website at [www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org). More information (and an application form) can be obtained from Donna Hart, State DAR Scholarship Chairman, [carldonna1@comcast.net](mailto:carldonna1@comcast.net), or from any other EGS / DAR member. Most deadlines are early February, so act now! Submitted by Donna Hart, DAR Representative)

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Could you donate a few hours a week (or a month) to the Eastside Genealogy Society to help keep our operation running smoothly? EGS is only as strong as our volunteers, and using the same people over and over, for every job, they are sure to get burned out. None of these jobs are full-time, serious commitment-type jobs.

- **Nominating Committee** —A new Nominating Committee Chairman and some members are needed to work on the Nominating Committee each spring to locate new officers for EGS.
- **Research Assistants**— We need an additional volunteer to help researchers at our afternoon or evening help sessions at the library. And Winnie could use an assistant Library Chair.



If you can help, please contact Bob Barnes at 425-747-4863 or [rstithbarnes@hotmail.com](mailto:rstithbarnes@hotmail.com).

**IRISH GENEALOGY CONFERENCE SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2009, 11 AM – 6 PM**

Speakers from the Ulster Historical Foundation in Belfast, including Foundation Executive Director Fintan Mullen and the former Director of the Public Records Office of Northern Ireland, Dr. Brian Trainor, will be in Seattle on Sunday, March 8 to present illustrated lectures packed with factual information about Irish genealogical archives and research covering the whole island of Ireland.

The Ulster Historical Foundation, established in 1956, is one of the principal genealogical research agencies in Ireland and is a leading publisher of quality historical, educational, and genealogical books.

The specific topics for the eight conference sessions are still being finalized but a Tentative Conference Program has been agreed that includes a Q&A session afterwards. You can view the tentative program online at <http://www.irishclub.org/GenealogyProgram.pdf>

In addition, a staff member will be available during the day to give practical advice about specific genealogy queries. The details as to location and cost have not yet been determined, but for tentative reservations or more information, email [Genealogy@irishclub.org](mailto:Genealogy@irishclub.org) or call 425-290-7839. *(Submitted by Ann Lamb, Irish Special Interest Group Leader)*

**UPCOMING HIDDEN SECRETS OF THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES LECTURE**

What: Hidden Secrets of the National Archives

When: Monday, January 12, 2009

Where: Stroum JCC, 3801 East Mercer Way, Mercer Island, WA

Description: Everyone knows about the United States census, the military records, and immigration/naturalization records that are among the billions of documents at the National Archives. But what about less well known records, like original land patents, records of unique groups (such as Chinese, Indians, bootleggers, and merchant seamen), photograph collections, and even movies?

Only a tiny fraction of these documents have been digitized, so there remains a wealth of original materials to discover at YOUR National Archives, found right here in Seattle! Come discover what there is and how to find it. Doors open at 7:00 PM. The JGSWS library will be available, and WiFi will be available (bring your laptops). Presentations start promptly at 7:30 PM. Visit our Web site at: [www.jgsws.org](http://www.jgsws.org) Free admission for JGSWS members, \$5.00 for non-members.



About Our Speaker — Carol Buswell is currently the Education Specialist for the National Archives and Records Administration in Seattle. She holds an MA in American Indian Studies (UCLA, 1997) a BA in Elementary Education and Fine Art (1979), and teaching credentials in six states. Prior to her work at the archives, she has been the owner of an American Indian antiques and book store, a professional writer, a professional genealogist, and an elementary school teacher. Her workshops range in topics from beginning and online genealogy to aligning primary documents with state teaching standards.

**15 MILLION NEW RECORDS ADDED TO FAMILYSEARCH.ORG**

FamilySearch.org added over 15 million new indexed records to its Record Search pilot—all from the 1850 and 1870 U.S. Censuses. The records are linked to the digital images of the originals. The new records can be searched for free at FamilySearch.org (Click Search Records, then Record Search pilot). *(This article is from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter dated December 19, 2008, and is copyright by Richard W. Eastman. It is re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>.)*

## IRISH ROOTS: NEW GENEALOGICAL RECORDS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Library and Archives Canada is pleased to announce that its partner, the National Archives of Ireland, has launched the next important phase of an online census research tool for the Irish counties of Antrim, Kerry, and Down for 1911. The census records for all counties for 1911 and for 1901 will be made available online throughout 2009.

Library and Archives Canada signed an agreement with the National Archives of Ireland in December 2005 and the two institutions have been working to make the censuses of Ireland for 1901 and 1911 accessible online, free of charge. Library and Archives Canada's contribution included digitizing microfilm reels, linking images to the database and making the records searchable by name.

"With 70 million Irish diaspora around the world, and up to one-fifth of Canadians claiming Irish heritage, this project will connect even more people to their historical roots," stated Ian E. Wilson, Librarian and Archivist of Canada. Making these records accessible online will give genealogists and historians around the world the chance to explore the age, occupation, religion and marital status of individuals. It will also allow research on Irish society of the early 20th century. The National Archives of Ireland have provided vibrant historical essays on topics such as social life, government, sport and religion and photographs depicting life in Ireland in 1911.

To visit the Irish Census Online and the virtual exhibition on life in Ireland in 1911, please, go to: [www.census.nationalarchives.ie](http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie) (in English only). For more information or for information on Library and Archives Canada and the National Archives of Ireland's partnership, please visit The Shamrock and the Maple Leaf at: [www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/ireland/](http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/ireland/). *(This article is from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter dated December 24, 2008, and is copyright by Richard W. Eastman. It is re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>.)*

## STAYING ORGANIZED WHEN TIME IS LIMITED BY JULIANA SMITH

It was a genealogical dream night. I had the house to myself with my husband at martial arts class and my daughter at play practice. And even better--Ancestry had just launched a huge collection of U.S. city directories, including some for New York City and Brooklyn. I made a cup of tea and settled in my office chair for an evening with my ancestors.

I had no sooner pulled up the database when my phone rang. It was a sales call. Thank goodness for caller ID. I ignored it and managed to get off one search, when my greyhound came in nosing me to let her out. I put her coat on, let her out and returned to work. As soon as I sat down, in came the cat. He strutted across my desk several times and I was reminded that I hadn't given him a pill. I got up again, gave him his medicine, and sat back down. Dang, I had forgotten the dog outside. Up again to let the dog in. I didn't even get to sit down this time when my daughter called telling me to come get her. Play practice had ended early--and so had my evening with my ancestors.

Interruptions are a fact of life, but if you're organized, even a few minutes of research time here and there can be productive.

### Desk Trays

I have long since resigned myself to the fact that my research time won't always come to an end on my own terms. So I try to find ways to cut my research off in such a way that I can easily go back and pick up where I left off. One thing that helps me is a tray on my desk that is reserved for family history work that needs to be processed or filed.

Sometimes I'll come home from a research trip and not have time to file everything right away. Or perhaps I was able to attach a record I found online to my online tree, but didn't get a chance to enter the information into my genealogical software. Maybe I need to scan a record and save it electronically. Whatever the reason, unfinished business left lying around can quickly lead to problems.

Since I know I'll probably forget where I left off when I get the chance to return to my research, I keep plastic sleeves and sticky notes so that when I'm interrupted, I can slip it into a sleeve and jot down where I am in terms of processing the information. (I use the plastic sleeves to protect the document and then put the sticky note on the outside of the sleeve to keep from damaging original documents.) Into the tray it goes, and the next time I get a free minute, I go right for that tray and pick up right where I left off. *(Continued next page)*

## Get Organized

I've also learned the hard way that it's pretty much impossible to get any research done if it takes you twenty minutes to find what you're looking for. Take ten minutes each day to go through and clear out that tray and any stray piles you have lying around. Even if you've gotten way behind in your filing (been there, done that, got the t-shirt), you can make a big dent in ten minutes.

When I do get too far behind, I add another step. I found a small tabletop file that is portable. I have folders in it with each surname and when the filing tray gets overwhelming, I can sit and sort papers while I watch TV with the family, or even while I'm waiting in the parking lot for my daughter to get out of school. Then when I get a little more time, I grab a surname file folder and file the documents in it properly in my binder. This way I don't have to drag out all of my binders at once to get my filing done and I'm not bouncing around between families.

## Electronic Organizing

Don't overlook electronic organization too. I have a special folder in "My Documents" for Family History. In it, there are folders for locations in which I have research interests and for each surname I'm researching. Within these there are subfolders for each individual. In them I keep all of the electronic records I have for that person, and also any photographs that are available.

To keep my e-mail inbox clean, I also save family history related correspondence to text files and file them in the appropriate folder as well. That way, I don't have to search in a lot of different places. Did I archive that e-mail yet? Is it filed in a surname folder in Outlook? Or did I leave it in my inbox?

## To-Do List

When I run across a lead that I don't have time to pursue, because my memory isn't what it used to be, I make a note of it on my to-do list. To make this as easy as possible, my to-do list is a Word document that I have saved to my desktop for easy access. (To save a document to your desktop in Windows, just click on File, Save As, and when the dialog box pops up, choose Desktop from the icons on the left. Or you can go to My Documents, find the file, right-click on it and Create a Short-cut. Then make the window smaller and just drag the shortcut to your desktop.)



Now when you get some free time, and your tray is empty, if you're good about recording your to-do tasks, you can open it up and start right away, rather than spending ten minutes wondering where to begin. I use this list a lot when I see databases being posted that I'd like to search, but don't have time because of work or other obligations.

## Use Your Digital or Phone Camera

Ever been in a library and been interrupted by the flickering lights and that "last call" announcement that, "You don't have to go home, but you can't stay here." (OK, maybe most libraries don't use those exact words, but you know what I mean.) If you don't have time to record the source information, pull out your digital camera or camera phone and document the source that way. You can copy book title pages, or even copy a microfilm record with the film box positioned so that the film number is showing.

Or take a picture of the catalog card or online catalog screen. I've found this helpful even when it isn't closing time. Go to the catalog and take pictures of the catalog screen for all the resources you want to check and then when you leave the catalog, retrieving the resources you need is easy because you have the call numbers/film numbers in your phone or camera.



## Summing Up

With the holiday season upon us, research time is likely to be a little harder to come by. And with the possibility of family get-togethers, it's the worst possible time to let our family history slide. Each new discovery can be shared with family members and possibly evoke memories that will aid us down the road. Plus, framed records and family history charts make economical and meaningful gifts for family members. By taking simple steps like these, we can find ways to unwind for a short time with our family history amidst the hustle and bustle of the holidays. *(From the Ancestry Weekly Journal, 11/30/2008, Copyright 2008, The Generations Network and its subsidiaries.)*



## EGS JUNE 2008 MEETING CALENDAR

EGS Board Meeting (First Thursday, 10:00 AM)	<b>Note Change:</b> The Eastside Genealogical Society Board will meet on Friday, January 2, from 10 AM—Noon at Bob Barnes' house at 1652 128th Ave SE, Bellevue.
EGS General Meeting (Second Thursday, 7:00 PM)	The Eastside Genealogical Society will hold its General Meeting on <b>Thursday, January 8 at 7:00 PM in the Bellevue Regional Library.</b> Doors open at 6:30 PM and visitors are welcome.
Computer Interest Group (Fourth Saturday, 9:30 AM)	It's a new year, time to learn how to share your data with others via the Internet! We'll hear from several members how to upload your data onto TMG's Second Site, Ancestry.com, World Family Tree, so that others can find your data and, hopefully, add to it. Join us on <b>Saturday, January 24, 9:30 AM—11:30 AM</b> in the <b>Community Room at Crossroads Mall Shopping Center in Bellevue</b> , then stay for lunch to swap stories about your latest find. (Margery Perdue, <a href="mailto:m.perdue@comcast.net">m.perdue@comcast.net</a> )
Czech/Slovak Interest Group (Check Bulletin for meeting information)	Will next meet on <b>January 31, 9:30 AM to Noon at Fire station #22 in Kirkland.</b> See website for more information <a href="http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wacsig/">http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wacsig/</a> (Rosie Bodien, 425-828-0170 or <a href="mailto:rosie@bodien.org">rosie@bodien.org</a> .)
EGS Lunch Bunch (Fourth Thursday, 11:30 AM)	Meets every fourth <b>Thursday, 11:30 AM, at Crossroads Mall Shopping Center Food Court.</b>
German Interest Group (First Friday, 1:00 PM)	The German Interest Group will meet on <b>Friday, January 2 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM</b> at the <b>Crossroads Mall Community Meeting Room</b> in Bellevue. We will have a guest speaker – Nils, a German exchange student who is staying with Jan Pankratz's family. There will also be time for members to ask questions and share ideas. (Contact: Ann Passé 206 232-1104 or <a href="mailto:annp42@comcast.net">annp42@comcast.net</a> )
Irish and Scots-Irish Interest Group (First Wednesday, 10:00 AM)	Contact Ann Lamb 425-557-0440 or <a href="mailto:AnnL7777@aol.com">AnnL7777@aol.com</a> for information about the next meeting.
Italian Interest Group (Third Saturday, 1:30 PM)	<b>Note Change:</b> Will meet on <b>Saturday, January 10, 2009, 1:30 -3:30 PM at Lake Hills Library, Bellevue.</b> (Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250 or <a href="mailto:collectingroots@msn.com">collectingroots@msn.com</a> )
Legacy Interest Group (First Wednesday, 12:30 PM)	Contact Sherry Holthe, <a href="mailto:sherdh@centurytel.net">sherdh@centurytel.net</a> or 425-880-4407 for meeting information.
Scandinavian Interest Group (Second Tuesday, 10:00 AM)	The Scandinavian Interest Group will meet <b>Tuesday, January 13, 10:00 - Noon in the Puget Sound Archive building at Bellevue Community College.</b> Please see the website for more information <a href="http://eastsidesign.spaces.live.com">eastsidesign.spaces.live.com</a> (Sandy Arildson, 425-747-5621, or <a href="mailto:sarildson@yahoo.com">sarildson@yahoo.com</a> )
Shore to Shore Interest Group (Changes monthly, call Shirley)	Will next meet on January 19 to travel to the Seattle Public Library. Please call Shirley Dowd, 425-454-0078 for more information.

## FREE GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH HELP

Genealogical research help is available at the Bellevue Regional Library, located at NE 12<sup>th</sup> St. and 110<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE in Bellevue. Eastside Genealogical Society volunteers are waiting to help you with problems and questions. They are available in room 6 on the second floor of the library, to the left of the reference desk. Hours are Tuesdays from 7:00-9:00 PM and Wednesdays from 1:00-3:00 PM.

### LOCATION ADDRESSES

Bellevue Regional Library NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE Bellevue, WA 425-450-1760	Crossroads Mall Shopping Center Community Meeting Room NE 8th and 156th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA	FHC - Bellevue 10675 NE 20th St Bellevue, WA 425-454-2690	FHC - Kirkland 7910 NE 132nd St. Kirkland, WA 425-821-8781
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<b>January 12-16, 2009</b>	Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy, Radisson Hotel, Salt Lake City. Choose one of nine courses of study for comprehensive learning experience with 20 classes per course. For more information and registration, see <a href="http://www.infouga.org/site/">http://www.infouga.org/site/</a> or call 1-888-info-uga.
<b>March 8, 2009</b>	Irish Genealogy Conference, 11 AM—6 PM, Seattle. For more information, see website at <a href="http://www.irishclub.org/GenealogyProgram.pdf">http://www.irishclub.org/GenealogyProgram.pdf</a>
<b>May 16, 2009</b>	The Seattle Genealogical Society's Spring Seminar will feature John Philip Colletta, PhD. He is a nationally recognized speaker, specializing in Federal Records, Writing Your Genealogy and European Records. John will present four topics during the seminar. More Info: <a href="http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waseags/">http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waseags/</a>

### VIDEO INTERVIEW: CYNDI HOWELLS

Perhaps the best-known genealogy site is Cyndi's List, run by Cyndi Howells. I caught up with Cyndi on the 4th annual Wholly Genes cruise and had a chance to talk with her about the categorized, cross-referenced list of more than 265,000 genealogy sites on the Internet. Cyndi offered her insights into genealogy and into the operation of her popular web site.

Roots Television videotaped our conversation and has now placed it online. You can watch the interview with Cyndi at [http://www.rootstelevision.com/players/player\\_conferences.php?bctid=2474692001](http://www.rootstelevision.com/players/player_conferences.php?bctid=2474692001). (This article is from *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter* dated November 18, 2008, and is copyright by Richard W. Eastman. It is re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>.)

### 25,000 HISTORICAL BOOK TITLES NOW FREE ONLINE

FamilySearch International reached a milestone today with the digitization of its 25,000th publication online. It began the initiative in 2007 and is ramping up to do even more—and faster. The effort targets published family, society, county, and town histories, as well as numerous other historical publications that are digitally preserved and made accessible for free online. The digital publications can be searched at [www.FamilySearch.org](http://www.FamilySearch.org) (Go to FamilySearch.org, then click Search Records, then click Historical Books). (This article is from *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter* dated December 16, 2008, and is copyright by Richard W. Eastman. It is re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at <http://www.eogn.com>.)

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