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FEBRUARY EGS GENERAL MEETING

Date: Thursday, February 12, 2015
Time: Welcome New Members 6:30 PM
 Meeting Begins 7:00 PM
Location: Bellevue Regional Library, NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE
 Bellevue, WA
Topic: *How DNA Can Help Your Family Tree Research*
Speaker: Dr. Maurice Gleeson, via YouTube

Speaker: Dr. Gleeson is a medical doctor in London, England. He runs several DNA projects, including the Spearin Surname Project and iCARA, which facilitates the reconnection of people with Irish Caribbean ancestry to their ancestral homelands.

About the Program: We will watch some short videos which explain the different types of DNA testing—Y, mitochondrial, and autosomal. The videos include interesting case studies which will help you understand how to use DNA testing to advance your research and break down some brick walls.

BOARD MESSAGE

Hi everyone,

So, if you're reading this you have survived Christmas, taken down the decorations, written the "thank you" notes.

It's still winter, though, so it's a great time to get out your genealogy stuff. (Or if you're like me, it's still in piles on the desk, just like it was before Christmas!)

Maybe this will be the year you break down that brickwall, find the maiden name of that 4th great grandmother, get that DNA test, or—heaven forbid—get organized.

Long-time addicts—excuse me—hobbyists know this is a great time in history to do genealogy. More and more records are coming online, more books are getting published and more TV shows are being produced.

So, if you're a newbie, jump right in. Each of our monthly meetings includes a program, as you know. There is also help in Room 6 on the 2nd floor of the library Tuesday evenings and Wednesday afternoons. (Check our newsletter or the membership form.) And, when you attend the meetings, you may very well pick up a hint or two from the person next to you—or discover he or she is a cousin.

Happy hunting!
 Judy Meredith, Past President

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SARAH FLEMING AWARDED EGS LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Sarah Fleming, currently EGS Program Chair and Book Acquisitions Chair, was awarded the Eastside Genealogical Society's Life Membership at the January general meeting. Sarah has been a member of EGS since 1991, and has contributed to our organization in many ways, including two years as Secretary and two years as Vice President/Program Chair. She has been a member of the Book Acquisition Committee since 1994 and has served as chairperson since 2002.

Sarah has also given a number of presentations to our members, including "Indirect Evidence - A Case Study" which documented how she determined the parents of one of her great-great grandfathers, despite the records being destroyed in two courthouse fires in Graves Co., Kentucky. This research was published in the March 2009 issue of the National Genealogical Society Quarterly. Sarah has also made presentations on newspaper research, researching tax records, and using the non-population censuses, among others.

Sarah has been a vital member of the EGS Board and will be greatly missed, as she will soon be moving back East. We hope you will take time to congratulate Sarah and wish her well in the move ahead. (*Submitted by Sharron Filer, with input from "Volunteer Spotlight," by Norb Ziegler, Bulletin Board, September 2009.*)

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new EGS members:

- Fred DeBERRY
- Flynn Clarke KENNEDY
- Bea and Harvey KRILOFF
- Michelle LYONS
- Valerie REDPATH
- Barbara SHAW researching HARRIS in Vermont; MADIGAN and LYNCH in Ireland; GEIGER, GROSS-BETTLINGEN, SCHWARZ, WALDKREIS, WUETTEMBERG in Germany; LAUFFER in Pennsylvania; BOHACHEK in Bohemia; HESSEL in Westphalia, Germany; BUESCHER in Prussia; and BUTTERFIELD in Ontario, Canada.
- Beth SNYDER researching CORNWALL, BAWDEN, KINSMAN, and SHIMMIN in Saxony, Germany; ELLGEN in Mecklenburg, FRARCK.
- Joan TONNON
- Barbara UMPHENOUR researching WITT in Germany

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS AND WEBMASTER NEEDED

★ We need several volunteers to give research assistance on Tuesday evenings at the Bellevue Library from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Long time volunteer Dawn Thompson has resigned from 2nd Tuesday and another place on the 3rd Tuesday has never been filled. Substitutes are also needed. Call Winnie Sihon at 425-793-5424.

★ A webmaster is needed to take over the EGS website. Duties involve updating the calendar, SIG pages, and newsletter page. Some knowledge of html and file transfer needed. If interested, contact Kim Nichols at kimberlynichols7@frontier.com

FREE GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH HELP

Genealogical research help is available at the Bellevue Regional Library, located at NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE in Bellevue. Eastside Genealogical Society volunteers are waiting to help with your 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 every Tuesday evening from 7:00-9:00 PM and every Wednesday from 1:00-3:00 PM.

**WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO YOUR FAMILY HISTORY STUFF?
(WHEN YOU DOWNSIZE YOUR RESIDENCE OR PASS AWAY)
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In addition to the listed links, many more can be found at Cyndislist.com or by using a Google search.

Family History stuff includes:

1. Loose papers
2. Photographs and slides
3. Artifacts/ Family heirlooms
4. Audio or video recordings
5. Notebooks
6. Genealogy books
7. Digital files on your devices, e-mails, Social Media, the Cloud
8. Online Family Trees, websites, blogs
9. DNA results

Where's your stuff?

1. Boxes or plastic tubs
2. Desk, table or floor
3. File cabinets
4. Bookcases
5. Old audio cassettes, VHS tapes, floppy disks
6. Computer or external hard drives
7. Artifacts displayed or in use
8. Internet websites, e-mails or the Cloud
9. In your mind (family stories & your life experiences)

Your hopes? 1) family member(s) take over; 2) sell; or 3) donate

How can you ensure your hopes?

- 1) Make backups of your digital & any non-digitized important papers on regular basis; keep backup copy outside your home in case of fire/flood & in another part of the USA in case of natural disaster. Difference between sites that Sync files, like Dropbox, Evernote, etc. and backup sites like Carbonite, Backblaze, etc.

More info: "Best Backups" <http://www.bestbackups.com/>

"Are you backing up your genealogy data?"

<http://organizeyourfamilyhistory.com/backing-genealogy-data/>

"5 Genealogy Data Backup Tools You Can't Afford to Live Without"

<http://crestleaf.com/blog/5-genealogy-data-backup-tools-cant-afford-live-without/>

- 2) Share Family History with family members: tell family stories, show/share heirlooms/books, and ask for their help.

- 3) Add Genealogical Codicil to your Will: My attorney stated that I could change mine at any time by having 2 disinterested people witness my signature & placing it with my Will. Check with your attorney. A few examples at: <http://www.vbrgs.org/files/ResearchForms/GenealogyWillFeb20100001.pdf>
<http://www.thefamilycurator.com/storage/2013booktour/FamilyCurator-GenCodicil.pdf>
www.lisalouisecooke.com/directive.pdf

- 4) List of website accounts (including e-mail accounts) with name, URL, password, & etc. info. Consider Password Manager software, LastPass, etc. Check Terms of Service to learn what heirs can do. Be sure your heirs know the location of that list – maybe place copy with your Will or elsewhere in your home.

More info: "What Happens to Your Social Media Profiles When You Die?"

<http://mashable.com/2014/06/24/social-media-death/>

"Preparing for Your Digital Afterlife"

<http://www.whoishostingthis.com/blog/2013/12/19/preparing-for-digital-afterlife/#>

"How to Manage Your Digital Afterlife" <http://www.passare.com/how-manage-your-digital-assets-0>

"How to Take Care of Your Digital Legacy"

<http://dying.about.com/od/planningahead/a/Take-Care-Of-Digital-Legacy.htm>

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- 5) Consider sharing info online:
 - a. By posting your Family Tree online at RootsWeb, WorldConnect, FamilySearch, Family Tree, [WikiTree.org](#), WeRelate, and subscription sites like [Ancestry.com](#), [MyHeritage.com](#), Mocavo, FindMyPast, GeneaNet, Geni.com, etc.
 - b. Create a website or a blog or use social media like Facebook
 - c. Advantages vs Cautions
- 6) Record stuff from your mind – the family stories and your life experiences.

Donate to organizations/institutions:

1. Possible organizations/institutions include any historical/genealogy society or local library of your ancestors. Maybe State Archives or universities.
2. Each place has their own regulations so contact them in advance.
3. If no local organization, try major ones.
4. Contact them in advance & review their Terms of Agreement.
5. Consider a financial donation because it costs money to prepare your donation for sharing at their site.
More info: “4 Things To Do Before You Donate Your Genealogy”
<http://blogs.ancestry.com/ancestry/2014/02/20/4-things-to-do-before-you-donate-your-genealogy/>
Society of American Archivists:
<http://www2.archivists.org/publications/brochures/donating-familyrecs>

Possible major organizations:

1. Allen County Public Library in Fort Wayne, Indiana <http://www.genealogycenter.org/Donate.aspx>
2. FamilySearch <https://familysearch.org/sites/default/uploads/Donations-Guidelines-REVISION-12-July-2012.pdf>
3. Fiske Genealogical Library in Seattle <http://www.fiskelibrary.org/>
4. Library of Congress <http://www.loc.gov/rr/genealogy/gifts.html>
5. Mid-Continent Public Library <http://www.mymcpl.org/genealogy/donations>
6. New England Historic Genealogical Society <http://www.americanancestors.org/Support/Donate-Materials/>

What do recipients want?

1. Organized stuff in a small physical size
2. Data with source information
3. Genealogy software & digital files
4. Recorded stories and written books

Organization: Since each of us thinks slightly differently, check <http://www.cyndislist.com/organizing/> for ideas.
“What to keep & toss” <http://www.familytreemagazine.com/Article/what-to-keep-and-what-to-toss>

Organizing Family Heirlooms:

1. Use inventory forms along with pictures & list possible new heir of each item.
Various Inventory Forms: <http://www.familytreemagazine.com/info/oralhistoryforms>
“How to Archive Family Keepsakes” book by Denise May Levenick.
2. If you & your family members don’t appreciate the item, donate or sell it now.

Organizing Photos:

- 1) Keep or toss: use photo editing software to restore pictures; to help identify people, use facial recognition software &/or online sites like DeadFred, etc..
- 2) Printed photo: use soft lead pencil to add names, places, approximate dates on photo back before scanning.
- 3) Negative & slides: scan them yourself or have it done.
- 4) Digital photos: unique folder name (My Example: MyPictures>Genealogy) & add many subfolders. Unique filenames (Ex: surname-firstName-year-event). Use File Metadata option (right click file name, click Properties & then Details to add searchable Tags & Comments). Each year review your new pictures for any of genealogical interest and include them in the appropriate subfolder of your Genealogy Picture Folder.
- 5) Old photo storage: store in acid-free album kept in a dry & dark location.
- 6) Scanning front & check backside: Use your equipment (set dpi & file format) or stores like Costco or hire someone, like Randy Lindberg of Quality Picture Scanning in North Bend 425-888-9805, recommended by EGS members.

More info: "Why your digital photos might die before your grandkids see them"

<http://www.today.com/money/why-your-digital-photos-might-die-your-grandkids-see-them-1D80395921>

Geoff Rasmussen wrote the "Digital Imaging Essential" book & created Legacy Family Tree Webinar: "Organizing and Sharing Digital Images."

"Tips on Scanning and Editing Photos" <http://our-lineage.com/2013/05/28/scanning-and-editing-photos/>
"Organizing Your Family Photos"

<http://www.jenealogy.biz/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Jenealogy-Organize-your-photos.pdf>

Organizing Digital Files:

1. Easy to identify Genealogy folder when viewing computer folders & add additional subfolders using names & numbers
2. Unique & meaningful filenames (Ex: surname-firstName-yr-item)
3. Old file formats: Google search to learn steps to open file & convert to current file formats

Organizing Paper:

1. Toss or scan all important documents before keeping originals & tossing rest after computer backup done.
2. If file folders, determine folder method (by surname, location, record type, or general info, etc.).
3. If using 4 Grandparent Surname Notebooks, determine contents & order (grandparent & going back generation by generation or reverse order).

Organizing Audio & Video Recordings:

1. Determine present physical storage devices.
2. Can you play it?
3. If so, determine desired parts to convert to digital files & required software/equipment to create new file in digital format.
4. If can't play, either buy/borrow required software/equipment or hire someone, like Randy above.

Genealogy software:

1. Some have free versions for your computer, like Legacy Family Tree, RootsMagic, etc..
2. Online software like [Ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com), [FamilySearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org), MyHeritage, WikiTree, etc. Recommend keep a copy on your PC, too.
3. Source your data so you & anyone can locate original source.

Record and/or write:

1. What: Family stories, your life experiences, & your Family History.
2. How: Audio or video recording of you telling it, posting to online blog, plus writing & publishing an e-book or paper book. More info: "Ten Steps to Writing and Publishing Your Family History" by Penny Stratton: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uUpoVyZZrXs>

Conclusions:

- 1) Back-up your data regularly; LOCKSS (Lots of copies keeps stuff safe).
- 2) Share with family &/or contact organizations.
- 3) Add the Genealogical Codicil to your Will.
- 4) Record websites account info.
- 5) Organize stuff & reduce its physical size.
- 6) Record stories & write books.
- 7) Consider sharing info online.
- 8) Act NOW!! Your descendants will be happy that you did.

More information:

Legacy Family Tree webinar: "After You're Gone: Future-Proofing Your Genealogy Research" on May 8th by Thomas MacEntee <http://www.familytreewebinars.com/upcoming-webinars.php>

Randy Seaver's reply to "How Have You Saved Your Research So Someone Can Search For It?"

[http://www.geneamusings.com/2014/11/dear-randy-how-have-you-saved-your.html?](http://www.geneamusings.com/2014/11/dear-randy-how-have-you-saved-your.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+geneamusings%2FIEw+%28Genea-Musings%29)

[utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+geneamusings%2FIEw+%28Genea-Musings%29](http://www.geneamusings.com/2014/11/dear-randy-how-have-you-saved-your.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+geneamusings%2FIEw+%28Genea-Musings%29)

A PRAYER FOR THE GENEALOGIST

Lord, help me dig into the past
And sift the sands of time,
That I might find the roots that made
This family tree of mine.

Lord, help me trace the ancient roads
On which my fathers trod,
And led them through so many lands
To find our present sod.

Lord, help me find an ancient book
Or dusty manuscript,
That's safely hidden now away
In some forgotten crypt.

Lord, let it bridge the gap that haunts
My soul when I can't find,
The missing link between some name
That ends the same as mine.



-- Author Unknown (*Contributed by EGS member Patti Wehrs, from a Find-A-Grave memorial*)

2014 FAMILY HISTORY FAIR SYLLABUS

If you were unable to obtain the Syllabus for the 2014 Family History Fair that was held in Bellevue on November 8th, here is the link to it: <http://www.wafamilyhistory.net/2014/index.html>. It has 131 pages — some speakers included a wealth of information but others are very brief. (*Contributed by Dorothy Pretare, EGS member*)

SOME FUNNY GENEALOGY QUOTES

“Some family trees bear an enormous crop of nuts.” — Wayne H.

“Genealogists never die, they just lose their roots.” — Unknown

“Genealogy: Tracing yourself back to people better than you are.” — John Garland Pollard

“I don't have to look up my family tree because I know that I'm the sap.” — Fred Allen

“We've uncovered some embarrassing ancestors in the not-too-distant past. Some horse thieves, and some people killed on Saturday nights. One of my relatives, unfortunately, was even in the newspaper business.” — Jimmy Carter

“Any family tree produces some lemons, some nuts and a few bad apples.” — Unknown

“Most people get excited over new cars; I get excited over death certificates. It's no wonder my husband worries about my state of mind.” — Rett MacPherson, Family Skeletons

“Why waste your money looking up your family tree? Just go into politics and your opponents will do it for you.” — Mark Twain

“My hobby is genealogy. I raise dust bunnies as pets.” — Unknown

“If you cannot get rid of the family skeleton, you may as well make it dance.” — George Bernard Shaw

“Family tree research is one giant step backwards and one giant step forward—usually at the same time.” — Unknown

“Eventually, all genealogists come to their census.” — Unknown

“Genealogy: Collecting dead relatives and sometimes a live cousin!” — Unknown

“Genealogy: An account of one's descent from an ancestor who did not particularly care to trace his own.” — Ambrose Bierce. (*From Crestleaf.com blog*)

ECONOMIC RECESSIONS THROUGHOUT HISTORY BY DICK EASTMAN

The world economies change every few years. Right now, the economy is in a boom period; the stock market is at or near its highest numbers in history, inflation rates remain low, and home mortgage prices in the U.S. are at their lowest rates in decades. However, we all know that nothing lasts forever. Sooner or later, there will be a downturn and a recession of some sort is inevitable.

We are not alone in this, of course. Throughout history, our ancestors lived through many recessions and economic downturns. Of course, every crisis has also brought new opportunities. Most of our ancestors survived the various economic problems of their day and went on to raise families and to prosper in various ways.

Many of us were born as a result of an economic crisis. How many of our ancestors lost their homes and then moved to other places for better economic opportunities? Upon arrival, they or their children met new potential spouses, married, and started new families. Indeed, many of us would not be alive today if it were not for economic crises.

Here are a few of the major recessions and depressions throughout history:

The Dutch Tulip Bubble of 1637

As much as the tulip is associated with Holland, it is not native there. Rather it was introduced in 1593 by a botanist named Carolus Clusius, who brought it from Constantinople. Over the next several decades, tulips became a fad among the rich of Holland, and prices began to climb. Soon even ordinary bulbs were selling for extraordinary prices, and the truly rare bulbs were astronomical. This was a perfect example of the greater fool theory: no matter how much I pay, there will always be someone willing to pay more.

The height of the bubble was reached in the winter of 1636-37. Tulip traders were making (and losing) fortunes regularly. Then one day in Haarlem a buyer failed to show up and pay for his bulb purchase. The ensuing panic spread across Holland, and within days tulip bulbs were worth only a hundredth of their former prices. The tulip bubble had burst. The financial loss was so severe that the Netherlands suffered a depression that lasted for years. Even many who were wise enough to stay away from tulip bulb speculating lost their savings as a result of the general economic depression that resulted from the tulip bulb crash.

Panic of 1797 (1797–1800)

The effects of the deflation of the Bank of England crossed the Atlantic Ocean to North America and disrupted commercial and real estate markets in the United States and the Caribbean. Britain's economy was greatly affected by developing deflationary repercussions because it was fighting France in the French Revolutionary Wars at the time.

Depression of 1807 (1807–1814)

The United States Congress under President Thomas Jefferson passed the Embargo Act of 1807. It devastated shipping-related industries. The Federalists fought the embargo and allowed smuggling to take place in New England.

Panic of 1819 (1819–1824)

The first major financial crisis in the United States featured widespread foreclosures, bank failures, unemployment, and a slump in agriculture and manufacturing. It also marked the end of the economic expansion that followed the War of 1812.

Panic of 1837 (1837–1843)

Bank failures and lack of confidence in the paper currency caused a sharp downturn in the American economy. Speculation markets were greatly affected when American banks stopped payment in specie (gold and silver coinage).

Panic of 1857 (1857–1860)

Failure of the Ohio Life Insurance and Trust Company burst a European speculative bubble in United States railroads and caused a loss of confidence in American banks. Over 5,000 businesses failed within the first year of the panic, and unemployment was accompanied by protest meetings in urban areas.

Panic of 1873 (1873–1879)

Economic problems in Europe prompted the failure of the Jay Cooke & Company, the largest bank in the United States, which burst the post-Civil War speculative bubble. The Coinage Act of 1873 also contributed by immediately depressing the price of silver, which hurt North American mining interests. *(Continued next page)*

Long Depression (1873–1896)

The collapse of the Vienna Stock Exchange caused a depression that spread throughout the world. It is important to note that during this period, the global industrial production greatly increased. In the United States, for example, industrial output increased fourfold.

Panic of 1893 (1893–1896)

Failure of the United States Reading Railroad and withdrawal of European investment lead to a stock market and banking collapse. This panic was also precipitated in part by a run on the gold supply.

Panic of 1907 (1907–1908)

A run on Knickerbocker Trust Company deposits on 22 October 1907 set events in motion that would lead to a severe monetary contraction.

Great Depression (1929–1939)

Stock markets crashed worldwide, and a banking collapse took place in the United States. This sparked a global downturn, including a second, more minor recession in the United States, the Recession of 1937.

Of course, most of us remember the Early 2000s recession when the collapse of the dot-com bubble, the September 11th attacks, and accounting scandals contributed to a relatively mild contraction in the North American economy.

I find it interesting that the great panics are always followed by periods of prosperity. Indeed, all economics seem to run in cycles: a downturn followed by an upturn. The upside to recessions is the fact that periods of expansion last about 5 times longer than recessionary periods.

The few who "keep their heads" during a recession tend to spot and act upon golden opportunities. For example: the other day I read an article on how billionaire American investor, businessman, and philanthropist Warren Buffet bought stocks and shares during the recession of the early 2000s, spending billions, while most others were selling in panic. When everyone was complaining about the stock market going down, Warren Buffet was quietly looking for bargains to purchase. When the stock market started looking better, he sold many of the stocks at a significant profit. Some of the other stocks are still held in his portfolio and are valued as several times the prices he paid. Many other smart investors do the same: purchase stocks when everyone else is in a panic.

We have all heard the phrase "buy low, sell high" many times, but how many Americans actually follow that advice? Warren Buffet does and his success is legendary.

Will our next recession be the same? Will many people panic while a few crafty folks move in and make fortunes? I really don't know. I have no expertise as a stock market adviser or as a financial planner. But it strikes me that history is indeed repeating itself. Many of our ancestors lost their homes and all their possessions in the various recessions and panics of the times. However, they or their children almost always persevered and eventually prospered.

I am looking forward to the next ten or twenty years, both the good times and bad. A few people will make fortunes during the next economic downturn. (*The previous article is from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2015 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>.*)

BOOK REVIEW: SEARCHING FOR YOUR ANCESTORS IN HISTORIC NEWSPAPERS BY BOBBI KING

Searching for Your Ancestors in Historic Newspapers by Claudia C. Breland. Published by Genealogy and Online Research, Gig Harbor, WA. 2014. Print and E-book. 286 pages.

Searching for Your Ancestors is available as a print edition or as an e-book. The e-book version is definitely the best-buy here, because, besides costing about half as much as the print, once you download and install *Searching for Your Ancestors in Historic Newspapers*, when you open it up, you're going to be out on the web very quickly and very likely finding some great new stuff.

Especially if you're a beginner, or if you just haven't taken the time yet to delve into newspapers, this is an excellent book. You're likely going to find some exciting material within the first few minutes of searching (because you're in too big a hurry to read the introduction first), but when your excitement dies down, then scroll up and read through the background material, which is a must. You just can't remember it all, and even the experienced genealogist needs to be reminded of all the wonderful tidbits found in the newspapers.

The beauty of this book is its organization. Ms. Breland has searched the web and compiled her lists, so all we need to do is go to the right section, read through the list of links, and click away. (*Continued next page*)

She cast her net across the web and reeled in sites for us to search.

The first section of the book is about newspapers, and the many items of interest contained therein, such as social news (divorces, marriages, family reunions), land sales transactions (sellers and buyers identified, the tracts described in detail), ship arrivals into port cities; Ms. Breland describes the wide assortment of information possibilities that add to our family history.

But the principal body of the book contains links, links, and more links, to newspaper research sites across the world. The first set of lists are major sites, followed by the free newspaper databases, then a list of the subscription databases, then a section about local and nationwide library resources.

Then there is a listing of all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories, with links to those pertinent newspaper-related sites, plus books that the researcher would find helpful for that region. Then come the worldwide sites, with links to over 50 countries. Not every link has the actual newspaper pages imaged online, but many of them do. If no images are available, there are indexes and catalogs for further looking, and if you find something you want, there is information on ordering copies.

It's surprising how far and wide an obituary might be published in a newspaper far away from the decedent's hometown. It's definitely worth the time to look for articles in newspapers in faraway places, and with this e-book, sifting through all the possibilities is a snap, compared to what it used to be.

Of course, not every newspaper everywhere is presented here, and surely some of yours are still in obscure places. But this is an easy and inexpensive way to search out the opportunities.

With your laptop on your lap and searching on your desktop, searching newspapers just became easier. And I'll bet the chair you're sitting in is a lot more comfortable than old woodie down at the archives.

Searching for Your Ancestors in Historic Newspapers is available from CreateSpace at <https://www.createspace.com/4887421> and from Amazon at <http://goo.gl/TSGwa6> (as a printed book) and from Amazon at <http://goo.gl/ztAc3W> (as a Kindle ebook). (The previous article is from *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter* and is copyright 2015 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>.)

UPCOMING LOCAL MEETINGS

- ◆ Cascade Chapter DAR will meet Tuesday, February 10, at 10:30 AM at the Bellevue Red Lion. Program will be "Chocolate! Chocolate! Chocolate!" with speaker Suzanne Suther, owner of Boehm's Chocolates of Poulsbo, formerly Boehm's Candies of Issaquah. Even before declaring independence from England, American colonists were making chocolate. Gain a greater appreciate of chocolate in this lively presentation which includes samples. Visitors welcome, for reservations contact Lanabeth Horgen at lanabeth_h@yahoo.com.
- ◆ Save the Dates! Two seminars from Seattle Genealogical Society: **Saturday, May 9, 2015**, Spring Seminar "Who's Your Daddy? Researching Your Family History in the Mid-South States," with speaker C. Lynn Andersen, Accredited Genealogist (ICAPGen). **October 17-18, 2015 Fall Seminar** "The Family History Detective: Finding Solutions to Your Toughest Research Problems," with speaker: Dr. Thomas W. Jones, CG, CGL, Co-Editor of National Genealogical Society Quarterly, past APG board member, BCG trustee and president, teacher at BU, IGHR, and SLIG, author of *Mastering Genealogical Proof*. More details at <http://www.seattlegenealogicalsociety.org/content/seminars>

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 425-242-8892
Issaquah Public Library 140 East Sunset Way Issaquah, WA 425-392-5430	Lake Hills Library 15590 Lake Hills Blvd. SE Bellevue, WA 425-747-3350	National Archives and Records Admin. 6125 Sand Point Way NE Seattle, WA 98115-7999 206-336-5115	Fiske Genealogical Library 1644 43rd Ave E/ Seattle, WA 98122 206-328-2716
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EGS FEBRUARY 2015 MEETING CALENDAR

EGS Board Meeting (First Thursday, 10:00 AM)	The Eastside Genealogical Society Board will meet on Thursday, February 5, 10:00 AM to Noon at the Bellevue Regional Library. Contact Carol at 425-228-2510 or maycreek@aol.com for more information.
EGS General Meeting (Second Thursday)	The Eastside Genealogical Society will meet on Thursday, February 12, at 7:00 PM at the Bellevue Regional Library. Visitors are welcome.
Genealogy Book Club (Fourth Thursday, Noon)	Next meeting Thursday, February 26, Bellevue Regional Library, Room 6, Noon to 2:00 PM. Book for this meeting is <i>Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy: Four Women Undercover in the Civil War</i> by Karen Abbott. Book for March is <i>Staking Her Claim— Women Homesteading The West</i> , by Marcia Meredith Hensley. Information contact Kimberly Nichols at kimberlynichols7@frontier.com
Computer Interest (Fourth Saturday, 9:30 AM)	Next meeting will be on Saturday, February 28, from 9:30 – 11:30 AM in the Community Room at Crossroads Mall in Bellevue. Everyone is welcome, and bring your genealogy-related computer questions. Contact Janet Stroebel at egscomputersig@yahoo.com with any questions.
Czech/Slovak Interest Group	The Czech Slovak Interest Group will not meet February. Next meeting will be in March. See website for more information: www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wacsig/ (Rosie Bodien, 425-828-0170 or rosie@bodien.org .)
EGS Lunch Bunch (Third Thursday, 11:30 AM)	Meets every third Thursday, 11:30 AM, at Crossroads Mall Shopping Center Food Court.
Family Tree Maker (Third Friday, 10:30 AM)	The Family Tree Maker Interest Group will be meeting on Friday, February 20, from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM at the Newcastle Library, 12901 Newcastle Way, Newcastle, 98056. For more information, please contact Dave Abernathy, at davea@schmeckabernathy.com .
German Interest Group (First Friday, 1:00 PM)	The EGS German Interest Group will meet on Friday, February 6 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at the LDS Church at 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue. Scotty Arnowitz will present the topic “Auf Wiedersehen Europa,” telling about his family’s immigrant journey through Latvia, Poland and Germany to Canada. Visitors are always welcome! For more info contact Ann Passé at 206-232-1104 or annp42@comcast.net
Irish-Scottish Interest Group (First Thursday 12:30 PM)	The Irish & Scots-Irish SIG will meet on Thursday, February 5, 12:30 PM at the LDS Church at 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue. We will have a presentation on Scots-Irish Migrations presented by Janet Camarata. Please contact Ann for information. (Ann Lamb, 425-557-0440 or AnnL7777@aol.com)
Italian Interest Group (Third Saturday, 1:30 PM)	We meet at the LDS Church, 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue, from 1:30 to 3:30 PM. Please contact Mary for meeting information. (Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250 or collectingroots@msn.com)
Legacy Interest Group (First Thursday, 10:00 AM)	We will meet on Thursday, February 5, at the LDS Church at 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. We’ll have a Q&A session with no particular topic in mind. (Sherry Holthe, sherdh@centurytel.net or 425-880-4407)
Scandinavian Interest Group (Second Tuesday, 10:00 AM)	The February meeting will be held at the Regional Archive Building on the Bellevue Campus, February 10, from 10:00 to noon. Call Sandy Arildson, 425-747-5621, for a parking permit for the meeting. Bernie Christensen will be the speaker. Cousins can be a lot of help in locating ancestors. Bernie will discuss some of the ways that he has found cousins and how he has used the cousins to find out more genealogical information. Please check our website at http://scandinaviansig.wordpress.com . (Sandy Arildson, 425-747-5621, or sarildson@yahoo.com)
The Unofficial TMG Discussion Group (Third Wednesday, 11:30 AM)	The Master Genealogist Unofficial Discussion Group meets from 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM, in the Community Room at Crossroads Mall in Bellevue. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, February 18. We discuss questions and tips on using The Master Genealogist software program for genealogy as well as companion programs such as Second Site, Gensmarts, etc. If you are interested in receiving reminder emails before the monthly meetings, please contact Diane at dl.hicks@comcast.net .

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