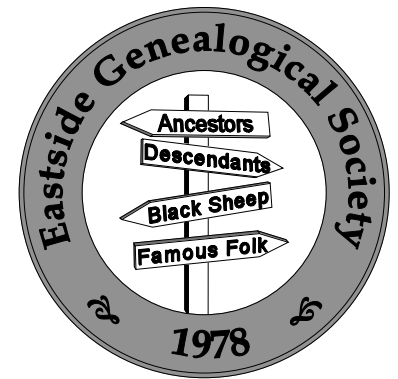


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MAY EGS GENERAL MEETING

Date: Thursday, June 11, 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: *Immigration, Naturalization and Citizenship*

Speaker: Janet O'Connor Camarata

About the Program: Solve the mystery of your family's origin with the use of American-generated records to discover their home country. Learn the process our immigrant ancestors followed to become naturalized citizens and the changes over the last 225 years. The time periods, the records, the repositories and residency requirements will be shared.

About the Speaker: Janet O'Connor Camarata has researched her own family history for over 30 years and uses her research experience and her family's stories to illustrate the benefits of genealogy research. She volunteers in many genealogy societies across Washington state in a variety of ways — seminar presenter, speaker educator, newsletter editor, society program coordinator, special interest group leader, library volunteer, secretary and president. She is a graduate of the University of Washington Genealogy and Family History program, has a B.A. (Education) degree from Central Washington University and a Master's degree from Antioch University-Seattle. Before retiring from The Boeing Company, Janet worked in quality improvement, web development, re-engineering, class development, training and management. She also taught undergraduate and graduate level courses at the University of Phoenix. She is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, The Puget Sound Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists, the Washington State Genealogical Society and Heritage Quest Research Library and the Fiske Genealogical Library.

BOARD MESSAGE

Hi all,

You believe you've gone through all your stuff and seen every old letter, photo, certificate, diary or scrapbook left by Mom, Grandpa, and Aunt Jane, so you've put them carefully away and moved on. Not so fast! Since the last time you looked at these treasures you've visited libraries, been online until all hours, maybe visited a cemetery or two, taken a research trip and contacted a "new" cousin.

Here's a suggestion: get the box out and look again. You'll now be looking at the stuff with new eyes: "Oh, so that's whose obituary this is", "Hmm...now I see how the person in this photo is related to Grandma", "Cousin Joe said Grandpa worked for Nat'l Cash Register Co. at one time and here's a photo of him and his work mates at the plant in Dayton." *(Continued next page)*

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One of our members did this recently. This gentleman has LOTS of documents and photos and newspaper clippings of his family. He got it all out and looked again. There, to his amazement, was a manila envelope he didn't remember seeing before. He opened it and, lo and behold, here were newspaper clippings, notes and letters—all new to him.

Now if you're very lucky, you may break down a brickwall, but even if you don't, you might be able to flesh out the stories of family you already know about. So, let's make it a point to revisit our stash and see what treasures we've overlooked. You can talk about your finds at the next meeting!

Happy hunting!
Judy Meredith Past President

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

I am still looking for volunteers to help with genealogy at Bellevue Regional Library on the 2nd and 3rd Wednesday evenings of each month, 7:00 to 9:00 PM and also as substitutes at other times. My phone is 425-793-5424 and e-mail is wsihon@comcast.net. I am glad to provide a training session for new volunteers but we need people with experience working with computer and library genealogy materials. Winnie Sihon

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Please welcome the following new member:

- Brenda SEVERNS researching BUNCH in Virginia and Texas; DAUGHERTY in Virginia and Ireland; BRISKEY in Croatia and Texas; MALNAR in Croatia; TRUEBLOOD in N. Carolina; CHEESMAN in Nebraska; and RIEL in Canada and France.

PLANNING A GENEALOGICAL RELATED TRIP OR A FAMILY REUNION THIS SUMMER?

Are you going on a genealogy research trip this summer? Maybe you are planning on visiting ancestral places, graveyards, homes or other locations? Or is your extended family having a reunion? Please keep the EGS newsletter in mind, and consider writing about it for the newsletter. We would enjoy hearing about your trips, successes (and failures), and experiences. Please send your stories, what ever the length, to me at kimberlynichols7@frontier.com. Thank you very much!

IRISH LIVES REMEMBERED FREE GENEALOGY MAGAZINE



Irish Lives Remembered is a FREE monthly digital magazine dedicated to helping you trace your Irish ancestors. The interactive digital publication is packed with 70+ pages of Irish genealogy resources with something for everyone, be they a keen genealogy enthusiast, a beginner, or simply interested in Irish family history. You can read the magazine either online, or you can download it in PDF format on any of your mobile or tablet devices. You can even subscribe so that you will receive an email when a new issue is available. To subscribe or read the magazine online, including back issues, please visit www.irishlivesremembered.com (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>.)

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.

EGS BOOK CLUB AND BOOK REVIEW – *LIAR, TEMPTRESS, SOLDIER, SPY – FOUR WOMEN UNDERCOVER IN THE CIVIL WAR* BY KAREN ABBOTT

EGS's Genealogy Book Club will be starting up in September on the 4th Thursday of the month, September 24th. We meet at the Bellevue Regional Library from noon to 2:00 PM and we welcome all those interested. We usually talk about the book of the month, as well as other genealogy-related (and sometimes not genealogy-related) things. At our meeting in September, in addition to discussing the book, we will be deciding on other books to read and discuss.

In September, the book we will be discussing is *Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy – Four Women Undercover in The Civil War* by Karen Abbott. This book is available online, at local bookstores, as well as through the library. You can find it at the library using the call number 973.785 ABB . It is also available as an e-book through the library.

In *Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy*, bestselling author Karen Abbott tells the spellbinding true story of four women who risked everything – their homes, their families, and their very lives – during the Civil War.

Seventeen year old Belle Boyd, an avowed rebel with a dangerous temper, shot a Union soldier in her home and became a courier and spy for the Confederate army, using her considerable charms to seduce men on both sides. Emma Edmonds disguised herself as a man to enlist as a Union private named Frank Thompson, witnessing the bloodiest battles of the war and infiltrating enemy lines, all the while fearing that her past would catch up with her. The beautiful widow Rose O'Neal Greenhow engaged in affairs with powerful Northern politicians, used her young daughter to send information to Southern generals, and sailed abroad to lobby for the Confederacy, a journey that cost her more than she ever imagined. Elizabeth Van Lew, a wealthy Richmond abolitionist, hid behind her proper Southern manners as she orchestrated a far-reaching espionage ring – even placing a former slave inside the Confederate White House – right under the noses of increasingly suspicious rebel detectives.

Abbott's pulse quickening narrative weaves the adventures of these four forgotten daredevils into the tumultuous landscape of a broken America, evoking a secret world that will surprise even the most avid enthusiasts of Civil War era history. With a cast of real life characters, including Nathaniel Hawthorne, General Stonewall Jackson, Detective Allen Pinkerton, Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln, and Emperor Napoleon III, *Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy* shines a dramatic new light on these daring, and until now, unsung, heroines.

We hope you will join us in September to discuss this book! (EGS Book Club Chair Kimberly Nichols, kimberlynichols7@frontier.com)

US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY ADDS A NEW ONLINE MAP VIEWER AND IT IS A GOOD ONE!

The US Geological Survey has an online collection of more than 178,000 maps, dating back to 1880. They cover the entire country. Best of all, they're free to download. However, the digital images were not always of the highest quality and the search software for finding maps was confusing, at best. All that has now changed with the introduction of a new online map viewer.

Browsing and searching for maps is now much more intuitive. You can type or zoom in on a particular place, limit your search to maps of a particular scale or from a particular range of dates. You can download them in a variety of formats, from JPGs (fine for printing out a nice map to put on your wall), to KMZ files (to import into Google Earth), to GeoTIFFs (for the power users who wants to import maps into GIS software).

You can learn more about the National Map Viewer and Download Platform at <http://viewer.nationalmap.gov/viewer>. Further details may be found in an article by Greg Miller in Wired at <http://www.wired.com/2015/05/amazing-collection-historical-maps-just-got-easier-see>. (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>.)

JSTOR DAILY AND GENEALOGY-RELATED ARTICLES

JSTOR Daily offers a fresh way for people to understand and contextualize their world. Our writers provide insight, commentary, and analysis of ideas, research, and current events, tapping into the rich scholarship on JSTOR, a digital library of more than 2,000 academic journals, dating back to the first volume ever published, along with thousands of monographs, and other material. In addition to weekly feature articles, the magazine publishes daily blog posts that provide the backstory to complex issues of the day in a variety of subject areas, interviews with and profiles of scholars and their work, and much more.

Recently there have been several articles in *JSTOR Daily* that may be of interest to genealogists. The first is called *The Genealogy Factor: Graveyards and Gravestones*. This article talks about looking at a burial ground through the eyes of an archeologist, and the art of the gravestone. You can find this article online at <http://daily.jstor.org/genealogy-factor/>.

Some other articles that might interest you are *Our Farming Ancestors*, which talks about what life was like for our ancestors who were farmers, found at <http://daily.jstor.org/farming-ancestors/> and *Protecting People from Tornadoes in the 1880s*, which can be found at <http://daily.jstor.org/protecting-people-tornadoes-1880s/>.

All of the articles include citations to articles that you can click on and read, so you are able to get more information. And you can subscribe to the weekly digest by visiting <http://daily.jstor.org/newsletter/>.

ANCESTRY ACADEMY

Ancestry.com recently announced the launch of Ancestry Academy, a new educational website that offers exclusive, high-quality video courses taught by genealogy and family history experts. Ancestry Academy courses cover a wide range of relevant family history topics and offer something for genealogists of all levels.

Here are a few details about Ancestry Academy:

- Learn at your own pace – Ancestry Academy's in-depth courses are broken into a series of short lessons that let you learn when you want and how you want. Watch a course all the way through or pick and choose the lessons most interesting to you.
- Test your know-how – Try out your skills and take optional tests to make sure you're getting the most out of every course.
- Learn on-the-go (coming soon!) – Learn at home or on-the-go with the free Ancestry Academy app, available for iOS and Android devices later this spring.
- New courses added monthly – Continue strengthening your family history expertise with new courses added every month.
- Free courses – Courses about Ancestry products and websites (AncestryDNA, Fold3, Family Tree Maker, etc.) are offered for free. Simply log in with your Ancestry account or create a new account to start learning.
- And much more – Ancestry Academy courses are loaded with other helpful tools like closed captions, digital handouts, course placeholders, and more.

In addition to Ancestry Academy we will continue to provide our weekly livestreams hosted by Crista Cowan, as well as other educational content in our robust Learning Center, all in an effort to provide quality family history education and help every person discover, preserve and share their family history.

You can get unlimited access to all Ancestry Academy courses for just \$11.99 a month, \$99.99 a year, or as part of your World Explorer Plus subscription. You can learn more at ancestry.com and look under the "Learning Center" tab.

7 VITAL RECORD ALTERNATIVES

A great way to begin tracing your family history is to interview living relatives, asking for relevant birth, marriage, and death information. These interviews sometimes yield specific information (or at least an estimate), and you can then contact the appropriate authority to provide a copy of the original vital record. But what do we do if grandma's information fails to lead us to a vital record? Surprisingly, this is more common than you'd think, as people often misremember facts or were told the wrong information from the get-go. The Blog Vita Brevis, from the New England Historical and Genealogical Society, has an article listing alternatives to vital records. You can find the alternatives and the article at <http://vita-brevis.org/2015/04/7-vital-record-alternatives/#more-3655>.

DIGITAL FILES MAY LAST MUCH, MUCH LONGER THAN PAPER OR MICROFILM BY DICK EASTMAN

NOTE: This is an updated version of an article I originally published several years ago. A newsletter reader recently questioned the life expectancy of digital files versus paper. I referred him to my earlier article but noticed that it was a bit out of date. I have now rewritten part of the original article and am republishing it today.

I often write about digital products for use in genealogy. Here is a comment I hear and read all the time: "I am going to keep my files on paper to make sure they last for many years, longer than digital files."

Wrong! Properly maintained, digital files will always last much, much longer than paper or microfilm. Let's focus on the phrase, "properly maintained."

Documents printed on paper will last 25 to 100 years, sometimes more, depending upon the type of paper used, the ink that is used, the binding, storage conditions, and so forth. Ink fades, toner fades even more quickly, and the stuff that substitutes for real ink in inkjet printers fades the fastest of all. Paper darkens. Exposure to light, humidity, and variable temperatures only hastens the degradation of the printed words and images. Anything you create today on paper probably will last your lifetime if properly cared for. However, it probably will not be readable by your great-great-grandchildren.

Anything published on microfilm will last 200 or 300 years, if stored in optimum climate-controlled conditions and if the microfilm is never used. (Microfilm is fragile and scratches easily with use.)

Storing paper or microfilm for archival purposes also assumes the storage location will be preserved. That is, there will never be a fire, flood, hurricane, earthquake, tornado, burst water pipe, a roof collapse, or even human error. Of course, that is impossible to guarantee.

In the past few years, I have reported about losses of paper documents in major archives around the world because of earthquakes, fires, floods, and similar disasters. Even then, I only report the major stories, those where millions of documents are lost. I don't know how many people lose their personal papers due to disasters or human error, but I suspect the number is large.

Ideally, all paper and microfilm should have multiple copies made and stored in different locations in order to protect against local disasters. However, that is usually too difficult and too expensive to be practical. No matter how good the storage conditions, paper and microfilm have a life expectancy measured in seconds when a fire, flood, hurricane, earthquake, or tornado hits the building. Even a simple burst water pipe can destroy millions of paper records. That has happened before and undoubtedly will happen again.

Luckily, digital files will last forever and will not deteriorate from use if proper precautions are taken. Simply make multiple copies of each file and store those copies in different, widely-separated locations. Luckily, that doesn't cost much with digital files and only requires a few minutes of your time.

Of course, in order to last forever, the files also must be copied to new media every few years, and the file format must be updated (converted) to new formats, as needed. For instance, if copies are stored on CD-ROM disks, those copies need to be re-copied to newer forms of storage as the technology changes. If images are stored in JPG format, they do need to be converted to new formats as newer formats become available. Data that is "maintained" properly in the latest formats on the latest storage devices will remain visible forever.

We have a great example of the wisdom of data format conversion. When the Social Security Administration first started computerizing death records, the information was recorded on 80-column punch cards. However, not many people have punch card readers on their computers at home these days and yet we can still access those records today. How is this possible? Simple. After five or ten years or so, the records were copied from 80-column punch cards to 3/4-inch magnetic tape. A few years later, before 3/4-inch magnetic tape became completely obsolete, the records were copied to the more modern storage on 1/2-inch magnetic tape. A few years later, before 1/2-inch magnetic tape became completely obsolete, the records were copied to the more modern storage of disk drives. Still later, those 1/2-inch magnetic tapes and disk drives were copied time and again, each time to more modern media.

Not only were single copies made, but multiple copies were made and stored in different locations. Unlike paper, a single disaster is not going to destroy all the copies of the computerized records. One fire at one Social Security Administration facility is not going to destroy all copies of millions of records, *(Continued next page)*

as happened at NARA's military personnel records in St. Louis in 1973. (See http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Personnel_Records_Center_fire for details.) Nothing is ever guaranteed, but I would bet that the Social Security Administration's computerized records will last a lot longer than did the paper records at the National Personnel Records Center.

For relatively small amounts of money, digital files can have two, three, five, or even ten copies made and each copy can be stored in a different location, even overseas.

Luckily, all well-run data centers have been doing all this for years. The Social Security Administration is but one example. Others, including NASA, the military, almost every corporation, and even schools and non-profits, keep up-to-date multiple copies of their important data and they store those copies in different locations to protect against fire, floods, tornados, and other local disasters.

Data maintenance and preservation is a well-established practice that is already in use in thousands of data centers today. You can easily do the same at home.

The answer lies in making frequent copies, something that is easy to do with digital files but much harder with paper or microfilm. Both paper and microfilm can be copied, but each new paper or microfilm copy suffers from a bit of degradation. That is, the copy is never as good as the original. If you have a copy of a copy of a copy, the loss will be significant.

To see this, write or print something on paper. Anything. Then make a photocopy of it using any standard photocopy machine. Then make a copy of the photocopy. Then make another photocopy of the latest photocopy. Do this about ten or more times, each time making a new photocopy image of the latest photocopy.

The result will eventually be unreadable.

Digital files, however, do not suffer from degradation. Each bit and byte is the same to a computer, no matter how many times it gets copied; so, the quality of a copy of a digital image will be just as good as the original. If you make copies of the copies, they, too, will be exactly as clear and readable as the original. Go through a similar exercise with digital images, copy the copy, then re-copy the result, and so on through ten "generations." Unlike copying paper and microfilm, the result of copying ten generations of a digital image will be a new image that is exactly the same as the original. There will be no loss or degradation.

To be sure, putting a digital image on the shelf and leaving it there, unattended, does mean it will become obsolete within a few years. Luckily, no well-run data center ever does that. Using proper data maintenance techniques that have been proven over the years, digital data can last forever.

While this is common practice in data centers, it is not so common in our homes. Yet you can easily do the same for any data or images you store digitally.

Make frequent copies. Make sure you have multiple backups, stored in different locations. Store a copy on your computer, store another copy on an external hard drive, store another copy on a flash drive, store another copy in the cloud on some Internet backup service, give a copy to your relatives, and so on. You can never make too many copies. Make sure you store them in a number of places many miles apart.

There is a phrase that most archivists use that seems appropriate: L.O.C.K.S.S. That stands for "Lots Of Copies Keep Stuff Safe." The archivists are correct. They also know to store those copies in widely-separated locations.

You also need to convert each file to more modern formats, as needed. For instance, if you created word processing files twenty years ago using WordStar (a popular word processor of the time), those files need to be updated to a more modern program's format. The most common word processor format of today is DOC files, originally used with Microsoft Word and now also used by almost every word processor on the market. Luckily, it is still easy today to convert WordStar files to DOC format using any of a number of different programs but that will not be true forever. The files need to be converted while conversion software is still available.

Within another ten years, the new DOC files probably will need to be converted again to whatever file format is popular at that time.

The same is true for all those photographs you have stored as digital files. *(Continued next page)*

JPG and TIFF are the most popular formats today, but those will change someday. When the time comes, convert your files to whatever replaces JPG and TIFF. There are a number of programs available that will convert large numbers of image files to a different format, and some of them are available free of charge. With such programs, batch conversions of a few hundred or even a few thousand digital files usually are easy to accomplish within minutes.

If you care about your information and pictures, make sure at least one younger relative has the same interest you do and will carry on after you are gone. Ideally, you should have more than one such interested relative. When it comes to your family history, this human backup complements your file backup. In fact, you know those multiple backups and multiple locations I mentioned? It might be a good idea to give copies of all those files NOW to the people you entrust to maintain the information in the future. Having copies at their multiple locations is one more method of insuring that backups will remain available.

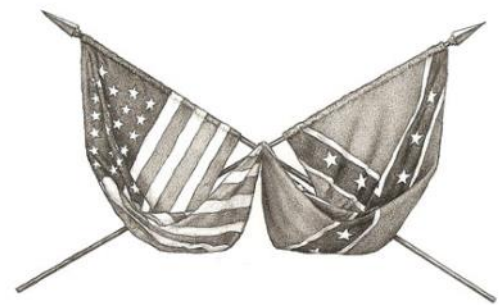
With very little effort and planning, you can easily emulate the best practices of most modern data centers. Digital data preservation is much easier than many people think – and it’s certainly easier, cheaper, and more effective than preserving paper or microfilm. *(The previous article is from Eastman's 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>.)*

MAKING OF AMERICA BY MELISSA C. TENNANT

For anyone researching family history – or even general history – from the antebellum period to the Reconstruction era the “Making of America” website, <http://ebooks.library.cornell.edu/m/moa/>, is a significant resource. The site is hosted by the Cornell University Library, and its purpose is to provide free access to digitized original sources that document the expansion and growth of the United States in the pre-twentieth century time period. Currently, the site has 267 monograph volumes and 955 serial volumes, providing users access to 907,750 book and journal pages.

The site can be browsed alphabetically by journal title, book title, or book author. Another set, Civil War Documents, can be browsed by individual volume of “The Official Records of the Union and Confederate Navies” and “The War of the Rebellion: A Compilation of the Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies.” What makes this collection remarkable is the full text of the material is searchable, so a search using only a surname or keyword will reveal contemporary accounts from this historical time era.

For those researching Civil War ancestors, it is possible to search the official records and view reports pertaining to the ancestor, his military unit, or skirmishes that were fought in the vicinity of a family’s residence. If seeking information about slavery, articles can be found relating to Freedmen’s Bureau institutions, anti-slavery movements, missionary work during Reconstruction, slave narratives, and folklore. If an ancestor was involved with a benevolent society, such as the American Missionary Association or the Women’s Home Missionary Association, member obituaries, annual reports, meetings, and committee lists can be found in the society’s published journals. And for the general historian, articles about industry, religion, education, social history and commentary, and much more can be found within these digitized pages.



The “Making of America” website is a wonderfully rich and historically significant resource that is available for anyone interested in the forming of the United States, whether the interest lies in wanting to discover ancestors and to gain a better understanding of their lives, or in learning about the history of a certain industry in this country. Anyone researching in the United States should consider this website. *(From Genealogy Gems: News from the Fort Wayne Library, No. 134, April 30, 2015)*

GENEALOGY'S OFTEN-MISPELLED WORDS

You might want to save this article someplace. I have no idea why, but many of the words used in researching your family tree are difficult to spell. I constantly see spelling errors in messages posted on various genealogy web sites. When someone misspells a word, it feels like they are shouting, "I don't know what I'm doing!"

Here are a few words to memorize:

Genealogy - No, it is not spelled "geneology" nor is it spelled in the manner I often see: "geneaology." That last word looks to me as if someone thought, "Just throw all the letters in there and hope that something sticks." For some reason, many newspaper reporters and their editors do not know how to spell this word. Don't they have spell checkers?

Cemetery - The letter "a" does not appear anywhere in the word "cemetery." You can remember the spelling by an old saying, "We go to the cemetery with E's." (ease)

Ancestor - This simple word is often spelled "ancestor," "ansester," or "ansestor."

Ancestry - This word is often misspelled "ancestory." I often see errors when someone is referring to the ancestry.com online web site.

History - More than once I have seen someone refer to their "family histroy" or "family histry."

Descent - Perhaps not as common, but I have seen this spelled as "decent," which sounds almost the same.

Descendant - it often appears as descendent, descentent and many others.

Progenitor - I can never remember how to spell this word. I simply try to avoid it when I am writing!

Two other words often are confused: immigrant and emigrant. Another variation is immigration versus emigration. According to Merriam-Webster Dictionary at <http://www.merriam-webster.com>, an emigrant is "a person who leaves a country or region to live in another one" while an immigrant is "a person who comes to a country to live there." To repeat, an emigrant leaves while an immigrant arrives.

The late Dick Pence was quite a storyteller, and once he told of an online genealogy article he wrote in which he poked fun at common spelling errors by genealogists. He deliberately misspelled ten different words in the article, including most of the words I listed above. In the text of the article, he never mentioned that the article was a tongue-in-cheek attempt at humor.

Dick soon received an email message from an irate lady who apparently didn't realize it was a deliberate attempt at humor. She scolded him for his spelling errors, writing, "Mr. Pence, you should be ashamed of yourself. I am an English teacher and I want to tell you that I found seven spelling errors in your article!" (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>.)

3 TIPS TO BOOST YOUR GENEALOGY WITH MAPS



1. Tip: Compare what you learn about your own family research with maps of common migration routes of the day, then look for records along that path.
2. Tip: A man-made landmark present on earlier maps may be added to later maps even after the landmark is gone, which can be helpful but also misleading. When possible, compare earlier and later versions of maps.
3. Tip: You may not realize how close some relatives (or potential kin) lived to each other until you map them. Even if they came from different states or counties, they may have lived just across the border from each other. (From Family Tree University email, April 20, 2015)

UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS

- ◆ 2015 Washington State Annual Conference, “Strategies and Visions for the Future,” with David Rencher, June 27, 2015, Ellensburg, WA. Topics include: “Coming Forward, Descendant Research,” “FamilySearch Future and Vision,” “Digital Projects and Programs of FamilySearch,” and “Strategies for Irish Research 1500 to 1800.” For more information and registration, see www.wasgs.org
- ◆ The Northwest Genealogy Conference will be this **August 13, 14 and 15, 2015** in Arlington, Washington. Speakers include several high profile genealogists including Lisa Louise Cooke, CeCe Moore, Angela Packer McGhie, Judy Russell and more. Go to <http://nwgc.org/> for information. Registration opened April 15, 2015.

LINKS OF INTEREST

5 Ways To Tell If Your Genealogy Research Is Accurate: <http://www.ancestralfindings.com/5-ways-tell-genealogy-research-accurate/>

Joining a Surname Study —Where you can find them and what you can get out of them:
http://www.ancestralfindings.com/joining-a-surname-study-where-to-find-them-and-what-you-can-get-out-of-them/?awt_l=ntmT7.&awt_m=3VOe4GwwnpRyXng

The Influenza Epidemic of 1918 and Your Ancestors: <http://daily.jstor.org/influenza-epidemic-of-1918/>

Free Video: How to Read a Faded Tombstone Without Damaging the Stone: Scroll down on the page to May 20, 2015
<http://lisalouisecooke.com/blog/>

Looking Past Land and Probate Records: http://news.legacyfamilytree.com/legacy_news/2015/05/looking-past-land-and-probate-records.html

Wow! 4-Page Obituary for William Bullock Clark: http://blog.genealogybank.com/wow-4-page-obituary-for-william-bullock-clark.html?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+GenealogyBankTheOfficialBlog+%28GenealogyBank+-+The+Official+Blog%29

Genealogy Tips: 4 Tips for Searching Newspapers:
<http://www.genealogybank.com/static/newsletter/2015/05/actives/genealogy-tips.html?spMailingID=11891124&spUserID=NjI3MDIxODg1NTkS1&spJobID=503519735&spReportId=NTAzNTE5NzMI50>

Glimpsing the Past, by Way of Ellis Island: http://www.wsj.com/articles/glimpsing-the-past-by-way-of-ellis-island-1431551215?utm_source=FGS+Newsletter&utm_campaign=3211af9097-Voice_Newsletter_March_3_31_2015&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_1f1c05046e-3211af9097-66048913

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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
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EGS JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST 2015 MEETING CALENDAR

EGS Board Meeting (First Thursday, 10:00 AM)	The Eastside Genealogical Society Board will meet on Thursday, June 4, 10:00 AM to Noon at the Bellevue Regional Library. Will not meet in July and August. 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, June 11, at 7:00 PM at the Bellevue Regional Library, room 1. Visitors are welcome. Will not meet in July and August.
Genealogy Book Club (No meeting until September)	The Genealogy Book Club will not meet until September. We will start with the book <i>Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy: Four Women Undercover in the Civil War</i> by Karen Abbott. Information contact Kimberly Nichols at kimberlynichols7@frontier.com
Computer Interest Group (Fourth Saturday, 9:30 AM)	Will meet on Saturday, June 27, July 25, and August 22, 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	Czech Slovak Interest Group will be meeting on the dates and times: June 13, 9:30 AM to Noon; July 18, 1:00 to 4:00 PM; August 22, 9:30 AM to Noon, all at Fire Station # 22 in Kirkland See website for meeting 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 June 19, 2015. 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 next meet on Friday, June 5th from 1:00 to 3:00 at the LDS Church at 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue. We'll share our successes and look for help with our "brickwalls." We will NOT meet in July and August – enjoy the summer! 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, June 4, 12:30 PM at the LDS Church at 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue. Please contact Ann for information. (Ann Lamb, 425-557-0440 or AnnL7777@aol.com)
Italian Interest Group (Third Saturday, 1:30 PM)	Will meet Saturday, June 20, at the LDS Church, 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue. No meetings in July or August. (Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250 or collectingroots@msn.com)
Legacy Interest Group (First Thursday, 10:00 AM)	We will meet on the following Thursdays with the topics: June 4, 2015 --Pictures in Legacy; July 2, 2015 - Source Writer and Source Clipboard; and August 6, 2015 - Q & A. We meet at the LDS Church at 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. (Sherry Holthe, sherdh@centurytel.net or 425-880-4407)
Scandinavian Interest Group (Second Tuesday, 10:00 AM)	The June 9 meeting will be held at the Regional Archive Building on the Bellevue Campus, from 10:00 to Noon. Each year we have a collaborative research meeting on individual Scandinavian countries and June is "Swedish" month. Bring your Swedish research – all your notebooks and trees, and your problems. We'll try to help each other. Please bring laptops, iPads, smart phones, etc. to use. Do you have a Swedish soldier in your family tree? Come with name, wife's name and Parish where he served and we will visit a site to find much more info about him. On our website http://scandinaviansig.wordpress.com click the RESEARCH button, and then SWEDEN. This will give you a list of websites for Swedish Genealogy. Our group will not meet in July and August. (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 meetings will be on June 17 and July 15. We plan on meeting through the summer, unless the attendance is too low to support a meeting. 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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MEETINGS:

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