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#### EGS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

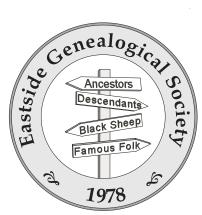
Date:	Thursday, March 9, 2006		
Time:	<u>6:30 РМ</u> Welcome new members,		
	Supply table open		
	<u>7:00 РМ</u> Meeting		
Place:	Bellevue Regional Library		
Subject:	"Genealogy Resources at the Seattle		
	Public Library"		
Speaker	Darlene Hamilton, Senior Genealogy		
	Librarian		

#### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

Darlene Hamilton, Senior Genealogy Librarian at the Seattle Public Library, will present the March program, "Genealogical Resources at the Seattle Public Library."

#### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

In just two months the Society membership will once again be asked to cast their votes for incoming Board members. It's a very important time for our organization and we should all give some thought as to who in our membership would be likely candidates. This year we will be filling the positions of President and Secretary. In addition to these two positions that are due to be filled, we would ask that all of you give some seestablished to provide for the administration of the Society. Consider volunteering as an assistant in one of the non-board as well as Board positions that are required to administer the affairs of the Society. None of these jobs are particularly demanding and I can assure you from my two years of experience that serving leaves one with a feel-



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ing of satisfaction and accomplishment, as well as involvement with a group of people who believe in the importance of their work in bringing useful and interesting programs and education to a membership of nearly 400 people.

If nothing else, do me a favor. Study the last page of our monthly Bulletin Board and review the listing of positions that are provided to give our Society an effective administration. Pick out a few of the jobs that hold some interest and make the effort to find out something more about job content and responsibilities. The Board jobs all have job descriptions that are available from the listed incumbents and those that are not can be described by requesting information from a Board member.

Speaking personally, I have enjoyed my involvement in part of the administration of Eastside Genealogical Society. It has also reminded me that without people willing to give some of their time to the affairs of the Society, there is no Society. Serving has many rewards and I hope that you will decide to play a role in insuring that we continue to provide our membership with interesting and useful information. [Submitted by Bill Sperber, EGS President]

#### SUPPLY TABLE

filled, we would ask that all of you give some serious thought to reviewing the jobs that have been established to provide for the administration of

> 1. *Preserving your Family Photographs,* by Maureen A. Taylor. Genealogists and nongenealogists alike love old photographs and many people have photo collections of their ancestors. *Preserving Your Family Photographs*

shows them how to organize and store these photos so that future generations can also enjoy them. Readers will learn how to care for family photos, identify different types of damage, learn basic conservation techniques, buy the proper storage materials, then organize the family photo archive and safely display it for all to see.

2. Uncovering Your Ancestry Through Family Photographs, by Maureen Taylor. In this visually stunning book of historic family photographs, renowned family-history photography expert Maureen A. Taylor shows genealogists, scrapbookers, and history enthusi-

asts how to cherish old photographs and what clues they provide on ancestors' lives. Readers will learn how to:

- Identify and verify people in family photographs
- Tell the story of identified photographs using the clues in the images
- Locate additional family photographs
- Create worksheets for each image to expand their knowledge about their ancestors
- 3. *More Dating Old Photographs, 1840-1929,* by Halvor Moorshead. Due to the overwhelming popularity of the first *Dating Old Photographs,* Family Chronicle is proud to present a brand-new collection jam-packed with 120 pages of old photographs from the 1840's to the 1920's. New to this edition are sections dedicated to unusual and hand-colored photographs, as well as a 12-page illustrated introduction by renowned old-photograph expert Maureen Taylor.
- 4. *Photographing Your Heritage,* by Wilma Sadler Shull. Your camera can help add to your written family legacy. Photographing documents in a library, reading gravestones in a cemetery, copying photographs, and many other useful techniques are fully explained by the author. This informative book was written to address the needs of the novice

and the avid shutterbug alike. It offers a complete description of how to use photography in your hobby, including how to buy a camera, tripods, filters, and film types. Use your camera to add a new dimension to your family history. 128 pages, 5 1/2 by 8 1/2, softbound.

#### [Submitted by EGS Supply Table Chair, Kim Nichols]

#### THINKING OF YOU

A Speedy Recovery card was sent to Dana Siverling, a Get Well soon card to Janet Crewdson, and a Sympathy card to Judy Meredith at the death of her father.

[Submitted by EGS Sunshine Chair, Ielene Edmonson]

#### EGS SCANDINAVIAN INTEREST GROUP

At our meeting on Valentine's Day, Arlene Nelson told us of her recent visit to Gotland. Gotland is a large island in the middle of the Baltic Sea, which has been under the rule of the Germans, Danes, and Swedes at various times from 1398 to date. It's now a part of Sweden, which unbelievably in 1932 considered selling it to Russia!

There is evidence of habitation on Gotland as long ago as 8,000 years, and indeed a woman's skeleton recently found there dates to 9,000 years ago. Because of its strategic location Gotland has long been a center of trade. Early trade was in furs, and in the times of the Romans and Hanseatics wool and fish were traded. The population has seen influence from Greece, where the grey sheep came from, and Italy, Germany, Arabia, Turkey, and the Caspian Sea area. Gotland was Christianized in the 12th century, and its earliest church (Catholic) was build about 1140. There are close to 100 medieval churches on Gotland, most of which are restored and in active use today. The Dalhem church contains pictures like those in Bamburg Cathedral in Germany. Legend has it that a Norwegian king, fleeing his people, brought Christianity to Gotland.

The capitol of Gotland is Visby, an old walled city of 22,000 people that has changed hands as many times as Gotland has. Gotland has a national flower, English ivy, and a national animal, the hedgehog. Gotland has its own lan-

#### Bob Hope Sayings

ON TURNING 100 " I don't feel old. In fact I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap." guage, Gutnish. Gotland's flag depicts the "proud ram" on a blue background, with a cross symbolizing the upholding of Christianity. Gotland has seen a lot of archeological activity in recent years, yielding many interesting finds, including the 9,000-year-old skeleton mentioned before. Another find was three large buried sacks of silver and gold treasure, dating from Viking times, now displayed in a museum in Visby. The archeology will require the rewriting of some history, as old writings are proven false. Gotlanders will tell you that the island has fallen and risen many times, and once lay off the continent of Africa -- not, of course, in historic times.

A highlight of Arlene's group's visit to Visby was a "Medieval Feast." The visitors were treated to the experience of a medieval dinner, where they were reminded of several conveniences that had not yet been invented. They entered a candlelit room, were seated around a table, and the meal began with small loaves of bread with the top scooped out, which would serve as their plates. The meal consisted of hot cabbage with a honey sauce, lamb, spare ribs, and the bread, each diner serving himself and eating with only a knife. Dessert was a large wooden bowl filled with a mixture of dried fruits and nuts, served and eaten with the fingers. Apples were also served, typical of fruit that would have been available. To illustrate all of this, Arlene served all of us the same meal, only substituting sausage and cheese for the lamb and spare-ribs! And of course we had an electrically lighted room, the better to witness everybody's enjoyment!

Gotland is a fascinating crossroads, and archeology is uncovering more and more of its oldest history. Gotland was probably the setting of the novel "Hunt for Red October," where a Russian submarine commander defected and went into hiding. It's a place I won't miss if I ever get to Sweden again.

[Submitted by EGS member, Gene Fagerberg]

#### WESTERN UNION

For more than 150 years, messages of joy, sorrow, and success came in signature yellow envelopes hand-delivered by a courier. But now, the Western Union telegram is officially a thing of the past.

The company was formed in April 1856 to exploit the hot technology of the telegraph to send cross-country messages in less than a day. These

days it is focusing on money transfers and other financial services.

"The decision was a hard decision because we're fully aware of our heritage," Victor Chayet, spokesman for the company said. "But it's the final transition from a communications company to a financial-services company."

Several telegraph companies that eventually combined to become Western Union were founded in 1851. Western Union built its first transcontinental telegraph line in 1861.

"At the time, it was as astonishing and incredible as the computer was when it first came out," said Tom Noel, a history professor at the University of Colorado, Denver. "For people who could barely understand it, here you had the magic of the electric force traveling by wire across the country."

Telegrams reached their peak of popularity in the 1920s and 1930s, when it was cheaper to send a telegram than to place a long-distance telephone call.

People would save money by using the word "stop" instead of periods to end sentences because punctuation was extra while a fourcharacter word was free.

Samuel Morse, inventor of the telegraph and Morse code, sent the first telegram from Washington to Baltimore on May 26, 1844, to his partner Alfred Vail to usher in the telegram era that displaced the Pony Express. It read "WHAT HATH GOD WROUGHT?"

"If he only knew," said Chayet. [Excerpted from an Associated Press article by P. Solomon Banda]

#### SCOTS PROMOTE GENEALOGY TOURISM

It is estimated that more than 50 million people worldwide can claim Scottish ancestry, and at least 12 million of those are American citizens, (including Jay Leno, Colin Powell, Stone Phillips, among others). Of the 400,000 Americans who visited Scotland last year, one in five came in pursuit of their long-lost relatives.

Scottish genealogy has the advantage of having easily accessible and immaculately kept records, dating back as far as 1553, with the majority of these records available via the Internet and supported by most major search engines.

A website has been dedicated to all things Scottish in the world of genealogy at www. ancestralscotland.com, including travel itineraries themed around history, castles, or seven of the most famous Scottish clans. [From Family Chronicle, January/February 2005]

#### MICHIGAN

In the spring of 1675, the ailing Jesuit missionary Jacques Marquette ascended the eastern shore of Lake Michigan by canoe. On May 19th, unable to continue, the priest directed his two companions toward the mouth of a small river, where, later that night, he died.

Tradition has it that two miracles followed his burial: One of his companions, a Frenchman, was cured of severe colic after eating some earth from the grave; and, more fantastically, a sack of corn, bacon, and biscuit inexplicably awaited Marquette's hungry companions when they awakened the morning after his death.

Marquette died near what is now the town of Ludington, and anglers who travel there today still encounter a few modern-day miracles along the stream that bears the priest's name: Pere Marquette River. A National Wild and Scenic River, the Pere Marquette rises up in central Michigan and twists its way northwest some 60 miles though it is the last 35 miles of the stream (from the junction of the Middle and Little South branches, near Baldwin, to US Highway 31) that have been designated a Blue Ribbon Trout Stream by the state's Department of Natural Resources. The fishing is good year-round, beginning in early March when the steelhead trout start to spawn. Brown trout are abundant in summer; salmon enter the river from the lake in August, reaching their peak in late September and October; and steelhead can be caught throughout the winter. [From the Chicago Magazine June 2004]

#### HOUSE NAMES

Q. I'm researching in records from Germany and Luxembourg, and keep coming across "house names." What are they and how do they factor into my research?

A. Genealogists often take for granted that men's surnames are fixed, but you've found an exception. A house name, or Hofname (German for farm name), resulted from named parcels of land. When a new family moved onto the farm, they would adopt the parcel name as a surname. This happened most often when a farm owner's daughter inherited the land, and her husband took on the farm name. Children born prior to the inheritance were baptized under the father's original surname, then changed their names later; those

born afterward used the farm name from birth.

Author Kenneth L. Smith notes that farm names were common in the border area between Lower Saxony and North Rhine-Westphalia. Larry O. Jensen of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints' Family History Library says Hofnamen occasionally were found in other German areas.

Church records may list both the old and new surnames, separated by German words such as *oder* (or) or *gerannnt* (called as), the Latin *vulgo* (commonly know as) or simply *alias*. Smith's *German Church Books: Beyond the Basics* explains how to use church records to quell farm-name confusion: Cross-reference confirmations showing children's new surnames with their baptisms under the old ones. Burial records often list both surnames, along with those variations on "also known as."

If you seek information on a particular farm name's origin, you might need a local expert. Many German communities have websites and email addresses. Search Google for the town name, or try using the name plus *.de* (Germany's *.com* equivalent) as the address. For example, to find a site for Udenhain, located in Hesse, type in www. undenhain.de.

[From an article by James M. Beidler, Family Tree Magazine, April 2005]

#### WEBSITES

- Wisconsin Historical Society has a large pre-1907 index made by digitizing a 1970s microfiche index and expanding it with tens of thousands of delayed birth records, or births that were filed many years after the event. The result is free public access to information on nearly 1,000,000 Wisconsin births.
  www.wisconsinhistory.org/vitalrecords
- Over 700,000 British soldiers died in WWI, with one in eight soldiers never returning home. For frontline units, the casualties were as high as one in five. Now a new searchable index has made it possible to search for those who died in the Great War and discover online a soldier's place of birth, residence and where they enlisted.

www.1837online.com

• Here is a bit of history trivia: a photograph claiming to be the first picture ever made of a tornado is now available online. It was taken in 1884 by F. N. Robinson of Howard, Dakota Territory. This one is scary, no matter how old

the photograph. www.1americanatrail.com/images

• Do you know the name of a vessel that your ancestor sailed on to reach the United States? By finding more information about that vessel, you might gain new insights into your ancestor's travels. The Palmer List of Merchant Vessels is an online database created by Michael P. Palmer. You can access the Palmer List of Merchant Vessels online at: www.geocities.com/mppraetorius



#### THE ICELAND EXPERIMENT

Dr. Kari Stefansson can trace his ancestry back 1,100 years. That's almost unheard of in the US, but in his native Iceland, where genealogy is a national obsession, it hardly raises an eyebrow.

An article in the current edition of Time Magazine goes on to describe the genetic anomaly of Iceland. The country was settled by a few Norsemen and Celts in the 9th century A.D. and had little immigration after that. The country remained an isolated population for centuries, with excellent documentation of nearly all births, marriages, and deaths. It is a genealogist's dream although few of us can benefit by claiming Icelandic ancestry. Read the full story at www.time.com/ time/magazine/article/0,9171,1158968,00.html

#### HERITAGE CREATIONS FILING FOR CHAPTER 7 BANKRUPTCY

This is a blog I never expected to ever write, but circumstances have dictated that I do so today.

Put in simple terms – I'm broke and am in the process of filing for Chapter 7 personal bank-ruptcy.

As most of you folks know, I bought back Heritage Quest Magazine, and much of the Heritage Quest retail operations from ProQuest three years ago. It was offered to me by ProQuest as a "silver lining" to the fact that Patty and I were both being laid off, after 10 years with AGLL, Sierra, and ProQuest. Although I knew that the operation was losing a lot of money, in my arrogance, I thought that I could turn it around and make it profitable. I had little money, but I had substantial credit available to me. I didn't want to see Heritage Quest Magazine go away. Having founded the magazine 17 years previously, my life was wrapped up in its publication. So I set off on the journey that ultimately cost us everything we owned. The operation lost money every month until we downsized in October. Since then, Patty and I have been working unbelievable hours in conditions that I'm sure no sane person would ever put up with. Doing this, I thought I'd found the key to making it profitable – and I may have, only at that point the hole I'd dug was too deep to climb out of.

We sold our home in November, using the proceeds to finance that quarter's projects. We moved into a motorhome, parked in a local trailer park. In January, we were looking at not only magazine publication expenses, but also a fair amount of taxes due. On the 31st, I was prepared to spend my last dime on magazine publishing expenses when it finally hit home that there was no way that I could make it through February. I was about a half million dollars in debt, with debt service alone eating up cash flow. That afternoon I met with my accountant as well as a bankruptcy attorney.

I've hurt a lot of people in attempting to operate this business as I have - and a large number of those folks have been personal friends - some for over 20 years. There are very few within the genealogical community that I don't owe in some way. I owe dozens of suppliers for product not paid for. I owe authors for articles written and not paid for. I owe subscribers for magazine subscriptions, both Heritage Quest, as well as Genealogy Bulletin. My friends have defended my integrity when times have been rough before. Now I'm letting everyone down, including those friends. I wish I could apologize to each of you personally, but that isn't humanly possible. At this point, all I can do is say that I'm sorry - and I know that isn't enough.

On a slightly brighter note, I'm quite sure that Heritage Quest Magazine and Genealogy Bulletin will find a new home, and the subscribers will get what they paid for. The subscriber-base of these two publications is substantial. This will have to be done with the blessing of the courts and Pro-Quest, who according to contract, gets all this back if I default. How long that may take I have



#### FREE GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH HELP:

Genealogical research help is available at the Bellevue Regional Library 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 7-9 PM and **Wednesdays** from 1-3 PM.

no idea.

I will continue to blog, although my personal blogs may be a little thin for a few weeks. Joe will probably be doing a better job at that than I do anyway. I have a ton of paperwork to do, and that will continue to eat up all my time for a bit. My commercial websites will be coming down shortly. I have no idea what I'm going to do to earn a living. But maybe I'll go back to research – which I love. I also plan to continue to operate a "Christmas Tour" to Salt Lake City – as I have for over 20 years.

Please don't think too poorly of me, although I don't blame you if you do. I feel I gave it my best – and that wasn't good enough.

Leland K. Meitzler Heritage Creations [From Richard Eastman's Online Newsletter, 5 February 2006]

#### THE DEADLY SPANISH FLU

The news media is full of stories about the bird flu, AIDS, cancer, and other medical problems of today. With all this publicity, some of us might think that medical problems are getting worse. We might even wonder if the death rate is increasing because of modern medical problems. In fact, today's medical problems pale in comparison to what our ancestors encountered eighty-eight years ago.

The Spanish flu of 1918 killed more people than any other infectious disease in recorded history: at least 25 million people. Some estimates go as high as 100 million. Even the lower number is still more than all the people who died in all the Bubonic Plague epidemics throughout the Middle Ages. AIDS killed 25 million in its first 25 years, but the Spanish flu may have killed 25 million within 25 weeks beginning in September 1918. [From Richard Eastman's Online Newsletter, copyright 2006]

#### L. REYNOLDS CAHOON PROMOTED AT NA-TIONAL ARCHIVES

L. Reynolds Cahoon is well-known in genealogy circles. He was the manager in charge of the Family History Department at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints as well as executive vice-president of the Genealogical Society of Utah. He then went to Washington to become the Assistant Archivist of the United States. His title was expanded to Assistant Archivist for Human Resources and Information Services and Chief Information Officer of the National Archives and Records Administration.

Now Mr. Cahoon has been promoted again, assuming a position vital to the preservation of electronic records. The Archivist of the United States has promoted Reynolds Cahoon to the new position of Senior Adviser on Electronic Records. [Posted by Dick Eastman on January 14, 2006]



#### WHEN I WAS A KID. . . .

Were you a kid in the Forties, Fifties or so? Everybody makes fun of our childhood! Comedians joke. Grand kids snicker. Twenty-something's shudder and say "Eeeew!" But was our childhood really all that bad?

Judge for yourself:

In 1953 the American population was much less than now. Yet you knew more people then, and knew them better.

And that was good.

The average annual salary was under \$3,000. Yet our parents could put some of it away for a rainy day and still live a decent life.

And that was good.

A loaf of bread cost about 15 cents but it was safe for a five-year-old to skate to the store and buy one.

And that was good.

Prime-Time meant I Love Lucy, Ozzie and Harriet, Gunsmoke, and Lassie. So nobody ever heard of ratings or filters.

And that was good.

We didn't have air-conditioning, so the windows stayed up and half a dozen mothers ran outside when you fell off your bike.

And that was good.

Your teacher was either Miss Olson or Mrs. Pufahl or Mr. Adkins. But not Ms Becky or Mr. Dan.

And that was good.

The only hazardous material you knew about, was a patch of grass burrs around the light pole at the corner.

And that was good.

You loved to climb into a fresh bed, because sheets

were dried on the clothesline.

And that was good.

People generally lived in the same hometown

with their relatives. So "child care" meant grandparents or aunts and uncles.

And that was good.

Parents were respected and their rules were law. Children did not talk back.

And that was good.

TV was in black-and-white, but all outdoors was in glorious color.

And that was certainly good. Your Dad knew how to adjust everybody's carburetor. And the Dad next door knew how to adjust all the TV knobs.

And that was very good.

Your grandma grew snap beans in the back yard. And chickens behind the garage.

And that was definitely good.

Just when you were about to do something really bad, chances were you'd run into your Dad's high school coach. Or the nosy old lady from up the street. Or your little sister's piano teacher ... Or somebody from Church. ALL of whom knew your parents' phone number. And YOUR first name.

And even THAT was good! REMEMBER.

This is for those who can still remember Nancy Drew, The Hardy Boys, Laurel & Hardy, Abbott & Costello, Sky King, Little Lulu comics, Brenda Starr, Howdy Doody and The Peanut Gallery, The Lone Ranger, The Shadow Knows, Nellie Belle, Roy and Dale, Trigger and Buttermilk as well as the sound of a reel mower on Saturday morning, and summers filled with bike rides, playing in cowboy land, playing hide and seek and kick- the-can and Simon Says, baseball games, amateur shows at the local theater before the Saturday matinee, bowling and visits to the pool. and eating Kool-Aid powder with sugar, and wax lips and bubble gum cigars. Didn't it feel good, just to go back and say, "Yeah, I remember that!" And was it really that long ago??

#### Genealogy Epitaphs

In a Thurmont, Maryland, cemetery: Here líes an Atheíst All dressed up And no place to go.



#### \*\*\* VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES \*\*\*

Do you have time on your hands? Could you donate a few hours a week [or a month] to Eastside Genealogy Society to help keep our operation running smoothly? EGS is only as strong as our volunteers. Here are a few recent openings due to illness, moving, grandchildren needing care, or personal life changes.

• <u>Research assistants</u> - Library volunteers to staff Tuesday evenings and Wednesday afternoon help sessions. We need two people. Contact Winnie Sihon at <u>wsihon@comcast.net</u>.

#### **Local Meetings and Events**

- DNA and Genealogy: Creating a Family Health Portrait, Sunday, March 26, 2006, 1:00 to 4:30 PM (Doors open 12:30 PM) at the Museum of History and Industry in Seattle, Tickets \$20 per person. This program will feature: DNA: The Basis of Inheritance by Dr. Marshall Horwitz, Departments of Medicine, Genome Sciences and Pathology, University of Washington. Genetic Counseling and Family Health Tree by Robin Bennett, MS, CGC, Head of Medical Genetics Clinic, University of Washington, DNA and Genealogy by Dr. Tia Aulinskas, Chief Technical Officer, Genelex Corporation. Sponsored by Jewish Genealogical Society of Washington State, Black Genealogy Research Group, Seattle Genealogy Society, Eastside Genealogy Society, Washington State Jewish Historical Society, Puget Sound Chapter of Association of Professional Genealogists, Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle.
- 2. On April 27, 2006 at 7:00PM, EGS members are invited to the **Bellevue Sister City Association Program** featuring Helene Cincebeaux, with a slide show and musical program by Josef Ivaska. This will be at either at North Bellevue Senior Center or South Bellevue Community Center. Exact place will be in the next newsletter or at the Czech/Slovak Interest Group website: www.rootsweb.com/~wacsig/.
- 3. On April 29, 2006, there will be a **SLAVIC FEST** at the University of Washington. At 1:00 PM, there will be the Grand Opening of Baine/Cincebeaux Czech and Slovak Costume EXhibit "STITCHED WITH LOVE" at Allan Auditorium in Suzzallo Library. At 2:30 PM meet for the Folk Parade at Drumheller Fountain, 3:00 PM folk Parade, 4:00 children's Program in Kane Hall..
- 4. The **Redmond Historical Society** will meet on Saturday, March 11, 2006, 1:00-2:30 PM PLEASE NOTE THE TIME CHANGE. The location is The Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center Auditorium, 16600 NE 80 Street, Redmond, WA. The Morelli brothers will be speaking about their family chicken farm, which was on 148 Avenue NE, and the farmhouse that has been moved and preserved. To receive the monthly newsletter, contact Society president Judy Lang at 425-885-2919, or email your request to redmondhistory@msn.com. Books, note cards, and free historic walking tour brochures are available in our office which is open Tuesday Thursday, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Visit our website: www. redmondhistory.org.
- Cantando Y Jugando presented by Marco Cortes. This Spanish/English program features music, songs and games from Latin America at Library Connection at Crossroads, Saturday, March 11, 1:00 PM on MarketStage at Crossroads Shopping Center.
- 6. Parents, Teachers, and child caregivers are invited to a free Presentation: *What is Early Literacy*? Research has shown that to be ready to read, each child must have six early Literacy skills. Discover these skills and activities you can do in just minutes a day that will make a difference in a child's life. **Lake Hills Library**, March 13, 7:00 PM, **RRL**, March 20, 7:00 PM.
- 7. Old Redmond Walking Tours Return. If you live in Redmond, you probably drive along Leary Way daily. But do you know the histories of our oldest buildings? Like, which one was both an undertaker's premises and a bordello? Redmond Historical Society board member Tom Hitzroth will educate and entertain folks with walking tours that explore those histories. This year's dates are: May 21, June 18, and September 17, 2006. Tours run from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. and walkers meet on the front steps of the Justice White House, 7730 Leary Way. Tours will not be held in the rain. A \$6 fee helps fund Society research. Pre-registration is required. To register, e-mail Tom at thitzroth@msn.com or phone the Redmond Historical Society office at 425-885-2919.

EGS 2006 MEETING CALENDAR			
EGS Group Name	Meeting Notice		
EGS Board Meeting (First Thursday 10:00 AM)	The EGS Board will meet on March 2nd at 10:00 AM at The Redmond Public Library.		
EGS General Meeting (Second Thursday, 7:00 PM)	The Eastside Genealogical Society will hold its general meeting on Thursday, March 9th at 7:00 PM in the Bellevue Regional Library. The Supply Table opens at 6:30 PM.		
Computer Interest Group (Fourth Saturday, 9:30 AM)	Will meet Saturday, March 25th at 9:30AM in the Community Room at Crossroads Mall . ( <i>Ray French, 425-746-7730 or rayf@oz.net</i> )		
Czech/Slovak Interest Group (Check EGS Bulletin each month for meeting time information)	Will meet on Saturday, March 4th at 9:30 AM at Firestation #22 in Houghton (Kirkland). ( <i>Rosie Bodien</i> , 425-828-0170 or rosie@bodien.org.)		
EGS Lunch Bunch (Fourth Thursday, 11:30 AM)	Meets every fourth Thursday at Crossroads Food Court. ( <i>Call Myra McDowell at 425-641-4650 or mcdowellml@yahoo.com</i> )		
German Interest Group (First Friday, 1:00 PM)	Will meet Friday, March 3rd, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, at Lake Hills Library. Roundtable discussion of the topic of Emigration: ports of departures and arrivals. ( <i>Call Maxine Klink</i> 425-836-0930 or marymaxklink@comcast.net)		
Irish Interest Group (First Wednesday, 10:00 AM)	Will meet Wednesday, March 1st at the Lake Hills Library, 10:00AM to 12:00 noon. The discussion topic will be "Finds and Frustrations when using Message Boards." Bring your results to share. ( <i>Call Maxine Klink</i> 425-836-0930 or marymaxklink@comcast.net)		
Italian Interest Group (Third Saturday, 1:30 PM)	Instead of a meeting in March, we encourage members to attend the Hobby and Crafts Fair at the Pickering Barn on Saturday, March 11. We will celebrate IIG's 16th Anniversary that day on March 11th with a no-host dinner at Lombardi's in Issaquah at 5:30 PM. RSVP to Mary. ( <i>Mary Sangalang,</i> 425-649-2250 or collectingroots@att.net)		
Scandinavian Interest Group (Second Tuesday, 10:00 AM)	Will meet Tuesday, March 14th, 10:00AM to noon in the Regional Archives Bldg. at Bellevue Community College. ( <i>Gene Fagerberg at 206-783-4649, wefagerberg@jps.net</i> )		
Shore to Shore Interest Group (changes monthly, call Jan )	Will meet Sunday, March 12th to go to the Suzallo Library at the University of Washington. <u>Note</u> this is Sunday, to try to avoid the usual parking hassles. Call Jan for details. ( <i>Call Jan Henderson</i> 425-483-0334)		



	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	Issaquah Public Library	Lake Hills Library
7910 NE 132nd St.	140 East Sunset Way	15528 Lake Hills Blvd. SE
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#### 2006 CALENDAR OF UPCOMING SEMINARS AND EVENTS

March 10-11 Provo, Utah: The ninth annual Computerized Genealogy Conference at Brigham Young University has been scheduled for Friday and Saturday March 10-11, 2006. The featured presenter for this conference will be Cyndi Howells, owner and webmaster of Cyndi's List of Genealogy Sites on the Internet. Details may be found at genealogyconferences.byu.edu March 18 Kent, WA: The South King County Genealogical Society presents Gene-A-Rama '06 on March 18 at the Kent Baptist Church, 11420 SE 248th St, Kent, WA (located between 104th Ave SE and 116th Ave SE on 248th St). We're circling the globe this year with great help for those who are re searching internationally, as well as in the United States. This year's speaking roster includes: Gary Zimmerman sharing his expertise on German Research, Sarah Thorson Little covering Scandina vian Research and offering great tips and techniques for success in locating elusive ancestors. Patricia Wood tackling the tricky tactics for exploring the origins of Irish ancestors. For more information, go to www.rootsweb.com/~waskcgs/ March 18 Chimacum, WA: Jefferson County Genealogical Society Seminar, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Speaker Beverly Rice, associate of the PastTracker Association and Certified Genealogist. Ms Rice will speak on "Missing Pieces: Solving Your Family Puzzles by Developing Timelines, Discovering the Occupa tions of your Ancestors, Using Courthouse and Land Records, with a Special Feature: Continuing Educational Opportunities. Send registration to Treasurer, PO Box 627, Port Townsend, WA 98368-0627. Check website for details: www.rootsweb.com/~wajcgs/meetings.html#seminar. March 25-26 Seattle, WA: The Seattle Genealogical Society will present "40 Acres and a Mule", Land and Property Research in the United States by Bill Utterback, Seattle, Saturday, 25 March 2006. Bill Utterback will examine the intricacies involved with land research in the United States. Bill will present an optional workshop for several hours on Sunday for those wishing to learn how to plat metes and bounds. There will be an additional charge for this workshop. Mr. Utterback has 38 years of experience in genealogy with a specialization in land and property research, court records, legal research and Kentucky research. March 26 Seattle, WA: Museum of History and Industry, Seattle 12:30 -4:30 pm. \$20. An exciting program entitled "DNA, Genetic Health and Genealogy" will examine many issues relating to genetics, DNA technology, and genealogy. For additional information go to www.jgsws.org. March 26 Vancouver, WA: Clark County Genealogical Society presents "Searching for Your Female Ancestors" by Sharon DeBartolo Carmack. For registration info send email to CCGSPrograms@hotmail.com. April 1 Portland, Oregon: Genealogical Forum of Oregon presents a spring seminar on Saturday, April 1, 2006 on England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales plus methodology with Paul Milner. Go to www. ancestordetective.com for more information. April 1 Richland, WA: Spring Seminar sponsored by the Tri-Cities Genealogical Society. Margie Belden speaker. April 7-8 Olympia, WA: Washington State Genealogical Society presents its 2006 Annual Conference and Business Meeting, Friday and Saturday, April 7th and 8th, hosted by the Olympia Genealogical Society at Olympia High School Performing Arts Center, Olympia, Washington. The topic is "Invading the British Isles" with Sec'ty of State Sam Reed skirted to the podium with bagpipes and Irish dancers on Saturday. For more info check the OGS website www.rootsweb.com/ ~wasgs/index.htm May 13 Whidbey Island, WA: The Genealogical Society of South Whidbey Island presents its 2006 Spring Seminar on Saturday, May 13th at the Useless Bay Country Club, 5725 S. Country Club Drive, Langley, WA, featuring nationally known genealogist and author, Christine Rose . Author of 6 books, nationally known speaker, winner of the Donald Lines Jacobus Award, elected one of 50 fellows of the American Society of Genealogy, currently an instructor/coordinator at the Institute of Historical and Genealogical Research.



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## **MEETINGS:**

(except December) at 7:00 P.M. at the Bellevue Regional Library, NE 12th EGS monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month Street and 110th Ave. NE, Bellevue WA. The Supply/Book Table, get acquainted, browse, ask questions session is open at 6:30 P.M.

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