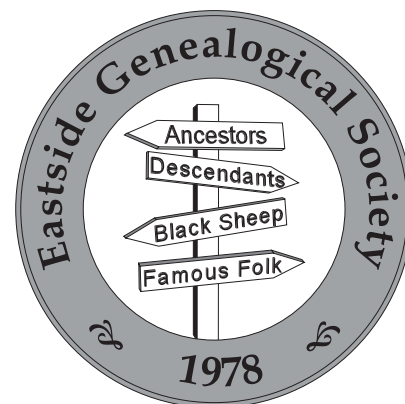


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EGS MEETING INFORMATION

Date: Thursday, March 12, 2009
Time: Welcome New Members 6:30 PM
 Meeting Begins 7:00 PM
Location: Bellevue Regional Library
Topic: *The World Came to Seattle—The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition and Century 21—Comparing and Contrasting Seattle's 2 World Fairs*

About The Program:

The March program will feature Lorraine McConaghy, a historian at the Museum of History and Industry (MOHAI) in Seattle. Her topic will be *The World Came to Seattle—The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition and Century 21—Comparing and Contrasting Seattle's 2 World Fairs*. Visitors are welcome. Please join us!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Last month I looked at the year in review. This month I would like to look ahead to certain upcoming activities that are central to our functioning as an organization as well as some of those that are a measure of our success in our primary function which is that of an educational organization. All of these activities, if the EGS is to be successful, require the active participation of you, our members. In May we have our annual elections and this year the membership votes on the positions of Vice-President, Treasurer and Trustee. Norb Zeigler, the chair of the nominating committee is currently identifying candidates for these positions. If any of you out there are interested, please give Norb a call, or drop him an e-mail.

Then there are the non-elected positions that are critical to the successful functioning of the EGS. These positions are those of committee chairpersons or co-chairpersons. The Education Committee needs a new chairperson and co-chairs are needed for the Publicity Committee to help cover for Dorothy Pretare when she is out of town, and for the Library Committee, where long-time chairperson Winnie Sihon needs a co-chair to coordinate and schedule library research volunteers. I would like to invite any members interested in helping the EGS and helping the Society provide services to the genealogical community at large by serving in one of these capacities to please contact me.

Those of you who are interested in participating as a committee member can contact either the committee chairperson or me. I would like to lighten the load on our Vice-President (and Program Chairperson) Judy Meredith by getting one or more volunteers to take notes on the programs presented at our general monthly meeting and write those notes up for the Newsletter. February's meeting was a classic example of this problem (*continued next page*)

NEXT MONTH'S EGS MEETING:

Thursday, April 9, 2009
 7:00 PM
 Bellevue Regional Library

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where Judy, Ed Schulz and myself were serving on a panel addressing many and diverse genealogical topics and questions raised by the members in attendance. It was an active, informative and entertaining discussion for all of us. I had several members come up to me afterwards to tell me how much they had enjoyed the open dialog. Those EGS members not present will have to depend on what Judy can recall from her notes.

On the upcoming activities where the EGS can benefit from the greater participation of its membership we have the various community events where we staff an informational booth such as at the Strawberry Festival, Bothell River Fest and Family History Expo. These are fun things to participate in and I encourage those of you who are able to consider participating. Participating in the EGS educational programs is also an excellent opportunity for members of the Society to show their support the EGS and its objectives. So if any of the board members should approach you, or an announcement is published in the Newsletter, please consider participating in whatever way you can.

Bob Barnes, EGS President

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new members:

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| Christy ANDERSON | Researching ANDERSON, JACKSON, CLAUSEN, PETERSON, HENDRIX, STOCKFELTH, MEYER, and HENRY in Germany and Norway. She is also interested in prison records, Canadian censuses and German research. |
| Linda ANDERSON | Researching HAGI, LOVELL, and STERN in Hungary. |
| Arnold & Gloria KERN | Researching KERN, HOSCH, BERKOWITZ, and MOSKOWSKY from Hungary, Ukraine, and Germany. |
| Jan McGRUDER | Researching GARSIDE, MASTEN, and JENNINGS in England. |

Correction: Last month we welcomed new member Sharon C. BROWN, but her name actually is Shannon C. Brown, daughter of long-time EGS member Gloria Brown. We apologize for the name mix-up.

CHANGE IN LOCATION FOR MARCH BOARD MEETING

EGS has succeeded in making reservations at the Redmond Library Room 1 from 10:00 AM -Noon for March 5, and April 2, 2009, for our monthly board meetings. As many of you know the library conference rooms have been closed for re-modeling off and on (mostly on) since last August. While I have enjoyed hosting the board meetings at my home I know that the Redmond Library is a more convenient location for most of you, so we are finally back to our old digs. Since room reservations are limited to the current month plus the following two months the EGS will continue to reserve the room two months ahead. *(Submitted by Bob Barnes, EGS President)*

NEW MIDWEST SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (SIG) ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING



A new Special Interest Group is forming! There will be a meeting for anyone interested in forming a Midwest SIG. The meeting will be Thursday, March 26th, at 7:00 PM at Crossroads Shopping Center. We will meet in the area south of the Food Court. Any one interested is encouraged to come! We will figure out a schedule and location as well as talk about how we want to structure our meetings and what topics we are interested in.

If you are planning on attending, please send me an email so I can watch for you at the meeting since we will not have an assigned room. If you are interested but can not attend this meeting, please let me know too. I would like to find the best day and time for everyone! You can contact me by email at kimberly@dormik.com or phone 360-668-3937. *(Submitted by Kim Nichols, EGS newsletter)*

EGS BOARD MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY

EGS Board Meeting – January 2, 2009

Present:

Bob Barnes, President; Judy Meredith, Vice-President; Bob Osworske, Treasurer; Walta McCarley, Secretary; Sharron Filer, Trustee; Dorothy Pretare, Publicity

Actions:

A committee to write Standing Rules for EGS will be chaired by Sharron Filer, who will also assemble new officer notebooks.

Approval was given to purchase \$250 of Forever stamps before postage is increased.

Discussion:

Board approval is not required for payments that are within the budget. If expenditure exceeds the budget, board approval is required, as per the minutes of June 2005.

Fiduciary liability insurance was discussed – Bob Barnes will consult other societies.

Open positions: Education chair, library research assistants, library co-chair, publicity assistant/co-chair.

An article about Bob and Pat Sandbo appeared in the Eastside Heritage newsletter. They have contributed much to EGS over the years. Bob taped and cataloged our speakers for members to borrow.

Reports:

- Education: A new chairperson is needed.
- Membership: 272 memberships, 285 members
- Program: January-Dave Thaler will speak on using pre-1850 censuses.
- Outreach Schedule and Status: The January 31 class will be Computers-Hands On. Future classes will be How to Use Library Resources and Internet, by the library staff, and Family Tree Maker by Sandy Arildson. BRL has requested EGS to conduct quarterly classes.
- Publicity: Dorothy Pretare reported newspapers getting thinner and less space available for Public Service Announcements. Lead time is also a factor. Dorothy needs a co-chair to help out. Input about where meeting notices can be posted is needed.
- Website Task Force: Bob Barnes and Kim Nichols will provide a summary and current status.

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

THE 2010 CENSUS – A GREAT WAY TO EARN EXTRA MONEY

The U.S. Census Bureau is recruiting temporary part-time census takers for the 2010 Census. The pay is good, the hours are flexible, and the work is close to home. Census taker jobs are excellent for retirees, college students, persons who want to work part-time, persons who are between jobs, or just about anyone who wants to earn extra money while performing an important service for their community. Every 10 years, we conduct a census of our population. The results help determine your representation in government, as well as how federal funds are spent in your community on things like roads, parks, housing, schools, and public safety. As a census taker, you'll play a vital role in making sure that everyone is included. Thousands of census takers are needed to update address lists and conduct interviews with community residents. Most positions require a valid driver's license and use of a vehicle. However, public transportation may be authorized in certain areas. For more information, please see <http://2010.census.gov/2010censusjobs/>

GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

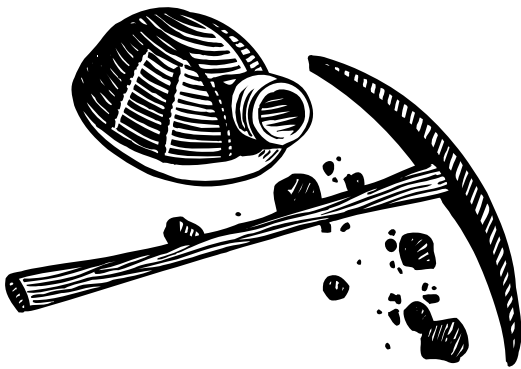
1. **Irish Genealogy Conference — Sunday, March 8, 2009, 10:30 AM to 6:30 PM** at the Sand Point Education Center, 6208 60th Ave NE, Seattle. Sponsored by the Irish Heritage Club and the Seattle Galway Sister City Association. Presenters will be Fintan Mullen, Executive Director of the Ulster Historical Foundation, and Dr. Brian Trainor, former Director of the Public Records Office of Northern Ireland. Cost of the conference is \$40, but for those who pay before February 21 or who are Irish Heritage Club members, the cost is \$30 per person which includes a box lunch. For more information or a registration form, please see the website at <http://irishclub.org/GenealogyProgram.pdf> If you have any questions please contact John Keane at 425-290-7839 or j.f.keane@gte.net (Submitted by Ann Lamb, Irish Interest group)
2. **Seattle Genealogical Society** presents a **Spring Seminar May 16, 2009, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**, at Sand Point Education Center, 6208 60th Ave. N.E., Seattle, WA. The all-day seminar will feature **John Philip Colletta**, a genealogical speaker with a national reputation. The cost of seminar will be \$35 for SGS members and supporting society members and \$40 for others. Registration deadline is May 5, 2009. The program includes:
 - «Breaking through Brick Walls: Use Your HEAD!
 - «Lesser-Used Federal Records: A Sampling for Fresh Research Ideas
 - «How to Assemble and Write a Narrative Family History: Part I, A Reliable Document
 - «How to Assemble and Write a Narrative Family History: Part II, A Readable Story
 For more information, see the SGS website at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waseags/2009SpringSeminar.html>
3. **South King County Genealogical Society** will host a half day seminar on **DNA & Genealogy** featuring **Emily D. Aulicino**, Regional Coordinator and Speaker of the International Society of Genetic Genealogists (ISOGG) for the states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Topics covered will be: Introduction to Genetic Genealogy: DNA Your Paper Trail, and Comparing DNA: Apples, Oranges and Bananas. Will take place **March 21, 2009, 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon**. Please visit our website for complete details. <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waskcgs/>
4. The **Eastside Heritage Council** and the **Bellevue Parks and Recreation** present a program titled *Centennial Celebration: The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition 1909-2009* on **Thursday, March 19, 2009, 7:00 PM** at the Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center, 1625 118th Ave SE Bellevue, WA (note new location). Celebrate the centennial of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition! The Eastside Heritage Center welcomes guest speaker **Alan Stein** of History Link, who will share the history of the A-Y-P, Washington's first world's fair. Held in 1909 on the University of Washington campus, the A-Y-P celebrated 12 years of prosperity (since the 1897 Alaska Gold Rush) through the display of resources, products, and advantages of Washington and the region. More than 3 million people visited the fair from around the county, state and the rest of the country.
5. History is happening in the Redmond area! The **Redmond Historical Society** will meet on **Saturday, March 14, 2009, 10:30 AM to noon**, at The Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center Auditorium, 16600 NE 80 Street, Redmond, WA. **Erica Maniez**, Director of the Issaquah History Museum, will present *Issaquah History 101: Everything you ever wanted to know about Issaquah in one painless lesson*. Her presentation will be on the history of Issaquah from its founding to the present, focusing on some of the factors that shaped the town and made it what it is today. Don't miss this meeting. To receive the monthly newsletter, contact the Society office at 425-885-2919, or email your request to info@redmondhistoricalsociety.org. Books, note cards, free historic walking tour brochures, and the book, *Redmond Reflections*, are available in our office, which is open on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM and by appointment. Visit our website: www.redmondhistoricalsociety.org
6. **Old Redmond Historic 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? **Tom Hitzroth** will educate and entertain folks with walking tours that explore those histories. This year's dates are **April 19, May 10, June 21, and September 20, 2009**. Tours run from **1:00 to 2:30 PM**, and walkers meet on the front steps of the Justice White House, 7730 Leary Way. A tour will not be held if it rains. An \$8 fee helps fund Society research. Pre-registration is required. To register, e-mail Tom at thitzroth@msn.com or phone or email the Redmond Historical Society office at 425-885-2919 or info@redmondhistoricalsociety.org.

BLACK DIAMOND: MINING THE MEMORIES – A BOOK REVIEW BY FRANK HAMMOCK

Immersing oneself into local history can be both fun and exciting. Learning about the past gives us a wonderful perspective of who we are and where we came from, and can help to shape our future. How many of us can remember hearing history from the stories that were told by a grandparent or family elder as we gathered around a campfire, dinner table, or other memorable setting? Do you remember how those stories seemed to come alive, filling you with the warmth and glow of the era from which they took place? Such anecdotes forged our heritage somewhere within the faded memories of those classic moments that often melted away within the recesses of our hearts and minds where dreams lay dormant, slumbering quietly – only to be reborn with each new and passing generation.

First published in December of 1988, *Black Diamond: Mining the Memories* is an oral history of life in a company town. This wonderful book is the culmination of over five years of work that involved some 2,000 hours of taped interviews and reams of research conducted by the local authors and a few Black Diamond Historical Society members.

The book is reminiscent of a time when coal mining was one of the most prevalent industries in the nation not only for energy but jobs as well. The life that surrounded coal was hard, but simple, and the new and prospering town of Black Diamond at the turn of the Twentieth Century was a place where multiple nationalities converged to earn a living, raise their families, and share their diversified cultures. It was a time of triumphs and failures, tragedy and birth, transition and transformation. Dreams were achieved in spite of the hardships of life that gave wake to a reality of living that at times could be an enormous challenge. It was a time when a thriving town found the will and the strength to lean on one another during the coal mining bumps and disasters, help each other stay afloat in a sometimes faltering economy, live and work under the umbrella of a company-controlled environment, and still secure a sometimes questionable future for their children.



Here are just a few samples of those wonderful memories –

“Jenny Edwards – After school was out, we would go for blackberries. We would have a five-pounder or if you were old enough to carry a ten-pounder, alright, but usually it was a five-pounder. ...”

“Ernie Seliger -- ...The younger ones that worked in the mines were called Trapper Boys. They were about fourteen when they went to work. They controlled the air passage through the mines and let the coal cars come in and out of the mines. ...”

“Jim Vernarelli -- ... Most of the time my dad sold his vegetables in the summer and fall and early spring. In the winter time, he started buying from produce houses in Seattle. It would come up on the railroad train....”

“Harold Anderson -- ... Us kids would walk all over. We’d walk miles and miles. We were never afraid of getting lost or anything. We’d head right through the woods. ...”

“Carl Steiert – Fires were scary. They blew the mine whistle first. Then there was a siren on the confectionery. It would blow. Oh gosh, everybody would scramble and go. ...”

Each of the numerous snapshot interviews, along with dozens of supporting photographs, encompasses the entire book and are in the actual words of the person being interviewed. The tales they share are fascinating and contagious as a bygone era comes to life in the mind of its readers, just like those stories of old. The book is divided into chapters according to the prominent subjects that gave Black Diamond its life. Some of which are: The Town, The Immigrants, The Railroad, and The Miners. The final chapter is devoted to the nearby sister city of Franklin that was very active during this historical era, but now no longer exists.

Over twenty years later and well into its fourth printing, the book has become a monumental achievement and a testament through its oral history of a time that has long since vanished but can still be experienced, remembered, and cherished for generations to come.

Black Diamond: Mining the Memories, compiled and edited by Diane and Cory Olson. It sells for \$27 and can be purchased from the Black Diamond Historical Society by calling 360-886-2142, or sending an email to museum@blackdiamondmuseum.org. Check your local library, as well, for a copy. (Submitted by Frank Hammock, local writer and proud owner of a copy of *Black Diamond: Mining the Memories*)

EUROPEAN FOCUS PUTS EUROPEAN VILLAGE PHOTOGRAPHY ONLINE

Jim Derheim has launched an archive of his photos online at www.europeanfocus.com. To see his work, click on the tab that says “Ancestral Villages Photography.” It is visible at the upper right side of the page. Since the site is a work in progress, there is also a full list of towns that Jim has photographed, most of which are not yet scanned. Go to: <http://www.europeanfocus.com/europe/photos/ancestor-village-photos.html>. On the right side of the page is a column titled: European Village Photo Archives.” Click on your country of interest. Jim is scanning and adding images every day. It’s his goal to eventually have representative images of all of the more than 2,500 locations that he has photographed since 1990 in the online Archives. *(Submitted by Marty Gale, EGS member)*

EARLY U.S. CENSUS RESEARCH—1790 TO 1840 BY DAVE THALER

The following information was presented at the January 2009 EGS meeting by Dave Thaler.

U.S. Census History	http://www.rootsweb.com/~census/help/history.html
1780s	U.S. Constitution requires a census every 10 years for apportioning representatives. States may have additional ones as needed.
1790	First census taken, over a period of 18 months. Records of six states destroyed during War of 1812, but reconstructed from tax records.
1800-1820	First Monday in August designated as Census Day.
1830-1900	June 1st designated as Census Day. All but 6160 names in the 1890 census (in AL, DC, GA, IL, MN, NJ, NY, ND, OH, SD, TX) destroyed in 1921 fire.
1910-1930	Other specific dates designated as Census Day.

Census enumerators

- ▶ Information was to be recorded as of the official census day, not the day the enumerator came. However, the info might have been given as of any time in that range. This can result in the same people being enumerated in different locations.
- ▶ It wasn’t unheard of to get the information from a neighbor or sometimes the only person at home would be one of the kids who “thinks maybe he was born in...”
- ▶ Another thing to watch for is what was known as “padding the census.” Enumerators were usually paid by the number of households (sometimes per person) they visited. If it was a very rural area they were paid a little more per household as the dwellings were much fewer. See Ira and Fleming Twp’s at <ftp://ftp.us-census.org/pub/usgenweb/census/ny/cayuga/1860/notes.txt>

Tips for census research

- ▶ Remember Occam’s razor: “The simplest explanation is the most likely one.” Explanations with fewer assumptions are better.
- ▶ Estimate about 2 years between each child.
- ▶ Remember that not everyone in the household is necessarily a family member.
- ▶ Check county boundaries: http://www.familyhistory101.com/map_census.html
- ▶ Check town/township boundaries: usgenweb.org, davidrumsey.com
- ▶ Look for wife as head of household in case of death of husband.
- ▶ Look for children as heads of household to find elderly widow/widowers.
- ▶ “Wife’s” age change across years may indicate a death and remarriage.



Organizing information

- ▶ When multiple possible families exist, use a Census Tracker form to compare family “signatures” of number of individuals of each age.
- ▶ For each possible match, try to trace the possibility both forward and backwards across censuses, to eliminate unlikely possibilities.
- ▶ Use a timeline of events for each possibility when trying to track a person
- ▶ Use tax records or land records to narrow down when a family moved.

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Age Ranges

	1790	4 Aug 1800	6 Aug 1810	7 Aug 1820	1 Jun 1830	1 Jun 1840
# free white males, 1-15, 16-	X	n/a				
# free white females	X					
# free white males, 0-9, 10-15, 16-25, 26-44, 45-		X	X	X		
# free white females, 0-9, 10-15, 16-25, 26-44, 45-		X	X	X		
# free white males 16-17				X		
# free white males 0-4, 5-9, 10-14, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49					X	X
# free white males 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, 80-89, 90-99, 100-					X	X
# free white males 0-4, 5-9, 10-14, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49					X	X
# free white males 50-59, 60-69, 70-79, 80-89, 90-99, 100-					X	X
All other free persons	X	X	X			
# free colored males 0-13, 14-25, 26-44, 45-				X		
# free colored females 0-13, 14-25, 26-44, 45-				X		
# free colored males 0-9, 10-23, 24-35, 36-54, 55-99, 100-					X	X
# free colored females 0-9, 10-23, 24-35, 36-54, 55-99, 100-					X	X
# slaves	X	X	X			
# male slaves 0-13, 14-25, 26-44, 45-				X		
# female slaves 0-13, 14-25, 26-44, 45-				X		
# male slaves 0-9, 10-23, 24-35, 36-54, 55-99, 100-					X	X
# female slaves 0-9, 10-23, 24-35, 36-54, 55-99, 100-					X	X

1914 COUNTY MAPS BY STATE

Janie Edwards found, rescued, scanned and is now sharing an amazing book. The book was found while tearing down an old shed. There was no cover, and the last page was missing, which she believes was Nevada and Washington. The maps are dated 1910-1914, which is why she calls them 1914 maps as that's when the book ended. The name at the top says *Atlas of the World*. You can find the maps free online at

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~shastaca/maps_index.html

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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

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

If you can help, please contact Bob Barnes at 425-747-4863 or rstithbarnes@hotmail.com.



FEBRUARY EGS MEETING SUMMARY

Sharing was the theme of the February general meeting. Members shared successes, cousins they've found, asked questions and explored websites.

Historical societies and state archives were mentioned as good sources. To find ones for your state, Google "your state" + "state archives" or "historical society."

Here are some of the sites we either explored or mentioned.

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| www.zotero.org | This is a site to help you manage, collect and site research sources. Note: you'll need Firefox 3.0, Netscape Navigator 9.0, or Flock 0.9.1. |
| www.glorerecords.blm.gov/ | This is the Bureau of Land Management and Government Land Records site. You can search for original land patents and surveys and in many cases see a digitized image of the record. |
| www.kshs.org/index | This is the Kansas State Historical Society site. It has links for vital records and much more. They also have a good newspaper collection on microfilm. These can be borrowed through interlibrary loan. |
| www.sos.mo.gov/archives/ | This is the Missouri State Archives site. It has images of death certificates from 1910-1957, images of pre-1910 birth certificates and tons more. |
| www.msa.md.gov | This is the Maryland State Archives site. Be sure to check out Maryland Online. They have a number of Baltimore city directories and much more. |
| www.evendon.net | This site has city directories, books, yearbooks, street guides and, once again, much more. |
| www.idaillinois.org | This is the Illinois Digital Collection site, which includes among other things, 210 items from the Illinois State Library Collection. This is part of the Illinois State Archives, which includes land records, and, in cooperation with the Illinois Genealogical Society, early marriage records. |
| www.joeflint.com | Joe is one of our members, active in the computer users' special interest group. His site has a number of interesting links. |

Thanks to my "panel"—Ed Shultz, Bob Barnes, and Laura and John Wise for their participation and especially for the use of their laptop and projector and the audience for their input! Now go down to your computer and play with these sites. You never know what you'll find. *(Submitted by Judy Meredith, EGS VP and Program Chair)*

IRISH ANCESTOR WEBSITE

I would like to share with you the best website that has come online lately for quite a while for anyone who has Irish ancestors. It is <http://www.askaboutireland.ie> Click past the first page to the home page, and then click on Griffith's Valuation. At this point you can search on a name or a place name. If you have an ancestor who lived in Ireland at about 1850, Griffith's Valuation is the closest thing we have to a census for the 19th century. Now we can look for the head of household and the return will give us details such as the location of the land, its value and from whom he leased the land, and will also show us the original pages of the published report and the related maps. The place name search will also show us maps and the related satellite images. Now we can find all this information online, whereas before we had to use microfilms and CDs. This is a great step forward in convenience. And it is free. *(Submitted by Ann Lamb, EGS Irish SIG Chair)*

EGS JUNE 2009 MEETING CALENDAR

EGS Board Meeting (First Thursday, 10:00 AM)	Note Change: The Eastside Genealogical Society Board will meet on Thursday, March 5, 10 AM—Noon at the Redmond Library Room 1 .
EGS General Meeting (Second Thursday, 7:00 PM)	The Eastside Genealogical Society will hold its General Meeting on Thursday, March 12 at 7:00 PM in the Bellevue Regional Library . Doors open at 6:30 PM and visitors are welcome.
Canadian Interest Group (First Thursday, 1:00 PM)	The March 5 meeting of the EGS Canadian Special Interest Group will meet at the Bellevue Regional Library, Room 4, from 1:00 to 3:00 PM . The March meeting will cover Web sites to access Canadian maps online, plus other recent research developments. (John Howell, jhowell54@comcast.net or 206-817-7516)
Computer Interest Group (Fourth Saturday, 9:30 AM)	Wondering what's new in computer software and hardware? Join us at our March meeting to hear Ray French and a panel of members bring us up to date. Bring your own information to share with us on Saturday, March 28, 9:30-11:30 AM , in the Community Room at Crossroads Mall, Bellevue . (Margery Perdue, m.perdue@comcast.net)
Czech/Slovak Interest Group (Check Bulletin for meeting information)	Will next meet on March 7, 2009 9:30 AM to Noon at Fire Station #22 in Kirkland . See website for more information http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wacsig/ (Rosie Bodien, 425-828-0170 or rosie@bodien.org .)
EGS Lunch Bunch (Fourth Thursday, 11:30 AM)	Meets every fourth Thursday, 11:30 AM , at Crossroads Mall Shopping Center Food Court .
German Interest Group (First Friday, 1:00 PM)	Our next meeting will be on Friday, March 6 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at the Crossroads Mall Community Meeting Room . Gary Saaris will present the topic, "Why did Germans Immigrate to the US?" He's especially interested in immigrant letters from that time period. If you have any correspondence from your immigrant ancestors please bring it to share with us. Visitors are always welcome to attend. (Contact: Ann Passé 206 232-1104 or annp42@comcast.net)
Irish and Scots-Irish Interest Group (First Wednesday, 10:00 AM)	Contact Ann Lamb 425-557-0440 or AnnL7777@aol.com for information about the next meeting.
Italian Interest Group (Third Saturday, 1:30 PM)	Will meet on Saturday, March 21 in Conference Room 6 at the Bellevue Regional Library from 1:30-3:30 PM . (Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250 or collectingroots@msn.com)
Legacy Interest Group (First Wednesday, 12:30 PM)	The Legacy Interest Group will meet Wednesday, March 4 at the Crossroads Mall Community Room from 12:30 – 2:30 PM . We'll be discussing Locations Part 2, covering Mapping, USA County Verifier and the Geo Location Database as well as any questions left over from the February meeting. (Sherry Holthe, sherdh@centurytel.net or 425-880-4407)
Scandinavian Interest Group (Second Tuesday, 10:00 AM)	The Scandinavian Interest Group will meet Tuesday, March 10, 10:00 - Noon in the Puget Sound Archive building at Bellevue Community College . We will have Randy Nelson as our speaker in March. Randy teaches Swedish language at the Swedish Cultural Center and is familiar with the resources there. He has also done some interesting genealogical research both about and outside his own family. Please see the website for more information eastsidesig.spaces.live.com (Sandy Arildson, 425-747-5621, or sarildson@yahoo.com)
Shore to Shore Interest Group (Changes monthly, call Shirley)	Will meet on Tuesday, March 17 , to celebrate birthdays. Please call Shirley Dowd, 425-454-0078 for more information.

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FHC - Redmond 10115 172nd Ave. NE Redmond, WA 425-861-9273	Newport Way Library 14520 SE Newport Way Bellevue WA 425-747-2390	North Bend Library 115 East Fourth St North Bend, WA 425-888-0554	Redmond Regional Library 15990 NE 85th St Redmond, WA 425-885-1861
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2009 CALENDAR OF UPCOMING SEMINARS & EVENTS

March 7, 2009	All day seminar with Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak, Saturday, March 7, Surrey, British Columbia. Topics include: <i>Trace Your Roots with DNA</i> ; <i>Reverse Genealogy: Techniques for Finding Your Lost Loved Ones</i> ; <i>Introduction to Ancestry.com</i> ; <i>Cases That Made My Brain Hurt</i> . Co-sponsored by the British Columbia Genealogical Society and the Surrey Public Library. More Info: www.bcgs.ca
March 8, 2009	Irish Genealogy Conference, 11 AM—6 PM, Seattle. For more information, see website at http://www.irishclub.org/GenealogyProgram.pdf
May 16, 2009	The Seattle Genealogical Society's Spring Seminar will feature John Philip Colletta, PhD. He is a nationally recognized speaker, specializing in Federal Records, Writing Your Genealogy and European Records. John will present four topics during the seminar. More Info: http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waseags/

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I knew my husband descended from Lewis Walker of Chester County, Pennsylvania, because of my mother-in-law's book, "Lewis Walker of Chester County and his descendents" by Priscilla Walker Streets. Then I discovered Google Books <http://books.google.com/>. Google has scanned many out of print books and put them in PDFs. I also found "Biographical Annals of Montgomery County Pennsylvania," by Ellwood Roberts. This gave me more information on not only his ancestry, but occupations, relationships, and land ownership. Ancestry.com records and these books helped tell his family's history. They compliment each other. (*From Ancestry Weekly Journal, no author listed, Copyright 2009, The Generations Network and its subsidiaries*)

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MEETINGS:

EGS monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month (except December) at 7:00 P.M. at the Bellevue Regional Library, NE 12th 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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