EASTSIDE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

BULLETINBOARD

EGS MEETING INFORMATION

| Date: | Thursday, June 11, 2009 |
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| Time: | Welcome New Members 6:30 PM |
| | Meeting Begins 7:00 PM |
| Location: | Bellevue Regional Library |
| Topic: | Indirect Evidence |
| Speaker: | Sarah Fleming |
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About The Program:

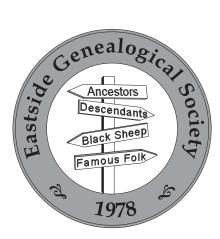
June's program will be "Indirect Evidence—A Case Study" presented by our own Sarah Fleming. In spite of two (!) courthouse fires in Graves Co., KY, Sarah was able to determine the parents of one of her great-great grandfathers. This research is the subject of an article she has written for the March 2009 issue of the National Genealogical Society Quarterly. Sarah will discuss the research and the process of getting it published. Please join us!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The annual EGS rites of Spring were completed at the May general meeting where Sharron Filer was re-elected to the office of Trustee, Judy Meredith was re-elected to the office of Vice-President and Ed Schultz was elected to the office of Treasurer replacing Bob Osrowske, who had completed his term. I welcome all the new officers to the Board and I look forward to working with them in the coming months. I want to thank Sharron, Judy and Bob for their service and dedication to the EGS this past year. Bob, we will miss you at the Board Meetings and I will especially miss your persistence and determination to get things right.

I found that May's program, despite its non-traditional format, to be a very informative and rewarding experience. I really enjoyed and appreciated all the thoughts that were shared on updating the EGS membership packets and the energy, enthusiasm and creativity that the members brought to the discussion. The EGS Board now has four flip chart pages full of ideas that will guide our revisions. And, I have already had several EGS members come up and ask me when the new membership packets will be available! As soon as possible is the best answer I have for the moment—stay tuned on this one.

Speaking of enthusiasm, energy and information content, those of you who attended John Colletta's presentations at the May 16th Seattle Genealogical Society's Spring Seminar got a quadruple dose of all three. Dr. Colletta, was, as advertised, highly entertaining as well as incredibly informative. I look forward to attacking my brick walls using some of the research strategies that he shared with us. One interesting factor highlighted by some of his examples of breaking down brick walls was the nature and effect of human errors made at the time that records were created. While Researchers may be used to dealing with the possibilities of alternative spellings for surnames in any records, Dr. Colletta gave the example of a group (*continued next page*)



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NEXT MONTH'S EGS MEETING:

Thursday, July 8, 2009 7:00 PM Bellevue Regional Library

Barbara Zanzig on Researching in Scotland

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of Brickmasons who emigrated together with their families from France aboard a ship carrying only people emigrating from Switzerland. As a result all the French immigrants were listed on the ship's passenger manifest as being from Switzerland. Thus the necessity that one stop, take a step back and re-examine what they are searching for, and what they know for sure. And of course, what records that one is searching and the significance and consequences of errors in the primary record and how to work around them.

Until next month,

Bob Barnes President, EGS

| WELCOME NEW MEMBERS | | | |
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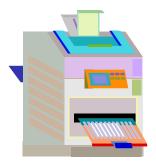
Please welcome the following new members:

- Beverly G. Gish, researching German resources as well as the surnames Brosig, Lamp, Willrodt, Colvin, and Goodison.
- Carolyn B. Harris, researching the surnames Boon(e), Brissenden, Stanford, Junkins, Jenkins, Bunting, Douglas, and Harris.
- Seance the Mahoney, researching the surnames Schmitz, Mahoney, Daughtery, Randall, and Jennings.

EXTRA GENEALOGY JOURNALS

One of our EGS members, Gloria, has some extra genealogy journals and magazines she no longer wants. They include: *Family Chronicle Magazine, Family Tree Magazine*, New England Genealogical and Historical Society Publications *Ancestry* and *Register*, Germans from Russia Heritage Society *Heritage Review* and *American Historical Society of Germans from Russia Journal*. If you are interested in having any of these journals, please contact Gloria at 425-820-2804 or email her at vister@worldnet.att.net.

COLOR COPES AT THE BELLEVUE REGIONAL LIBRARY



Did you know you can make color copies at the Bellevue Regional Library? EGS member Suzy Page reports that she recently had assistance from a Librarian, who told her about the availability of making color copies. The color copy machine is located at the desk on the second floor. You have to ask to use it, and there is a limit of 10 copies, but there is no problem in using it. So now when you have that image you want to have a copy of in color, you have the option to make a color copy!

100 GENEALOGY RESOURCES TO DISCOVER YOUR ANCESTRY

Suzane Smith has written an article entitled "100 Genealogy Resources to Discover Your Ancestry." I think a list like this should be given to every genealogy novice. This list does look good.



"100 Genealogy Resources to Discover Your Ancestry" at: http://phlebotomytechnicianschools.com/?page_id=52.

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EGS BOARD MEETING MINUTES SUMMARY - APRIL 2, 2009

Present:

Bob Barnes, President; Judy Meredith, Vice-President; Walta McCarley, Secretary; Norb Ziegler, Past President; Margery Perdue, SIG Co-chair, Sarah Fleming, Library Book Acquisitions

Discussion:

Jean Ryan, long-time member, passed away. Sarah Fleming will request money for books from the Memorial Fund.

Sarah Fleming has an article in the National Genealogy Society Quarterly (March edition) about locating indirect proof. This is a very prestigious honor for her.

Sarah Fleming shared there is a wonderful new microfilm reader in the BRL that downloads to disks or flash drives. Arrive early to use it.

Open positions continue for Education chair, Library co-chair to handle scheduling of volunteers and their substitutes, Publicity assistant/co-chair.

EGS Flyer/Application: Further suggestions on changes of wording, color, font and printing.

Information packets for new members are being discussed by Bob Barnes and Dorothy Mehrer, Membership chair.

Reports:

- Library Book Acquisition: Sarah Fleming requested additional money to purchase a set of books. Motion made and passed to allow up to \$150.00 for the books.
- Membership: 276 memberships, 286 members. It was suggested to send a postcard when members dues are up for renewal and add their volunteer opportunities or interests.
- Newsletter: Cost of folding bulletins discussed for Library and other locations. SIG chairs have old bulletins for non -members.
- Nominations: "Ad" in last month's bulletin brought no response. Norb asking for suggestions. Nominated candidates are to be named at the April general meeting with elections held at the May Annual Meeting.
- Outreach Schedule and Status: Issaquah Hobby and Volunteer Expo at Pickering Farm will be April 25 from 9 AM to 2 PM. Motion made and carried for EGS to participate. Strawberry Festival is June 27 and 28. There is a \$120 charge. Will discuss further at the May board meeting. The Bothell Fair in August is a one day event.
- Program: Speaker for April will be Lisa Fraser of the Bellevue Library on ways to access information and holdings of interest to genealogists. May will be the Annual Meeting with election of officers and brainstorming on the new member packet. The June speaker will be Sarah Fleming, on indirect evidence.



• SIG Report: Beginning and Mid-West SIGs are not active yet. The German group plans to go to Sand Point, Seattle for a talk and information on immigration. 25-30 attend the Computer group monthly and the Legacy group has many attendees.

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

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A New Generation OF Genealogists By Bob Barnes

Early last Fall I was approached by a high school student who was a senior at Bellevue's acclaimed International School and asked if I would be willing to serve as her mentor for her senior project. For her project topic she had chosen to learn about genealogical research so that she could research her family tree on back to at least her maternal and paternal great grandparents. Then, armed with the lessons learned in pursuing her own genealogy, she proposed to teach a two-hour class on Beginning Genealogy at a local retirement community.

Having been a Genealogy Merit Badge Counselor for the Boy Scouts for a number of years I didn't give the proposal a second thought. Of course it could be done. So, I agreed to serve as her project mentor. After completing the necessary paperwork for the school I was ready to go. The first order of business was to get "J" signed up for the EGS Introduction to Genealogy Classes at the Bellevue Regional Library in October and November. She had to get permission from the school to start this phase of her project several months early as the senior projects typically do not start until winter term. Fortunately the school was flexible on this and "J" enrolled in the EGS classes.



While she was taking these classes we met several times at the library to go over the material that she was learning and to discuss how it would likely apply to her project once she got started doing research. It was at this time that it really dawned on me how challenging and exciting that this project was going to be. As a senior citizen myself I have little difficulty in finding my parents, grandparents, great-grandparents and so on right up the line in the U.S. Census, after all, my eldest sibling will be making his first appearance in the release of the 1940 census in 2012. But for "J" the problem was totally different. Only her great grandparents and their ascendants would be listed in the U.S. Censuses of 1930 and earlier. This meant that she would have to depend on personal interviews to obtain much of the genealogical information for her project.

Of course, most genealogists of my acquaintance would literally kill for the opportunity to interview their parents, grandparents and greatgrandparents when starting their genealogical research, as would I. What questions we could ask and what brick walls might come tumbling down! But in "J's" case it would be interviews with three generations of relatives distributed from coast to coast and using the telephone, e-mails and letters. Another element of the personal interview that is often overlooked is that it can be very time consuming especially if follow up contacts are necessary, and they frequently are.

"J" prevailed through it all and amassed a considerable collection of genealogical information from her relatives. She entered this onto family group sheets and pedigree charts and had time enough to delve into the census records to verify, supplement and extend her records. Then, with a month to go she began to work in earnest on her genealogical presentation for the retirement community. She developed an outstanding eight page outline based on the EGS classes that she had attended and converted it to power point and honed it further with her own personal experiences and outside reading. The week before the presentation she says that she is both excited and nervous. I tell her not to worry and that as long as she can stick to her excellent outline that she will be in great shape. Moreover, since both Judy Meredith and I will be in the audience (at "J's" request) I tell her to answer any questions as best she can and then invite Judy or myself to add more information if appropriate. We go over the logistics and make sure that everything is in order.

The great day comes. "J" is still quite nervous but she is also exceedingly well prepared and her presentation goes off without a hitch. Afterwards, Judy and I marvel at "J's" presentation. We ask ourselves if we could have done as well as a 17 or 18 year-old? No way!

Bob Barnes, President EGS

JEAN RYAN RIP

Helene Jeanette "Jean" (Triem) Ryan of Bellevue, WA died Thursday, March 19, 2009 at the age of 75. Jean's passing was peaceful with her husband, Paul, at her side.

Jean was born in Chicago, IL on May 18, 1933 to Harrie and Helen Triem. The Triem family resided in Chicago, Milwaukee, Duluth, and Fargo before settling in Minneapolis, Minn. in 1950. There Jean attended Central High School and met her husband to be. Engaged in 1954, Jean accepted an invitation from Paul to get married in Verdun, France where he was stationed with the Army. They were married in Verdun on June 20, 1955. Returning to the US in July, 1956, Jean worked as a secretary while Paul finished college and their first child was born. The family

moved to Seattle in 1959 where Paul began his career with Boeing and 2 more children were born in 1960 and '62. In 1966 the family settled in their present home in Bellevue. From 1975 to 1993, Jean worked as a bookkeeper.

Jean belonged to many organizations, including the Girl Scouts of America, the Evergreen Artists and the German Interest Group of the Eastside Genealogical Society. She was one of the founders of the Eastside Association of Fine Arts and the local chapter of the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America. Crafts, sewing, quilting, drawing and paintings were among her many hobbies, but her true love was watercolor painting. Additionally, she spent 25 years researching her family history, eventually locating and visiting "cousins" in Germany.



Jean was a member of the Eastside Genealogical Society since the early

1980's. She served as Secretary of the Society from 1986 thru 1988. She and another early member, Bob Ennis, compiled the "History of the Eastside Genealogical Society" when the Society celebrated their 10th Birthday Anniversary in 1988. Jean was always there to help out whenever and wherever she was needed. She was especially active during the Roots Fair at the Crossroads Mall.

Jean loved to tell the story of being a bride in France where she didn't know the language or customs. Every EGS Board meeting was started with a showing of the latest pictures of her grandson, Ryan, whom she was very proud of. One of her frustrations in genealogy concerned getting a birth record for her deceased sister who was born in Chicago. At that time, only the person involved could access their vital records. Since her sister was dead, there was no way to get a copy of her birth certificate.

Jean was Chairman of the German Interest Group for many years. She enjoyed preparing programs to share with her fellow German researchers.

FAMILY HISTORY TIP: FINDING MISSPELLED SURNAMES ALPHABETICALLY



Jean will be missed but she has left a warm and lasting legacy. (*Submitted by Jan Pankratz, EGS member*)

I was looking for a family with the surname Tapp in Missouri and could not find them anywhere. I had tried some typical variations such as Lapp, Fapp, Tepp, Tipp, Topp, and Tupp. Being a stubborn person, I began going through the alphabet: Aapp, Bapp, Capp, Dapp, etc. Luckily for me, there they were under Capp. The name in no way looks like Tapp, so the census taker must have heard the name incorrectly. (Submitted by Val H., from The Weekly Discovery May 4, 2009, Ancestry.com's free weekly email newsletter, copyright 2009, The Generations Network)

GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

- JUNE 2009
- Attention Family History Sleuths! Announcing the "Family Finder" Series of Classes taught by Mary H. Slawson, noted genealogist, author and radio personality. These fabulous, free classes are offered each Tuesday on June 2 and June 9. Class schedule is as follows: June 2— Beginner: Gazetteers & Maps Make All the Difference, Advanced: Proof, Standards, & Becoming a Professional Researcher ; June 9:— Beginner: On-Line Repositories for Vital Records, Advanced: Using Your Family History: Associations, Collective Research, Writing & Publishing Two separate series will be offered: Beginning Topics in Family History from 10:00-11:00 AM, and Advanced Topics in Family History from 11:00 AM-Noon. All classes will be taught at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Downtown Bellevue Building, 10675 NE 20th Street, Bellevue, 98004. Call the Bellevue Family History Center at 425-454-2690 for detailed class information and registration.
- 2. 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 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.
- 3. History is happening in the Redmond area! **The Redmond Historical Society** will meet on **Saturday, June 13, 2009, 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM**, in **Anderson Park, 7802 168 Avenue NE, Redmond, WA**. This is the annual picnic, so bring your family and friends and a favorite potluck dish to share. The Society will provide the rest. The Old Time Fiddlers are providing entertainment. Don't miss this last get-together until September. 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
- 4. Jewish Genealogical Society of Washington State's meeting topic will be *Lady Luck on the Hungarian Archives Roller Coaster* presented by Theodore Grossman on Monday, June 8, 2009 at the Auditorium, Stroum Jewish Community Center, 3801 East Mercer Way, Mercer Island WA 98040. Doors open at 7:00 PM, presentation starts promptly at 7:30 PM, Wi-Fi will be available (bring your laptops). Free admission for JGSWS members, \$5.00 for non-members. Theodore Grossman will talk about researching Jewish Family History in Hungary and Slovakia, where his father was born and raised. His dad lived the first 15 years of his life in what is now Slovakia, but the town was a part of Hungary for nine of those years and part of Czechoslovakia the other six. His father's story is similar in many respects to those of the thousands of Jews who had to adapt each time the borders in Eastern Europe changed. This story is important to those doing genealogical research in

TAKING A FRESH LOOK AT BRICK WALLS BY JULIANA SMITH

Have you ever been stumped by a problem, asked someone unfamiliar with it to have a look, and had that person come up with an obvious solution? "Why didn't I think of that?" you may wonder. It happens to all of us. Typically the problem is that we are too close to the problem—perhaps even part of the problem. Another individual has the advantage of a fresh perspective, only looking at the bare facts.

Sometimes this is a helpful approach to problem-solving in our family history research. We may be unwittingly clinging to ideas that aren't quite based on sound research. Let's take a look at a few examples.

They Were There All Along — So you've found an ancestor in two consecutive U.S. federal censuses living in the same city. Clearly they were there all the time, right? Not necessarily. When you think about it, ten years is a pretty long time. In the course of that time, your ancestor may have left the city for greener pastures, only to return home a few years later. Perhaps the employment he sought didn't pan out. Or maybe he or she had to return home to help care for a sick family member. Perhaps that's why you're still unable to locate the birth record for that (*continued next page*)

one child born between those censuses. City directories and state censuses can help you to bridge that ten year gap and ensure that your ancestor did indeed stay put throughout the decade between censuses.

My Ancestors Were All... [Catholic, Lutheran, Methodist, etc.] — Even if your ancestors were predominantly devout members of a particular religion, don't assume that that everyone in the family shared the same faith. Your ancestor may have converted, or perhaps they attended the only church that was available in the rural area in which they settled. Conversely if there were several choices available to them, they may have been part of a congregation that wasn't the closest to home, but which had a shared ethnic background.

We're Italian (or German, or Polish, or...) — Years ago, I met a woman at a genealogy conference who told me about some of the obstacles she had to overcome when she first began tracing her husband's roots. She started by diligently asking him everything he knew about his ancestry. He "knew" his family was mostly Italian, and thought there might be a little bit of German too. Being a fan of his family recipes for marinara and other Italian dishes, it made sense--until she started actually collecting records. As it turned out, there was absolutely no Italian connection, and that little bit of German? Well that was more like 100 percent.

When it comes to ethnic origins, family legends should always be taken with a grain of salt. Keep them in mind but don't limit your searches based on the family tale. The same holds true for the often told story of the Cherokee princesses, the three brothers who parted ways at Ellis Island, or any other tale that was passed down. While there may be a pinch of truth in the story, it's best to go step-by-step and let the records you find guide you, rather than letting the story dictate your path.

Relationships and Family Structure — Pre-1880 census records, where relationships aren't spelled out, can pose a perilous trap for family historians. When we see a man and a woman of comparable age, with children who are of an age to be their children, it's easy to jump to conclusions and say we have found Dad and Mom and their children. But could one of those children be an orphaned niece or nephew? Or perhaps the woman is the man's spin-ster sister who came to help out with the children after the mother had passed away. Even in cases where relationships are spelled out, they are sometimes incorrect. When Emma Tobin was enumerated with Emma and Emile Chouanniere in 1880, she was listed as "niece." She was actually Emma's daughter from a previous marriage. On the back of her marriage certificate, a note revealed that she went by her stepfather's name of Chouanniere, but her real father's name was James Miller.

They Came Through Ellis Island — Ellis Island's prominence as "the gateway to America" is well known and has been woven into the fabric of many an American story—sometimes rightly, sometimes wrongly, and sometimes it's only part of the story. First of all, look at the time frame. Ellis Island opened in 1892 so earlier immigrants may have come through New York, but not Ellis Island. And while New York was the most popular port of entry, don't overlook the arrival records for other ports. Baltimore, Philadelphia, and Boston, were other popular eastern ports. Many immigrants made their way to Canada and entered the U.S. from there. Perhaps your Midwestern ancestors arrived through New Orleans and made their way inland via the Mississippi River. Keep your mind open to all the possibilities.

When John Szucs came through Ellis Island in October 1902, it might have been tempting to stop looking. However, some further searching also finds him arriving in July of 1902 through the port of Baltimore. Don't assume your ancestor only came over once. With steamboat travel, travel between Europe and America was much easier and many immigrants made several trips before finally settling down.

Anything is possible. Fortunately with so many immigration records now available online in the collections at Ancestry.com, we can easily search the records of many ports at once, making it much faster and easier to get the entire picture of our ancestor's immigration to the U.S.

Just the Facts, Ma'am — Try taking a fresh approach to your family history brick walls. Write down every thing you "know." Then list supporting records for each fact. When you take a fresh look, you may find yourself instead thinking, "Why didn't I think of this sooner?" (*From The Weekly Discovery May 4, 2009, Ancestry.com's free weekly email newsletter, copyright 2009, The Generations Network*)

IT TAKES DETAILS TO BRING YOUR ANCESTORS TO LIFE BY SHARON TATE MOODY

People new to genealogy often are surprised to learn they can't "do their family history" on the Internet in a weekend. In fact, those of us who have been working on our families for 30 or 40 years know it might take more than one lifetime to get it all done.

The main reason it takes so long is that the records we need to prove activities and relationships were never created or have been destroyed.

The government didn't always require birth and death certificates. Doctors and midwives delivered children in the mother's home without creating any legal record of the event.

When a family member died, often the women washed the body and laid it out on a table for neighbors to pay their respects. Then they buried the deceased on the family farm, perhaps with a piece of wood to mark the spot. No death certificate and a rotted grave marker equal no records.

Marriage records were created with regularity, but most researchers aren't surprised when they can't find one for an ancestor. Even when documents were created, they disappeared in courthouse fires or were tossed when the clerk ran out of room for new ones.

Despite the obstacles, most of us manage to piece together the born, married, died and begats of our ancestors.

There's a real reason, though, that I'll probably never get all my ancestors tracked down. I get sidetracked by the ancestors themselves and become obsessed with learning about what life was like for them.

I'm not satisfied to learn the Civil War battles where each of my ancestors fought. I get bogged down in the details: What was the weather like? What did they do between battles? What did they eat? The questions never stop and the genealogical research halts while I explore social and cultural atmospheres, geography, and countless other fascinating aspects of my ancestors' lives.

I found a newspaper article written in 1900. The paper's editor interviewed who he identified as the heads of the first five families to settle in the area more than a half-century earlier. Among them was my ancestor.

If you take the romantic view, you might see him as a leading citizen, riding around town in a fine carriage and going home to a fancy house.

I went to read dairies, newspapers, history books, court records: anything that might give me insight into the everyday life of my 1840s north Georgia ancestor.

I learned the fancy house probably was a one-room log cabin with a dirt floor and no windows. Residents of great -great-Grandpa's little community took an entire day to walk to town and another to walk home. They ate what they killed or grew from the rocky ground.

Even if I could find all the relevant official records digitized on the Internet, would that be enough? No! Conducting genealogical research isn't just getting the dates and places and full names for vital events; it's about the quest and the thrill of "the find."

I want to walk the fields my ancestors plowed (assuming they haven't been paved). I want to spend time sitting under a tree at the edge of a battlefield where my ancestor fought and perhaps died. I want to spend time at the cemetery, taking a moment to appreciate the lives of those who put loved ones in the ground there.

I swear I am not a romantic about this. Learning about reality is much more powerful and moving. So take my advice, don't get wrapped up in how many names you collect for your database. Take the time to make some real discoveries: the awe and appreciation for lives that led to you. (*The previous article is from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright by Richard W. Eastman. It is re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at http://www.eogn.com. Article originally published May 24, 2009 on Tampa Bay Online, TBO.com*)

| | EGS JUNE 2009 MEETING CALENDAR |
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| EGS Board Meeting (First Thursday, 10:00 AM) | The Eastside Genealogical Society Board will meet on Thursday, June 4, 10:00 AM — Noon at the Redmond Library, Room 1 . |
| EGS General Meeting (Second Thursday, 7:00 PM) | The Eastside Genealogical Society will meet on Thursday, June 11 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 Canadian Interest Group is taking the summer off for vacations and research trips. We will convene again in October. Date TBD. (Contact John Howell, jhowell54@comcast.net or 206-817-7516) |
| Computer Interest Group (Fourth Saturday, 9:30 AM) | Do you have some documents written in a foreign language? Need help with the transla- tion? CIG member Jack Julich will show us how to use the Internet to find translations for words, phrases, and documents relating to genealogy at out meeting on Saturday , May 23 , from 9:30 - 11:30 AM in the Community Room at Crossroads Bellevue . (<i>Margery Perdue</i> , <u>m.perdue@comcast.net</u>) |
| Czech/Slovak Interest Group (Check Bulletin for meeting information) | The next Czech Interest Group Meeting is Saturday, June 13, 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) | The EGS German Interest Group will meet on Friday, June 5 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at the Community Meeting Room at Crossroads Mall . Bob & Judy Steurich will show photos and tell about their trip to Germany & Poland. Other members are welcome to bring photos/stories/advice about trips they have made. This will be our final meeting before our summer break. Next meeting will be in September! (<i>Contact: Ann Passé 206 232-1104 or annp42@comcast.net</i>) |
| Irish and Scots-Irish Interest Group (First Wednesday, 10:00 AM) | Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 3 from 10:00 AM to Noon at the Crossroads Mall Community Meeting Room. We will focus on forwarding the research of members whose ancestry is from County Donegal. (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 Saturday, June 20 from 1:30-3:30 PM at the Lake Hills Library . Topic: Italian Slang or Dialect? Bring a list of words or phrases you grew up with and we'll de- termine whether they were slang, dialect or Americanized Italian. NO meeting in July or August. Sunday, August 16, 11:00 AM -5:00 PM, All Italian Community Picnic, Royal Arch Park, Maple Valley. All Italians encouraged to attend. <i>(Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250 or collectingroots@msn.com)</i> |
| Legacy Interest Group (First Wednesday, 12:30 PM) | Legacy Interest Group will meet Wednesday, June 3, from 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM in the Crossroads Mall Community Room . We'll be discussing "Preparing for a Research Trip." We'll cover creating reports and charts in Legacy to take with you in the event you don't have a laptop. (<i>Sherry Holthe, sherdh@centurytel.net or 425-880-4407</i>) |
| Scandinavian Interest Group (Second Tuesday, 10:00 AM) | The Scandinavian Interest Group will meet Tuesday , June 9, 10:00 AM - Noon in the Puget Sound Archive building at Bellevue Community College. 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) | The Shore to Shore SIG will meet to celebrate birthdays on Tuesday, June 16 . Call Shirley Dowd, 425-454-0078 for more information. |

| LOCATION ADDRESSES | | | |
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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 425-821-8781 |
| Issaquah Public Library 140 East Sunset Way Bellevue, WA 425-392-5430 | Lake Hills Library 15528 Lake Hills Blvd. SE Bellevue, WA 425-747-3350 | National Archives and Records Admin. 6125 Sand Point Way NE Seattle, WA 98115-7999 206-336-5115 | FHC-Factoria 4200 124th Ave. SE Bellevue, WA 425-562-0361 |
| FHC - Redmond 10115 172nd Ave. NE Redmond, WA 425-861-9273 | Newport Way Library I 4520 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 |
| Wa State Puget Sound Regional Archives BCC, 3000 Landerholm SE, MS-100 Bellevue, WA 98007 | Seattle Public Library 1000 Fourth Ave Seattle, WA 206-386-4636 | Snoqualmie Public Library 38580 SE River Street Snoqualmie, WA 425-888-1223 | Fire Station #22 6602 108th Ave NE Kirkland, WA |

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. None of these jobs are full-time, serious commitment-type jobs.

- **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.



NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS - SEND IN YOUR ARTICLES, TIPS AND STORIES



Are you planning a genealogical research trip this summer? Have you made an recent exciting family history discovery? Do you have a great tip or research strategy that works well? Have an idea for a family history-related story?

If you can answer "Yes" to any of the above questions, please keep the EGS newsletter in mind and write up an article to share your experiences and knowledge with other EGS members. We are always looking for articles, tips, stories, jokes, and more for the newsletter.

Any submissions can be emailed to kimberly@dormik.com or mailed to Kimberly Nichols, 12422 219th Place SE, Snohomish, WA 98296.

Thank you in advance!

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 you with problems and questions. They are available in room 6 on the second floor of the library, to the left of the reference desk. Hours are Tuesdays from 7:00-9:00 PM and Wednesdays from 1:00-3:00 PM.

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DATED MATERIAL PLEASE DO NOT HOLD

MEETINGS:

110th Ave. NE, Bellevue WA. The Supply/Book Table, get acquainted, browse, 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 ask questions session is open at 6:30 P.M.

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