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MARCH EGS GENERAL MEETING

Date: Thursday, March 13, 2014

Time: Welcome New Members 6:30 PM

Meeting Begins 7:00 PM

Location: Bellevue Regional Library, NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE

Bellevue, WA

Topic: Creating the Family Story **Speaker:** Mary Kircher Roddy

Mary Kircher Roddy is a Certified Public Accountant. She has been a genealogist for a number of years, becoming interested in her roots in anticipation of an extended trip to Ireland. She has a certificate from the Genealogy and Family History program at the University of Washington. Mary has had several articles published in Family Chronicle and Internet Genealogy. She likens her genealogy research to the logic of a Sudoku puzzle with a big, juicy payoff at the end.

About the Program: You've spent years (or decades) working on your genealogy. Now it's finally time to take all that data and put it together into a story that your relatives -yes, even your spouse and children! - will want to read. Mary Roddy will show you how to take your data and "fluff it up" with the kinds of details that draw your readers into the story of their ancestors' lives.

APRIL EGS GENERAL MEETING

Date: Thursday, April 10, 2014

Time: Welcome New Members 6:30 PM

Meeting Begins 7:00 PM

Location: Bellevue Regional Library, NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE

Bellevue, WA

Topic: Planning a Research Trip This Summer?

Speaker: Janet O'Conor Camarata

Janet O'Conor Camarata has researched her own family history for over 25 years. She is a seminar presenter and trainer in genealogy societies across Washington. She has supported genealogy by volunteering in a variety of ways – seminar presenter, educator, newsletter editor, program coordinator, secretary and currently, President of South King County Genealogical Society (SKCGS). She is also a member of the Eastside Genealogical Society and has taught classes at Heritage Quest Research Library. She is also the founding member of the Genealogy Training Center in Kent. The classes are designed for instruction in genealogy records, resource tools and technology and is taught in a computer lab with 14 PCs and WiFi access for anyone who wishes to use their own laptop. She is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists and the Washington State Genealogy Society. She is a graduate of the University of Washington Genealogy and Family History program. She has a B.A. (Education) degree from Central Washington University and a Master's degree from Antioch University. Janet retired from The Boeing Company in computing data management. She also taught within The Boeing Company and at the University of Phoenix. As a result, she researches her family and tells their stories using all the benefits of genealogy, history, analysis and the latest computing tools.

About the Program: Whether traveling 25 or 2,500 miles for research, there are many things to consider before, during and after (continued next page)



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after the trip. What to do before you leave. What to pack. How to prepare for research. How to handle the research results, whether notes, scans, copies of records, photos or interview results, when you return. Organizational and technical tips and tools will also be shared for a successful family genealogy research vacation.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All, I've volunteered to write the president's message this time, so here goes.

I hope the year is off to a good start for all of you and that you've taken advantage of the recent cold weather to sit in front of your computers in your cozy offices and breakdown some of those pesky brickwalls.

My genealogical resolution for 2014 is to stop adding people and flesh out the stories of those I've already found. I've started with my great grandfather, John Armstrong who was born and raised in Alton, Illinois—right across the Mississippi River from St. Louis. My grandfather and father were both born and raised there, also, along with my paternal grandmother's family for several generations, so this is very fertile ground. It also helps that several of the Armstrong's were business men and local politicians and got lots of press.

I was chatting with Bob Barnes last week and he has subscribed to newspapers.com. He was telling me that they had lots of Alton newspapers. (This is a good reason to chat with people before our meetings—they may not be related, but when they're searching, they may run across something you can use because they remember an unusual surname or a location.)

Hmm...had best check this out. I subscribed and started searching on "John Armstrong", "Alton, Illinois." There were a number of hits since that's my father's name, too and there was a doctor in town by the same name but no relation. I found a number of tidbits such as, "John H. Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Armstrong, is home from Colorado School of Mines for the Christmas holidays." And the best write up of my folks' marriage I've seen, even though they were married in Brighton, CO where Mom lived.

Great Grandpa John owned a limestone quarry and lime kiln and I found a number of things about that, too, much of which I already knew. The really interesting new thing was this little piece: "The telephone at Mr. John Armstrong's lime kiln is No. 24." This was in 1889!

Obviously he was a pretty early adopter. Can you imagine his face if I walked into his office with a cell phone?! Or better yet, a smart phone? If they had been available in 1889, he'd probably have had one!

This has inspired me to look even harder and I hope it has you, too. Happy hunting! Judy Meredith, Past President

A HUMOROUS OBITUARY

Obituaries always seemed to be dry and sad. However, in the past year or two, a new trend has emerged: obituaries now are often written as light-hearted descriptions of the joy of the life of the deceased. One example of obituary humor is that of Garnett (Buzzy) Whitt Jr. who died recently in Pulaski, Virginia. It starts with:

Garnett (Buzzy) Whitt Jr., was a Chevrolet man who would not be caught wasting money on anything less than the best. He held true to his principles on everything from race cars to basset hounds, tractors to generators, bourbon to left-overs. Buzzy liked his food fresh and his cars fast. He would be friendly to most anyone, and didn't need to steal a joke from any TV talk show to make you laugh. His wit was as fast as his ride, which he would not mind being mentioned before any family because what you drive is who you are. You can read the entire obituary at http://www.roanoke.com/obituaries/article_c029027b-ae58-556d-baf0-7474e8ec5f70.html. (The previous article is from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2014 by Richard W. Eastman. It is re-published here with the permission of the author. Information about the newsletter is available at http://www.eogn.com).

FREE GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH HELP

Genealogical research help is available at the Bellevue Regional Library, located at NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE in Bellevue. Eastside Genealogical Society volunteers are waiting to help with your problems and questions. They are available in room 6 on the second floor of the library, to the left of the reference desk. Hours are every Tuesday evening from 7:00-9:00 PM and every Wednesday from 1:00-3:00 PM.

EGS BOARD SUMMARY JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2014

Book Committee: The group met in November, then weeded the genealogy collection of outdated books the following week.

Education: Bob Barnes will be presenting the next series of genealogy workshops at the Bellevue Library Feb. 27 through March 27. A Genealogy Boot Camp sponsored by the Bellevue Library will be held September 6.

Membership: A more manageable holder for name tags needs to be found.

Nominating Committee: May elections will be for President and Secretary. We also need a Vice-President and Historian. Carol will call for volunteers at the February general meeting.

Outreach: EGS will be represented at Salmon Days in Issaquah the first weekend in October. A motion was made and approved to cover the \$95 registration fee. Carol Pattison will purchase a folding table for EGS use at our outreach activities.

Program Committee: Creating the Family Story with Mary Roddy in March, and Preparing for Genealogy Trips with Janet Camarata in April. A motion was made and passed at the January meeting to purchase a new microphone for our meetings. A discussion with library liaison, Darcy Brixy resulted in the library's microphones being reserved for EGS General Meetings.

Publicity: The Washington State Genealogy Society is including info about EGS meetings in their newsletter and website.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new EGS members:

- Janice M BENSON
- Susanne and Farrell BROWN
- Ronaye CAMREN
- Jennifer GERKEN
- Jim HUBLY
- Linda POTTER
- Janet STROEBEL



THREE PARENTS LISTED ON A BIRTH CERTIFICATE

Can your present genealogy software handle this? A Vancouver baby has just become the first child in British Columbia with three parents listed on a birth certificate. British Columbia's new Family Law Act, which came into effect last year, allows for three or even more parents.

"Up until now, a child could only have two legal parents," said lawyer barbara findlay — who spells her name without capital letters, and helped the three parents navigate the process. "There is now an upper limit of — we won't know how many parents. There's provision for at least four parents, and possibly more."

The new Family Law Act, which came into effect in March 2013, aims to clarify who is a parent and who isn't as more couples turn to assisted reproduction.

You can read more at http://goo.gl/zffpla (The previous article is from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2014 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).

GENEALOGY PROBLEM SOLVING: 6 STRATEGIES THAT HELPED ME

Are you stuck in your research and need an idea to help you get going again? You may want to read this blog posting that outlines 6 strategies that may help: http://blog.familytreemagazine.com/insider/2014/02/19/GenealogyProblemSolving6StrategiesThatHelpedMe.aspx?et_mid=661111&rid=238830730

DEAD MEN TELL NO TALES... BUT THEIR OBITUARIES DO! ANNOUNCING A MAJOR NEW INDEXING PROJECT

The following announcement was released by FamilySearch at the recent RootsTech conference:

FamilySearch has declared 2014 the "Year of the Obituary" and is working with partners and the larger genealogy community to collect and digitize millions of obituaries from the United States, with other countries soon to follow. The goal for this year is to index 100 million names from these historical documents, including the name of the deceased, relatives, and all other individuals found in each document.

This massive collection of obituaries will add a fabulous new dimension to online family history research. Obituaries are a "treasure trove" of valuable genealogical information. Each is a unique story of a person's life. Many obituaries include a photo of the person along with the names of generations of family members.

The success of this indexing campaign depends on volunteers. Tens of thousands of additional volunteers are needed to keep up with the volume of obituary indexing projects coming this year. This represents an excellent opportunity for societies, archives, schools, and churches to participate in a meaningful act of service that will pay big dividends for generations to come.

Many indexers will enjoy indexing obituaries because they are so interesting to read and are virtually all typewritten. However, each obituary is as unique as the deceased person it portrays, and this uniqueness can make obituaries deceptively tricky to index correctly. Good judgment and a willingness to closely follow the instructions are crucial.

Volunteers are encouraged to start immediately. The quirks of the project may take some getting used to, but help resources are readily available, including:

- •A video: Indexing Obituaries http://link.brightcove.com/services/player/bcpid1995251660001?bckey=AQ%7E%7E,AAAAsMO7iuE%7E,0a6boL aMzSw yxPb4s-860v3o94zt2u&bctid=3058447685001
 - •A blog article: 12 Vital Hints to Guide You as You Index Obituaries https://familysearch.org/blog/en/2014-year-obituaries-2/
 - •FamilySearch support: http://familysearch.org/help/contact
 - •FamilySearch indexing Facebook page: http://www.facebook.com/familysearchindexing

If you haven't indexed before, get started today by following these steps:

- 1. Go to familysearch.org/indexing and click Get Started.
- 2. Follow the download instructions.
- 3. Open the indexing program using the new indexing icon on your desktop.
 - 4. Sign in with your FamilySearch or LDS Account.
 - 5. Enter your profile information.
 - 6. Read and agree to the license agreement.
 - 7. Click Download Batch.
 - 8. Select a project to index.

To download a set (or batch) of obituaries to index, do the following:

- 1. While in the indexing program, click the Download Batch button.
 - 2 .Select Show all projects.
 - 3. Scroll down to US indexing projects, and select a project that includes the word "Obituaries."
 - 4. Click OK.
- 5. A message will pop up offering help. Use the help resources as needed, and then click Close to begin indexing the batch

Although 2014 is the "Year of the Obituary," this collection will likely require several years to fully index. Working together we will unlock this treasure trove of fascinating information for researchers everywhere.

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FORTHCOMING ONLINE SERVICE FOR BIRTH, MARRIAGE & DEATH RECORDS FROM NORTHERN IRELAND

NorthOfIreland, The North of Ireland Family History Society's Facebook page has some good news for anyone researching ancestors in what is now Northern Ireland. The GRONI (the General Register Office for Northern Ireland) spent about 3 years and a lot of money digitizing their records. Those records are now expected to be available online within one or two months.

You can read the full article at http://goo.gl/zxxZFS. (*The previous article is from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2014 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)*.

TOP WEB SITES FOR RESEARCHING IRISH ANCESTORS

Researching your Irish ancestors online can be difficult as there is no one-stop website with vast quantities of Irish family history records. Yet many sites offer valuable data for researching Irish ancestry in the form of extractions, transcriptions and digitized images. The sites presented here offer a mix of free and subscription-based (pay) content, but all represent major sources for online Irish family tree research. http://genealogy.about.com/od/ireland/tp/irish_databases.htm

HUNDREDS OF FREE GENEALOGY COURSES

For those wishing to learn 'more' on how to conduct genealogical research, acquaint themselves with the basics, or just see 'how things are done;" there are numerous sources of on-line training. Hopefully you will find these free courses to be of value as you develop your skills, knowledge, and genealogical information.

http://www.many-roads.com/2010/07/14/free-genealogy-courses/?goback=%2Egde 2

CRUISING WITH LEGACY FAMILY TREE IN 2014

Legacy Family Tree is offering two genealogy cruises in October 2014. The first cruise will be packed with Genealogy Classes on each sea day. The second cruise is for those who want to continue on and see more of Asia. Dates for the cruises are Legacy Asia 1st Cruise Oct 26 – Nov 9, 2014 and Legacy Asia 2nd Cruise Nov 9 – Nov 23, 2014. On the days at sea you will be able to attend genealogy classes taught by some of genealogy's leading speakers and educators. There will be a variety of genealogy and technology classes, as well as classes specific to Legacy Family Tree taught by its developers. For more information, see http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/CruiseInfo 2014.asp

GENEALOGY HUMOR

- Genealogists never fade away; they just lose their roots.
- Definition of mythology: genealogy without documentation.
- Genealogy is all about chasing your own tale.
- A great genealogist is a time unraveler.
- Can a first cousin once removed be returned?
- I only research genealogy on days that end in "y."
- If at first you don't succeed, search, search again. That is why we call it re-search.
- Eventually, all genealogists come to their census.
- A cemetery is where "down under" takes on an entirely new meaning.
- Genealogical paydirt is discovering the ancestor who was the family packrat!
- Some think it's best to grow a family tree one leaf at a time—but as with the spring, you may find that many buds can be produced at the same time.
- Genealogy is sometimes about proving that bad family traits came from the other side of the tree!
- Famous quote that applies (all too often) to questionable genealogy: "Get your facts first, then you can distort them as you please." —Mark Twain (Submitted by Dorothy Pretare, EGS Publicity)

HELP WANTED - A NEW VOLUNTEER EGS WEBMASTER

Do you have webmaster skills and would like to help EGS? A new EGS webmaster is needed. After being the webmaster for several years, I would like to give up this job and find someone that could take my place. Here is what the job entails:

- Update the EGS website each month. As Newsletter Editor, I will send you a copy of the newsletter and all the information that needs to be updated is in it. Pages that need to be updated are the newsletter page and adding the pdf of the newsletter, the homepage, each Special Interest Group Page, and the calendar. Occasionally a new "page" would need to be created for a special event, class or something else.
- You should know how to FTP to upload/download the files or be willing to learn (I would be glad to show you how).
- Some familiarity with html is needed. You can use website design software but I've found that some knowledge of html helps when there are problems with the way the page works. (If you have design software, that would be ideal. There is a possibility that EGS may buy some software for you to use, but that would need to be decided upon by the EGS Board).

That's about it. This is a job that can be done from your home, at your leisure. It needs to be done around the end of each month, especially when the newsletter comes out. I am more than willing to show you how to do this job! If you are interested or would like more information, please contact me at kimberlynichols7@frontier.com Thank you! Kimberly Nichols

STARS OF "MONUMENTS MEN" SHARE CONNECTION WITH FILM CHARACTERS' REAL-LIFE

The following announcement was written by Ancestry.com: To celebrate the release of the movie "Monuments Men," Ancestry.com looked into the family histories of the movie's award-winning stars and found inspiring ancestral ties to the real-life war heroes their characters are based on. Featuring Hollywood heavyweights George Clooney, Cate Blanchett and Matt Damon, the film brings to the screen the true story of an unlikely platoon of soldiers brought together to save priceless pieces of art from being destroyed by the Nazis during World War II.

"With any historical film like 'Monuments Men,' it is interesting to see the links between the actors and the characters they are portraying on the big screen. But what's fascinating about family history as a whole is that you don't have to be a George Clooney or a Matt Damon to find these kinds of connections," said Michelle Ercanbrack, family historian for Ancestry.com. "Everyone has a story, and by researching your family history you can learn more about the times in which your ancestors lived, and get a better sense of a historic event a family member may have been involved in or impacted by." While researching the inspirations for the characters of "Monuments Men," Ancestry.com discovered a bevy of interesting connections between the film's stars who portray them.

By George! According to the Ancestry.com family historians, a love for the arts runs in George Clooney's family as he is second cousin, three times removed with George Leslie Stout, the man his character is based on. A Harvard art conservation expert and museum director who gave lectures and created pamphlets on how to protect European art before the United States entered the war, Stout was one of the first men recruited for the "Monuments" program and supervised its efforts in both Europe and Japan.

Cate the Great The woman Cate Blanchett's character is based on, Rose Valland, served as a spy for the Allied Forces, keeping her fluent German skills a secret and spying on the Nazis during her time as the volunteer museum curator of the Jeu de Paume in Paris. Blanchett has a connection to art conservation through one of her ancestors, Mary Anna Randolph Custis Lee. Lee was responsible for securing the silver plate and paintings at Mount Vernon, George Washington's historic estate, before the Civil War broke out.

Heroes Connected by Harvard Matt Damon's character is based on James Rorimer, a Harvard graduate, curator and director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Rorimer worked directly with Valland as well as the Director of the French National Museums to locate the Nazi's main repository for stolen artwork, furniture, silver and jewels: Neuschwanstein Castle. Damon and Rorimer share a Harvard connection, both having attended the prestigious university. Another interesting coincidence is Damon's great-uncle, Lieutenant Colonel Kent Fay, who was part of the 5th Armored Division of the Army, which was likely in Paris at the same time as Rorimer.

You don't have to wait for "Monuments Men" to hit theaters to find out more about the looted valuables of World War II. Visit Fold3, the U.S. military records site in the Ancestry.com family of brands, at http://go.fold3.com/holocaust_art/. (The previous article is from Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2014 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).

GERMAN IMMIGRANTS IN AMERICAN CHURCH RECORDS BY MELISSA SHIMKUS

For those seeking the hometown of Germanic ancestors, the search can quickly become frustrating as many records found will simply indicate the birthplace as Germany, and nothing more specific. However, many newly-arrived immigrants migrated to towns and neighborhoods populated by individuals of similar ethnicity, and a common meeting place for those acclimating to the new country often was the local church. Documents kept by the church can provide a broader view of the immigrant ancestor's socialization within the new community, and might also mention these ancestors' places of origin in new member lists and meeting minutes. Other official church documents that recorded vital statistics also could furnish specific details, including the town and province of birth in the "old country."

"German Immigrants in American Church Records" (929.13 M662g), edited by Roger Minert, provides these details in a ten volume set. Immigrants of Germanic descent who attended Protestant churches in Indiana, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Iowa and Illinois are documented within these volumes. Each volume focuses on an individual state and is organized alphabetically by city or township then alphabetically by the church's name. The entries follow the order of the original church books. Each volume includes an individualized bibliography and everyname index.

Details that might be found in an entry are birth date and place, parents' names, marriage date and place, spouse's name, year of immigration, death date and place, age at time of death, and burial date and place. Even if specific family members were not named in the immigrant's entry, perusing the other individuals within the church parish may yield familial results. The source for each entry is referenced so the researcher can locate the original documents.

Researching filmed and original church ledgers, the compilers of the set took special care with verifying the consistency of the spelling of an individual's name within these records. Reverse alphabetical indexes were used to properly spell place names as some locations were improperly spelled within the church documents.

With all of these details available, searching church records should be a definitive part of a research plan. And if one is seeking Germanic immigrants in the Midwest, the "German Immigrants in American Church Records" set is a resource worth examining. (From Genealogy Gems: News from the Fort Wayne Library, October 2013)

LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEBSITES FOR RESEARCH BY DELIA BOURNE

We tend to think of vital records indexes and images as only held at the state level and, if available online, must be found at Ancestry.com, FamilySearch.org, or a state-level website. However, the vital record indexes of at least two major cities are available through the websites of county offices.

Indexes for births (75 years and older), marriages (50 years and older), and deaths (20 years and older) for Chicago are available at Historical Cook County, Illinois Vital Records http://www.cookcountygenealogy.com/. To access this database, it is necessary to create a free account to search. Then select your search and type in the names. As usual, names can be misspelled, and if you add a middle name where none appears, your search will fail. Results will show file number and event date. If you would like a copy, click the name and go to "Your Cart." The prices vary, and there is a \$1.75 credit card fee. Check the software requirements and download the file. Even if you decide not to obtain the file, the dates provided can open doors for your research.

The Shelby County, Tennessee, Register of Deeds office has a website at http://register.shelby.tn.us/index.php that is rich with genealogical and historical data. Along with indexes for Tennessee deaths (1949-2009), divorces (1980-2009) and marriages (1980-2009), the site holds a vast array of records for Memphis and Shelby County, including birth records (1874-1912), death records (1848-1962), marriage records (1820-1970), marriage index or images (1920-1989) and the chancery court divorce index (1945-1997), as well as Memphis city directories (1849-1943), circuit court indexes (1893-2000), an index to probate court loose papers (1820-1900) and probate court will book indexes and images (1830-1980). Additionally, the site also has the Memphis census for 1865, naturalization records (1856-1906), the Memphis Police blotter (1858-1860) and Snowden High School yearbooks (1941-1995). A few of these databases are indexes only, with links to order a copy of the record, but many will link a researcher directly to a tiff or jpg image which can be downloaded. This was the case when I located the death record for an infant aunt, Catherine Holt, who died at 8 months in 1901 of inanition.

The Memphis Police blotter is fascinating reading, arranged by surname, crime, notes and date of arrest. Many of the arrests were for drunk and disorderly, fighting and careless driving. Slaves, most arrested for failure to produce a pass, are listed by first name and the owner is listed in the notes field. Some arrests seem unusual, such as that of Daniel McKay, listed as a "stranger from Nebraska," who was detained by officers McMurray and Carter on December 12, 1858, for being a "suspicious character." Some arrests have no name (continued next page)

attached, such as that by Officers Miller and Myers, who took custody of "a little Irish boy, drunk again... third time" on January 30, 1859.

So whether a researcher is more likely to get lucky with vital records in Cook County, Illinois, or hit the mother lode in Memphis, Tennessee, local government office websites are worth checking for these hidden gold mines. (From Genealogy Gems: News from the Fort Wayne Library, October 31, 2013)

DNA AND DAR APPLICATIONS

With the new year comes a new policy adaptation for the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) regarding accepting DNA as evidence of lineage submitted with DAR membership applications. DAR staff genealogists will now consider Y-DNA evidence along with more traditional genealogical sources during the verification of member-related applications. With this change in policy, DAR recognizes the importance of DNA in genealogical research, but also that DNA evidence alone is not definitive enough to prove the exact relationships of remote ancestors. Although various types of DNA tests are commercially available, DAR staff genealogists will only consider Y -DNA 37 Marker test results. For more information, please read the information from DAR at http://www.dar.org/natsociety/dna.cfm

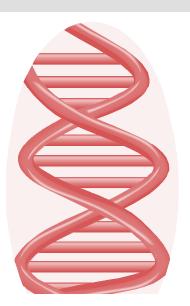
BEGINNERS GUIDE TO GENETIC GENEALOGY

What is Genetic Genealogy? Genealogy is simply the study of one's family tree or ancestry. Genetic genealogy uses DNA testing to determine the genetic relationship between individuals.

Why would someone want to use DNA for genealogy? There are many reasons but here are a few of the most common:

- °To learn more about one's ancestry
- •To prove that one's family tree reflects one's actual ancestry
- •To prove or disprove the relationship between two people
- •To prove or disprove a theory of where people came from
- •To break down a brick wall in one's genealogy research
- °To find relatives for those that were adopted, gave up a child for adoption or otherwise do not know their ancestry
 - °To learn from which ancestor(s) certain traits were inherited

If you are interested in learning more about this, there is a great free website with explanations and lessons to teach you all about it. You can find the site at: http://tinyurl.com/geneticgenealogyguide (Submitted by Dorothy Pretare, EGS Publicity)



PRESERVING PAPER TREASURES: WHAT'S NEW TODAY IS OBSOLETE TOMORROW



As genealogists we save documents, whether original or copies. We need that marriage license of our great-grandparents. We treasure the original 1918 bill for Grandpa Bob's funeral. The push is on to digitize them, to go paperless. But let's be realistic! Will we be able to read or access those treasured digitized items in 10 years or 20 years time?

There is an interesting blog post that talks about different plans to preserve these papers. You can read Step 1 at:

http://olivetreegenealogy.blogspot.com/2013/12/preserving-paper-treasures-whats-new.html#ixzz2u6X4WII8.

Step 2 and 3 are at http://olivetreegenealogy.blogspot.ca/search/label/ Preserving%20Paper%20Treasures (Submitted by Dorothy Pretare, EGS Publicity)

News about the New Family Tree Maker Special Interest Group

The new Family Tree Maker SIG started out with a bang, on Friday February 21st. We had about 16 in attendance. We had a very good Question and Answer period for the full time. I was NOT able to get to my planned presentation. Sounds like we will have a good workout with this SIG. We will be meeting March 21st and April 18th at 10:30 AM at the Newcastle Library. Please join us! Dave Abernathy, davea@schmeckabernathy.com

UPCOMING LOCAL GROUP MEETINGS

The Jewish Genealogical Society of Washington State proudly presents *German Jewish Research and the Internet Archive* by Gary Zimmerman, President of Fiske Genealogical Foundation on Monday, March 10, 2014 at the LDS Factoria Building 4200 - 124th Ave. S.E., Bellevue, WA 98006. Presentation starts promptly at 7:30 PM, Doors open at 6:30 PM. Come early to use the Family History Library--free computers, free databases, and our extensive JGSWS library of books, maps and other resources! Free WiFi is also available. Free admission. Visit our website http://www.jgsws.org for more information.

ABOUT OUR PROGRAM: The Leo Baeck Institute (LBI) at the Center for Jewish History, which focuses on American German Jewish history, has digitized and posted about 3.5 million images at the Internet Archive (www.archive.org). Access is easily obtained through DigiBaeck, the LBI digital search interface. This presentation will show how versatile and helpful this online resource can be in accessing relevant family information from archival materials, memoirs, manuscripts, books, periodicals, cemeteries and photographs dating back to the 1700s for regions once known as Prussia, Bavaria, Saxony, etc. You'll gain valuable tips from Gary's examples of Bavarian Jews who ultimately immigrated to the USA.

ABOUT OUR SPEAKER: Since 1998, Gary Zimmerman has been President of the Fiske Genealogical Foundation after a year as its Director of Education. He has been a board member of the Pioneer Association of the State of Washington since 1987 and a professional genealogist who helps families discover their roots. He is a frequent program speaker for genealogy societies in Washington and Oregon, blending history and genealogical research techniques together in his presentations. Gary is a fourth-generation Seattleite, whose career as a chemistry professor, Provost and CEO of Antioch University-Seattle Campus and Executive Vice President of Seattle University mark his commitment to education. Along the way, he served on the Bellevue City Council in the 1970s, was chair of the Seattle Metro Council from 1980 to 1990 and is currently in his 35th year on the Board of the Chief Seattle Council of the Boy Scouts.

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Program: Understanding History Through Dolls

Speaker: Claudia Underhill, Cascade Chapter 1st Vice Regent

Tuesday April 8, 2014 - 10:30am

Program: Researching a Forgotten Patriot Family—The Challenges and Rewards

Speaker: Rod Fleck, Attorney/Planner for City Of Forks, WA

For more information or to attend, please contact Lanabeth Horgen at lanabeth h@yahoo.com

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EGS MARCH AND APRIL 2014 MEETING CALENDAR					
EGS Board Meeting (First Thursday, 10:00 AM)	The Eastside Genealogical Society Board will meet on Thursday, March 6 and again on Thursday, April 3, 10:00 AM to Noon at the Bellevue Regional Library. Contact Carol at 425-228-2510 or maycreek@aol.com for more information.				
EGS General Meeting	The Eastside Genealogical Society will meet on Thursday, March 13 and again on Thursday, April 10, at 7:00 PM at the Bellevue Regional Library. Visitors are welcome.				
Computer Interest (Fourth Saturday, 9:30 AM)	The Computer Special Interest Group meets the 4th Saturday of each month, from 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM in the Community Room at Crossroads Mall in Bellevue. Our next meetings will be Saturday, March 22 and April 26. A number of attendees meet for coffee at about 9:00 AM near Starbucks and following the meeting many continue discussions over lunch at the Food Court. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Susanne Brown, 425-263-9164 or egscomputer-sig@yahoo.com for further information.				
Czech/Slovak Interest Group	The Czech Slovak Interest Group is meeting Saturday, April 5 , 9:30 to Noon Fire Station #22. See website for more information: 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.				
Family Tree Maker (Third Friday, 10:30 AM)	The Family Tree Maker Interest Group will be meeting on Friday, March 21 and April 18 from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM at the Newcastle Library, 12901 Newcastle Way, Newcastle, 98056. For more information, please contact Dave Abernathy, at davea@schmeckabernathy.com.				
German Interest Group (First Friday, 1:00 PM)	We will meet on Friday, March 7 from 1:00 – 3:00 PM at the LDS Church at 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue. We will also meet on Friday, April 4 at the same time and location. Topic to be determined. Visitors are always welcome. For more information watch for the meeting notice emails or contact. Ann Passé at 206-232-1104 or annp42@comcast.net				
Irish and Scots-Irish Interest Group (First Wednesday, 12:30 PM)	The Irish & Scots-Irish SIG will meet on Wednesday, March 5 , 12:30 PM at the LDS Church (host of Bellevue Family History Center) at 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue. Dave Abernathy will present "More Computer Tips and Tricks." The Irish/Scots-Irish Interest Group has a new and growing blog at www.irishsig.wordpress.com containing articles and links for Ireland Research. Please contact Ann for information. (Ann Lamb, 425-557-0440 or AnnL7777@aol.com)				
Italian Interest Group (Third Saturday, 1:30 PM)	We meet at the LDS Church, 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue, from 1:30 to 3:30 PM. Please contact Mary for meeting information. (Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250 or collectingroots@msn.com)				
Legacy Interest Group (First Wednesday, 10:00 AM)	We will meet on March 5 and our topic will be TBD. We meet at the LDS Church (host of Bellevue Family History Center) at 10675 NE 20th St, Bellevue, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. (Sherry Holthe, sherdh@centurytel.net or 425-880-4407)				
Scandinavian Interest Group (Second Tuesday, 10:00 AM)	We will meet from on Tuesday, March 11 and April14 at 10:00 AM to Noon at the Archive Building on the Bellevue College Campus. Topics will be March Field Trip to see the Special Collections at the U of Washington, and April - Photo Recognition. Please check our new website at http://scandinaviansig.wordpress.com and contact Sandy for meeting information. (Sandy Arildson, 425-747-5621, or sarildson@yahoo.com)				
The Unofficial TMG Discussion Group (Third Wednesday)	The Master Genealogist Unofficial Discussion Group meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, from II:30 a.m I:30 p.m., in the Community Room at Crossroads Mall in Bellevue. Our next meetings will be on March I9 and April I6 . We discuss questions and tips on using The Master Genealogist software program for genealogy as well as companion programs such as Second Site, GenSmarts, etc. In addition, we frequently discuss general genealogy research issues. We welcome TMG users of all experience levels or those who are merely interested in learning more about the program. Feel free to bring your lunch or purchase food from the Food Court at the mall. If you are interested in receiving reminder emails before the monthly meetings, please contact me at dl.hicks@comcast.net.				

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