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## **LCGS MEETINGS**

### **January 20, 2015, Local Records & Resources**

LCGS member and Family History Center volunteer **Jarlee McCormick** will give a presentation on resources available at our local Family History Center. The FHC and their volunteers add hundreds of thousands of documents, schedules and other pertinent information to their gianormous bank of information for us to use, free of charge. They are always seeking new or additional help in the form of volunteers from their church and the community. It's the easiest thing to do. You can volunteer to do computer input working from home or at the library, or donate your time in the library doing any of hundreds of things that help the FHC to work within their budget so that they, in turn, can still offer documents, hundreds of years old for you to view in the 21st century in Lewis County Washington—always at no charge.

**PLEASE NOTE....** Due to the remodeling of the PUD meeting room where we regularly attend our meetings, **our meeting location HAS CHANGED until further notice!** Watch your meeting notices in the newsletter for the location of each upcoming meeting. At this time meetings are at St. John's Lutheran Church, 2190 Jackson Hwy, Chehalis, WA 98532

**Devin McCosh**, staff member at the Olympia Timberland Library, will present "Treasures in Our Olympia Timberland Library". Join us as Devin explains the vast array of resources available in this great library which also houses the Sacajawea DAR collection. Who says you have to go to Seattle to find your Research book? I'm sure Devin & Jarlee will whet our appetite to get us on track to solve our own family mystery in 2015.

January's meeting is at 7 pm with doors open at 6:45 pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, 2190 Jackson Hwy, Chehalis, WA 98532

**February 17, 2015 Jerri McCoy: Pilgrims and Patriots.** Jerri was born and raised in San Diego, California. She received her Bachelor Degree in Mathematics from San Diego State University, and worked in the computer industry for 30 years before retiring a few years ago. Jerri has been active in genealogy for about 40 years. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Colonists, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Daughters of the Founders and Patriots of America, the Mayflower Society, the Associated Daughters of Early American Witches, the New England Historic

Genealogical Society, the Olympia Genealogical Society, and the Washington State Genealogical Society. Jerri is a past president of two genealogical societies, and has held numerous lineage society offices.

Jerri has published two books on her family, and is working on two more. She wrote an article documenting an elusive Mayflower line ancestor, which was published in the *Mayflower Descendants*.

February's meeting is at 7 pm with doors open at 6:45 pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, 2190 Jackson Hwy, Chehalis, WA 98532

**DUES ARE DUE**

2015 Membership Dues remain the same as last year, \$12 for single and \$15 for family in the same household. **NOTICE: If you wish to have your newsletter mailed to you via U.S.P.S., add \$3 to your membership dues.** Please fill out a new membership form as additional connections, searches, address, phone, or email may have changed. If a membership form is not available when mailing your dues, just jot down updated information on a piece of paper. Membership forms are available at the meetings.

**Thank you for being a member.**

**EVENTS, SEMINARS. . . . .**

**February 28, 2015**, Genealogical Forum of Oregon presents a half day seminar with Keith Pyeatt. Introduction to Italian Records Without Knowing the Language. Seating is limited. For an informational flier, visit [www.gfo.org/seminar/italian-recs.pdf](http://www.gfo.org/seminar/italian-recs.pdf)

**March 3, 2015**, Evernote Basics class presented by Puget Sound Genealogical Society member Jean Yager at the Sylvan Way Library Genealogy Center at the Kitsap Regional Library, 1301 Sylvan Way, Bremerton, WA. The class is free, but advance registration is required due to limited class size. For info see the class list and flier at [www.pusogensoc.org/classes.html](http://www.pusogensoc.org/classes.html) or call (360)475-9172

**April 25, 2015**, Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society presents Connie Lenzen, CG, at their Spring Seminar at the LaQuinta Inn and Suites in Tacoma, WA. Ms. Lenzen's topics will be: Break Down Brick Walls With Evidence Analysis, Probate Research: Follow The Money, Proving A Maternal Line When Grandma Didn't Tell Us Her Parents' Names, Lost Parents: Adoption Research and Finding Other Missing Persons. Further information is available on their

website at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~watpcgs/seminar.html>

**April 25, 2015**, Genealogical Society of South Whidbey presents Bill Dollarhide at Dancing Fish Farmhouse in Freeland, WA. There will be four sessions and the topics will include: Using Deeds to Trace the Trails of your Ancestors, New York Census & Substitutes, Dollarhide's Five Rules and You Know About Census Records, But What About Census Substitutes? For further information, find the seminar brochure on GSSWI's website at [www.gsswi.org](http://www.gsswi.org).

**April 25, 2015**, Genealogical Forum of Oregon Seminar, Portland, Oegon. Laura G. Prescott, APG, "Finding Your Family Beyond Vital Records". The four topics she will present are; Treasures Within the Ivory Tower—Finding Family in Academic Archives, Turning Fiction into Fact, loc.gov – Using Our Nation's Library Online and The Rest of the Story—Using Manuscripts to Create a Family History. Laura G. Prescott is a professional researcher, writer, and nationally known speaker. She is currently the director of Ancestry Academy, a new online learning initiative. She worked for the New England Historic Genealogical Society for seven years before starting her own research business in 2005. Originally from Charleston, WV, she lived in New England for nearly forty years before moving to Utah in 2015. Laura graduated with a B.A. in History from Dartmouth College in 1980, ultimately putting her degree to good use when she discovered a latent passion for genealogy. She is past president of the APG. She lectures nationally on a variety of genealogical topics including the use of manuscripts, genealogy online, military records and merging history with genealogy. Her articles have appeared in many genealogical publications and online. Watch for Laura as director and host of Ancestry Academy, online at Ancestry.com in early April 2015. For further information about the GFO seminar, the flier is at [www.gfo.org/seminar/laura-prescott.pdf](http://www.gfo.org/seminar/laura-prescott.pdf)

**June 27, 2015**, Washington State Genealogical Society presents: A Day With David Rencher, AG, CG, FIGRS, FUGA. Professional Genealogist since 1977; Chief Genealogical Officer for FamilySearch; Past-President of Federation of Genealogical Societies; B.A. in Family and Local History; Irish course coordinator and instructor Samford University; Accredited Genealogist with ICAPGen in Ireland research; Certified Genealogist with the Board for Certification of Genealogists; Fellow of the Irish Genealogical Research Society. The WSGS conference will be held at the Quality Inn Motel in Ellensburg, WA

**Online Seminars and Courses.** Can't go out to a seminar? Learn from the comfort of home. There are a number of online seminars and courses and many are free. You will find a list of them on the High-Definition Genealogy website at [www.hidegen.com/appearances/](http://www.hidegen.com/appearances/). And don't forget YouTube! [www.YouTube.com](http://www.YouTube.com) is an excellent source of online seminars and courses. You will find many from Ancestry.com, Lisa Louise Cook and many others. Just type "genealogy" in the YouTube search bar and see what happens.

*If you know of a seminar or event of interest to members of our society, please e-mail your newsletter editor.*

## Websites to Check Out

<http://www.pinterest.com/> is a good place to find information on anything on the web that you are interested in. Genealogy is no exception. Use it like a search engine by typing into the search box the topic of interest that other Pinterest users have found on the web. It's a good way to save time. Create your own free account and you can create your own "Boards". There's even a pin on How to Use Pinterest for Family History and Genealogy at <http://www.pinterest.com/pin/156711262008782582/>. Take it a bit further by getting the Pinterest web clipper for the Firefox web browser and you can pin any thing you find on the web directly to your Pinterest profile. It won't take you long to figure out how it works. Here is a good Pinterest member profile as an example of how you can organize your Pins. <http://www.pinterest.com/savingstories/> from African-American researcher and social media guru, Robin Foster.

The Bureau of Land Management has an excellent, easy to use website that provides live access to Federal land conveyance records for the Public Land States, including image access to more than five million Federal land title records issued between 1820 and the present. They have images related to survey plats and field notes, dating back to 1810. The site can be searched in many ways—by document type, by location and by identifier. The information is divided into four sections; Federal Land Patents, providing a source of information on the initial transfer of land titles from the Federal government to individuals, Survey Plats & Field Notes, providing highly detailed scans of surveys. These two sections would be of

particular interest to family researchers. Land Status Records and Control Document Index (CDI) make up the remainder of the information divisions. The website is easy to use with a little practice and well worth the effort. <http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/default.aspx>

Immigration and nationality records have changed over time. For this reason there is no one set of instructions to guide family history research. What records exist and how to find them depend entirely on when the immigrant arrived and if, when, or how they became a United States citizen. The Department of Homeland Security's U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service website outlines how to order genealogical information for your deceased ancestor's citizenship records and get them in a timely manner. The USCIS Genealogy Program is a fee-for-service program that provides researchers with timely access to historical immigration and naturalization records of deceased immigrants. It is also full of free information and a place to ask questions on your search for immigration records and understanding what was going on during your ancestor's immigration process. <http://www.uscis.gov/genealogy>

Kenneth R. Marks tells us in his blog introduction on <http://www.theancestorhunt.com/>, that "Inside you will find many of the lessons this ancestor hunter has learned as I have traveled the bumpy and satisfying road to my ancestors." The focus of his website is the use of newspapers in genealogical research, but there is much more. When you browse this website, you will see why Family Tree Magazine named him 2014 Social Media Maverick of the year. Marks also has a Facebook Group at [dedicated to researching your family history in newspapers](https://www.facebook.com/groups/genealogyandnewspapers). The link to this page is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/genealogyandnewspapers>. Another of Marks' Facebook pages mirrors The Ancestor Hunt blog mentioned above at <https://www.facebook.com/TheAncestorHunt>. You will be amazed at how much you will learn.

Free E-booklet in pdf format from Family Tree Magazine: 23 Secrets to Organize Your Genealogy. <http://www.familytreemagazine.com/family-tree-tips-23-secrets-to-organize-your-genealogy>

Your link suggestions are appreciated. Please e-mail them to your newsletter editor at [LesleeD@minerallake.com](mailto:LesleeD@minerallake.com)

**Genealogy Roadshow returns to PSB  
Tuesday, January 13th at 8:00 PM.**



Vivian wrote about the Gorzelancyk family for the Lewis County History Book printed in 1980. The house was originally on 165 acres of land and they raised chickens, pigs and cows along with strawberries and grain. The land was divided and sold into building lots that are now Sleepy Hollow and Curtis West, leaving .38 acres and the house.

Vivian returned to the house behind us a few months later along with Marion Stover. They became great neighbors and Marion helped us with many remodeling project as he was into wood working. They later sold the big house and moved down the hill, still on part of the original property, put in double wide modular and constructed a large shop.

Over the years I added an attached garage, great with the weather we have, all new windows, (another neighbor took some of the old windows for a stained glass project and brought me back one done) new carpet, new wiring with heat upstairs and new chimney.

I stripped layers of wall paper off the wainscoting on the stairway and hall ceiling. Vivian told me once her mother was constantly remodeling in this case wallpapering, she used carpet tacks to hold the layers up. I scrapped about ten layers off the walls in the breakfast nook, took paneling from a bedroom to Marion's shop which he cut in half, I put it up like wainscoting then replaced the top with new wallpaper. I later painted it with oil base paint and plaster on top of that.

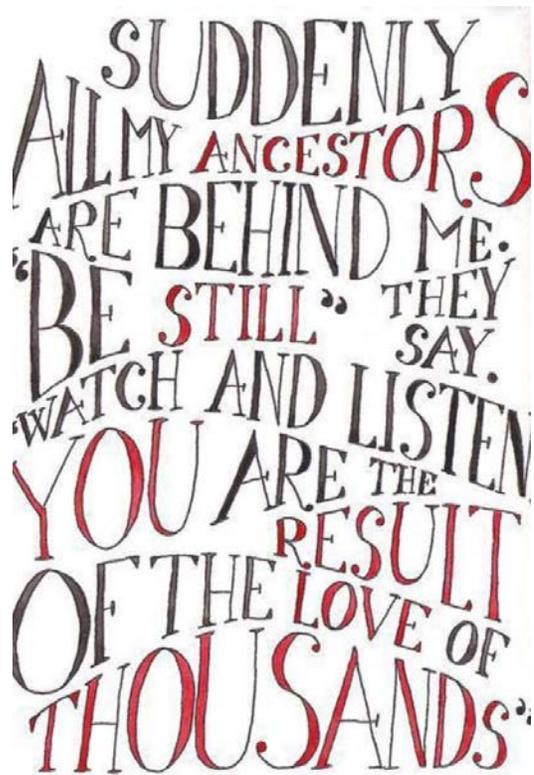
Vivian was born in 1924 and she was two when the power was put in the house. They got their first refrigerator in 1935, it was a Grunow. Until that time they used a room in the garage I call the cooling room and the cabinet in the kitchen I use like a pantry.

I continued to visit them from time to time. Because I lived up the hill from them and drove by on a regular basis I could see what was going on. On one of the visit I was informed that they had twenty-four hour in-home care. The last and final time I went with notebook in hand

with a list of questions, and very glad I did because Marion passed away a short time later.

My old house has been a great place to raise my children and have my grandchildren come to visit plus it has a million dollar view of Mt. Rainier and the Chehalis Valley when the sun is shining.

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Items, Ideas and Web Links for the March-April newsletter are due by February 28<sup>th</sup>

# 7 Great Ways to Use Your iPad for Genealogy and Family History

By [Lisa Louise Cooke's Genealogy Gems](#)

Did you get an iPad or tablet over the holidays and you're not sure what to do with it? Your iPad can be one of your best genealogy buddies. Its light weight design makes it a



dream to tote (no more sore shoulders hauling a laptop bag around the library!) And it offers a gorgeous, vivid display, making it a true pleasure to review and share your findings.

1. **Family Trees** | Access your online family tree (and even make changes) with apps like those from [Ancestry.com](#) and [MyHeritage.com](#).
2. **Images** | Take pictures of old family documents, photos, memorabilia and artifacts. From the iPad, you can upload and share them via Pinterest, Facebook, Instagram, email, or access them from your other computing devices via cloud based storage such as Dropbox or iCloud.
3. **Share** | Put old family pictures on your iPad to share with your relatives.
4. **Capture** | When you research your genealogy in libraries, use your iPad to take digital images instead of wasting time and money on photocopies. Image pages from a county or local history or take a snapshot (and a close-

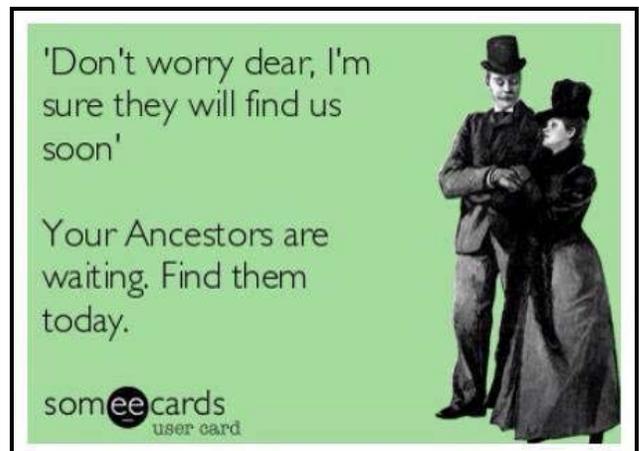
- up) of a historical map. You can even take digital shots of microfilmed materials!
5. **Organize** | Keep track of all your genealogy sources with Evernote—and keep all your sources at your fingertips by using the [Evernote app](#).
6. **Read** | Save genealogy and history e-books and pdfs to your iPad so you can read them anytime, anywhere.
7. **Magazines & Podcasts** | Use convenient apps to access great family history magazines and podcasts like these: the [Genealogy Gems podcast](#); the [Family Tree Magazine podcast](#); [Curated genealogy content in Flipboard](#) like [Using Newspaper for Genealogy and Family History](#).



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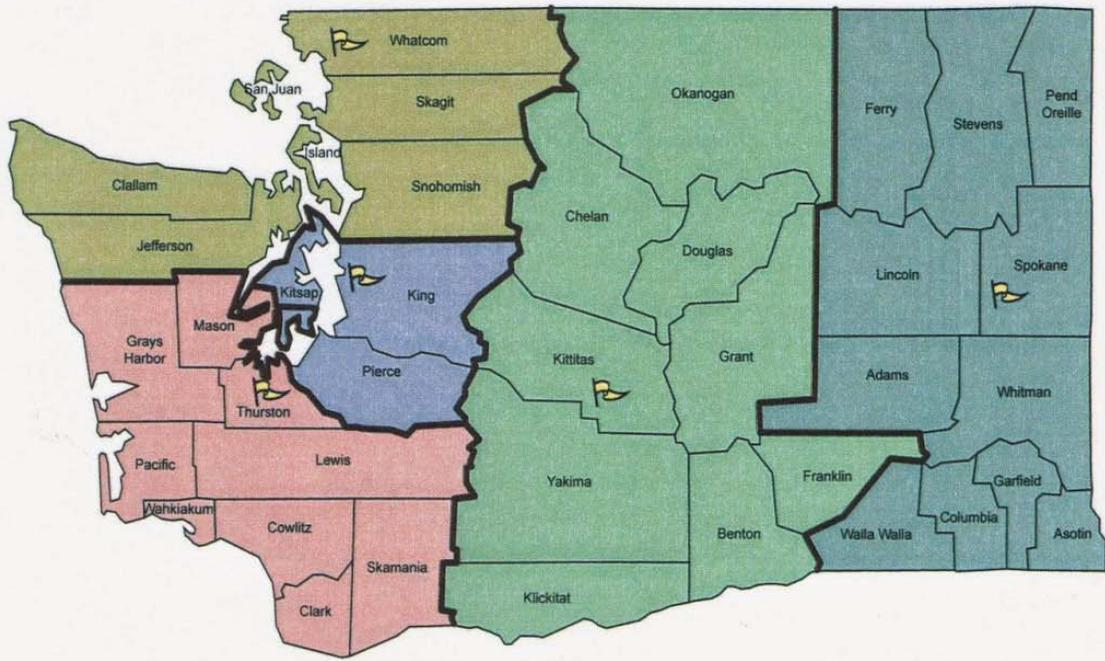
“GETTING TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS”

WE’D LIKE TO GET TO KNOW YOU! HAVE YOU TURNED IN YOUR BIO?



# Washington State Regional Archives

<p><b>Northwest Region Branch in Bellingham</b></p> <p>provides archival and records management services to local government agencies throughout Clallam, Island, Jefferson, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom counties.</p> <p>Hours: 8:30am to 4:30pm Closed noon to 1:00 pm</p> <p>The Northwest Branch is closed for in-person research Mondays and Tuesdays and open for in-person research Wednesdays through Fridays by appointment only.</p> <p>Address: 808 25th Street Bellingham, WA 98226-9123</p> <p>Research Telephone: (360) 650-3125</p> <p>Research e-mail: NWBranchArchives@sos.wa.gov</p>	<p><b>Puget Sound Region Branch in Bellevue</b></p> <p>provides archival and records management services to local government agencies throughout King, Pierce, and Kitsap counties.</p> <p>Hours: 8:30am to 4:30pm Closed noon to 1:00 pm</p> <p>The Puget Sound Branch is closed for in-person research Mondays and Tuesdays and open for in-person research Wednesdays through Fridays by appointment only.</p> <p>Address: 3000 Landerholm Cir SE Bellevue, WA 98007-6484</p> <p>Research Telephone: (425) 564-3940</p> <p>Research e-mail: PSBranchArchives@sos.wa.gov</p>	<p><b>Southwest Region Branch in Olympia</b></p> <p>provides archival and records management services to local government agencies throughout Clark, Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, Skamania, Thurston, and Wahkiakum counties.</p> <p>Hours: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Monday through Friday</p> <p>Address: 1129 Washington St SE Olympia, WA 98504</p> <p>Research Telephone: (360) 753-1684</p> <p>Research e-mail: SWBranchArchives@sos.wa.gov</p>	<p><b>Central Region Branch in Ellensburg</b></p> <p>provides archival and records management services to local government agencies throughout Benton, Chelan, Douglas, Franklin, Grant, Kittitas, Klickitat, Okanogan, and Yakima counties.</p> <p>Hours: 8:30am to 4:30pm Closed noon to 1:00 pm</p> <p>The Central Branch is closed for in-person research Mondays and Tuesdays and open for in-person research Wednesdays through Fridays by appointment only.</p> <p>Address: 215 East 14th Ave Ellensburg, Washington 98926</p> <p>Research Telephone: (509) 963-2136</p> <p>Research e-mail: CEBranchArchives@sos.wa.gov</p>	<p><b>Eastern Region Branch in Cheney</b></p> <p>provides archival and records management services to local government agencies throughout Adams, Asotin, Columbia, Ferry, Garfield, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Stevens, Walla Walla, and Whitman counties.</p> <p>Hours: 8:30am to 4:30pm Closed noon to 1:00 pm</p> <p>The Eastern Branch is closed for in-person research Mondays and Tuesdays and open for in-person research Wednesdays through Fridays by appointment only.</p> <p>Address: 960 Washington Street Cheney, Washington 99004</p> <p>Research Telephone: (509) 235-7508</p> <p>Research e-mail: EABranchArchives@sos.wa.gov</p>
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**Membership Dues** Lewis County Genealogical Society membership runs January through December. Cost for one person is \$12 and for a couple in the same household is \$15. Membership includes a bimonthly newsletter via email. Add \$3 if you wish a printed copy via US Mail. We meet January-June, September-November at the Lewis County PUD meeting room, 345 Pacific Avenue, Chehalis WA, on the third Tuesday evening of the months listed. Research trips are planned periodically. Please return the membership form to: LEWIS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, PO BOX 782 CHEHALIS WA 98532-0782.

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If you are joining us mid-year, would you like the past newsletters for this year? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

Please list surnames and locations being researched: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send a self addressed stamped envelope if you would like a membership card & or receipt.

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