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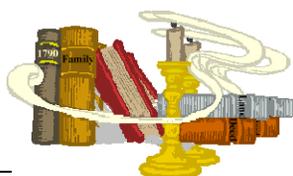
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LCGS MEETINGS

July & August, 2015: Summer Break. No meetings.

September 15, 2015: Dick Moody will present part two of his two part series, **Records Generated by 20th & 21st Century Military Service. Part Two, War!! WWI, WWII, Korean, Viet Nam & More.**

Dick Moody has been actively researching his and his wife's lines for over 30 years. In that time he has had several "pre-Internet" trips to the National Archives in Washington DC, state archives and libraries in several states, the Family History Library in Salt Lake City and literally has been digging in a cemetery in the Appalachian mountains of northeastern



Tennessee in his search for family roots.

He is a former reporter turned academic, has a doctorate degree, has taught research methodology and reference citations at the graduate level for Regis University, and has served as a committee member for doctoral students at Seattle University. He currently manages state contracts in Washington, Oregon, and California for ACT (pronounced A - C - T), the college entrance testing company. Dick is member of the Olympia Genealogical Society Board of Directors and editor of the Society's Quarterly Journal.

The meeting is at 7:00 pm with doors open at 6:45 pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, 2190 Jackson Hwy, Chehalis, WA 98532

October 20, 2015: Jim Johnson, Director of Heritage Quest Research Library in Sumner will present **"Researching your Ancestors Who Came from Sweden"**. Jim will discuss: Swedish resources available online. Swedish Patronymics (naming patterns). What is a Flyttningsbetyg and why do I care? Finding and Using Swedish Church records. Why did my ancestor leave Sweden? Getting translation help. And, other useful helps for finding your ancestors.

The HQRL Books on the Road will be there with many useful books and genealogical supplies including the Flip-Pal scanner.



The meeting is at 7:00 pm with doors open at 6:45 pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, 2190 Jackson Hwy, Chehalis, WA 98532

NOTICE:

At the April 2015 General Meeting, the Membership voted unanimously that our permanent meeting place will be St. John's Lutheran Church, 2190 Jackson Hwy, Chehalis, WA 98532.

As always, consult the individual meeting notices for specific information about each month's meeting.

"The Irish are Coming! The Irish are Coming!"

It's confirmed! Lewis County Genealogical Society will be hosting Fintan Mullan and Gillian Hunt of the Ulster Historical Foundation, Belfast, Ireland, for an all day seminar at Bethel Church, 132 Kirkland Rd., Chehalis, WA, on Monday, March 14, 2016. They will present an Irish view on finding your Ulster relatives. Focusing on the 17th Century and bringing us into the 21st Century.

Stay tuned. Updates will be posted as they develop.



EVENTS, SEMINARS.

August 12, 13, 14 & 15, 2015, Stilliguamish Valley Genealogical Society presents "The Northwest Genealogy Conference". Featured speakers will be **Angela Packer McGhie**, for Thursday's "General Genealogy Day", **CeCe Moore**, for Friday's "DNA Genealogy Day", **Judy G. Russell**, JD, CG, CGL, Saturday's "Courthouse Research Day". FREE Beginning Genealogy Classes held on Wednesday from 1 PM to 5 PM. Find details on their website, www.nwgc.org

September 19, 2015, Skagit Valley Genealogical Society, Mt Vernon, WA. "**Genealogy – All About Life**" with **Jill Morelli** presenting "Just Do It! Writing your Family History" and "My Top Ten Tech Tools I Really Use—and So Can You!" and **Mary Kathryn Kozy**

presenting "Researching in Newspapers" and "Google and its Genealogy Tools". More info and online registration at http://skagitvalleygenealogy.org/seminar_2015/

September 26, 2015, Whatcom Genealogical Society presents their WGS Fall Seminar at Saint James Presbyterian Church in Bellingham, WA. **Jill Morelli** will speak on "The Push and the Pull: Decision Making of the 19th Century Emigrant", "Insanity in the 19th Century", and "Getting the Most from Insurance Maps". **Jim Johnson** will speak on "Finding and Using Your Ancestors' Church Records." More information found at <http://wagenweb.org/whatcom/WGS/wgs.htm>.

October 10, 2015, Autumn Quest 2015 Finding Women from your Past, with **Donna Potter-Phillips**: Finding your Women on the Internet, **Jill Morelli**: Soldiers, Spies, & Farm Wives - Changing roles of women during the Civil War, **Janice Lovelace**: Beyond online - Finding women in the Courthouse and **Janet Camarata**: Difficult Women: The Ways our Female Ancestors Confound Our Research. The seminar will be held at the Faith Covenant Church in Sumner, WA. Registration will be limited to 120 this year so register early. More info at <http://www.hqrl.com/autumnquest/autumnquest.html>

October 17 & 18, 2015, Seattle Genealogical Society 2015 Fall Seminar "The Family History Detective: Finding Solutions to Your Toughest Research Problems". Speaker: **Dr. Thomas W. Jones**, CG, CGL, author of the recently published book *Mastering Genealogical Proof*. Topics for October 17, 2015 (seminar): Can a Complex Research Problem Be Solved Solely Online?, "Five Ways to Prove Who Your Ancestor Was (Some Reliable and Others Not Reliable)" "Inferential Genealogy: Deducing Ancestors' Identities Indirectly", "Solving the Mystery of the Disappearing Ancestor". Also, on October 18, 2015 (special classes): "Developing Research Questions and Hypotheses: Planning an Exhaustive Search". "Special Problems: Finding Immigrant and Migrant Origins". <http://seattlegenealogicalsociety.org/content/seminars>

March 14, 2016, Lewis County Genealogical Society will present **Fintan Mullan** and **Gillian Hunt** of Ulster Historical Foundation, Belfast, Ireland at an all day conference at Bethel Church, 132 Kirkland Rd., Chehalis, WA. Details will follow in the September newsletter.

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

WSGS Communicates: News From the Blog...

Here are some recent highlights from our WSGS blog:

Donna's Take On David Rencher, WSGS Conference Speaker

June 29, 2015 by Donna Potter-Phillips

This last weekend I attended the Washington State Genealogical Conference 180 miles west in Ellensburg, Washington. To get there, going either direction, you must descend into the Columbia Gorge and cross the Columbia River and go back up. I think it's a beautiful ride:

Mention it because Washington is in the grip of a most unusual heatwave. It's been really hot..... with temps that we don't usually get until August. Maybe. It was 105 in Ellensburg; 109 down at the bridge and 104 here in Spokane. The fire season is going to be awful; they've already had hundreds more so far in 2015 than last year..... and it's only June. But you have weather awfulness in your part of the world too.

The speaker at our conference was David Rencher. Lucky for us, his wife has ties to the area and so he was agreeable to coming. David has been a "bigwig" with FamilySearch for 34 years and he KNOWS his stuff.

He started us out with questions: "Have you a tough genealogy problem? Worried you won't solve it in your lifetime? Do you keep doing the same-old-same-old things and wondering why you have no new conclusions or answers?"

He then told us how to "frame the problem differently." Simply put, how to look at the problem differently. He showed three pictures of the Golden Gate Bridge and explained: If you're driving on the bridge, you see the bridge from that angle. If you're talking to somebody down in a boat, or up in an airplane, you will not see the view of the bridge that they see.....

His point with these images of the Golden Gate Bridge is that, with regard to your tough genealogy problem, you're looking at the bridge as your drive on it. That's all you see. But if you were to see it from a boat or from the air, you'd have an entirely different perspective. You "must frame your picture differently" and then from that new angle you might see things that you did not see before. Like looking at the Golden Gate Bridge from three different angles.

Does this make sense to you? It did to me. Of course the next question begs, **how to you do this?**

Then David launched into the main theme of his talk to answer this question: descendant research. Some cousin, near or distant, might just have the answer, Bible, quilt, certificate, watch, tool, photo, letter or clipping that you so desperately seek.

He ended his remarks by recommending a cousin-finding-connecting website called **Puzilla** (<https://puzilla.org>). With

this website you can literally find dozens of cousins. See the image? Picture you as the center dot and the lines radiate out to cousins!!

Another website that does pretty much the same thing is **Kinpoint** (<https://www.kinpoint.com/>). I've mentioned that before.

Tip of the Week: Seattle Genealogical Society, July 15, 2015 by Charles Hansen

The entire collection of Catholic parish register microfilms held by the National Library of Ireland is now available online, and for free. With this database, people with Irish Catholic ancestors will be able to trace their roots back to the 1740's on a dedicated website free of charge. Over 370,000 digital images of the microfilm reels will be available for download.

These parish register records are considered the single most important source of information in Irish family history prior to the 1901 Census.

The documents, primarily baptismal and marriage records date from the 1740s to the 1880s and encompass 1,086 parishes throughout Ireland.

For more information, visit www.nli.ie.

To use this site, one must know the parish or diocese where their ancestor lived. It is not possible to search the site for a particular individual or surname. The site includes a great, interactive map of the counties and dioceses of Ireland.

BONUS TIP OF THE WEEK –One of the many new databases coming online at Familysearch.org is "Washington, King County Probate Records, 1851-1927." This database consists of images of probate records, arranged and filmed in chronological order; currently it contains nearly 34,000 images of probate records from 1861-1893, with the expectation of more records being added as they are digitized and uploaded. The URL for this database is: <https://familysearch.org/search/collection/1878788>

You can sign up at <http://wasgs.org/blog/> to receive WSGS blog posts via email.

Library Card Tip by Sandi Gaffney

The easiest way to get a library card from Seattle Public Library is to go to their website while at home and fill out the application form on-line. Take your confirmation number to the front desk at any branch library, along with your Timberland Regional Library card, your driver's license and a current utility bill with your name and physical address on it. It only takes a few minutes and you're out the door with your new library card.

Websites to Check Out

Free E-Book from GenealogyBank.com: [Getting Started: Easy Steps For Climbing Your Family Tree](#) by Thomas Jay Kemp.

http://www.genealogybank.com/static/downloads/GettingStarted_EasySteps.pdf

Measurement tools for genealogists: <http://parallax-viewpoint.blogspot.com/2015/05/measurement-tools.html#BirthDateCalc>

How fast could you travel across the U.S. in the 1800s?

Read more at: <http://www.mnn.com/green-tech/transportation/stories/how-fast-could-you-travel-across-the-us-in-the-1800s>

If you have tested at either Family Tree DNA, 23 & Me or Ancestry DNA, increase your match possibilities by uploading your test data and your GEDCOM family tree file at GedMatch.com. Create a free account, study the "Learn More" section, follow instructions carefully and find your matches. This is a free site, operated by volunteers and funded by optional donations so being patient is helpful. Get started at <http://v2.gedmatch.com/register.php>

<http://www.ancestry.com/ancestry-coupons> Get 30% off on World Explorer packages if you are an AARP member.

Your link suggestions are appreciated. Please e-mail them to your newsletter editor at LesleeD@minerallake.com

PATRICIA OLSEN NEW WSGS REGION 4 REPRESENTATIVE, By Patty Olsen

In June I attended the Washington State Genealogical Society Conference in Ellensburg along with Margie Lloyd, Linda Patton and Leslee Dunlap. This isn't unusual as the four of us are the usual representation from our society at any given seminar nearly every month. I find that even if the seminar isn't about my people or where they are from, I will learn a new technique, website or method that takes me to the next level in my research.

During the WSGS Conference, people are recognized for outstanding work in their local society and especially for presenting genealogy to people who have never been involved in genealogy in any form.

The state is divided into eight regions which are made up of several counties with a representative. The representative will visit each society in their region sometime during their two year appointment. Lewis County is in Region 4 and includes five additional counties; Clark, Cowlitz, Pacific, Skamania and Wahkiakum. Of these six, it's sad to note that

only three counties in Region 4 have existing genealogical societies.

Watching the awards being presented by region, I noticed there were several without representation including Lewis County. I learned we have not had a representative for a while. Since I visit other societies during the year to hear a speaker I love or a topic I really like, I volunteered to take the appointment for Region 4. In doing so, I will visit Clark County Genealogical Society in Vancouver and Lower Columbia Genealogical Society in Longview and represent Region 4 on the WSGS Board. I was immediately asked to join the Education Committee and consider being the Chair. I believe you should participate to learn, so agreed to be part of that committee which includes Speakers. I am so partial to that subject! I also learned the WSGS Board will meet in Yakima in September.

I'm anxious to begin the new societal year as your Representative, on the LCGS Board and look forward to presenting another year of exciting program titles with speakers that encourage you to attend our meetings and walk away with new ideas to conquer your genealogy.



Library Genealogy Workshop

By Sandi Gaffney

They say experience is the best teacher. Loretta and I volunteered to run a genealogy workshop at the Chehalis library for six weeks. We discovered that reserving the room was a simple process; a form is filled out and based on availability, the room is yours.

The first week I could not get my laptop to connect to the internet, the second week I brought an Ethernet cord and still no go so the third week I borrowed my grand-daughter's laptop and everything was fine. I have since taken my laptop in for service. I learned it had an issue with IP addresses. It is now fixed so I can also bring it to our meetings at church to help with research.

We also learned that the Library Edition of Ancestry.com will not let you see everything, including family trees. I logged our one faithful follower into my account and she found a lot of information on her family. She is excited to take what she discovered to a family reunion in Nebraska next month.

Would we do it again? Should we have advertised more? Do you do it once a month? Would the winter months bring more people? We are asking ourselves these questions as we discuss the end of the sessions next week, July 23rd.

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Note from the editor about updated information and RENEWALS – If a renewal application was not submitted at the beginning of the year, please let us know of any changes to be made.

Genealogy: Finding clues in family naming patterns

By Barry J. Ewell, Genealogy by Barry, reprinted with permission.

As you search for your ancestor, one of the clues to help identify family is when you see the same names used again and again. Many cultures have long made it a practice to honor their elders by naming their children after them. Just when one suggests that you can find family based on a naming pattern, that's when your family won't follow the pattern. You will, however, see names of parents and grandparents, siblings, aunts and uncles repeated, but not in any strict order. While over half of the names in a family will probably appear to be repeats, there always seems to be a few totally different ones. A child might be named after a good friend or a popular hero of the times.

In Western Europe, there were four ways of acquiring a surname:

1. **Occupation**—Names which are derived from trades and occupations—mostly found in towns. Occupational surnames are self-explanatory: Taylor (tailor) Baxter (baker) and Cooper (barrel maker). Some apparently obvious occupational names aren't what they may seem, however. A Farmer did not work in agriculture but collected taxes, and Banker is not an occupational surname at all, meaning "dweller on a hillside."
2. **Locality**—Surnames representing localities are easy to spot if they come from a specific geographical area or part of land: Marsh, Middleton, Sidney, or Ireland, for example. The evolution of language from other localities are less obvious: Cullen ("back of the river"), and Dunlop ("muddy hill").
3. **Nickname**—Names which could refer to color or size, (White, Black, Small, Little). Nicknames are perhaps the most fascinating surnames—but not always very flattering to one's ancestor. Gotobed, for example, stemmed from someone who was very lazy, and Kennedy is Gaelic for "ugly head."

As a general rule of thumb, the following naming patterns were used in the eighteenth and nineteenth century. (Check your individual ethnic group for variations.)

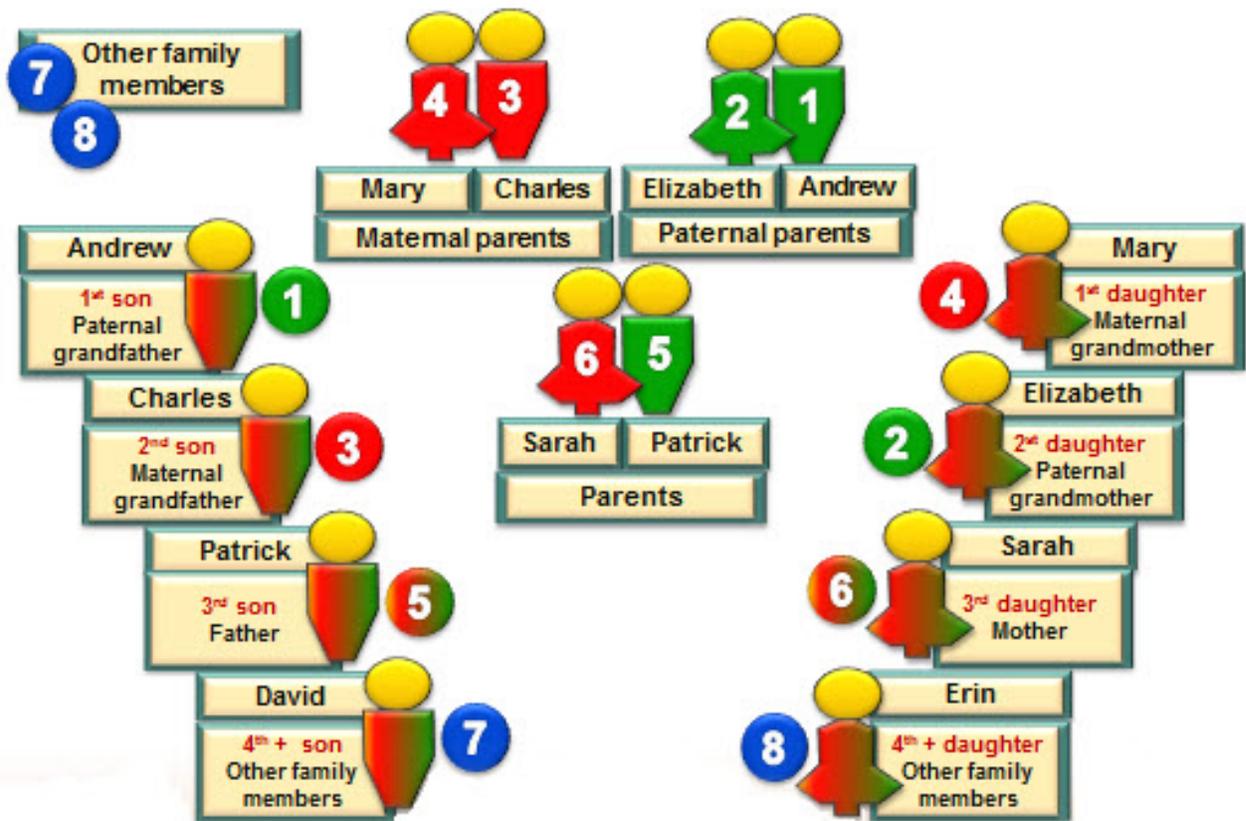
Male

- First son: named for his paternal grandfather.
- Second son: named for his maternal grandfather.
- Third son: named after father or father's paternal grandfather.
- Fourth son: named after father's oldest brother or mother's paternal grandfather.
- Fifth son: named after mother's eldest brother or father's maternal grandfather.
- Sixth son: named after father's second oldest brother or for mother's maternal grandfather.

Female

- First daughter: named for maternal grandmother.
- Second daughter: named for her paternal grandmother.
- Third daughter: named after mother or for mother's maternal grandmother.
- Fourth daughter: named after mother's oldest sister or for father's paternal grandmother.
- Fifth daughter: named after father's eldest sister or for mother's paternal grandmother.
- Sixth daughter: named after mother's second oldest sister or for father's paternal grandmother.

The following is an example of the Scotch-Irish naming patterns.



Notes:

- With people being what they are, there were all sorts of variations, some covered by rules and some by family decision.
- It was customary to name the next daughter or son born within a second marriage for the deceased husband or wife.
- If a father died before his child was born, the child was often named for him. If a mother died in childbirth, that child, if a girl, was usually named for the mother.
- Another child was commonly named for a child who had died within the family.
- Searching for the origins of immigrant ancestors is among the most challenging yet rewarding research I have conducted as a genealogist. It requires an eye for detail and the ability to see your ancestors in the times and seasons in which they lived. As you gain the skills to conduct this research, you will be able manage with confidence your ancestral research.



Genealogy: Tips for documenting your sources

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Do it right the first time! Whether the source is a newspaper, journal, court record, personal interview, letter or church record, write everything down while you still have the source in your hands.

The following are a few of the lessons I've learned about the value of documenting your sources:

Sources you can rely on. No one has a perfect memory, and some sources will have worse memories than others. The only source you can rely on is an "official" one: birth, marriage, death documents and other confirmable databases and indices. Even if information came from a relative, list the person's name. You want to stay as accurate as possible and leave a clear trail for others to follow. Not only will you know you have proof of your information, but others you share the information with will know it is factual, not just speculation.

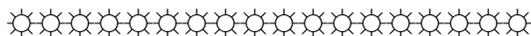
Sources establish credibility. Many genealogists pointed out that unless we are able to tell others where we obtain the information, all we are sharing is our opinion. Citing sources is essential to establishing credibility. If we have done a good job with our research, we can give others the ability to broaden and build upon the research already done and not have the same work rechecked over and over again.

Write legibly. If you handwrite any information, write legibly. It doesn't pay to hurry and then not be able to read your own handwriting later. Where possible, I try to always get a photocopy or a photo of the key information I am capturing, and then enter it into my genealogical program or record database.

Checking sources allows for verification. Checking sources allows you to verify spelling and dating and to report variations. It also leads to more information. Relying on the expertise of others helps save time and energy. Create and maintain a record of what resource was checked, so that you don't waste time later. Likewise, some sources (books, newspapers and so on) might be found at only a few locations. Include where these were found in case you need to glean them again.

How valuable is your time? Genealogists have told experiences where they tried to pick up the trail of research from undocumented records and spent weeks, months or even years searching for the next clue, only to find out that the data they had was incorrect.

Six elements of a good source citation. The six elements of a good source citation include author, title, publisher's name and location, publication date, location of the source and identifying information (library or archive where you found the info and its call number) and specific information for the piece of data you found (page number, line number, and so on).



Jamestown Skeletons Discovered in 2013 Now Identified as Colony Leaders

July 2015-The Jamestown Rediscovery Foundation with the assistance of forensic anthropologist Douglas Owsley of the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History have identified the remains of Rev. Robert HUNT, the chaplain at Jamestown and the colony's Anglican minister, who died at age 39 in 1608, Capt. Gabriel ARCHER, who died at age 34 in 1609 or 1610 during the "starving time", Sir Ferdinando WAINMAN, who came to Jamestown with his first cousin, the governor of Virginia, and died at about age 34 in 1610 and Capt. William WEST, who died in 1610 during a skirmish with the Powhatan at age 24. Their remains were found in 2013 within the 1608 church where John Rolfe and Pocahontas married in 1614. More research on the remains will be done. Genetic testing could help trace living descendants of the men.

Read the complete article at <http://www.bbc.com/news/magazine-33680128>

GENEAPALOOZA

BY ESTO FRIGUS



To Whom It May Concern!

I went searching for an ancestor, I cannot find him still.
 He moved around from place to place, and didn't leave a will.
 He married where a courthouse burned, he mended all his fences.
 He avoided any man who came to take the U.S. Census.

He always kept his luggage packed, this man who had no fame.
 And every 20 years or so, this rascal changed his name.
 His parents came from Europe, they should be on some list.
 Of passengers to the USA, but somehow they got missed.

And no one else in this world is searching for this man.
 So I'm playing "Gene-Solitaire," to find him if I can.
 I'm told he's buried in a plot, with tombstone he was blessed.
 But the weather took the engraving, and vandals too the rest.

He died before the county clerks decided to keep records.
 No family Bible has emerged, in spite of all my efforts.
 To top it off, this ancestor, who's caused me so many groans.
 Just to give me one more pain, betrothed a girl name JONES.

By Merrell Kenworthy

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