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## SAVE THIS VERY IMPORTANT DATE

**September 16th and 17th, 2011.** The Annual Washington State Genealogical Conference will be held in Richland, WA. Conference will be hosted by the Tri City Genealogical Society. Featured speaker is Patricia WALL STAMM. Theme for the conference is "Building Ancestral Bridges".

## 16 Nov 2010

Our annual "Pot Luck" and "Show & Tell" will be at 6:15 pm to allow time for our pot luck dinner. The society will provide plates and utensils. Please bring your own beverage and your choice of a pot luck item. **PUD HAS NOT FINISHED THEIR REMODELING. WE WILL HAVE THIS MEETING AT St. John's Lutheran Church, 2190 Jackson Hwy, Chehalis, WA FOLLOW THE RAMP DIRECTLY TO THE KITCHEN.** The slate of officers will be presented by the nominating committee.

## NO MEETING IN DECEMBER



## 18 Jan 2011

Location of the January meeting and program will be announced. Voting on 2011-2012 officers will take place. Nominations and volunteers will be accepted at the January 2011 meeting when we will vote for the 2011-2012 office positions.

## ANCESTORS

Have you watched the Ancestor's program on TV? It is on Mon-Fri at 4:30pm on the BYU channel 9403 (on my TV). The first one I watched was "Probate Records". I learned that they have the most genealogical information of any documents. Now, you know when you have heard something so many times and then a light bulb goes off in your head. That's me, WOW.

## Membership Dues

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| Name      |   |
| Address   |   |
| City      |   |
| State/Zip |   |
| Phone     |   |
| Email     |   |
| Yes   No  | Preference to have Email Newsletter?        |
|           | Check for \$12 enclosed for 2011 membership |
|           | Check for \$15 enclosed for 2011 membership |



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| Yes   No  | Permission to print member information in the newsletter? |
| Please list SURNAMES & STATES being researched:   |   |
| Please send a self addressed stamped envelope if you would like a membership card or receipt. |   |

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. **We meet January-June, September-November** at the Lewis County PUD meeting room, 321 Pacific Avenue, Chehalis WA, on the **3<sup>rd</sup> (third) Tuesday evening of the months** listed. Research trips are planned periodically. Go online to our website to print out a membership form or return the following information to:  
LEWIS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY,  
PO BOX 782 CHEHALIS WA 98532-0782.

**Welcome all New Members**  
**SOCIETY DUES REMAIN THE SAME**  
**AND ARE DUE IN JANUARY**

Leslie Parnell has some **HP color printer cartridges** that she will give to whomever can use them. They are 2 - HP5164A and 1 - 23. She will have them at the November meeting or you can contact her.



## Free Access Weekend

In honor of Veteran's Day – Ancestry.com is offering free access to search their vast collection of military records, November 11-14<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

## FAMILYSEARCH

Indexing projects allow volunteers to transcribe records to make them freely available online. Volunteer from home anytime-online 24/7; start & stop at your convenience. Current indexing projects include United States – Federal Census Records, State Census Records, Births, Marriages and Deaths; Mexico, Central & South America – Federal Census Records and Church Records; Asia and Pacific - Church Records and Civil Registrations; and Africa - Church Records and Civil Registrations.

Register now to index the 1930 Washington State Federal Census. VOLUNTEER TODAY at [indexing.familysearch.org](http://indexing.familysearch.org)!

Hundreds of millions of indexed records are now available online through FamilySearch.org. Search completed projects for free at <http://pilot.familysearch.org>.

## 2010 WSGS Conference Report

Profit for the 2010 WSGS Conference was about \$2,520. Co-hosts Lower Columbia and Lewis County GS will each receive a quarter of the total, about \$630. WSGS retains half of the profit. We were worried about making any profit. Thanks to all the volunteers, who worked so hard for over a year, getting ready for the conference and to the volunteers who worked the conference.

Give us all a pat on the back. Reviews were great, we all can be very proud of our accomplishment of presenting a successful state conference, given that both societies are small.

## Family Search Timberland Regional Library



Log on to Timberland Regional Library site at [www.trl.org](http://www.trl.org) Click: **Reference Databases**; the subject **Genealogy**; then **FamilySearch**.

Some more of the databases available are [Ancestry Library Edition](#): Genealogy information and records including US Immigration records, Social Security Death Index, and Census images from the US, UK, and Ireland. [**In-library use only**] Ancestry Library Edition is not available to patrons outside the library; [Biography & Genealogy Master Index](#): Indexes current reference sources and the most important retrospective works covering people, living and dead, from all fields of activity and all areas of the world; [HeritageQuest Online](#): Genealogy books and serials, primarily from the early 1900's and Federal Census data from 1790-1930 and [Sanborn Maps 1867-1970](#): Historical, detailed maps of urban areas in Washington State, including Seattle and the Puget Sound.

## CEMETERY NEWS

Gayle and Dick Stevens are busy working at merging all the previous records of the Winlock cemeteries. It has been a struggle with a lot of discrepancies especially with dates. They are doing a tremendous job at getting the Winlock cemeteries online at the Tombstone Project. Leslie Parnell will try very hard to get all the corrections done on our submissions to the Tombstone Project, as well as submitting the Washington Lawn Cemetery.

## Major US Population Migrations

### Late 1700s-1800s Westward Expansion

As the United States grew, made treaties with Indians and awarded land bounties for Revolutionary War and War of 1812 service, settlers migrated from the original states to the Old Southwest (Alabama & Mississippi), the Old Northwest (Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin & northeastern Minnesota), Kentucky and Tennessee.

### 1848-1855 California Gold Rush

The Jan. 24, 1848, discovery of gold at Sutter's Mill in Coloma, CA, touched off the California Gold Rush. An estimated 300,000 Americans and immigrants hurried to California. The population increase made San Francisco a boomtown and California a state.

### 1862-1934 Homesteaders

The Homestead Act of 1862 encouraged Americans and immigrants to move to unoccupied land in the West.

### Post-Reconstruction Exodus of 1879

Racial oppression and rumors of the reinstatement of slavery led many freemen to leave the South. In 1879 and 1880, African-American migrants to Kansas – where blacks bought more than 20,000 acres of land after Reconstruction – became known as Exodusters.

## US GEOGRAPHY CAN HELP YOU FIND YOUR ANCESTORS PATH

### Late 1800s-early 1900s Industrialization

As the United States industrialized, towns and cities (mostly in the North) swelled with migrants from farms who went to work in mills, factories and offices. In 1860, nine US cities had populations over 100,000; by 1910, the number was 50.

### 1930-1940 Dust Bowl

By 1940, severe dust storms had caused 2.5 million people to flee the Plains states; 200,000 of them to California. Author John Steinbeck immortalized the plight of these migrants – who came to be called “Okies” – in *The Grapes of Wrath*.

### 1910-1940 The Great Migration

This population shift saw 1.75 million African-Americans leave the rural South, seeking to escape racism and find employment opportunities. Migrants moved to cities in the North and Midwest, such as New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit and St. Louis.

### 1940-1970 Second Great Migration

In a movement many historians distinguish from the earlier Great Migration, more than 5 million African-Americans moved from Southern states to cities in the North, Midwest and West, including many to California.

## Finnish Genealogy Glossary

| English            | Finnish                 |
|--------------------|-------------------------|
| born               | syntynyt                |
| brother            | veli                    |
| child(ren)         | lapsi, lapset           |
| church register    | kikonkirja              |
| cousin             | serkku                  |
| daughter           | tyär, tr.               |
| died               | kuollut, kuoli          |
| family (extended)  | suku                    |
| family (immediate) | perhe                   |
| father             | isä                     |
| Finnish            | suomalainen             |
| grandfather        | isoisä                  |
| grandmother        | isoäiti                 |
| husband            | mies                    |
| marriage/married   | avioliitto/vihitty, vih |
| month              | kuukausi, kuu           |
| mother             | äiti                    |
| name, given        | nimi                    |
| name, family       | sukunimi                |
| parents            | vanhemmat, v:t          |
| parish             | seurakunta, srk.        |
| single             | naimatoton(na), n:ton   |
| sister             | sisko, sisar            |
| son                | poika                   |
| Swedish            | ruotsalainen            |
| widow              | leski                   |
| wife               | vaimo                   |

## Information Wanted

<<http://infowanted.bc.edu>>

From October 1831 through October 1921, the Boston *Pilot* newspaper printed a "Missing Friends" column with advertisements from people looking for "lost" friends and relatives who had emigrated from Ireland to the United States. This extraordinary collection of 36,082 records is available here as a searchable online database, which contains a text record for each ad that appeared in the *Pilot*.

## World War Two Research

<<http://worldwartworesearch.com/>>

The web site proclaims: *"To honor and preserve the memory of the veterans of the United States of America, who served their Nation proudly during World War II."*

## USGenWeb Quick Links

### How to Write & Post a Query

<<http://usgenweb.org/research/queries.shtml>>

### Maiden Names & Naming Patterns

<<http://usgenweb.org/research/names.shtml>>

### Old Occupations

<<http://usgenweb.org/research/occupations.shtml>>

### Care of Old Documents, Bibles & More

<<http://www.usgenweb.org/research/documents.shtml>>

### Volunteer

<<http://usgenweb.org/volunteers/>>

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## Newsletter Items | Queries

*Please have Newsletter items (can include old photographs, obits, etc.) to one of the editors by the end of December for the next newsletter.  
FREE Queries are accepted as space permits.*

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