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## Important Note:

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**Or open your email provider web site** (hotmail, gmail, etc) and then copy & paste the email to your new outgoing message.



from 6:00 – 7:00pm with the meeting beginning at 7:00pm. Location is at the Lewis County PUD Auditorium at 321 Pacific Ave, Chehalis, WA.

**NEED IDEAS FOR PROGRAMS** - What kind of programs are you interested in? The 1<sup>st</sup> VP is the Program Chair and would like some suggestions for programs. Do you have an interesting genealogy topic that you would like to share as a program speaker?

## ARCHIVE TRIP TO OLYMPIA 15 OCTOBER 2011

Field trip to Olympia Archives will be Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> of October 2011. We have about 11 signed up. The Archives will open for us at 9:00am – 3:00pm. Bring a lunch or visit one of the eating places in the area. We are locked in during the day (not open to the public on Saturday), however, they will let us out should you wish to leave early. Visit their site at [www.sos.wa.gov/archives](http://www.sos.wa.gov/archives) for records you wish to access. Call Chair Leslie Parnell at 978-4267 and she will let the Archive Director know ahead of time. They will bring the records up from the storage area, as the public is no longer allowed in that area.

## LCGS MEETINGS

**20 Sep 2011-LCGS** meeting program will be presented by Jeri McCoy titled **Genealogy on the Internet**. Jeri is a veteran speaker. Research can be done from 6:00 – 7:00pm and again after the program and meeting. We will bring several research related books from our library. If there is a specific book you would like to see, call Leslie at 978-4267. Meeting will begin at 7:00pm. Location is at the Lewis County PUD Auditorium at 321 Pacific Ave, Chehalis, WA.

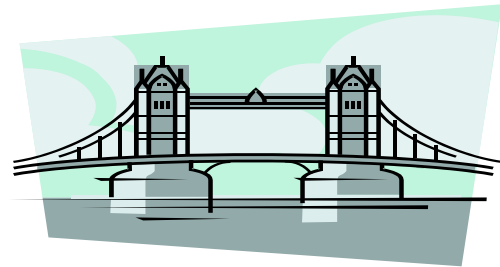
**18 Oct 2011- LCGS** meeting program has not been determined, however, we are looking at ideas of cemetery research. Research will be

## Newsletter Items

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

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**OCTOBER- FAMILY HISTORY MONTH**



**FREE Beginners Workshop – Open to Public**

Lewis County Genealogical Society is hosting a Beginner’s Workshop on Saturday, October 22, 2011 at the Vernetta Smith Chehalis Timberland Library from 10:15am – 3:30pm in the Art & Ruby Hamilton Community Room. (Note time change). Laura Pemberton Sparr, Professional Genealogist, past President of Washington State Genealogical Society, will begin the day with basic beginner instructions and examples. Bring a bag lunch (12:00 to 12:30pm), followed by an orientation on how to better utilize internet research at the library by library associate, Devon McCosh. Laura will help us get organized from 1:00pm to 2:00pm. Veteran genealogists will be available for ‘one on one’ help during lunch and after 2:00pm until 3:30pm. Questions, contact Chair Linda Patton at 262-3672. **JOIN US-IT’S FREE.**

**September 16-17, 2011**

**The Annual Washington State Genealogical Conference** will be held in Richland, WA. Conference will be hosted by the Tri City Genealogical Society.

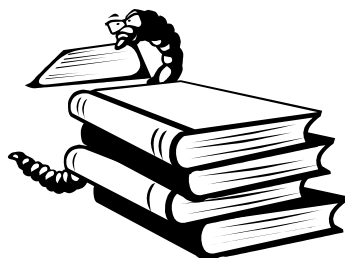
Featured speaker is Patricia WALL STAMM. Theme for the conference is **“Building Ancestral Bridges”**. Main Topics are: *Death Has Many Faces, Elements of a Useful Research Road Map, Discovering Our Ancestors’ Neighborhood*, and a Friday Night Topic is *Social Networking for Genealogists* with Dinner at 6:30.

There are **15 Breakout Topics** to fill in the time slots between the Main Programs to choose from.

Visit the **website** to **register** and read a full list of the breakout topics at:  
<http://tricitygenealogicalsociety.org/wsgs2011/>

**LCGS LIBRARY NEWS**

The board has approved the **removal** of all the **periodicals** that we have in our library. Library Chair, along with Margie Lloyd have gone through the library at Leslie’s and discarded books not especially related to genealogies and families, in keeping with the most utilized for family research. Yakima Genealogical Society will accept any unwanted materials, books, periodicals. They will go through them and make a decision to add to their library or place in their annual book sale.



**Coming Events**

**October 15, 2011** Mason County Genealogical Society, in partnership with Puget Sound Genealogical Society-Belfair Chapter, is presenting its first conference. Speaker Jim Johnson, Director of the Heritage Quest Research Library in Sumner, WA, will be discussing Animap and Maps on the Internet. Speaker Steven Morrison, frequent speaker and a published author and has traveled to Ireland and Britain for research will present Irish History – For Genealogists. Location: Shelton United Methodist Church, 1900 King St, Shelton, WA from 9am to 4pm. Cost: \$35.

Contact MCGS-Shelton at email:

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**October 15, 2011 Sno-Isle Genealogical Society** Fall Seminar - —*Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow,*” will feature Mary Kathryn Kozy. The event will be held at the Lynnwood Elks Lodge, 6620 196<sup>th</sup> St SW, Lynnwood, WA from 8:30 am to 4 pm. More information to follow or go to their website at: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasigs/> 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

**October 15, 2011 Mason County Genealogical Society in partnership with the Puget Sound Genealogical Society**

**Belfair Chapter** will present its first conference held at the Shelton United Methodist Church at 1900 King St. Shelton, WA 9 am to 4 pm. Featured speakers are Jim Johnson on —Animap and Maps on the Internet and Steven Morrison —Irish History-For Genealogists. <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wamcgs/conferencebrochure.pdf>

**October 22, 2011 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Family History**

**Jamboree** sponsored by the Family History Center in Port Angeles, WA. Theme is: —Who Am I??. Registration 8 to 9 am. Jamboree 9 am to 5 pm. Contact Katy Fotens [pafhcjamboree@gmail.com](mailto:pafhcjamboree@gmail.com) of the Family History Center for more information. Clallam County Genealogical Society Summer Newsletter has the registration form and class schedule.

**October 22, 2011 Seattle Genealogical Society** will host their Fall Seminar —Finding Military Records, at the Nordic

Heritage Museum in the Ballard neighborhood of Seattle 3014 Northwest 67<sup>th</sup> St. Opening session by Eric Stroschien. 9 am to 4 pm. Registration is \$35 for SGS Members, \$45 for non-members. Registration Deadline is October 14. For a registration brochure call (206) 522-8658 or email [sgsseminar@gmail.com](mailto:sgsseminar@gmail.com). SGS Website <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waseags>

**October 22, 2011 Northeast Washington Genealogical Society** will host their Annual Fall Conference from 9 to 4 pm at the Colville Ambulance Shack. The theme is —Moving Right Along, with Jim Johnson, Director of the Heritage

Quest Research Library. Here is the link to their flyer and registration:

[http://www.newgs.org/upload/events/2011\\_Fall\\_Seminar\\_flyer.pdf](http://www.newgs.org/upload/events/2011_Fall_Seminar_flyer.pdf)

**October 29, 2011 Skagit Valley Genealogical Society** will hold their Fall seminar 11 am to 4 pm, —Nordic Heritage Day: A Celebration of Scandinavian Genealogical & Cultural Roots at Burlington Public Library, 820 E. Washington, Burlington. There are many activities and programs planned. For more information go to the SkVGS website at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasvgs/>

**November 5, 2011 – Whatcom Genealogical Society’s** Fall Seminar – Jim Johnson and Linda Rae Lind will present the program “*Hunting for Military Records in the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year of the Civil War.*” Topics: —Uncovering Military Records-An Introduction; —Finding Military Records on the Internet; and —Finding Records from the War of 1812 Era. Seminar will be held at the Bellingham Technical College. Details to follow. <http://wagenweb.org/whatcom/WGS/wgs.htm>

**November 11-12<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Genealogical Society of South Whidbey Island** will host Steven W. Morrison, APG member and past President of the Olympia Genealogical Society. Special Friday night sessions: —“*Outlaw Genealogy – Finding the Outlaw in YOUR Family.*” Saturday’s topics: —*Peopling the British Isles – “Genetic Origins of Ireland, Wales, Scotland and England;” “Detours Around – Irish Roadblocks and Stonewalls;” “Irish Research Trip;” and “Irish Roots –Jeopardy.”* Go to the GSSWI’s website for more information: <http://www.gsswi.org/index.php>

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**LEWIS COUNTY TRIVIA**

Q1. What was found in Mayfield in 1909? a) gold, b) a famous person’s body, c) dinosaur skeleton.

Q2. What two towns were flooded when the Mossyrock Dam were completed in 1968? a)

Knab & Evaline, b) Kosmos & Riffe, c) Salkum & Harmony. *\*Answers on back page*

**RESEARCHING SURNAMES**

Most surnames are derived from four sources. **Place or Topographical Names** are the most common form of last names. Examples are someone living at the water, in the meadow, marsh, woods, near the mill, village green, on the hill. The direction from a place also led to names such as North, Sutherland, East, Eastman, and West. **Patronymic Names** describe a person as the son of their father. **Occupational Names** describe what a person did. Examples are Archer, Baker, Bookbinder, Carpenter, Farmer, Fisher, Miller, Marshal, Miner, Priest, Shepherd, Silverman, Singer, Taylor and the most popular Blacksmith which has been shortened to Smith. **Descriptive Names** tell something unique about the person. Examples are Little, Short, Small, Stout, Hardy.

The format of patronymic names varies based upon the country or group of origin.

Country	Format	Surname	Father's name
England	_son	Johnson	John
Irish	O'_	O'Henry	Henry
Norman	Fitz_	FitzGerald	Gerald
Scotland	Mac_	Mac Donald	Donald
Welch	_is	Davis	Dave or David
Welch	_es	Jones	Jon or John
Danish	_sen	Petersen	Peter
German	_ssohn	Mendelssohn	Mendel
Holland	_zoon	Pieterzoon	Pieter
Italy	_ucci	Bertucci	Berto
Poland	_wicz	Janowicz	Janos
Romania	_escu	Antonescu	Anton
Spain	_ez	Sanchez	Santos
Arabia	ibn_	ibn Ali	Ali
Israel	ben_	ben Jacob	Jacob

The patronymic naming convention is still being used in Ireland.

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**CITY DIRECTORIES**

One of the most under-utilized sources by most family historians is CITY DIRECTORIES. They are: easy to use (alphabetical and printed); readily available (through libraries and on microfilm); comprehensive (designed to identify all the adult males in a location); full of names (listing 5,000 to 500,000 persons); good identifiers of people (occupations, addresses, wives, etc.); available for 200 years of history from 1800); created more frequently than most records (annually for most cities); and an original record (created at the time families were living).

Take the time to read the introduction, (ex: they might tell about street name changes). Even though you have a directory year, you must check to see when the data was gathered (it could be a month to a year before the book was actually published. Some smaller cities may include surrounding communities, towns, and even counties in their own section of the directory. City Directories usually included publishers introduction; history of the city; street directory; ward boundaries; map of the city; abbreviations; directory of churches; directory of cemeteries; list of city officials; classified list of businesses; list of fraternal and social organizations; city laws or ordinances; calendar of events; and reverse, or criss-cross listings.

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**Tidbits**

**Secretary of State** has presented the Lewis County Genealogical Society a "Certificate of Appreciation In Grateful Recognition of your Valuable Contributions to the Preservation and access of Washington State History."

**CYNDI HOWELL WEBSITE-NEW AND IMPROVED**

Cyndi Howell, owner of the world’s largest one-woman family history resource, has just announced a newly upgraded website at [www.cyndilist.com/](http://www.cyndilist.com/) Improved navigation, along with a fresher look and feel, make this one-stop shopping for all genealogists – new and not-so-new.

the *Vancouver Independent*, one of the earliest newspapers in Washington. The collection includes issues with a date range from 1876-1877, with more being added, at <http://library.vancouver.wsu.edu/archive/digital-collections>

**WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY VANCOUVER** library now has a full text, searchable database of historical Clark county newspapers. The archive features 80 issues of

**ONLY A GENEALOGIST REGARDS A STEP BACKWARDS AS PROGRESS**

**COLONIAL IMMIGRATION IN AMERICA**

<u>Source</u>	<u>Immigrants</u>	<u>Major Time Period</u>	<u>Initial Areas of Settlement</u>
Africa	360,000	1670s, most 1710-1780	Mostly Southern Colonies
England	230,000	1620-1650 1607-1700 and later 1730s	New England Virginia, Southern states Georgia
Ulster(Scots-Irish)	135,000	1728, 1740-41, 1754-55	Chiefly in Appalachian areas of PA Further south through Georgia
Germany	103,000	Begin 1680s, peaks 1738, 1749-54, 1764 1710	Mostly Pennsylvania New York
Scotland	48,500	1650s, 1715, 1730s, 1745, 1760s, 1770s	New York, Pennsylvania and South
Ireland (Catholic Irish)	8,000	Mostly after 1700	Often to Maryland and south
Netherlands	6,000	1624-1664	Mostly New York & New Jersey
Wales	4,000	1680s and later	Especially to Pennsylvania
France (Huguenots)	3,000	Mostly bet. 1650-1700	Chiefly New York & Virginia
Jews	2,000	1700s	New York City, Philadelphia, larger cities
Sweden/Finland	500	1638-1670s	Mostly Delaware, some New York City

This table shows the estimated number of colonial immigrants and the time period from various countries. It is based on studies by immigration historians.

**TRIBAL TECHNOLOGY**

*You don’t have to travel to NARA or a regional branch to view all the archives’ American Indian records: You can search online through the Archival Research Catalog (ARC) [www.archives.gov/research](http://www.archives.gov/research). ARC indexes tens of thousands of American Indian records, including Citizenship and tribal-enrollment applications submitted to the Dawes Commission; the Dawes Rolls, which listed applicants whom the commission allowed on tribal rolls; the Guion-Miller Ross and the Wallace Roll, lists of Cherokee applying for government compensation; and the Kern Clifton Roll, an 1867 tribal census of the Cherokee Nation. What’s more NARA has actually digitized many of these documents, so you can view an image of the original record within ARC*

**COAT OF ARMS CONFUSION**

*Except for a few individual exceptions from some parts of Eastern Europe, there is no such thing as a coat of arms for a surname or family name. Coats of arms belong to individuals, not families or surnames. For a person to have a right to a coat of arms, they must have either had it granted to them or be descended in the legitimate male line from the person to*

*whom the coat of arms was originally granted. How could a company that has not researched your family tree know whether you have inherited the right to display a particular coat of arms? If you're looking for something fun then these gifts are OK, though misrepresentative, but if you're looking for something from your own family history, then stay away!*

**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. We meet January-June, September-November at the Lewis County PUD meeting room, 321 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.

My/Our membership should read:

Name & Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Preference to have newsletter by **email** \_\_\_\_\_ (attachment), or **standard postal mail**? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Check for \$12 enclosed for 2012 membership

\_\_\_\_\_ Check for \$15 enclosed for 2012 membership

Permission to print member information in the newsletter? \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no

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

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

**Lewis County Trivia Answers:**

**A1.** Answer A (gold) | **A2.** Answer B (Kosmos & Riffe) |

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