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Important Note:

All of the websites listed in our newsletters are direct links to the website. First you need to be online. Next hold down your ctrl (Control) key and left click your mouse to take you directly to the website.

Events/Meetings/Seminars:

LCGS NEXT MEETING IS: 17 Mar 2009—

LCGS Meeting will be at the Family History Library located at Jackson Highway at the Church of Latter Day Saints. Following a short business meeting, a library representative will introduce the abundant resources available for public use. We will then be able to access those resources for research. **Meeting will begin at 7pm and entrance to the library is at the back of the building at the single door marked Library.** An access on the south side of the building will be open for those who may have trouble with the steps.

Current Family History Hours are Tues.

10am-6pm; Wed. 10am-9pm; Thurs. 10am-2pm, Fri. 10am-4pm; and Sat 10am-2pm March & April. Saturday hours will continue, should research activity increase.

21 April 2009 April meeting will be back at the Lewis County Historical Museum meeting room at 7pm. Libraries will be open at 6:15pm for research. Member Julie McDonald Zander will speak on **Writing Your Personal History**. Julie McDonald Zander is a writer for The Chronicle and publishes family histories.

19 May 2009 May program will be **Problem Solving**. Several members have requested a round table to help with dead ends and how to go about finding sources. Regular meeting place.

16 June 2009 Program not confirmed

15 Sep 2009 Program not confirmed

20 Oct 2009 Family History Month.

17 Nov 2009 Annual Pot Luck and “Show & Tell”

Please have **Newsletter items** (including old photographs, if you'd like to submit a copy for scanning) to one of the editors by the **end of April** for the **next newsletter**.

~DATES TO REMEMBER~

25 Apr 2009 – Olympia Genealogical Society Spring Seminar presents **Henry Z. Jones**, who is a Fellow of the American Society of Genealogists, author (Palatine Families of New York and Psychic Roots), experienced researcher and lecturer. See the OGS website for more information:

www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waogs/ or call David Purtee 360-866-1590.

11-13 Sep 2009 – Eastern Washington Genealogical Society and Washington State Genealogical Society will have the combined seminar/annual meeting in Spokane at the historic Davenport Hotel.

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE CONTEST
Only Two Months Left!**

Sign up new members between October 21, 2008 and April 17, 2009. The one who signs up the most members will receive the first prize below. New members must write the member's name who recruited them on their registration. **GOOD LUCK**

1st Prize – DINNER FOR TWO AT THE GREAT WOLF LODGE, \$50 Value, donated by Harriet Morley.

2nd Prize – BOOK "WALKING WITH YOUR ANCESTORS", by Melinda Kashuba, donated by Harriett Morley.

3rd Prize – ONE YEAR LCGS FREE MEMBERSHIP.

All prizes will be awarded at the **April 21, 2009** general meeting. Remember, this is for new members, the more you sign up, the better chance to win the 1st Prize.

Now What? Expert Answers to Your Genealogical Questions:

[How to Convert Old Slides to Digital](http://blog.familytreemagazine.com/nowwhat/How+To+Convert+Old+Slides+To+Digital.aspx)

<http://blog.familytreemagazine.com/nowwhat/How+To+Convert+Old+Slides+To+Digital.aspx>

[Which Genealogical Database Site is Worth Your Money?](http://blog.familytreemagazine.com/nowwhat/Which+Genealogy+Database+Site+Is+Worth+Your+Money+.aspx)

<http://blog.familytreemagazine.com/nowwhat/Which+Genealogy+Database+Site+Is+Worth+Your+Money+.aspx>

Also, check out **[Cyndi's List of Searchable Databases](http://www.cyndislist.com/database.htm)** Online at <http://www.cyndislist.com/database.htm>

**NEW TO
LIBRARY FEB
2009**



1860 Federal Census, Lewis County, Oregon,

printed copy of census info from US GenWeb site. Binder with 1849 Lewis County Territorial Census. #1115

1849 Lewis County Territorial Census, same as above. Both used for the Lewis County Restoration Project. Binder with 1860 Federal Census, Lewis County, Oregon. #1115

The Source, A Guidebook to American Genealogy, 3rd Edition, Edited by Loretto Dennis Szucs and Sandra Hargreaves Luebking. Publisher Ancestry 2006. Purchased in memory of Pat Ahrens, an organizer of the Lewis County Genealogy Society and purchased with a cash donation from Joe and Donna Balmelli in her memory. Pat passed away in late 2008. #1114

Dear Members:

I am happy to be your new President and look forward to the next two years – I believe our Society, though small, provides some really valuable education, and programs for our members. We are always open to suggestions if there is a topic you would like covered, so please let us know.

Beginning last year we began plans to work with Lower Columbia Genealogical Society to co-host the Washington State Genealogical Conference for 2010. The co-chairs for this event are Marge Lloyd from our Society, and Lola Weber from Lower Columbia. They are soooo organized I am amazed, and they will do a wonderful job with this conference. However, they can't do it alone, so don't be surprised if at some time in the future you are asked to help with some small part.

And, on that note...**I urge all of you to attend the seminars offered by other societies in the Pacific Northwest...**you will learn so much, and meet so many wonderful people from all over our state and others. This networking often introduces you to a long lost cousin, or someone that knows just how to research your problem area. And the best part is they are fun!

Take care and happy hunting!

Linda

Thanks so much to Steven Morrison for his excellent presentation at our February meeting. His topic on **OUTLAW GENEALOGY, Finding the Outlaw in YOUR Family** was a wonderful insight on how to prove or disprove our outlaw relations. Some statements included were- "Outlaws LIE!!!", "Everyone has an OUTLAW relation"; and "Had a Profession while Hiding".

***Footnote** - The place for original historical documents online*

<http://www.footnote.com/>

Free Membership or All-Access Membership Monthly, for only \$11.95. Website is very easy to use and view!

Browse by Historical Era:

- Revolution to 1815
- A New Nation 1815-1860
- Civil War 1860-1880
- Emerging America 1880-1920
- Boom & Bust 1920-1935
- WWII 1935-1950
- Post War 1950 and After
- Newspapers 1785-Present

COMING IN 2010 TO THE CHEHALIS AREA
Washington State Genealogy Society Annual Conference will be co-hosted by Lewis County Genealogical Society, Chehalis and Lower Columbia Genealogy Society, Longview. BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR MORE INFO AS KNOWN.

Lewis County TRIVIA



The First stage line between Toledo, Winlock and Vader was established in what Year?

- a) 1906
- b) 1883
- c) 1850

TIDBITS

State of Louisiana: Death Records (1911-1956) The State of Louisiana has made available an online index to its database of death records for the period 1911-1956. Once a death record has been located within the database, a certified copy of the microfilmed death certificate can be ordered for \$5. (check or money order). The following URL will get you to a page for the Death Records and other items: www.sos.louisiana.gov/tabid/638/Default.aspx (reprinted from *FGS News Bits* by Karen Struve, NeWGS Pioneer Branches).

Company Releases The World Names Profiler Online Site

Do you ever wonder what other locations your ancestors may have migrated to? Perhaps you will find a clue in this new web site.

A team of geographical researchers from University College London have created a website (Public Profiler) that provides an interactive map displaying the modern locations of surnames around the world. The site allows a researcher to compare the relative frequency of a surname among countries, states, and counties. To visit the site and use its free World Names Profiler service, go to www.publicprofiler.org/worldnames (reprinted from *FGS News Bits* by Karen Struve, NeWGS Pioneer Branches).

16 May 2009 – Seattle Genealogical Society presents their Spring Seminar featuring John Philip Colletta, PH.D. Sessions to include: **Breaking through Brick Walls: Use Your HEAD!; Lesser-Used Federal Records: A Sampling for Fresh Research Ideas (Homestead Files, Passport Applications, Civil War Income Tax, and more); How to Assemble and Write a Narrative Family History: Part I, A Reliable Document; and Part II, A Readable Story.** John Philip Colletta, Ph.D. is one of America's most popular genealogical lecturers. More info on Seattle GS site at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/waseags/

LEWIS COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM

HOURS: 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM Tuesday through Saturday

Closed Sundays
(**except Summer Sundays 1-5 PM**), Mondays & Holidays

Beginning Saturday January 3, the museum will be closed on Saturday's (winter only) will re-open on April 4th, 2009



PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE-Lewis County Genealogical Society

- ✓ Baw Faw 1850-1976 A Historical History of the Boistfort Community, Lewis County, Washington \$8.00
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Mortuary Records Vol. 1 1895-1910 (Sticklin Register 5 Nov 1908-1 Feb 1910 missing) \$5.50
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Mortuary Records Vol. 2 1911-1920 (Includes List of Lewis County Cemeteries & Common Medical Terms (Fissel-Brown, Sticklin, & Newell-Hoerling Mortuary Records are included in Vol. 1 & 2. \$12.00
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Birth Register 1891-1906 \$6.00
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Territorial Marriages 1847-1889 \$5.50
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Death Records 1891-1906 \$5.50
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Territorial Census 1871 \$5.00
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Territorial Census 1883 \$10.00
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Newspaper Extracts Vol. 1 1884-1886 \$6.00
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Newspaper Extracts Vol. II 1887-1889 \$8.00
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Newspaper Extracts Vol. III 1890-1893 \$17.50
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Newspaper Extracts Vol. IV 1894-1896 \$17.50
- ✓ Lewis County Washington Newspaper Extracts Vol. V 1897-1899 \$22.50

Shipping and Handling \$6.00 for the first book
Add \$2.00 for each additional book

Families of Lewis County WA

Book Excerpts from: *The History of Lewis County Washington*, published by the Lewis County Historical Society, First Edition, 1985.

NELSON ADRIAN MADDEN FAMILY

Nelson Adrian was born in Blue Mound, Lynn County, Kansas on April 15, 1886 to parents John G. and Ida Bell Reddick Madden. He was the second of three children.

Annie Johnson was born on the Johnson homestead (then called Alpha—now part of Cinebar) on February 13, 1895. Annie was the first of three children—her brother Andy died at 1 year of age in 1897. Little brother Richard still lives on the home site off the Burnt Ridge Road. Annie's parents were John Magnus and Mary Anderson Johnson—both were from Sweden.

Nelson and Annie were married in Chehalis on October 11, 1915. They made their first home off the now called Madden Road, then called the M. W. Shanklin Road. Parts of the M. W. Shanklin road are still in use today. They are the Justice, Madden, and the Shanklin Roads. This home was considered in Silver Creek then, now part of the Cinebar Community.

Three children were born at home with the help of Dr. Botzer. John Chester (known to many by Chet or Chester) March 12, 1917, Edna Ella June 12, 1918, and Lawrence Adrian May 24, 1921.

In 1928 a large home was built. It was a 2 story house with a ½ basement with a large kitchen, large living room, 1 bath and 5 bedrooms. This house was built a few yards from the old one. It stood until a fire destroyed it in March 1980. This home site is still in the family as it is owned by their granddaughter Helen Annie Madden Brackee.

Nelson was a farmer. When they cleared and plowed new ground, the very first crop to be planted was potatoes. He once got a horse from Mabton, Washington. He named it Mabton.

Nelson was an excellent shot with his rifle. One day tragedy struck him. He was out on a rainy day with his black powder rifle loaded and sat down with his hands over the barrel. Somehow the gun went off and Nelson lost several fingers off each hand. This didn't stop him from entering turkey shoots. Men saw his hands and thought no problem, he can't shoot. But he fooled them! He always won! He was soon banned from all turkey shoots because of his good aim.

Not only was Nelson a good shot, so was his wife Annie. One day, Nelson and the boys went bird hunting. They had no luck but had to swallow their pride. For supper – 2 birds. Annie looked up from her sewing by the window, and saw 2 birds in her flower bed. She slowly and quietly got her .22 rifle, opened the window, and waited for the right time and shot. Two birds with one shot!

Chet, Edna, and Lawrence all went to Onalaska High School after graduating from the Cinebar School. Chet and Edna graduated from high school in 1936 and Lawrence in 1939.

Chet married Ruby Jo Keegan and had two daughters, Helen and Mary, and two grandchildren. Edna married Jack Corbin and had two children, Roger and Myrtle Ann, and 4 grandchildren. Lawrence married Lillian Faylene (Faye) Shelton, had one daughter Elaine and no grandchildren.

Nelson passed away January 1, 1942, and Annie passed away November 15, 1944. Both are buried at Salkum Cemetery close to Nelson's mother, Ida Bell Reddick Madden Brown who died in June 1949 and father, John G. Madden who passed away May 16, 1983 and son, John Chester Madden who passed away November 9, 1979. *By Mary A. Madden Fischer.*

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 Historical Society Museum meeting room, 599 NW Front St., 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: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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

_____ Check for \$12 enclosed for 2009 membership

_____ Check for \$15 enclosed for 2009 membership

Permission to print member information in the newsletter? ___yes ___no

Please list surnames and states being researched: _____

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

Trivia Answer is a.) First stage line between Toledo, Winlock and Vader was established in 1906.

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