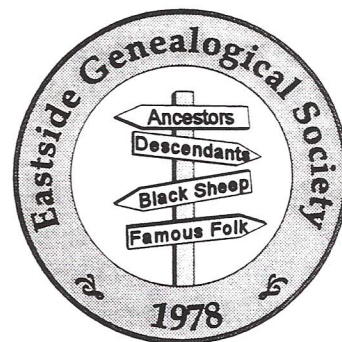


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EGS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: Thursday, 10 August 2000
Time: 7:30 p.m., (7:00 p.m. Supply Table open)
Place: Bellevue Regional Library
Topic: Getting Your Genealogical Materials Organized
Speaker: Frankie Larson

ABOUT THE PROGRAM: We are privileged to have Frankie Larson as our speaker in August. She is a charter member of The Eastside Genealogical Society as well as a past president of our organization. Her experience in the field of genealogy is extensive: 25 years in personal Family History Research, 15 years' teaching experience in the field of Genealogy and Family History Research in several local institutions, as well as private classes and tutoring. She is also the author of *The Genealogist's Dictionary*. She is going to talk to us about getting our genealogical search and materials in order, something all of us can appreciate.

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM: The next General Meeting will be held on 14 September 2000. Ron and Betty Haworth will present "300 Year Celebration Reunion".

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

I've been thinking about all the work that some of our dedicated volunteers put into the Bellevue Library, and want to recommend to all of you that you take some time to go there and browse through the genealogy section on the sec-

ond floor. Volunteers from EGS are in the Bellevue Regional Library every Tuesday evening 7-9 p.m. and every Wednesday afternoon from 1 - 3 p.m. You will find them in Room 6 on the 2nd floor and they are there to answer questions about genealogy and to show you the resources that are there. For instance, there is a good selection of "how to" books: *The Handy Book*, *The Source*, *The Red Book*, *Netting Your Ancestors* - to mention a few.

This newsletter often lists the new books which were purchased by EGS and added to the collection at the library. EGS spends over \$1200 a year on books which are purchased as a result of members' recommendations. There are books on how to do research in many of the fifty states. There are also books on doing research in various countries in Europe, Asia and Africa. There are many books, perhaps more than any other research facility in this area, on doing research in Eastern Europe. There is a compiled list of these books at the Bellevue Regional Library Reference Desk.

In addition as we have mentioned before in this newsletter, the Bellevue Library and any King County Branch library subscribes to Ancestry.com, so any and all of the databases on Ancestry can be searched for free on the Bellevue Library computers.

So if you haven't done it before, try to take advantage of the resources you will find there. I know I'm going to!! Mickey Main, EGS President.

OUR NEW SUNSHINE CHAIR: The Eastside Genealogical Society has a new Sunshine Chair. She is Ielene Edmonson and she replaces Gloria Brown who is retiring from this position after many years

of excellent, caring service. Ielene can be reached at (425) 454-1943 or 10638 NE 14th St., Bellevue WA 98004 or jojo4@earthlink.net. Please let her know if you know of someone in EGS who is ill, has lost a family member, has surgery, had an accident, etc.

NOTICE SOMETHING NEW? Yes, this month, after discussing it with several people, I am trying out using a two-column format instead of one. Surprisingly, using this format provides a little more space for articles. According to the experts, the shorter lines are supposed to be more easily read than the long lines of a single column format. Let me know if you like it — or if you don't. (ed.)

JULY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING PROGRAM SUMMARY:

EGS would like to take this chance to thank Curt Roselle once again for sharing his knowledge of "The Paper Trail of a Military Veteran" with us at the July General Meeting. Curt took us on a journey through the life of one of our military ancestors from the time of the draft until after his death and burial. He reminded us of the extensive number of records that are available about our ancestors who served in the military and that even those ancestors who never served may have draft records on file. There are some "truisms" of researching military records that one should keep in mind. Twentieth century military records tend to be more detailed and limited to bare facts. Nineteenth century records on the other hand give us a better view of the veteran's life. These records may include affidavits from comrades, letters from the front and even family records. Another "truism" is that pension records compiled in the 1800's are richer than service records of the same era, but service records from the 1900's are better than veteran's records of this era. Curt reminded us to always assume that our male relatives served in some war that had records if they lived in the 1800's. In the 1800's alone there were 61 named wars dating from the Civil War to the Dorr Rebellion in Rhode Island in 1841. Another "truism" is that military records could be found at either the State or Federal levels. For instance, if your relative served in the state militia, but the Federal Army never called the militia into service, the records would be at the state archives. Curtis' last "truism" of researching military records is that unfortunately for us, many of the records of our ancestors

have been lost in the "fog of war" that is, that they have been just lost for one reason or another or they were burned in many fires.

Curt shared with us much more information than can be restated in this brief summary. He reviewed the types of records to research, when they would be applicable to our ancestor, where they are available and how to access to them. He talked about draft board records, service records, rendezvous reports, enlistment registers, POW records, registers of officers, midshipman applications, pension records, bounty land records, state bonus records, casualty reports, soldier home records, death and burial records and lastly, headstone applications. As you can tell from this list there is a lot of information potentially available on your military ancestors. Many books are available to help in your military research. Some web sites which can aid in your research are listed in his handouts. Some of these sites even have original records and photographs online. We are also very fortunate to have the Regional Branch of the National Archives on Sandpoint Way available for our research. Curt reminded us to keep in mind that some of the rates for obtaining records will be changing significantly on September 1st. Some records will cost up to four times as much to receive. Curt also gives lectures occasionally at the Regional Branch on Sandpoint Way on different aspects of military records research. You can call there to find out more information on when these lectures are happening. Thanks again Curt for sharing your invaluable knowledge with us. You are truly a gem to EGS. (Kimberley Lackey, EGS Member)

GET WELL SOON: Mary Ellen Scott, Mildred Robinson and Pat Midtskog are on the sick list this month. We wish all of them a speedy recovery.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

Kathy Feeley 425-746-6213, researching Beck, Broadhurst, Feeley, McDonald, Moore, Priest, Store, Wilcox.

Lucy St.Onge 425-641-0330, researching Baker, Becker, Bogdanowicz, Huestis, Schaeffer, St.Onge.

"EVOLUTION OF A TRUNK": (from the *Sunday Afternoon Rocking* series):

Long ago, when I was a little girl, my parents

bought an old dome lidded trunk at an auction. They cleaned it up, painted it up, and put it to practical use as a little girl's toy chest. One day, as a young wife with a love of tradition, I realized the antique value of it and dug it out to be a part of my everyday surroundings again. And, a later day still, I began to realize some other value, and began to realize that it was, after all, simply another tool to provoke thought.

1852: Papa brought two surprises for me today. I have never seen him as he is these days, and it is both a source of joy and a source of pain. I wish I had known this side of him before now, and it seems very sad that my stern, gruff father is letting me finally see his softness at the very time I will soon bid him good bye. Never would he let me wear a red ribbon in my hair, and he frowned on such as frivolous. Today he bid me hold out my hand and in it he placed a red ribbon. I gasped with both pleasure and surprise and thought I caught just a glimpse of something shining in his eyes before he turned away. He went out to the wagon then and hauled in a trunk. A beautiful domed trunk with flowers embossed in the tin... and said simply "you'll be needing this", and walked away. Tomorrow I will pack my things in the trunk that even has a special tray for my bonnets. I will tuck away the memory locket Maranda has given me there, too. How I will miss my sister! And two days hence I will leave my home, my father, my sister, and my state with William...to be his bride.

1902: Today I packed away those things of Mama's I could not bear to let go. I packed them away in that old round topped trunk she always told me her papa gave her back in Illinois just before she was to marry. I could not bear to get rid of that either, she loved it so, and today I had John carry it up to the attic out of the way. I packed away the dress she said she married in and traveled in all on the same day, and the locket with the braided hair of her beloved sister encased inside. Later perhaps I will climb those stairs now and then and open the trunk and when I see her things and smell the scent of them, for just a moment it might be a bit like having a visit with Mama again.

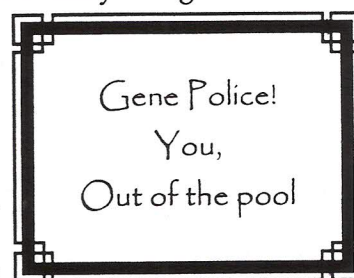
1937: Charles and I have been most of the week cleaning out Mother's house. It has been heart-breaking to sell her things but I have no way to take them back with me, and the most of them sim-

ply are not things I can really use anyway. Charles said I must be very selective about what I keep as we simply cannot afford to ship a great deal, but I did decide to keep that old trunk that always sat up in the attic. I threw out the ratty moth-eaten clothing in it, and the books I gave to the library there in town. There were a few odds and ends of jewelry but I don't believe they were of any value and I gave those away as well, except of course for that dreadful bit of braided hair encased in a locket! I have no clue why such a thing would ever have been worn, but that I threw away along with those faded old letters tied in the nastiest old red ribbon! Charles is right... Mother was a dreadful pack rat. The trunk however does have possibilities and would make for good storage. I got to thinking that perhaps with a bit of paint, Elizabeth might like to have this as a hope chest, and if not, well I suppose I can store winter sweaters in it.

1959: Today we went to an auction at a very old house and Mommy and Daddy bought me something! I was not at all sure what they wanted it for and never saw anything quite like it but they said it was for me. It is a trunk with a pretty curved top on it. They said it would be my toy box now and Daddy drilled a big round hole in the back of it. He said he knew that I had more sense, but that one of my friends might think it fun to hide inside and that would never do, so if they were so silly at least they could breathe until someone managed to get them out. There was even a little shelf that sat inside on the top of rest of the trunk and I wanted to keep it but Daddy said it would be too much trouble to mend, and so he threw that away.

Mommy sat the trunk outside on the picnic table and painted it a pretty blue just the shade of a robin's egg. I got to pick out the color myself! She started to peel the paper inside and was going to put new wallpaper there instead, but I talked her out of that one. There is a picture just inside the top of two children in very old fashioned clothing sledging down a hill, and I did not want the picture ruined even if it is yellowed and peeling.

1982: It is amazing how I have taken the things I grew up with for granted for so long, and now



what treasures they are! Today I dug deep in the storage closet at my parents' house until I managed finally to unearth that old trunk that was my toy box! What possibilities it has! I can hardly wait to strip that old blue paint off of it and see what it looks like when it is cleaned up and restored. I am so thrilled that the paper lining inside is intact! It will look perfect in a corner of my family room, and I will store my children's baby clothes and school mementos there.

2000: One day before long I will begin to think which child should receive which treasure...and this will be no easy task. So many stories, so much family history...and which would appreciate, would see beyond the objects to an underlying meaning, a reason, understand roots? Sometimes I wonder over the treasures that "happened" into our family too...that really were a story before our own. Take that old trunk for example. It has been mine for nearly half a century now. Well I remember the day when I had both my mother and father, and they were so proud to buy me the trunk and so pleased to fix it, especially for a little girl's needs and whims. And, when I was a young mother I stored baby clothes in it, and packed away little stories my children wrote in school. But, before that? I do not know. A hundred years before that, it began with someone else's story and somewhere in the world today is a person who if I only knew, and he or she only knew...would treasure that trunk even more for roots far deeper than a little girl's toy chest or a receptacle for a young mother's mementos. But whom did it belong to? And where are the descendants now? No way to know of course, and I wonder how many of my own family's roots escaped us, are residing now in an antique mall or a museum, are gracing a stranger's home? No way to know of course...Copyright ©2000 Jan Philpot and re-printed with permission of the author. (Article submitted by Mickey Main)

GENEALOGICAL STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES:

In the May/June 2000 issue of *NGS News-magazine*, the National Genealogical Society has

published a set of standards. There are four sets that cover Sound Genealogical Research, Using Records Repositories and Libraries, Use of Technology in Genealogical Research and Sharing Information With Others. These are very good guidelines for professional and amateur genealogists. There is also a guideline that is shown on the NGS web page that covers Publishing Web Pages on the Internet. It can be accessed at <<http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/>>.

ONE DOWN AND TWO TO GO: One of the microfiche readers has been spoken for. There are still two more available for the asking. Call Kim Nichols at 425-402-9050 or Gloria Brown at 425-746-1875.

HELP WITH FINDING COUNTIES AND OTHER GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION: Here are three web sites that have information on many types of geographical locations such as cities, counties, states, etc. They are: <http://shiva.pub.getty.edu/tgn_browser/>, <<http://www.mit.edu/geo/>>, <<http://resources.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/townco.cgi/>>.

GUIDE FOR TRAVELERS:

A campaign promoting Massachusetts' Irish cultural and literary events, festivals, sporting events, and businesses was recently launched. For a free calendar brochure, Massachusetts: Ireland's Other County, call the Boston Irish Tourism Association at 1-888-749-9494 or visit <<http://www.irish.massachusetts.com>>.

Over 26 per cent of Massachusetts residents claim Irish ancestry, making it the most Irish state in the USA, while Boston is often considered the capital of Irish America. (from the *Irish Edition*, July 2000)

PHYSICIAN IN THE FAMILY? The History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine has compiled a directory of sources for information on many medical topics. The information most helpful to genealogists would probably be in-

dexes, primarily from the 19th century. One of the most useful sources is the Directory of Deceased American Physicians, 1804-1929, published by the AMA. This directory is available at a medical school library or a large general circulation library. In addition, NGS offers a research service for entries in that directory, except that the dates vary – 1906-1969. The research fee is \$15.00 per name. Write National Genealogical Society, 4527 17th St. N., Arlington VA 22207-2399. If you wish to visit the National Library of Medicine to check out the many sources about medicine and medical practice, try e-mailing hmdref@nlm.nih.gov. If you are in the Washington DC area, you can visit the library at 8600 Rockville Pike, Rm 1E21, Bethesda MD 20894; (301) 496-5405. (from the *Genealogical Helper*, May-June 2000)

CALIFORNIA SURNAME INDEX: *California Surname Index, Biographies from Selected Histories* is now available from California Genealogical Society, 1611 Telegraph Ave, Ste. 200, Oakland CA 94612-2152. The cost is \$39 plus \$4 S&H. The book was compiled by CGS member Barbara Close; it is an alphabetical index to people cited in 42 works. More than 18,000 biographical sketches from these works are included. This material focuses on people of the late 19th century, and the accounts vary in length. The book is in 8 1/2 by 11, hardbound format, with 325 pages. (from *CGS News*, July 2000)

COPYRIGHT AND "PUBLIC DOMAIN":

This report came through Family Tree Finders to the California Genealogical Society, and posed the question whether any article or material appearing on the internet, even if not written to make money, is "in the public domain", that is, free for taking and promoting as one's own work.

This report indicates that "public domain refers to specific works whose copyrights have expired – articles, books and other writings that were completed prior to 1925", not to just anything that is found on the internet. While facts cannot be copyrighted, the format, the style, and the wording in which these facts are assembled are protected. How frustrating to a researcher to find his materials "lifted" and credited to the "liftee", with his own name eliminated. Even if research on the internet does not include a notice of copyright, it IS covered, and therefore is not available without permission from the author. (from *CGS News*, July 2000)

ASK MR. JOHNSTON: THE *Seattle Times* local columnist Steve Johnston, an EGS speaker a couple of years ago, was asked by a reader whether there is a collection place for old CDs and floppy disks. Mr. Johnston suggested a Redmond firm, Clean Disk, which erases or grinds up the disks to be made into various products such as the type of plastic cases that CDs come in. People with disabilities do the work, so it's a good deal all around. Call this firm at (800) 305-3475, or send your CDs and other disks to Green Disk, 2200 Burlington, Columbia MO 65202. No charge for the service, but any donations will help the program.

NEW GOVERNMENT WEBSITE: A new computer system will offer one-stop shopping for online information about the federal government. Logging on to one web site, <<http://www.firstgov.gov/>>, will yield links to all federal information available publicly over the internet. The site should be operational by the end of September. Users will be able to track Social Security benefits, find a fuel-efficient car, buy a home, etc. President Clinton also offered a \$50,000 reward to citizens, students, researchers, and government employees who provide the most innovative idea for advancing e-government. Details are at <<http://www.excelgov.org/>>. (from *The Seattle Times*, June 25, 2000)

RECENT OPENINGS REPORTED IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS ON JULY 6:

The new headquarters for the King County Library Systems is up and running and is located behind the Issaquah Target store, although unpacking continues. Bill Ptacek, the director of KCLS, says that after 60 years at the Seattle location, the Issaquah headquarters will serve its 41 branch libraries, all outside Seattle. The first branch was opened in 1944 with 460 books and help from the Seattle Library system. KCLS is now twice as big as the Seattle system, and is the third largest system in the country, behind Queens NY and Los Angeles CA. This facility will not only be the central shipping hub of materials to the branches, but houses a bindery, the system's computer center, and meeting rooms open to the public. We are happy to welcome Mr. Ptacek and the 125 employees of the headquarters to the Eastside.

Another facility fairly new to the eastside is the

Puget Sound Regional Branch of the Washington State Archives on the BCC Campus. Many of us have used the materials available to us at the Archives. Michael Saunders is the archivist there, and he recently was honored for his two decades of efforts to assist historians and local historical groups in their research at the Washington State Archives by the Association of King County Historical Organizations and the King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission. Congratulations, Mr. Saunders.

PASSPORTS: Beginning July 13, the Seattle Passport Agency is changing its passport application process in two ways: 1. The only group eligible to use the Passport office at 915 2nd Ave, Rm 992, Seattle, will be last-minute travelers, or those pressed for time because they require visas. An appointment must be made by calling 206-808-5700 anytime; 2. All other applicants must apply for their passports at a local facility. Renewing passports can usually be done by mail. The Bellevue Post Office is a designated passport application office appointments are not required.

OOPS! In the June 2000 issue of this newsletter was an announcement about an easy way to send money overseas through the International Currency Express. The toll free phone number was incorrect. Please try (888) 278-6628. Apologies to all the disappointed callers who could not reach the firm with the other number.

NEW YORK STATE ARCHIVES RENOVATIONS:

The NYS Archives will be undergoing major renovations to start late in 2000, with completion scheduled in 2002. Services to researchers will continue, but the public research room and the records storage areas will be relocated elsewhere in the Cultural Education Center, with many records being stored off-site.

This will necessitate some delays in retrieving records for researchers, and the number of items available per person at one time may be limited. At this time, there is no plan to limit access to the microfilm or microfiche records for on-site use.

Researchers planning to visit the archives should verify the availability of the data they wish to use. Call (518) 474-8955, or e-mail at archref@mail.nysed.gov. The web site is <http://www.sara.nysed.gov>.

NEW JEWISH DATABASE: According to the newsletter of the Jewish Genealogy Society of Long Island, *LINEAGE*, researchers tracing their Jewish roots will now have an improved database of over two million names in a family tree format. Three major Jewish genealogy groups agreed in October 1999, to combine their family tree information into a new database that will be available on the World Wide Web, on a CD-ROM, and on-site at the Beth Hatefutsoth Museum in Tel Aviv. That museum, plus the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies and JewishGen, will accept family trees from researchers and will share that information among the three organizations. Contact JewishGen at <http://www.jewisgen.org> or IAJGS at <http://www.jewishgen.org/ajgs/> or Beth Hatefutsoth at <http://www.bh.org.il> for information.

NEW YORK STATE ARCHIVES SERVICE: The State Archives has ended its mail search service for the microfiche indexes to vital records in NYS outside New York City. The microfiche indexes to the older vital records filed at the NYS Dept. of Health continue to be available at the Archives, pending some interruption during the upcoming renovations. However, NO mail searches will be done.

HAMBURG STATE ARCHIVES: The city of Hamburg, Germany, has lists of those who passed through there during the process of emigration to the USA. A complete record of emigrants from 1850 to 1934 has been safeguarded in their archives. By 2003, Hamburg expects to display these lists from the Hamburg State Archives on the internet. By the end of April 2000, they had planned to offer internet access to the first years of the lists. No web address is available yet, according to Ann Bruska, NYSCOGO member, who contributed this information to *The Lifeline*, NYSCOGO newsletter, Spring 2000 issue.

AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE:

Two new guides to African-American sites which showcase their contributions to the history and culture of North Carolina and Florida are available. The North Carolina Division of Tourism, (800) 847-4862, will send a copy free of charge of the 52-page guide which includes a historical section and a directory of historic and cultural places.

Ask for "The Rich Heritage of African Americans in North Carolina".

"Florida Black Heritage Trail" is a 32-page book with descriptions of historical places and profiles of noted black Floridians; also included are three self-guided driving tours. An internet version is available at <<http://www.flheritage.com/magazine/bht>>. For the printed version, send \$3.95 plus S&H fees to Florida History Associates, 500 South Bronough St., Tallahassee FL 32399.

DOLLARHIDE'S GENEALOGY BULLETINS: William Dollarhide is a very well known author of genealogical publications. You can find his weekly articles at <<http://www.genealogybulletin.com>>. There are also links to previous articles on this page (click on Archives). In addition, there are links to other articles such as those by Donna Potter Phillips.

GENEALOGY OF HISTORICAL FIGURES: If you are interested in the genealogy of Roman emperors, popes, US presidents and other historical figures, try this site: <<http://www.angelfire.com/biz5/piso/main-gen.html>>.

NEARBY GENEALOGY RESEARCH LIBRARY: Congratulations to the Sno-Isle Genealogical Society for establishing their library. It is located at 7907 212th SW, Suite 105, Edmonds WA 98020. Their hours are 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday.

CANADIAN PRIVATE FILES DELETED: From the New York Times comes information that the Canadian Government has moved to dismantle a huge computer database that could generate detailed files on 34 million Canadians, alive and dead. Tax computer files have been sent back to the Canada Customs and Revenue Agency and government workers deleted a program that connected databases. A Human Resources Ministry spokesman said no backups existed of the files, which included health, tax, travel, employment and welfare records.

GENEALOGY LESSONS ON THE INTERNET: Whether you are a beginner or an advanced searcher, this series of lessons should be beneficial. Go to <<http://www.rootsweb.com/~rwguide>>.

There you will find a page with many links. This is the home page for the RootsWeb's Guide to Tracing Family Trees. Click on "Index to Lessons" and it will take you to a list of 30 subjects with links to each lesson. The subjects cover; Where To Begin?, Marriage Records and Evidence, Military Records, Heraldry, American Land Records and many others. Many of the pages are somewhat graphics intensive but not overly much. Give it a try.

SNOQUALMIE VALLEY INTEREST GROUP ANNUAL PICNIC.: The Snoqualmie Valley Interest Group Will meet for their annual Summer Picnic at the home of Janice Pankratz on Wednesday, August 16, at 9:30 a.m. Bring a potluck dish to share. The program is based on the recent KCTS/PBS Series, "The 1900 House." Members and guests are asked to bring and demonstrate or tell about how their grandmother performed a common household task in her "1900 House" (e.g. churning butter). If you have not seen the Series, contact Janice after August 6 to borrow a copy of the video. 35621 SE Fish Hatchery Road, Fall City, 425-222-7583, rjpankratz@email.msn.com.

NEWS ON TOPOGRAPHICAL MAPS:

The USGS Topo Maps of the US are now (at last) on the Web. Free! I've been waiting a long time for this. Unfortunately, there is a bug in Internet Explorer for printing them but they are working on that. In the meantime this is a great step forward for those of us who want access without buying the costly CD's. Thanks, USGS and Topo Zone!

The URL listed below shows an example of the maps. A bit of information about the map controls. At the upper left of the map are 4 scales which allow greater or lesser resolution of topography and details such as buildings. I generally start with the 1:100,000 to home in on my target. At the upper right of the map are 3 size controls. This selects the amount of coverage in the map being displayed. The resolution remains the same.

The site loads the map by using several small images. The larger the map, the longer it is going to take to load because there are more images to display. The great advantage of this? By moving your cursor to a spot on the map and left-clicking, the map will be redrawn with that spot as the center of the map. This allows you the control to slowly adjust the map to contain all the information that you

want.

This URL is for a medium size map centered just NNW of Coalmont, Clay Co., IN. If you scroll to the lower left portion of the map, you will see Shiloh Church where a number of my father's ancestors are buried. To check out how it works, go to the upper right of the map and change the size to "Large". Shiloh is still in the lower left, but now, at the upper right is Friendly Grove Church (cemetery of my mother's family).

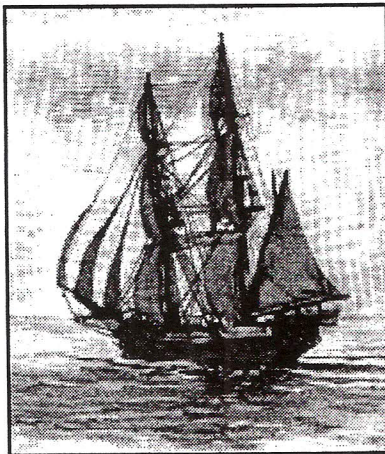
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To get your own map, go to <<http://www.topozone.com/>> and click on "Get a Map" on the toolbar at the top of the page or enter a search location. You can find your spot of interest by either doing a "Search" or entering a latitude and longitude. If you do the search, enter the nearest town.... no state. It will then give you a list of options of locations for the town name you entered. To create the map for the above URL, I entered Coalmont. It then gave me a list of 5 Coalmons that it had in its database. You can enter other places, such as mountains and the like, but I have not found that it recognizes cemeteries or churches. A search for "Shiloh" gave me a town near Dugger - not what I wanted. (From an internet newsgroup message by Bill Strahle)

"TIPS FOR ONLINE RESEARCH," by Juliana Smith

As the editor of the "Ancestry Daily News," I frequently see messages from readers looking for help with their online searches. So below are some tips that can help you get more from your online research.

SET GOALS. While it can be fun to surf the Net, wandering through the maze of genealogical sites that have sprung up in the past few years, most of us don't have the luxury of this much time to just roam about aimlessly. We want to make the most of the limited time we have to spend on our favorite hobby! So before you embark on your online journey, it is helpful to review your research and set some goals, just as you would if you were going to a library. With a deliberate focus to your search, you are more likely to see positive results.



KEEP A LOG. With the immense array of resources available online (and new sites going up every day) it can be difficult to keep track of where you have searched, when, and for what. Keeping a research log of sites visited, searches performed, and results can save much duplicated effort. With web sites that are constantly being updated and/or added to, you may want to go back every so often to recheck them. Your log can tell you when you last checked a site. You can print out a research calendar to record your searches at: <<http://www.ancestry.com/save/charts/researchcal.htm>>.

INCLUDE FULL CITATIONS WITH YOUR FINDS. When you find a piece of information, be sure to include the full bibliographic citation. Include the original source of the data, name of the database, the URL of the site on which you found it, and the name of the site (very important in the online environment where URLs can change.) If you have performed a successful global search on Ancestry.com, you can find the bibliographic information by clicking on the "?" next to the name of the database, or by clicking on "More information about this database" at the bottom of the final results page. You will be grateful for this information down the road.

FOLLOW UP OFFLINE. While the Internet has put a wealth of information at our fingertips, traditional sources should not be overlooked. Most of the information online is considered secondary and needs to be verified with original or primary source documents, which will often contain even more information. The exception to this would be scanned original documents that have been posted online, but in these cases, the method of indexing these documents may contain errors, causing you to miss the document you search for.

USING ONLINE SOURCES TO SAVE TIME WITH OFFLINE RESEARCH. When you are planning a trip to an offline facility, check to see if the catalog is available online. This can save you valuable research time in the facility, which you would otherwise have to spend sitting at the catalog at the repository and which could be better spent doing actual research. (from *Ancestry Daily News*)

EGS MEETING CALENDAR	
EGS Group Name (Regular Schedule)	Meeting Notice (Information Contact)
EGS Board Meeting (First Thursday 10:00 a.m.)	The EGS Board will meet on Thursday, August 3 at 10:00 a.m. at Firehouse #9.
EGS General Meeting (Second Thursday, 7:30 p.m.)	The Eastside Genealogical Society will hold its general meeting on Thursday, August 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Bellevue Regional Library. The Supply Table opens at 7:00 p.m.
Computer Interest Group (Third Saturday, 9:30 a.m.)	Will meet Saturday, August 19 at 9:30 a.m. at the Community Meeting Room at Crossroads Mall Shopping Center. The presentation will be on Genealogy on the Palm Pilot. (Ray French, 425-746-7730)
Czech/Slovak Interest Group (Third Saturday on odd numbered months at 9:30 a.m.)	The next meeting is September 16 at 9:30. (Rosie Bodien, 425-828-0170, rosebode@jps.net).
EGS Lunch Bunch (Fourth Thursday, 11:30 a.m.)	Will meet on Thursday, August 25, 11:30 a.m. at Crossroads Mall Food Court. Meet other EGS members, get help with unsolved mysteries and socialize and swap stories with fellow genealogists. (Melissa Clausen, 425-373-1488)
German Interest Group (First Friday, 1:00 p.m.)	No August meeting. The next meeting is on Friday, September 8 from 1-3 p.m. at the Lake Hills Library. Please note that this is a one time change Jan Pankratz, 425-222-7583)
Italian Interest Group	There will be no August Meeting. Remember the Festa Italiana Heritage Festival September 30-October 1 from 11 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Seattle Center. The IIG will host a genealogy booth. (Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250, rsangal@bess.net)
Original 13 Colonies Interest Group (Fourth Monday, 7:00 p.m.)	Will meet Monday, August 28 at 7 p.m. at Firehouse #9.
Scandinavian Interest Group (Second Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.)	Will meet Tuesday, August 8 for a field trip to Paulsbo. Call Carol Owings for information. (Carol Owings, 425-641-9930 or rocar@ncfweb.net)
Shore to Shore Interest Group (Third Thursday, 10:00)	No meeting in August. The September 21st meeting will be held in the Community Meeting Room in the Crossroads Mall plan a big field trip to Salt Lake City in December. (Kim Nichols 425-402-9050 or nichols@nwlinc.com).
Snoqualmie Valley Interest Group (3rd Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.)	Will meet for their annual summer picnic at the home of Janice Pankratz on Wednesday, August 16 at 9:30 a.m. See the article elsewhere in this issue for details. (Mary Lou McKibben, 425-888-2053)

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Bellevue Regional Library
NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE
Bellevue, WA 425-450-1760

Firehouse #22
6602 108th Ave NE,
Kirkland, WA

LDS Family History Center-Bellevue
10675 NE 20th St
Bellevue, WA 425-454-2690

LDS Fam. Hist. Center - Redmond
10115 172nd Ave. NE
Redmond, WA 425-881-7488

North Bend Library
115 East Fourth St
North Bend, WA 425-888-0554

Crossroads Mall Shopping Center,
Community Meeting Room
NE 8th and 156th Ave NE
Bellevue, WA.

Issaquah Public Library
140 East Sunset Way
Bellevue, WA 425-392-5430

LDS Fam. History Center-Factoria
4200 124th Ave. SE
Bellevue, WA 425-562-0361

National Archives and Records Admin.
6125 Sand Point Way NE
Seattle, WA 98115-7999

Seattle Public Library
1000 Fourth Ave
Seattle, WA 206-386-4636

Firehouse #9
12412 SE 69th Way
Bellevue, WA

Lake Hills Library
15528 Lake Hills Blvd. SE
Bellevue, WA 425-747-3350

LDS Fam. Hist. Center-Kirkland
7910 NE 132nd St.
Kirkland, WA 425-821-8781

Newport Way Library
14520 SE Newport Way
Bellevue WA 425-747-2390

Snoqualmie Public Library
38580 SE River Street
Snoqualmie, WA 425-888-1223

2000 CALENDAR OF UPCOMING SEMINARS AND CONVENTIONS

- September 6-9 Federation of Genealogical Society's National Conference in Salt Lake City, UT, "A World Of Records: Rediscovering Old Millennial Sources With New Millennial Techniques". Write to FGS Business Office, Box 200940, Austin TX 78720-0940 or <www.fgs.org>. Call toll free at 888-347-1500.
- September 9 The Redmond Historical Society will meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Redmond Regional Library.
- Sep 29-Oct 1 The Ultimate Search and Adoption Conference will be hosted by Independent Search Consultants at the Hapuna Beach Hotel & Resort on the Kohala Coast, Big Island of Hawaii. For reservations, call (800) 882-6060, before August 24. Contact ISC, c/o Gayle Eckstead, 2180 Clover St., Simi Valley CA 93065; beckars@juno.com
- October 6-9 POINT (Pursuing Our Italian Names Together) - The American Network of Italian Genealogy will hold its National Conference 2000 at the Austin Doubletree Hotel, North. Contact PNC-2000 Organizing Committee, 10401 Misty Hollow Cove, Austin TX 78758. Contact Pat Oxley at (512) 345-3472 or patoxley@texas.net. Headquarters: p.o Box 14966, Las Vegas, NV 89114-4466; <http://www.members.aol.com/pointhomepage/home.htm>.
- October 21 The British Isles Genealogical Research Association's annual seminar will be held at the Handlery Hotel, Mission Valley in San Diego. Judith Eckles Wright will present "Creative Connections to Your British Ancestry". Contact Carroll Northrup (858) 679-6756, Audry Murdock (619) 465-3772 or e-mail Phyllis Miller at phemiller@juno.com.
- January 8-12, 2001 The sixth annual Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy will be held at the Wyndham Hotel in Salt Lake City. Call (888) INFOUGA or check <http://www.infouga.org>. There are 10 courses scheduled plus optional evening classes.
- February 2-3, 2001 GENTECH 2001. The theme is Union and Reunion. See <http://www.gentech.org>.
- May 16-19, 2001 National Genealogical Society Conference In The States with the theme "Explore New Frontiers" will be held in Portland, OR. It will be hosted by the Genealogical Forum of Oregon and will be held at the Oregon Convention Center, 777 NE Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. This is a great educational opportunity to attend classes, labs and tours. The Clark County Genealogical Society of Washington and the Genealogical Council of Oregon, Inc. are participating societies.
- Sep 12-15, 2001 The Federation of Genealogical Societies' 25th conference will be held in the Quad Cities. Contact Nancy J. Emmert, CG, FGS/QC 2001 Program Chair, 2820 Marshall Ct., #1, Madison, WI 53705-2270; (608) 231-3003; emmert@execpc.com.

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The EGS provides members a forum for learning and the exchange of information related to genealogy. The Society obtains and provides resources for use by members, encourages genealogical research and education, and provides community outreach through programs, classes, seminars and library volunteers.

EGS monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month (except December) at 7:30 p.m. at the Bellevue Regional Library, NE 12th Street and 110th Ave. NE, Bellevue WA. The Supply/Book Table is open at 7:00 p.m.

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