



Eastside Genealogical Society

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

June 11, 1992, 7:30 p.m. Bellevue Public Library
11501 Main Street, Bellevue, WA
(7:00 p.m. Beginners, Supplies, and Library Tables open)
Guest Speaker: Ernie Dornfeld, King Co. Archivist
Topic: The Relationship of Genealogy, Local History, and King County Records

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Mr. Dornfeld is from Corvallis, Oregon, originally and has a B.S. in History, University of Chicago, and M.S. in Librarianship, University of Washington. He has worked on research for the Port of Seattle and has had three years experience with the King County Archives and Records Management Office. We should be able to learn a lot about these resources and how we can benefit from them!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

During the Memorial Day holiday, I remember going with my parents to put flowers on my mother's father's grave in Salem, Oregon. They lived in a little town called Independence, Oregon, which was close to Salem and may have been the closest cemetery. As I reflected upon my early experience with Memorial Day and questioned why we do not do this as much any more, I concluded that with our mobile society of today, many of us do not live near a cemetery where we have relatives buried.

Memorial Day began following the Civil war, where people would go to decorate the graves of soldiers killed in the Civil War. May 5, 1868, John A. Logan, then head of the Grand Army of the Republic, issued an order appointing May 30 of that year for "decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of this country during the late rebellion." Since

World War I, it has been a day to also commemorate those who died in later wars. Memorial Day is observed in all states except Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi. In Florida, it is a Memorial Day for the veterans of all wars, and in Virginia, it is Confederation Memorial Day. In North Carolina and South Carolina, only Federal government offices are closed and in Texas, it is not a bank holiday. Besides Virginia, various southern states observe Confederate Memorial Day as follows; April 26 - Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and Mississippi; May 10 - North Carolina and South Carolina; and June 3 - Kentucky, Louisiana and Tennessee.

As genealogists, every minute we spend gathering, writing, publishing, teaching, talking, encouraging, etc., about our ancestors, or others' ancestors, we are commemorating those who have gone before us. Even though many did not fight in any of the wars, they contributed substantially to our current way of life. It also helps for us to reflect on how our descendants will look upon our contribution to society. Are we contributing in some way helpful to our families, friends or communities? Are we writing a personal history so that it will be easier for them than it has been for us to know about our ancestors .

INTEREST GROUP NOTES

Lois Jackson, Interest Group Coordinator

The enthusiasm of the Interest Groups this last year continues to be astounding. How fabulous to have so many active and thriving satellite units of the Eastside Genealogical Society! Some are large, such as the Computer group, and some are smaller. They all exhibit the same continuing loyalty, with a core group of faithful members.

Some of the groups take a break for the summer. Check this with your chairperson. The Midwest group, with chairperson Mary Magnuson, will take up again in September. Watch for the notice in the newsletter.

This has been a most satisfying year for me as Interest Group Coordinator. It has been so gratifying to see these groups enlarging on their research and participating in activities that provide a view back into their family "roots."

NEW MEMBERS -- APRIL/MAY 1992

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Correction from last month:

Colman, Alice Mattern, P.O. Box 192, Kirkland, WA 98083, 206/822-5542

A REVIEW OF THE MAY 1992 MEETING

Mary DeMatteo Sangalang

The May 14, 1992 general meeting was a celebration of EGS's 10th anniversary of incorporation as an independent society. You will recall from last month's timeline history, EGS began in 1978 as an interest group of the Seattle Genealogical Society. In May of 1982, the first meeting was held as the newly incorporated Eastside Genealogical Society, an independent society serving the Eastside of Lake Washington.

The evening opened with Charter Member John Sears playing wonderful tunes on his fiddle while EGS members socialized. Hopefully, some of you gained new information on a research aid or perhaps even found another person searching a similar surname. Many EGS Interest Groups were represented and displayed posters, crafts, and books related to their particular areas of study. For those who wanted to know how EGS came to be and grew over the last 10 years, the society's historical scrapbooks were available for viewing.

After a brief business meeting, the election of EGS officers took place. The officers for 1992-93 are: President - Bob Mullen; Vice President - Cynthia Loth; Secretary - Joegil Lundquist; Treasurer - Joe Julian; Trustee - Myra McDowell. Certificates of Appreciation and a gift (Handybook for Genealogists, latest edition) were given to Lake Hills library for housing the EGS book collection for 11 years, and to the Bellevue Library for hosting our EGS general meetings for 14 years.

Florine Alexander and Bob Ennis gave a short history of EGS, how it began, what the society accomplished over the years, and how it grew from an interest group to a society with 350 members today. President Bob Mullen issued Certificates of Honor to all EGS charter members present and read a card of best wishes from Lifetime and Charter Member, Terry McCormick, who now lives in Hawaii. Vice President Mary DeMatteo Sangalang presented the past presidents with Certificates of Honor, and photographs were taken of each group. With the exception of one past president, all others were able to be present, making it a very special occasion for EGS. Mary Magnuson and Harriet Scott, EGS co-presidents during the first year (1982-83) completed the ceremony by cutting a cake with the EGS logo; cake and punch and coffee were enjoyed by all attendees. A souvenir pedigree chart was distributed to all guests as a memento of this proud anniversary. John Sears again treated us to his special talents on the fiddle and the meeting came to a close.

I would like to thank all of the many volunteers who helped with the preparations for this event. They are: Betty Pfeiffer, Bob and Pat Sandbo, John Sears, Melissa Clausen, Geri Armbruster, Gloria Brown, Florine Alexander, Lynda Haneman, Nancy Lovell, Myra McDowell, Bob Ennis, Lois Jackson, Connie Balazic, Bob Mullen, Judy Smith, the Interest Groups, Charter Members and Past Presidents, and others who assisted with the reception. Overall a relaxing, fun celebration was enjoyed by all. Happy birthday, EGS!

As outgoing vice president, I would like to thank the EGS Board and membership for their support and dedication to EGS. Applause to Bob Mullen for his leadership as EGS President.

His projects and new ideas will take EGS into the 90s ensuring the Society's strength and growth. I have enjoyed working with the Board these last three years, but I am taking time off to concentrate on the demands of my young sons and my husband -- and maybe even work on my own genealogy!

For Your Information

- o Genealogical Society of the Norwegian Emigrant Museum.** The main purpose is to coordinate and reply to genealogical requests in Oppland, Hedmark, and Romerike. This area consists of 63 townships. The society was founded in 1990 of a group of skilled local historians and genealogists who, over the years, have developed a strong desire to accumulate data on the approximately 150,000 Norwegian emigrants from this particular area of Norway. The secretariat will register and distribute incoming requests to genealogists in their specific area. All information will be photocopied and kept at the archives of the Norwegian Emigrant Museum in Hamar. All requests will receive a reply within two months, giving information about the progress - or lack of progress as well as expenses involved. **For more information write: NUSU, P.O. Box 1104, 2301 Hamar, NORWAY.** (SoKing Newsletter, October 1991)
- o Presbyterian Church Records.** For information write to: Presbyterian Historical Society, United Presbyterian Church United States, P.O. Box 847, Montreat, NC 28757. (Olympia G.S. Newsletter, reprinted from the Eastern WA G.S. Newsletter, August 1991)
- o Episcopal Records.** For information write to: Library and Archives of the Church Historical Society, 606 Ratherview Place, Austin, TX 78767 (Olympia G.S. Newsletter, reprinted from the Eastern WA G.S. Newsletter, August 1991)
- o Old Parochial Index (OPR).** Microfiche index to christenings and marriages in the old counties of Scotland, beginning in 1650. Records are from Church of Scotland (Presbyterian). Order fiche by county from LDS Family History Center. (Olympia G.S. Newsletter, reprinted from News 'N' Notes, St. Louis G.S., August 1991).
- o Research in Canada:** Looking for those municipal addresses? For those wishing to get in touch with municipal offices regarding cemeteries or other matters in family research, the proper address of the town hall can be a problem. No more! The Encyclopedia of Canadian Municipal Governments, edited by Vian Andrews, will provide the answers you need. The encyclopedia is published by Municipal Publishers (4583 Neville Street, Burnaby, B.C. V5J 2G9). Information provided includes addresses, telephone numbers, officials' names, population, and more. (excerpt from Families, OGS quarterly, Vol. 31, No. 2, May 1992)

Notes from Members

- o **Joyce Ossinger, for the Snoqualmie Valley Interest Group**, reports that the group will not have regular monthly programs during the summer. However, plans for a picnic outing will be announced later. For further information call: 222-7583.

- o **Melissa Clausen, for the Computer Interest Group** reports that the following persons have volunteered to provide assistance to PAF genealogy program users. These people use PAF, have been provided additional technical support, and are willing to share their experiences with all PAF users - beginners to advanced.

Ken Dean	883-1609	MAC	Bobbie Iannetta	391-1152	IBM
Charles Dorian	391-3536	IBM	Helen Joiner	746-0343	IBM
Glen Ethier	822-4427	IBM	Curt Roselle	885-5945	IBM
Elliot Fletcher	827-6358	IBM	Marvin Specker	821-7740	IBM
Diane Hicks	641-5503	IBM			

- o **From Mary Sangalang, our past vp: Note on your calendar for fall, the FESTA ITALIANA! October 4-12, 1992**, a week-long celebration of Italian culture and the quinentennial anniversary of Columbus' discovery of America. Some of the highlights are: October 9th (Friday) at noon, Italian parade down Fourth Avenue in Seattle; October 10th-11th (Saturday and Sunday) the Heritage Festival at Seattle Center - crafts, food, entertainment, demonstrations of food-making and crafts, grape stomp contest, bocce tournament, and photo display of Seattle and other Washington Italians and their businesses from days gone by.
- o **Also, from Mary Sangalang** concerning preparations for the 10th anniversary celebration: Last month I had the opportunity to meet with several of EGS' charter members to discuss the program for the celebration on May 14, 1992. I asked them what peaked their interest in starting on the never-ending quest for their roots. Isn't it something, the way we all fall into this addictive hobby?
Bob Ennis - had some old letters from his aunt, and a windowshade with family members' names written on it that a cousin had made, so he took a genealogy course at BCC, taught by Cynthia Goldbloom, about 1977. Four other classmates later joined him as members of the newly formed Eastside Interest Group of the SGS; Betty Pfeiffer found a book about immigration that pertained to her husband's family; Mary Magnuson went to the LDS Family History Library to use the IGI and with beginner's luck found her Moser line -- she thought it would be that easy to look up all her family surnames; Richard Gates' grandfather died and his nephew was born two days later, prompting him to think about his family tree; Frankie Larson is an only child and had no other relatives that she was aware of, so she set out to find other family; Helen Joiner had a book that was published in 1905 by her uncle about the family history and her father was listed in the book; Bill Joiner went to the LDS Family History Library in Tacoma and found his family on their Swedish microfilms; Bill Van Kleeck had a letter dated from 1924 from his uncle to his father, concerning some photographs needed to sign up as an heir to a fortune (a fortune which never

materialized). He also found a book on Seattle Van Kleecks; Harriet Scott, after her father died, found letters from Germany to her family and also letters from her great-grandfather during the civil war - written to her grandfather; Florine Alexander's mother fell and broke her hip and Florine took her home to care for her. She rented out her mother's house and so took her mother's belongings with her to store. She was burning much of her mother's papers and old things and was about to toss some old white thing into the fire -- she withdrew the item quickly -- it was her mother's wedding dress! Florine stopped burning and began reading the rest of the papers. She is a descendant of Luke McRedmond, after whom the city of Redmond, WA is named. Unfortunately, she will never know how much history she burned. Florine took the remaining papers to the newly formed Eastside Interest Group and was shown how to fill out a four-generation chart. Florine almost did not return to this group, as the other members could trace their families back to the old countries and she could trace hers through only four generations in King County. Later, she gathered more information by passing around her chart at a family funeral, where someone gave her DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) papers. Florine went to Salt Lake City with an EGS field trip and found DAR papers on her family back to the 1620s.

The consensus of these charter members was that no matter how interested in genealogy, the main benefit from joining EGS was the sharing of information on how to pursue the family tree!

- o **From Cyril Noble, British Interest Group:** This group has been meeting for three months now and we are moving ahead. The format for upcoming meetings; special speakers, and English, Scottish, and Welsh workshops each month. Over 40 people have now signed up for this group. See calendar for our next great meeting.
- o **Charter Member John Sears will entertain as "Fiddlin' John and Friends" at the Bellevue Strawberry Festival on Friday, June 19th.**

Did you know?

Holographic Will -- one made and signed by the testator in his own handwriting.

Dower -- that portion of, or interest in, the real estate of a deceased husband which the law gives to his widow during her life; the property which a woman brings to a husband in marriage, now usually called dowry.

Generation -- average period between one generation and the next; about 33 years; some say 27 years.

(The Shawnee, Saline CO., IL Genealogy Society; Winter 1990, Vol. 6, No. 3)

Collateral Lines -- are sisters and brothers of grandparents, i.e., aunts, uncles and cousins linked by a common ancestor.

Allied Lines -- are the people who married into the collateral lines.

Lineal Relations -- those in direct line of ascent or descent, such as a grandfather or granddaughter.

Descendant -- a person who descends directly from you, such as a grandson or great granddaughter.

(Kentucky Genealogical & Historical News, Cumberland Gap, TN)

MISSING PERSONS ADS ARE A FIND

Myra Vanderpool Gormley
(Los Angeles Times Syndicate)

June 7, 1990

If your Irish ancestors are among those who came to America in the 19th century, you may find mention of them in the Boston Pilot, which published advertisements for missing persons from 1831 to 1916.

A column called "Missing Friends" was a standing feature in the newspaper for nearly a century, and these ads are now being indexed by the Northeastern University history department and published by the New England Historic Genealogical Society.

The first volume in this projected series of seven, scheduled to be released one volume per year, contains transcriptions and indices of more than 5,000 ads. The Boston Pilot had national distribution, and the ads were placed by Irish immigrants or friends back home in efforts to find family and friends from whom they had been separated. Volume 1 covers the years 1831-1850, and for genealogists it contains a wealth of material pertaining to the immigrants, their places of origins, ports of arrival and destinations.

An ad placed Feb. 8, 1840, reads: "Information wanted of Mr. Patrick and Margaret Duffy, alias Margaret M'Laughlin, native of Cragbrack, parish of Tuehenville, Londonderry, Ireland, who left Philadelphia in the fall of 1836. When last heard from lived in Cincinnati, state of Ohio. Any information respecting them will be thankfully received by her sister and brother-in-law, Joseph Logue, City of Salem, Mass."

These advertisements arose from necessity. As the Irish came to America, families were separated, addresses were lost or confused and many newcomers simply disappeared into the vastness of the "promised land."

Often, a brother or sister who arrived first moved several times following work, but his or her recently arrived siblings would have only an old address. It was through these ads that families sought to locate missing relatives.

This is a substantial new source for Irish researchers. "The Search for Missing Friends," Vol. 1 is available from the New England Historic Genealogical Society (\$49.25 postpaid), 101 Newbury Street, Boston, MA 02116



CIVIL WAR RECORDS AVAILABLE ON MICROFILM AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES-PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGION

Sally Mikkelsen

Publication Number	Title
T288	General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934
T289	Organization Index to Pension Files, 1861-1900
M918	Confederate Soldiers Who Died in Federal Prisons and Military Hospitals, 1861-1865
M553	Index to Oregon Volunteer Union Soldiers, 1861-18965
M558	Index to Washington Volunteer Union Soldiers, 1861-1865

And on a lighter note: from Buckskin Cookery, more from the souvenir cookbook of recipes donated by Pioneers and Natives of the Cariboo and B.C.

MEDICINES

ALCOHOLISM

Simmer 1 tsp. guassia chips in 1 quart of water for 1/2 hour. This will remove the appetite for intoxicating liquors, if the inebriate will take a dose whenever he feels a thirst for these beverages.

Mrs. Jean Watson.

BLEEDING

Use fine dust from dry puffball to stop bleeding from cut. Also good to stop nosebleed. Bad for eyes, to get dust in eyes.

BLOOD POISONING

Make a poultice of Sinar leaves to draw out the poison. Jack pine pitch good too.

"Granny" Hunger.

BLOOD TONICS

(1) Oregon Grape roots are good blood tonic. Wash and boil. Take 1 tablespoon at time.

Told to Mrs. Alice Earley by "Boscar's" wife.

(2) Whooshum(Soapalallie) berry good for blood.

BOILS

(1) Apply Jackpine pitch. Soon breaks boil.

"Granny" Hunger.

(2) Pound Plantain plant in a rag, with a rock. Tie mashed plant over boil. Leave some time. Pound more plants and put on boil. By-n-by boil breaks. Also good for ulcers on leg.



CALEND

June 5, 1992	German Interest Group, Lake Hills Library 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	June 25, 1992	Southern/Mid-Atlantic Interest Group, Newport Way Library 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Topics: Georgia and New Jersey
June 6, 1992	Last class of EGS Computer Interest Group-sponsored "Beginning DOS."	June 29, 1992	New England Interest Group, Lake Hills Library 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Review of books on New England Research. Bring all you have!
June 8, 1992	EGS Board Meeting, LDS Church, 7:00 p.m.	July 2, 1992	Board Meeting at LDS Church, 7:00 p.m.
June 8, 1992	Irish Interest Group, Lake Hills Library Help with research problems at 7:00 p.m. Program at 7:30 p.m. Melissa Clausen will introduce us to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, step by step and floor by floor.	July 5-11, 1992	Roberts Wesleyan College (located 8 miles from Rochester, NY). Two classes -- Roots in New York State? and Genealogy in the Empire State; and Research Technology and Genealogy.
June 11, 1992	EGS General Membership Meeting, Bellevue Library 7:00 p.m. Beginners' Help, Supply Tables Speaker: Ernie Dornfeld, King County Archivist Topic: The Relationship of Genealogy, Local History, and King County Records.	July 9, 1992	EGS General Meeting, Bellevue Library 7:00 p.m. Beginners' Help, Supply Tables 7:30 p.m. Meeting Speaker: Lorraine McConaghy Topic: Combining Oral History and Genealogy: Genealogy from the Historian's Point of View.
June 13, 1992	Roots III User Group meeting at the Boeing Employees Rec Center, 22649 83rd Avenue S., Kent, WA 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.	July 11, 1992	Roots III User group meeting at? (call Bob Goodnow, 868-4073).
June 13, 1992	Irish Interest Group, Lake Hills Library Help with research problems at 7:00 p.m. Glen Ethier, Chairperson, will describe his recent (May) research trip to the British Isles.	July 13-17, 1992	Washington, D.C. The National Institute on Genealogical Research announces a week-long program geared toward experienced researchers - genealogists, historians, archivists, and librarians to learn more about the records in the National Archives. Class size is limited to 40. Write to the National Institute on Genealogical Research, Box 14274, Washington, D.C. 20044-4274, for an application.
June 20, 1992	Italian Interest Group, Lake Hills Library 2:25 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Topic: Book review on <u>A Traveller in Southern Italy</u> by H.V. Morton, reviewed by Gloria DeSantis - contains information about history of southern Italy and its changing borders and ruling countries.	July 18, 1992	EGS Computer Interest Group, Kirkland Library 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Tech session: "Publishing your family history using Roots III," with Audrey Schroeder.
June 20, 1992	EGS Computer Interest Group, Lake Hills Library 15228 Lake Hills Boulevard, Bellevue, WA 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon	July 18, 1992	Italian Interest group 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Place and topic to be announced. There will be no August meeting.
June 20, 1992	British Interest Group, Newport Way Library 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Speaker: Lorraine Manderscheid Topic: "A fruitful genealogical journey to Britain."	July 27, 1992	Scandinavian Interest Group, Lake Hills Library 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Topic to be announced.

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