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EGS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, June 11, 7:30 p.m.
at the Bellevue Regional Library
(7:00 p.m. Supply Table Open)

Topic: "Your Ancestors' Bones"

Speaker: Kathy Taylor, King County Forensic Anthropologist

ABOUT THE PROGRAM: Kathy Taylor, reared on Mercer Island, received a BS in Honors in Anthropology/Zoology from the University of Michigan and an MA in Anthropology with certification in Forensic Anthropology from the University of Arizona in 1992. She is currently a Ph.D. candidate working on a dissertation (U of Arizona) on the methods of aging the human skeleton. She is presently employed as a Medical Investigator and Forensic Anthropologist for the King County Medical Examiner's Office. The role of the forensic anthropologist is to speak for the dead and read in the bones what the deceased can no longer tell us.

Ms. Taylor will speak to us on the incredible amount of information that can be obtained from the human skeleton, including time since death, age at death, race, sex, stature, life history traits (past traumas, disease processes, etc.), cause of death, and identification. She will also talk about the structures in the skeleton that we have inherited and why we might have a similar build as our Uncle Ted or Grandma Miller. This will be a very interesting program since our skeletons tell us so much about our family and who are ancestors might be. Be sure to attend this talk!

NEW OFFICERS: At the May 14th meeting, the new slate of EGS officers were elected. These officers will begin their term at the beginning of June, with all new and immediately past officers attending the board meeting on June 4. The new officers are: President - Peter Robertson; Vice-President - Marty Gale; Secretary - Kay Greco; Treasurer - Jackie Bushnell; and Trustee - Janice Pankratz. Congratulations and thank you to all of these individuals.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>RESEARCHING:</u>
Donovan, Carol	425-454-5541	
Horn, Jim & Joyce	206-232-2347	
Parsons, Eugene M.	425-688-7675	Persson, Sweden

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT - PETER ROBERTSON

Officially, my term as your President of our EGS begins on the 4th of June when the new and old officers of the Society meet jointly to change the watch. As you probably would expect, the EGS members present at the May 14th meeting duly elected the slate of officers the Nominating Committee put forward. Jackie, Bushnell, as Treasurer, is the sole carry over from the previous group of officers. The Society is healthy thanks to the efforts of those officers and of the many people who have taken on the wide variety of tasks needed to make for a thriving genealogical society. Thanks everyone!

It is my hope the EGS will remain a beacon to genealogists in our region, that we will prove to be usefully innovative, and that we will honor the human element in our activities not only by learning as much as we can about our ancestors but also by learning about our fellow EGS members. After all, genealogy is very much a people thing!

I look forward to the next year serving as your President, becoming better acquainted with you, and, with your support, continuing to develop EGS's potential as a genealogical society.

Peter

GET WELL WISHES

We hope the following EGS members are feeling better: Phil Lake, Diane Marinig, and Barbara Guyll's husband, Bob. Get well wishes to all of you.

IN REMEMBRANCE

With the recent death of Mary "Betty" Pfeiffer, the Eastside Genealogical Society has lost a devoted and long-standing member. Betty joined EGS in 1981 and was one of its charter members. In 1982 she was elected Vice President of our newly formed organization and served as its President during the 1983-84 term. For a number of years she served on the board as secretary, as membership chairman and helped organized seminars and workshops.

An excellent researcher, Betty also had a special gift for writing and organization and assumed the responsibility of editor for the Society's early newsletters. When EGS purchased the rights to bring the microfilm of the *Griffith's Valuation & Tithe Applotment* books to the Seattle area on permanent loan, it was Betty who took the time to draft a "Householder's Index" of Ireland's counties and parishes along with their corresponding reel numbers. Her efforts have saved others many, many hours of research time. Her family will surely cherish the family genealogies and histories that Betty completed and had published.

EGS extends its deepest sympathy to her husband, Joe, and their family.

EGS CLASSES

The genealogy classes which EGS has provided since the Fall of 1997 in three series have been completed for now. In September 1998, beginning genealogy classes will again be offered at the Lake Heights YMCA for the Bellevue Senior Programs. Any beginning researcher would enjoy learning with fellow beginners about the job ahead. The classes are offered for a very low fee, with this income being used by the Senior Programs for various expenses. Watch for the announcement in the Fall issue of the Bellevue Parks Department's Bulletin. If there is a class you would like to teach or team-teach, let an EGS Board member know so it can be worked into the classes offered.

SUBMIT YOUR ANCESTORS TO THE EGS SURNAME FILE

EGS is hoping to publish the EGS Surname File sometime in the future. Everyone is invited to submit their ancestors to this file now for inclusion. You can submit your ancestors in any one of four ways: fill out a blank 3 x 5 card with the information; write your information down on a piece of paper; print off your information from your computer (any form is fine as long as it contains at least your ancestor's name, your name, address, and phone); or e-mail the information to nichols@nwlinc.com.

You may include as much information as you have in these categories: ancestor's name, birth date, birthplace, marriage date, place of marriage, who married, death date, place of death, where buried, submitter's name (that is you), your address, your phone. You must at least include your ancestor's name, your name and address. You can turn in your submissions at the EGS General Meetings, e-mail at the above address, or mail to Kim Nichols, 15525 NE 195th St, Woodinville WA 98072. For questions or more information, please call 425-402-9050. Please submit as soon as possible to make sure your ancestors are included!

EGS MEETINGS COMING UP

♦ 9 July

Speaker Dale Wahl on "German-Russian Research - An Overview"

CENTENNIAL BOOKS

Did the town or city where your ancestor resided celebrate their centennial year? If so, a centennial book may have been written that you might find most useful.

As an example, a 664 page book was written when Halstead, MN celebrated its centennial in 1983. Information was taken from newspaper articles, old pictures and articles written by family members and relatives.

There are old pictures of the downtown area showing the street and individual buildings, inside and out, with a history of all the businesses that occupied that building through the years. A section is devoted to family pictures accompanied by their family history. There are stories of memories recalled, accounts of how people used to entertain themselves, pictures of people in a school play, a list of nicknames that townspeople went by, and other things that bring the town and townspeople to life.

The Minnesota Historical Society has a website for locating County Historical Societies in Minnesota (<http://www.mnhs.org/prepast/mho/chsclo.html>) and for the United States (<http://genealogy.org/PAT/www.gwsc/gwscixus.htm>). The book *Cemeteries of the United States*, Deborah M. Burch, editor, is located at the Bellevue Regional Library on the second floor (R929.50257 CEM 1994) and also has listings of Historical Societies throughout the United States. (By Kay Greco, EGS Secretary).

NEW GENEALOGY BOOKS AT THE BELLEVUE REGIONAL LIBRARY

The following books, purchased by the Eastside Genealogical Society as a result of member's recommendations, or donated by EGS members, were added to the genealogy collections at the Bellevue Regional Library since the last listing in the May *Bulletin Board*.

- ♦ *Calendar of New Jersey Wills, Volume V 1771-1780*, by A. Van Doren Honeyman, 1997. From the Archives of the State of New Jersey (R929.3749 CAL).
- ♦ *A Student's Guide to Scandinavian Genealogy*, by Lisa Olson Paddock and Carl Sokolnicki Rollysohn, 1996 (R929.108939 PAD).
- ♦ *A Guide to the Manuscript Division of the State Archives*, by the Nebraska State Historical Society, 1974 (donated) (R978.2 NEB).

(This is a short list this month, but there should be a dozen or more in July that were delivered to the library but were not yet on the shelves at the time of the *Bulletin Board* deadline).

Do you have a genealogy-related reference book or CD that you would like to donate to the growing collection at the Bellevue Regional Library, or have a suggestion for one to be purchased? If so, let the Book Acquisition Committee know by calling Margery Perdue at 425-643-3502. (Submitted by Carl Cason, Library Chairperson).

HERITAGE QUEST RESEARCH LIBRARY HAS NEW LOCATION

Beginning May 26, 1998, the Heritage Quest Library has a new location in Sumner, WA. The new address is 909 Main Street, Suite 5, Sumner WA, phone 253-863-1806. Hours will be Sun., Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri. 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm, Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and Saturdays 10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. To get to the library, from Highway 410 take the first Sumner Exit, turn left at the light (E. Main/Traffic Ave./Fryar Rd.). Turn right on Main Street (the 2nd light). The library is located in the first building on the left after crossing the railroad tracks. Free parking is available on Main Street and in lots behind the building (north side). There will a Grand Opening Celebration on July 9, 10, 11, and 12 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm, with refreshments, book auction, door prizes, and more.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT OPENS SEARCHABLE DATABASE WEBSITE

Located at <http://www.glorecords.blm.gov> is a searchable database and image access site to more than two million federal land title records dating back to 1820 for the following states: AL, AR, FL, IN, LA, MI, MN, MS, MO, OH, AND WI.

NEWS CONCERNING THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Last month the *Bulletin Board* had information concerning changes in the operation of the National Archives, as presented in the March/April issue of *Ancestry* magazine. The following letter appeared in *Ancestry* magazine, May/June 1998 issue in response to the information relayed in to you in last month's article.. The letter is from Lori Lisowski, archives specialist at NARA.

"The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is about to embark on an ambitious space planning effort through which we are striving to improve preservation and access of historically valuable federal records.

NARA's mission is to ensure ready access to essential evidence that documents the right of American citizens, the actions of federal officials, and the national experience. We want to enhance our ability to provide ready access to all of the essential evidence in our custody. To do this we plan to:

- develop our electronic access capabilities so we can bring the National Archives online to millions of Americans who do not live near a NARA facility and to people worldwide,
- improve the quality of space in which records are stored so they will be preserved for generations to come,
- increase the quantity of space that we have so we can continue to add historically valuable records to our holdings, and
- reduce the cost of the space we occupy so that money we have been spending on rent can be spent on programs and services for our customers.

This plan is in keeping with the goals and objectives of our Strategic Plan, which pledges NARA to make essential evidence "easy to access regardless of where it is or where users are for as long as needed" and to be sure that "all records will be preserved in appropriate space for use as long as needed." Most of our regional facilities do not now meet current minimum preservation standards, nor do they have enough space for more permanent records. We need to take action to safeguard historically valuable records.

NARA's space planning effort will analyze our current configuration of facilities and determine what kinds of facilities we should have and where they should be located to best serve all of our customers and protect the records. This project will happen in several phases over many months and will focus on options that

- enhance access to records,
- improve space quality,
- increase space quantity, and
- reduce space costs.

To make this work, we need your help. No option, no matter how cost-efficient, will be worth pursuing if it does not further our goals of making it easier for researchers to access the records they need. And no matter what option is decided upon, NARA is committed to maintaining, at a minimum, microfilm research rooms with Internet-accessible computer terminals in the metropolitan areas where regional archives now exist. Over the course of this planning effort, we will be reaching out to our broad spectrum of customers to get their input through public meetings, surveys, conferences, publications, and the Internet on such issues as where records should be located, what services are needed, and what amenities should be offered. Shortly we will have a Web page devoted to progress on our space plan at:

<http://www.nara.gov/nara/spceplan.html>

In addition, we welcome your comments and suggestions via e-mail at: space.plan@arch2.nara.gov or by mail to: Space Planning Team, Room 4100 (NPOL), National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740.

The bottom line is that we must develop a plan that meets user needs and provided the quantity and quality of cost-effective space that allows NARA to preserve the permanently valuable records of our government. We encourage everyone to participate in this effort as we work to make NARA's holdings more available to all Americans, no matter where they live."

Lori Lisowski, Archives Specialist

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT SPACE PLANNING AT NARA

If you are interested in finding out more on this topic, be sure to visit the website listed above. You may also want to look at the site that answers frequently asked questions on this topic. You can find these questions and answers at: <http://www.nara.gov/nara/space/faq.html>

MAJOR EPIDEMICS IN THE UNITED STATES

Epidemics have always had a great influence on people - and thus influencing, as well, the genealogist trying to trace them. Many cases of people disappearing from records can be traced to dying during an epidemic or moving away from the affected area. Some of the major epidemics in the United States are listed below:

DATE	LOCATION	DISEASE
1657	Boston	Measles
1687	Boston	Measles
1690	New York	Yellow Fever
1713	Boston	Measles
1729	Boston	Measles
1732-3	Worldwide	Influenza
1738	South Carolina	Smallpox
1739-40	Boston	Measles
1747	CT, NY, PA, SC	Measles
1759	N. America (areas inhabited by white people)	Measles
1761	N. America & West Indies	Influenza
1772	N. America	Measles
1775	N. America	unknown epidemic
1775-6	Worldwide	Influenza
1783	Dover, DE	fatal "Bilious" disorder
1788	Philadelphia & New York	Measles
1793	Vermont	"putrid" fever & Influenza
1793	VA	Influenza
1793	Philadelphia	Yellow Fever
1793	Harrisburg, PA	unknown
1793	Middletown, PA	unknown
1794	Philadelphia, PA	Yellow Fever
1803	New York	Yellow Fever

DATE	LOCATION	DISEASE
1820-23	Nationwide	"Fever"
1831-32	Nationwide	Asiatic Cholera
1832	NY City & other major cities	Cholera
1837	Philadelphia	Typhus
1841	Nationwide	Yellow Fever
1847	New Orleans	Yellow Fever
1847-48	Worldwide	Influenza
1848-49	North America	Cholera
1850	Nationwide	Yellow Fever
1850-51	North America	Influenza
1852	Nationwide	Yellow Fever
1855	Nationwide	Yellow Fever
1857-59	Worldwide	Influenza
1860-61	PA	Small pox
1865-73	Philadelphia, Boston, NY, New Orleans	Small Pox & recurring Typhus, Typhoid, Scarlet Fever, Yellow Fever
1865-73	Baltimore, Memphis, Washington DC	Cholera & recurring typhus, Typhoid, Scarlet Fever, Yellow Fever
1873-75	N. America & Europe	Influenza
1878	New Orleans	Yellow Fever
1885	Plymouth, PA	Typhoid
1886	Jacksonville, FL	Yellow Fever
1918	Worldwide	Influenza (more hospitalized from this than from wounds in WWI)

Finally, these specific instances of Cholera were mentioned: 1833 - Columbus, OH; 1834 - NY City; 1849 - New York; 1851 - Coles Co. IL, Great Plains, & MO.

(From <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Estates/5421/>).

PASSPORTS PROCESSED IN BELLEVUE BEGINNING JUNE 1

The King County District Court, 585 112th Ave. S.E. in Bellevue will begin processing applications for U.S. passports starting June 1, 1998. Processing hours will be 9 am to 3:30 pm Monday through Friday. A \$60 fee for adults, \$25 for youths, and various forms of identification are required when applying. For more information, call 206-296-3650. (*Eastside Journal*, May 24, 1998).

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF PA REOPENED TO THE PUBLIC

The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, a special collections library in Philadelphia, has reopened to the public, as renovation of its 1300 Locust Street building continues. The Society is open Tues., Thurs., Friday, and Saturday, and is closed Sun., Mon., and major holidays. Admission to the library is \$5 per day, students with current ID \$2 per day.

Readers, including members, must reregister on their initial visit. Some form of photo ID must be presented when registering for the first time or reregistering. Completion of the renovation will necessitate closing the building again from November 25 until April. For membership and information, call 215-732-6200 or visit the Society's website at <http://www.libertynet.org/~pahist> (From *Irish Edition*, May 1998).

THE BRIDE INDEXES PROJECT

Robert W. Marlin is a professional genealogist specializing in Jewish Genealogy and Genealogy for Beginners. Last year, at his local Family History Center, Mr. Marlin accidentally discovered the existence of bride indexes on microfilm for marriages which occurred in various boroughs of New York City. These indexes cover the years from the 1860's through the mid-1930's.

Mr. Marlin contacted the Family History Library in Salt Lake City to find out if a master list of brides indexes existed. The good news was that other indexes existed, but were buried four or five levels deep in the FHL Catalog CD-ROM. In other words, in most cases it was necessary to go to State, County, City, Vital Records, and then search for brides indexes. Mr. Marlin discussed with the FHL the possibility of putting together a master list for future reference. The FHL was quite amenable to the idea, and *Family Chronicle* magazine is helping to promote the project.

To date, Mr. Marlin has been advised of bride indexes which exist in 15 states. This may be just the beginning; it is hoped that the number 15 will swell to 50. The most important source of information is from various genealogical and historical societies whose members may have worked with these indexes in the past. Please let Mr. Marlin know about any knowledge you have of these indexes anywhere in the U.S. Many of them may have not been filmed by the FHL and may exist as index card files in various places around the country. You may contact Mr. Marlin by e-mail at RobMarlin@aol.com, or write to him at: Robert W. Marlin, P.O. Box 948194, Maitland, FL 32794-8194. (From *Family Chronicle*, Jan./Feb. 1998).

BRODERBUND ANNOUNCES GENEALOGY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Broderbund Software will be awarding ten \$500 scholarships: three will go to individuals pursuing the designation of "Certified Genealogist" (administered by the Board for Certification of Genealogists); three to individuals pursuing the designation of "Accredited Genealogist" (administered by the Family History Department of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints); and four to individuals who are pursuing formal education at a recognized institutions for genealogical instruction. Details for the application process can be found at Broderbund's website at <http://www.familytreemaker.com> (From *The Family Tree*, April/May 1998).

THE U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE AT ELLIS ISLAND

From the time Ellis Island opened as an immigration station in 1892, the Public Health Service (PHS), then called the Marine Hospital Service, was responsible for the medical inspection of arriving immigrants. "Doctors at the Gate: The U.S. Public Health Service at Ellis Island" is an exhibit currently on display at the Museum of Health and Medicine in Washington, DC. The exhibit, rich with photographs, letters, documents and artifacts, illustrates the beginnings of quarantine and medical inspection, and helps us connect with what our relatives encountered when inspected "on the line" at Ellis Island, when detained for more detailed inspection, when cared for in Ellis Island facilities, or when deported. The Museum is located at 6825 16th St. N.W., on the Walter Reed Army Medical Center campus, and is open 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily; admission is free. For more information, call 202-782-2200. (From *National Genealogical Society*, March/April 1998).

TIMELINES WEB SITE

Timelines often help us connect what was happening in history to what was going on with our ancestors. For timelines for American history, visit this web site:
<http://members.aol.com/ntgen>

MINING FOR OUR ANCESTORS

The first coal found on the North American continent was sighted in the Illinois River bluffs near the Ottawa-Utica area in 1673. At that time, coal's potential was not known. The industry grew, and by the early nineteenth century the first mines were opened. Early apathy toward coal mining was due largely to the lack of means of transporting the heavy product from the mines to areas miles away. However, the advent of the railroad in the early 1850's marked a major expansion period for the coal industry. The railroad allowed bulk quantities to be moved to distant locations, opening up the market for coal. For many years to come, coal mines prompted the building of new railroads, and railroads encouraged the digging of additional new mines.

In the late 1800's, the industrialization movement in the United States gained momentum. The need for coal to feed the furnaces of industry increase rapidly, and coal mining was begun in many states. The early anthracite mining region was focused in Pennsylvania. Bituminous coal was mined in twenty other states, the most populous regions being Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and Alabama.

Early miners were mostly recent immigrants from Europe and blacks who were migrating north after the Civil War. They were Native American, German, Polish, Italian, French, English, Scottish, Irish, Welsh, and Scandinavian miners, and with them came the inevitable feuds and misunderstandings of descendants from such diverse ethnic backgrounds.

In selecting a place to settle, immigrants looked for coal first. Pioneering coal mining families moved their meager belongings wherever and whenever it was necessary to be close to working mines. When coal ran out in one mine, miners moved on to another. Mining was mostly carried out in remote coal camps. The mining villages were tight-knit communities, and their residents tended to their own business. There might have been quarrels among themselves, but they were united if an outsider tried to interfere.

Because of the nature of mining, the lack of communication among the different ethnic groups, and the failure of the mining companies to keep records, tracing mining ancestors is a difficult task. The coal mining industry seems to have been notorious for its lack of record keeping. Many early mines were family-owned and operated, and records generally are incomplete or nonexistent. Many accidents and disasters claimed miners lives. Since records were scarce, many of the dead were unaccounted for. Many miners went by nicknames, and their co-workers may have never known their real names.

Another factor that inhibits genealogical research about miners is the diverse backgrounds of the early miners who were mainly immigrants and many of whom were illiterate and spoke no English. Some changed their names to disguise their origins and escape the prejudice and cruelty that prevailed in some areas. Searching for mining ancestors requires diligence, persistence, and a lot of luck.

Start with the research library reference section to see what is available, then explore specific mining-related avenues. Call the U.S. Bureau of Mines and state departments of mines and minerals, or similar departments to see what is available and to ask where you might start. For instance, the Illinois Department of Mines and Minerals has published an annual coal report since the late 1800's. The reports contain historical and informational articles and list mining companies, individual mines, employees by classification, fatal accidents by district and by occupation and their causes, nonfatal accidents, rescue calls and their outcomes, and new mines opened.

Other sources to research are the United Mine Workers of America and their *UMWA Journal*, published since 1891; early county histories, which often contain first person accounts containing miner's names and their families; oral histories (the *Directory of Oral History Collections*, the *Oral History Index*, and the *Directory of Illinois Oral History Resources* are excellent for identifying oral history collections); photograph collections; old newspapers; and museums, especially little-known museums in small towns.

Several books that may help in your search are: *Divided Kingdom: Work, Community, and the Mining Wars in the Central Illinois Coal Fields During the Great Depression*, by Carl D. Oblinger; and *Patch/Work Voices: The Culture and Lore of a Mining People*.

Other publications that may be useful are: *Concerning Coal*, a newspaper containing both historical and current items, along with requests from readers seeking information about relatives or history; and *Tell Me A Story: Memories of Early Life Around the Coal Fields of Illinois*, featuring a collection of senior citizen's essays. These two publications are available free from the Coal Research Center, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL 62901.

Using the resources listed here will kick-start your research project, and may uncover a mountain of other useful information in the process. (From *Ancestry*, Nov./Dec. 1994).

MISCELLANEOUS WEB SITES TO INVESTIGATE

- ♦ At the April Computer Interest Group meeting, Robert Chamblee talked about his web site. It is located at: <http://members.aol.com/RGChamblee/index.html> and deals with his Chamblee/Edwards genealogy.
- ♦ Tombstone Transcription Project: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~cemetery/memor-2html#project>
- ♦ Cemetery Interment Lists on the Internet: <http://users.deltanet.com/~steven/cemetery.html>
- ♦ Cemeteries in America with links to cemeteries in other countries: <http://www.inwd.com/death/usa/htm>
- ♦ Cemetery Symbolism: <http://www.best.com/~gazissax/city.html>
- ♦ The United States Civil War Center - contains searchable cemetery lists of Civil War burials: <http://www.cwc.lsu.edu/links/hist.htm#Cemeteris>
- ♦ The Library of Congress has a experimental search engine: <http://lcweb2.loc.gov/resdev/ess>
- ♦ Dutch Home Pages by Family name: http://members.tripod.com/~Don_Arnoldus/index.html
- ♦ Genealogical and Historical links in the Netherlands: <http://members.tripod.com/~westland/index.htm>
- ♦ Links to surname indexes: <http://members.tripod.com/~westland/linksto.htm>
- ♦ Ships Passenger lists: http://members.tripod.com/~westland/ships_passenger_lists.htm
- ♦ Phone books on the Internet: <http://members.tripod.com/~westland/telefoon.htm>
- ♦ Aid Association for Lutherans - has a Lutheran Roots Genealogy Exchange: http://www.aal.org/lutheran_roots/
- ♦ The Computerized Ancestor is a computerized index to the 34 year collection of William A. Yates and Yates Publishing Co.; has family group sheets, pedigree charts, old letters, Bible records, wills, and manuscript genealogies. There are literally millions of names in the collection. Once you have located your ancestor, you can order copies from Yates: <http://www.montana.com/yates/>
- ♦ Library Catalogs on the World Wide Web: <http://library.usask.ca/hywebcat/>
- ♦ Michigan Death records - death records for 81,540 individuals from all counties for the years 1867-1874, with some records from 1875: <http://www.mdch.state.mi.us/PHA/OSR/gendis/index.htm>
- ♦ Scottish birth and marriage records from 1553 to 1897, and death records from 1855 to 1897; this is a searchable index from Old Parish Registers and the Statutory Index. An index to census records for 1891 will also be provided and 1881 census data will be available later this year: <http://www.open.gov.uk/gros/faq.htm> and <http://www.open.gov.uk/gros/groshome.htm>
- ♦ Surname distributions in the U.S. for 1850, 1880, 1920 or 1990: <http://www.hamrick.com/names/>
- ♦ 1921 Newfoundland Census (a project in progress with many of the records available now): http://www.huronweb.com/genweb/nfdata/main_n.htm
- ♦ The Irish Times - a daily newspaper that is available in both print and on the Internet that recently added a genealogy section. Irish Times: <http://www.irish-times.com>
Genealogy section: <http://www.irish-times.com/ancestor>
- ♦ Where is that town? Type in the name of the town you are trying to find, and it will tell you where the town is located. You can also find rivers, mountains and other geographic place names: <http://www.mit.edu:8001/geo>

(From: *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter*, May 16, 1998; *Genealogical Computing*, Spring 1998; Yoder-L mailing list; *Missing Links: A Weekly Newsletter for Genealogists*, May 22, 1998; PSRoots-L mailing list; ALT-GENEALOGY-L mailing list; and EGS Computer Interest Group mailing list).

FAMILY HISTORY SOURCEGUIDE CD-ROM FROM FHL

The Family History Department of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints has just released a new CD-ROM called *The Family History SourceGuide for Windows* that is available for sale to the general public. This CD is a compilation of many different booklets and brochures already available in print as well as new material not available previously. Sources on the CD include: Research outlines that describe types of records in countries, states and provinces around the world; Guides for doing family history research; Resource guides describing the contents and use of FamilySearch files and other information sources; Historical maps of selected areas; Letter writing guides for some non-English speaking countries; Word lists of English translations for foreign language words; Forms and census worksheets; Addresses of major Family History Centers in the U.S., Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the British Isles and Europe. You can search the CD by location as well as specific topics. The *SourceGuide* requires either Windows 95 or Windows NT. The cost is \$20; shipping and tax may be added when ordering. To order, call 1-800-637-5950 from the U.S. The *SourceGuide* is also available from a number of genealogy mail-order companies, such as Ancestry, Inc. (From *Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter*, May 16, 1998).

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING SEMINARS AND CONVENTIONS

- 5-8 June, 1998 "Coming Home Celebrating the Genealogy and History of our New Mexico Ancestors," Glorieta Conference Center, Glorieta, New Mexico, \$35. Conference Registration to: HGRC-NM, 1331 Juan Tabo NE Suite P-18, Albuquerque NM 87112.
- 13 June 1998 "Go Out on a Limb - Explore Your Family Tree," a Family History Seminar sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 125 Columbus at 65th, New York, New York. Registration \$15; mail to above address.
- 17-21 June, 1998 American Historical Society of Germans from Russia 1998 Convention, Wichita, Kansas. Details: <http://www.teleport.com/nonprofit.ahsgr/1998conv.html>
- 18 June 1998 Dr. James G. Ryan on "Irish Church Records & Other Genealogical Resources in Ireland" presented by The New York Genealogical & Biographical Society, the Irish Family History Forum, and the NY Irish History Roundtable; 6 p.m. at the Auditorium of the Society, 124 East 58th Street, NY; admission \$8 members/\$12 non members. Advanced registration required; mail to: The NYG & B Society, 122 E.58th St., New York, NY 10022-1939.
- 20 June 1998 Clallam County Gen. Society presents "A Summer Workshop," Trinity Lutheran Church, 301 E. Lopez, Port Angeles, WA.
- 20 June 1998 Forum Family History Fair "Preserving Our Heritage," Portland State University Ballroom, Smith Memorial Center, Portland OR.
- 26-27 June 1998 WSGS State Conference and Annual Meeting, Sehome High School, Bellingham, WA. Presentations on organizing, migration to and from the northern tier, the Alaskan Gold Rush, British Basics, Canadian genealogical resources, and more. Fee \$40/3x members; \$45 after June 1. For info, e-mail Hazel Raser at hrasar@usa.net or write WSGS Conference, PO Box 715, Conway WA 98238-0715.
- 13-18 July 1998 National Institute on Genealogical Research, Washington D.C. For information, e-mail to NatGenIns@aol.com or write National Institute on Gen. Research, PO Box 14274, Washington D.C. 20044-4274.
- 17-18 July 1998 American Family Records Association presents the 18th Annual Conference "Want Land, Will Travel - U.S. Migration Patterns & Land Records," John Knox Village Pavillion, Lee's Summit, Missouri, featuring keynote speaker Arlene Eakle. Registration \$30 for both days; call 816-252-0950 days or 816-795-8951 evenings for information/registration.
- 17-18 July 1998 NEHGS presents "New England Genealogical Summer Conference & Land Platting Workshop" at the Hartford Marriott Hotel, Farmington, CT. For information call toll-free 1-888-286-3447.
- 26-31 July 1998 Institute of Genealogical Studies, a project of the Dallas Genealogical Society, Harvey Hotel, Dallas, TX. Choice of six courses: Intermediate Genealogist; Advanced Genealogist; Case Studies - Winning the Research War; Creative Problem Solving; Ethnic Roots of the South; and The Expansionist Period - 1784-1830. Instructors included John Phillip Colletta, Sammie Townsend Lee, and George K. Schweitzer; fee \$350 plus meals and accommodations. For information, call 214-341-5166, or <http://www.cybercamp.net/~igs>

SWISS IMMIGRATION TO WISCONSIN PROJECT

Any one with a Swiss connection is invited to submit information on an early Swiss immigrant. Begun in 1990, the goal of this project is to produce a brief biographical and genealogical study of all persons of Swiss birth who came to reside in Wisconsin prior to 1900. The focus is on major courses of their emigration and their journey to America, the migration route they followed and their settlement process. Identifying individuals by name, age, occupation, the location of the immigrants' communes and cantons origin is the purpose of the research. It will also chronicle the settlements and identify the descendants of this group. A consolidation of all that is currently known about each immigrant will be accomplished. This is a long term project and a deadline has not yet been established. Contributions, no matter how small, are welcomed. Send information to: Maralyn A. Wellauer, Project Director, 2845 North 72nd Street, Milwaukee, WI 53210. (From *Trail Breakers*, newsletter of Clark Co. Gen. Soc., Spring 1998).

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY AT NEW LOCATION

The San Francisco Bay Area Jewish Genealogical Society has a new location in the Masonic Library, located at 111 California Street at Taylor. The library is open Mon. - Fri., 10 am to 3 pm. Enter on the corner, east of the main building entrance. (From *Trail Breakers*, Clark Co. G. Soc. newsletter, Winter 1997-98).

EGS INTEREST GROUP MEETINGS

Computer Interest Group	Saturday, June 20, 9:30 a.m. at the Boeing Tech Center in Eastgate; will be discussing GEDCOM Utilities. For more information, contact Sherry Holthe at 425-883-1407.
EGS Lunch Bunch	Thursday, June 25, 11:30 a.m. at Crossroads Mall Food Court, NE 8th and 156th Ave. NE, Bellevue. Contact Melissa Clausen at 425-373-1488 for more information.
German Interest Group	Friday, June 5, 1-3 p.m. at the Lake Hills Library. For more information, contact Millie Rickey at 425-747-3581.
Irish Interest Group	Monday, June 8, 7:30 p.m. at Firehouse #9. Reports are requested for the roundtable (one word) discussion from anyone who has attended a lecture, seminar, convention, class, or read a pertinent book. Call Mary Magnuson at 425-746-6627 for information.
Italian Interest Group	Saturday, June 20, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., Lake Hills Library. For more information, contact Mary Sangalang at 425-649-2250.
Midwest Interest Group	Thursday, June 18, 10 am - noon, Firehouse #9. Please bring information to share on getting organized and research tips & tricks. For info, call Kim Nichols at 425-402-9050.
Original 13 Colonies Interest Group	Monday, June 22, 7 p.m. at Firehouse #9. Contact Gini Wisner, 425-454-9635 for more information.
Portuguese Interest Group	Contact Barbara Gyll, 425-746-5603 for information.
Snoqualmie Valley Interest Group	Wednesday, June 17, 9:30 a.m. at the home of Mary Lou McKibben. Program will be on "Tale of an Ancestor" - members are asked to bring something to share about an ancestor. Please bring a brown bag lunch. For info or directions, call Mary Lou McKibben at 425-888-2053 or Mary Anagnost at 425-888-3947. Newcomers always welcome.

LOCATION ADDRESSES

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Bellevue, WA 425-450-1760

Boeing Technology Center
Building 33-07, Eastgate area
2760 160th Ave. SE
Bellevue, WA

Firehouse #9
12412 SE 69th Way
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Issaquah Public Library
140 East Sunset Way
Issaquah, WA 425-392-5430

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

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

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7910 NE 132nd St.
Kirkland, WA 425-821-8781

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

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

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

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Seattle, WA 206-386-4636

Snoqualmie Public Library
38530 SE River Street
Snoqualmie, WA 425-888-1223

National Archives,
6125 Sand Point Way NE,
Seattle, WA 206-526-6507

EGS CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

JUNE 1998

5	1-3 p.m.	German Interest Group, Lake Hills Library
4	7 p.m.	EGS Board Meeting, Firehouse #9 Bellevue
8	7:30 p.m.	Irish Interest Group, Firehouse #9 Bellevue
11	7:30 p.m.	EGS General Meeting, Bellevue Regional Library
18	10am-12	Midwest Interest Group, Firehouse #9 Bellevue
20	9:30 a.m.	Computer Interest Group, Boeing Tech Center
20	1:30-3:30 p.m.	Italian Interest Group, Newport Way Library
17	9:30 a.m.	Snoqualmie Valley Interest Group, see page 10 for location/information
22	7 p.m.	Original 13 Colonies Interest Group, Firehouse #9 Bellevue
25	11:30 a.m.	EGS Lunch Bunch, Crossroads Mall Food Court

JULY 1998

2	7 p.m.	EGS Board Meeting, Firehouse #9 Bellevue
9	7:30 p.m.	EGS General Meeting, Bellevue Regional Library

Please see page 10 for meeting locations

EGS monthly meetings are held 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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