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EGS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: Thursday, February 8, 2007
Time: 6:30 PM Welcome new members,
Supply table open
7:00 PM Meeting
Place: Bellevue Regional Library
Subject: "Then and Now – Phoebe Goodell Judson"
Speaker: Karen Parsons, EGS member and DAR Regent

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The February program will feature a member and DAR Regent, Karen Parsons, and her talk will be "Then and Now – Phoebe Goodell Judson." Phoebe wrote a book, *Pioneer Search for an Ideal Home*. She was a Washington pioneer and if people google her name, they can find excerpts of the book.

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

I am Maxine Klink, Nominating Committee Chairman and member of the EGS Board.

Peter Robertson was President at the time I joined EGS. I was interested in doing German Research so I joined the German Special Interest Group (SIG). Jan Pankratz, a founding member of EGS, was the chairman. Jan started this German SIG more than 17 years ago and so many of us have benefited from her outstanding leadership.

During Mickey Main's tenure as President, I was asked and agreed to serve on the Nominating Committee with Chairman Marty Gale. I also took my first trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, with members of the Shore to

Shore Group.

Our next President, Gene Fagerberg, introduced me to the benefits and fun of participating with exhibits at fairs, expos and conventions.

When Bill Sperber became EGS President, I became Chairman of the German Interest Group.

Our current President, Norb Ziegler, designed an EGS member survey; one item identified was an interest in Irish research. As a result of this survey, I initiated the revitalization of the Irish SIG which had been dormant for several years. It has grown to over 25 interested members.

I urge everyone to join a Special Interest Group and to volunteer to serve on one of the standing committees or perhaps even become an officer and member of the Board. EGS has always been high on my priority list and I am continuing to reap the benefits of EGS members research assistance and friendships.

[Submitted by EGS member, Maxine Kink]

JANUARY PROGRAM SUMMARY FOR JANUARY 13

Those EGS members who chose to brave the elements on Saturday afternoon, January 13th, to attend the EGS monthly meeting at the Bellevue Library were rewarded by a very educational and entertaining program on getting the most out of the U.S. census, given by Paul Huntress of the South King County Genealogical Society. Paul retired from Boeing three years ago and has put his computer background to good use in developing genealogical research strategies for the U.S. census.

Paul's presentation was divided into three parts: the history of the census, how to find peo-

ple in the census, and lastly how to use the information contained in the census. He began by giving an overview of the history and methods used to conduct the census from its inception in 1790 up to present time. Paul emphasized that this background is especially important if one is trying to extract as much information as possible from the census data that are available.

U.S. censuses conducted before 1850 are especially challenging as they only list head of households by name and all members of the family are enumerated in age and gender categories, not by name and age as they were from 1850 onward. One of the factors to consider is that each of the early censuses (1790-1840) was carried out in, at best, a 3 mile per hour world. Thus the enumeration process took 9 to 18 months starting with the official census date.

If the enumerators assiduously followed the census instructions then the enumeration listed only those family members living on the nominal census day, e.g. it should include any family member who had died between this date and the actual date that the family was enumerated; while excluding any child who was born subsequent to the nominal census day but before the family was actually enumerated. Paul suggested that his work with the early censuses indicated that many respondents gave their information as of the date they were enumerated rather than of the official date of the census.

Inferring dates of death from census data is even more difficult unless the person that one is searching for died between 1850 and 1880 and serendipitously passed on within the year prior to the census date. In which case, an examination of the Mortality Schedules may provide some useful information.

As Paul pointed out, the information provided in the census has progressively increased. Certain types of occupational data along with the number of aliens residing in the household were reported in 1820. Starting with the 1830 census the number of persons with various dis-

abilities are listed, such as blind, deaf and dumb. Often overlooked is the information on revolutionary war pensioners and their ages given in the 1840 census (unfortunately they are not listed by name!). Also included in the 1840 census for the first time was the number of persons attending school.

The 1850 census, which is generally regarded as the first "modern" census, was greatly expanded to include a listing of all persons in the household by name, age, gender, color, occupation, value of real estate owned, state or country of birth, married with year, attended school, can-

not read or write, insane, idiotic, pauper or convict.

Since the 1850 census the types and specificity of information has continued to increase. In 1860 the value of a person's personal estate was included. In 1870 additional information on foreign born parents, children born within the year, number of males over 21, and number of males declined the vote were included. Starting with the 1880 census, city addresses, relationship to head of household, marital status, months unemployed, sickness/disability, crippled and parent's birthplace were included. In

the 1900 census the month and year of birth, age, years married, number of children born to the mother and how many were still living, year of immigration, numbers of years in the U.S., naturalization, own/rent, free/mortgage and farm/house were included.

The 1910 census included more information on a person's type of business, whether they were employer/employee or worked on their own account, and their veteran status. In the 1930 census the value of the home or monthly payment, whether or not there was a radio set in the home, and the age at first marriage was included.

Paul shared with us a number of search techniques that he uses to find the seemingly "unfindable." He showed us very useful examples of search and browse options where the name of the person being searched for is not used but other very specific data like age, birth-

Political Wisdom...

*government is like
a baby's
alimentary
canal,
with a happy
appetite at one
end and no
responsibility at
the other
.....Ronald Reagan*

date and birthplace are. While these search methods were presented in the context of a census search they have a much broader application.

Paul highly recommended reading *The Census Book* by William Dollarhide. This book is now available on-line through the King County Library System. Also recommended was Ruby Coleman's "Outsmarting the Census Enumerator, Transcriber and Indexer."

Thanks for an outstanding program, Paul!

(Submitted by EGS member and research assistant Bob Barnes)



She is an exemplary volunteer – not one to seek the lime-light – so many of us have benefited from her expertise behind the scenes – always there for me – what big shoes to fill – she knew so many people – she was very good to pass on news to me.

These are a few of the comments I heard referring to our first Volunteer in the Spotlight, **Gloria Peck Brown**, a member and driving force behind EGS since 1985.

Many will remember Gloria and Myra McDowell working behind the supply table. What you might not know is that they carried books and supplies to genealogy events as far away as Portland. According to Myra, she "inherited" Gloria when she volunteered to take over the duties of the Supply Table chair. Gloria had the experience whereas Myra had just joined EGS. Over the years, Gloria was invaluable and they became friends. Myra says Gloria was always one of the "Indians" – never a "Chief" – which is so typical of her DOING the job to be done, out of the lime-light.

Gloria took care of EGS mail, researched queries from mail requests, called new members and provided one-on-one assistance. She helped organize and implement EGS genealogy seminars. She proof-read the EGS Bulletin and wrote articles for it. While writing the Books in the Library column, she got to know the librarians. She has provided EGS library help, and donated or recommended many books for the EGS collection, and was one of the original members of the Library Acquisition Committee. She provided many articles of interest for use by the SIGs, the Bulletin editors, and others. When asked how she, an Irish

researcher, came up with so many articles of interest to the Italian SIG, she stated Italy comes right after Ireland.

Gloria also worked on the EGS project to create the Vital Statistics Books extracted from the Bellevue American Newspapers.

She was Sunshine Chairman for a number of years and attended EGS Board meetings.

Here is a cute story she shared with me. Her husband, Bill, took a phone call from their daughter's high school classmate. He told her their daughter was doing graduate work at the U.W., working on a Ph.D. in "genealogy." (The Ph.D. was in genetics.)

Gloria's advice to anyone who feels shy about volunteering: It's the best way to meet people and get a lot of help with genealogy. Everyone is most generous and genealogists love to talk and share what they've learned.

Thank you, Gloria. Who could count the hours you have so generously dedicated to EGS – not just an institution, but a group of caring individuals. We love you.

(Our thanks to Mary Sangalang, Jan Pankratz, Ilene Edmonson, Pat Clarke, Myra McDowell, and others.)

[Written by EGS member and Trustee, Sharron Filer]

EGS SCANDINAVIAN INTEREST GROUP

Meeting Summary, Tuesday, January 9, 2007

Our first meeting of the year was enhanced by the attendance of four new folks who came armed with questions and comments about their search for Scandinavian ancestors.

Two sisters, Suzanne Leavitt and Joanne Eichner, are looking for roots in Copenhagen. They've looked in "the usual places" with few results, and our best advice for the moment was to consult someone at the LDS Family History Center who is familiar with the Danish records.

Gary Saaris is looking for a way to find the community from which some folks emigrated. Our best suggestion was to look in the "police registers" reflected in the Emigranten CD, where records were kept of each emigrant from the main Swedish ports of debarkation, and the agents who arranged their passage, with the original goal of keeping all the deals honest.

Ron Cross had more suggestions than questions, having already located several family lines back 400 or 500 years. One of his suggestions was that one can locate court cases in the U.S., indexed

by year and name, in the American Digest System, available at the U.W. Law Library.

On February 13 we will have a "show and tell" meeting, where we bring items of interest from our ancestral homelands to share with the group. All are welcome.

[Submitted by EGS member, Gene Fagerberg]

CZECH AND SLOVAK THANKSGIVING MEETING

Actually, they do not celebrate Thanksgiving in the Czech and Slovak Republics, but they do have the word DIKUVZDANI, to give thanks.

We started our November 11th meeting with a Thanksgiving potluck. The fire station never smelled so good before. Watching each person tell about the food they brought was so heartwarming. Fond memories radiated as they told stories about the dish. Many brought recipes for their dish. Sitting down to share a meal brought all kinds of networking, I enjoyed watching the folks learn more about each other.

The firemen at Fire Station #22 joined us and learned a lot about the Czech and Slovak food and culture. Fast! Music for this event was provided by Fred Gessner, Slovak music expert.

With content tummies, we started our meeting. Jo Herber was so excited! The DNA testing proved the Murgas' she met in her ancestral Slovak village are relatives!

Our roundtable format of sharing produced much more valuable information for attendees. We have information on genealogy tours coming up in the Czech and Slovak Republics this year. Websites were shared, a member gave a report on the UW Czech language and Czech Cultural Center reception for Czech Ambassador Petr Kolar that netted almost \$1000. Ruze Gresser brought wonderful hand embroidered linens to share.

Our next meeting on January 27th will have a special mini lesson on using the FHC Austrian Empire Military Records microfilms.

[Submitted by EGS member, Rosie Bodien]

NEW NETHERLAND, NY, ANYONE?

Margaret Amory, a member since 1999, would love to talk to you if any of your ancestors settled in New Netherland, NY. She is also researching surnames Amory, Rensen, and Alberti. You may contact her at 206-275-1441.

TRACING FAMILY ROOTS THROUGH DNA

Have you ever met someone with the same last

name and wondered if you might be related?

Tracing one's family history is rapidly becoming a favorite pastime. Inevitably, at some point you will find that you can't validate the information you uncover or you'll find yourself running into brick walls.

Today, however, there's another way -- utilizing technology to verify ancestry. DNA tests are most useful in determining genetic links between people who may have little documentation or oral history to guide them. DNA -- the "gene" in genealogy can answer questions when there is no available paper trail.

"DNA is nothing more than a tool in the toolkit for the genealogist who has run into a paper trail roadblock," says Bennett Greenspan, president/CEO of Family

Tree DNA, the Houston-based company that is considered the world leader in genetic testing for genealogical research. "With DNA testing, we are able to unravel that history book that is contained within the cells of all of us."

Bennett Greenspan, founder/CEO of Family Tree DNA, will speak on genetic genealogy in Seattle's Stroum Jewish Community Center on Monday, February 12, at Temple Beth Israel (Eugene, Oregon) on Tuesday, February 13, and at Portland's Mittleman JCC on Wednesday, February 14. His presentation begins with Jewish history, DNA testing and his own genealogy that resulted in the founding of Family Tree DNA. He explains how family relationships are determined through DNA testing. He also shows how the company can come to the rescue when the paper trail ends or traditional genealogy hits a brick wall.

A quick basic biology refresher is enough to explain how the science of DNA testing helps family history researchers. There are two types of DNA --Y-DNA (paternal) and mtDNA (maternal) - - which allow us to explore our ancestry. Greenspan will speak to what researchers can expect from testing and what we can all learn.

Also to be addressed: What do you get and what do your results look like? What can you learn from the results? So what do all those numbers really mean?



Family Tree DNA allows individuals to compare results against one another to see if they are likely to share a common lineage and whether or not there are any mutations between them.

"Tracing Family Roots through DNA" will be presented at 7:00 PM, Monday, February 12, 2007 at the Auditorium, Stroum Jewish Community Center, Mercer Island.

[Submitted by EGS member, Barbara Zanzig]

UW OFFERS PROGRAM IN GENEALOGY

The University of Washington offers a nine-month evening certificate program in Genealogy and Family History that prepares students to conduct their own genealogical research into family history with an understanding and appreciation of the social and historical context within which their ancestors found themselves.

The program starts each fall, meets one evening a week for three quarters, and culminates in a family history writing project in the spring. The program starts in autumn 2007.

Full information about the program can be found at www.extension.washington.edu/ext/certificates/gfh/gfh_gen.asp

[From a letter received by EGS from Chaya Siegelbaum, PhD., Associate Director, University of Washington Extension]

WEBSITES TO TRY

- Today in Weather History can supply significant weather for any date in American history. It won't have the weather for every location for every day, but it lists most of the major storms, heat waves, tornadoes, hurricanes and the like. If the weather was bad enough to be recorded in some ancestral documentation, it may well be detailed here.
www.weatherforyou.com/history/.
- A new search engine targeted at people aged 50-plus called cRANKy.com launched on Tuesday. Billed as the first age-relevant search engine, the developer of the engine designed it to deliver the most targeted results for this demographic. They did this by applying a "50-plus lens to every query". So the results are based on both search technology, reviews and users ratings.
www.cranky.com/
- The UK National Archives has announced that everyone can now access the first comprehensive database of passenger lists from ships de-

parting the UK on long-distance voyages to destinations including North America, Australia, India and South Africa between 1890 and 1960.

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/

- Richard Michael Doherty and Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens are once again sponsoring genealogy research trips to Ireland. Imagine researching your Irish ancestors on their own turf. Imagine finding solutions to your pesky research dilemmas. Imagine sharing your successes with fellow researchers over a pint in an Irish pub.
www.celticquest.net/
- You have to wonder what goes through the minds of new parents when they decide on the name of their new offspring. Think about poor Humperdink Fangboner, who grew up to be a lumber dealer in Sandusky, Ohio. Of course, his wife Fanny Fangboner didn't have it much easier. Some of these names sound like they came out of a W. C. Fields movie. To see some of the strangest names that you will ever see, look at
f2.org/humour/language/oddnames.

WEBSITE DESIGN FOR THE GENEALOGIST

Would you like to put your genealogy information online? Or perhaps you are interested in placing the extracted taxpayers' records from the nineteenth century onto your genealogy society's web site? Maybe your genealogy society doesn't yet have a web site but would like to? You now have a web site that can help.

Patricia Geary has created a web site that should interest many genealogists. "Website Design for the Genealogist" includes tutorials on web site design, a discussion of stylesheets, descriptions of software tools to make the job easier, and links to many other web sites that contain similar information.

Strictly speaking, "Website Design for the Genealogist" is not just about genealogy. Almost all the information on this site can be applied to the creation of any web site, genealogy-related or not. However, it is nice to see the focus on placing genealogy information online. In fact, I'd suggest that you start with Patricia's article, "Planning a genealogy website?"

"Website Design for the Genealogist" covers

FREE OFFER**FREE GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH HELP:**

Genealogical research help is available at the Bellevue Regional Library at NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE in Bellevue. Eastside Genealogical Society volunteers are waiting to help you with problems and questions. They are available in **room 6** on the second floor of the library, to the left of the reference desk.

Hours are **Tuesdays** from 7-9 PM and **Wednesdays** from 1-3 PM.

many of the aspects of creating static web pages. This is a great method of creating lists of a few hundred or even a few thousand ancestors. The site does not cover the methods of creating more complex online SQL databases or other dynamic web sites that can store information about tens of thousands or even hundreds of thousands of individuals. It also does not cover the creation of "for pay" sites that restrict access to some pages while giving open access to other web pages.

If you are one of the few people who plan to create very large online databases or restricted access web sites, you will need more sophisticated tools. However, "Website Design for the Genealogist" should cover the needs of 99% of today's family historians.

Patricia Geary's "Website Design for the Genealogist" can be found at www.genealogy-web-creations.com.

[Richard Eastman, January 9, 2007]

BELLEVUE FHC CLASSES

The classes listed below are being held at the Bellevue Family History Center at 10675 NE 20th St. from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. All are invited and there is no cost. The schedule may change with snow or power outages or other unplanned events. These changes will be posted on our website at www.bellevuewafhc.com/.

Jan 9th - U.S. Federal Census Records - DearMYRTLE

Jan 16th - (no class)

Jan 23rd -GenSmarts: Artificial intelligence for family historians - DearMYRTLE

Jan 30th - PAF, PAF Companion, PAF Pal, PAF Insight - Denney Pugmire

Feb 7th (wed) - Hidden Niches of Info. on the Internet - Jan Johnson

Feb 14th - (wed)-Hidden Niches of Info. on the Internet followup - Jan Johnson

Feb 20th (Tue) - Scottish Genealogy - Jim Bundy

Feb 27th - English Genealogy - Jim Bundy

Mar 6th - Entering Your Data Right The First Time - Julie Monson

Mar 13th - Irish Genealogy - Ann Lamb

From Bob Mullen, Director of the Bellevue FHC

HIBBERT'S GORE, POPULATION: ONE

Many of our ancestors lived in small towns. In some cases, the towns and villages where they lived were very small. However, one place in Maine has the smallest population, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. In fact, it would be impossible to have a smaller population.

The U.S. census for the Year 2000 lists Hibbert's Gore, Maine, with the following information: Total population: 1. Number of blacks: 0. Number of Asians: 0. Number of whites: 1. Population under 18: 0.

That's right, the total population is one, and that would be Karen Keller. Hibbert's Gore is an unincorporated area of 640 acres in northern Maine. In several northeastern states, a "gore" is a location that is not claimed by any county. There are no stores, no street lamps, and no mailboxes in Hibbert's Gore. It cannot be found on very many maps.

The U.S. Census Bureau does not publish personal information about individuals, such as salary and occupation. However, the Bureau does publish the average salary of every town, village, and other location. Since this location has but one citizen, the average is the same as the one person's personal data. In effect, Karen Keller's income will be published.

Karen Keller's income is probably rather low, as are her expenses. She lives alone without electricity or running water. She claims that she is not a hermit or a loner or an extreme naturalist. However, she has struggled all her life to control bipolar disorder. She cannot deal with the confines of city life, or even of small-town life, without drugs. She prefers to live a drug-free existence; therefore, she lives in a house in the wilderness and is not encumbered by the conveniences of central heat, running water, or electricity.

50-year-old Karen Keller heats her small A-frame home with a wood stove and hauls her own water by hand. She calculates that two gallons of the water is a quick shower while five gallons provides a shampoo. She lives mostly off the land, hunting deer with a bolt-action rifle and growing her own vegetables, fruit, and herbs. She splits her own firewood. She heats water on her wood-burning stove and then funnels it through a camper's shower.

Keller spent her youth between Schenectady, New York, and Midland, Michigan. She received a bachelor's degree in natural resources at the University of Michigan and spent much of her adult life in the woods of Quebec. She lived in Vermont for a while but finally found the peace she seeks in the woods of northern Maine in that quiet place called Hibbert's Gore: Population One.

[Posted by Dick Eastman on January 20, 2007]

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS

It is New Year's Eve 1852 and John Smith sits at his desk by candlelight. He dips his quill pen in ink and begins to write his New Year's resolutions:

1. No man is truly well-educated unless he learns to spell his name at least three different ways within the same document. I resolve to give the appearance of being extremely well-educated in the coming year.

2. I resolve to see to it that all of my children will have the same names that my ancestors have used for six generations in a row.

3. My age is no one's business but my own. I hereby resolve to never list the same age or birth year twice on any document.

4. I resolve to have each of my children baptized in a different church - either in a different faith or in a different parish. Every third child will not be baptized at all or will be baptized by an itinerant minister who keeps no records.

5. I resolve to move to a new town, new county or new state at least once every ten years - just before those pesky enumerators come around asking silly questions.

6. I will make every attempt to reside in counties and towns where no vital records are maintained or where the courthouse burns down every few years.

7. I resolve to join an obscure religious cult that does not believe in record keeping or in participating in military service.

8. When the tax collector comes to my door I'll loan him my pen, which has been dipped in rapidly fading blue ink.

9. I resolve that if my beloved wife Mary should die I will marry another Mary.

10. I resolve not to make a will. Who needs to spend money on a lawyer?

11. I resolve to not clutter up good farm pastures with headstones that will just get broken or fade with time anyway.

12. I resolve to protect my family and friends privacy by giving false names and places for events.

13. I resolve to never give the correct accounts of misdeeds in the family so when Uncle Lem shot that guy and was tried for murder, my kids will be told he stole a cow.

14. I resolve to never trim the family cemetery of brush and tangleweed to keep out any one doing that silly Genealogical work.

15. I resolve to always alternate my kids' and wife's first and middle names when the census taker comes around just to give him practice with his spelling.

16. I resolve to come from Ireland where there are no records or if there are they can only be examined by visiting the exact village, pleading with the local clergy (who is hostile to anyone not of his belief - which of course you are) and/or handing over a fee equal to or exceeding your yearly income for one hour's research which may not find anything.

17. I resolve that not only shall I NOT die in my country of birth but nor shall my children (yea verily) unto the sixth generation.

18. I resolve that I shall call my children by odd names which the enumerator shall spell incorrectly.

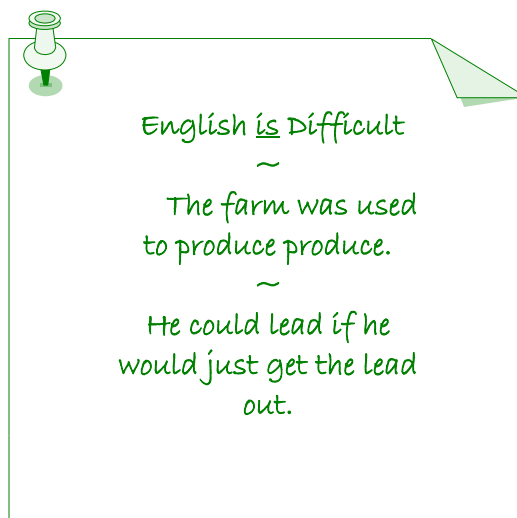
19. I resolve that I shall be absent on the night of the census.

20. I resolve that if unable to be absent on census night I shall endeavor to be enumerated twice.

21. I resolve that when I die my children/wife are instructed to give the wrong details for my death certificate.

22. I resolve that I and most of my family shall die suddenly just before death certification is brought in - in a parish where easy access to the records ceases the previous year.

[Contributed by EGS member, Ann Lamb]





*** VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ***

Do you have time on your hands? Could you donate a few hours a week [or a month] to Eastside Genealogy Society to help keep our operation running smoothly? EGS is only as strong as our volunteers.

Here are a few recent openings due to illness, moving, grandchildren needing care, or personal life changes.

Nominating Committee - Members are needed to work on the Nominating Committee each spring to locate new officers for EGS. Contact Maxine Klink at 425-836-0930 or (marymaxklink@comcast.net).

Education Committee - New Education Chair is needed due to retirement of Dana Siverling for health reasons. Contact Norb Ziegler at 425-557-2108 or (zieglerwa@sprintmail.com) if you are interested.

Library Committee - A volunteer needed as an assistant to the EGS Library Chair, Winnie Sihon. Contact Winnie Sihon at 425-746-3573 or (wsihon@comcast.net).

Research Assistants— We need an additional volunteer to help researchers at our afternoon or evening help sessions at the library, due to a recent vacancy. Contact Winnie Sihon at wsihon@comcast.net or 425-746-3573.

Publicity Chair - A volunteer is needed for the recently vacated Publicity Chair. Out going chair person will stay and train. Call Norb Ziegler at 425-557-2108 or zieglerwa@sprintmail.com



Local Meetings and Events

1. We want to get on your calendars early for next year! **Family History Expo VII** will be held on November 10, 2007 (2nd Sat. in November) from 9:00-5:00 PM at the Redmond Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 10115 172nd Ave. NE, Redmond, WA and will be a day full of free classes on family history research. Classes offered will cover all experience levels, from beginners to advanced researchers.
2. The Redmond Historical Society will meet on Saturday, February 10, 2007, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. The location is The Old Redmond Schoolhouse Community Center Auditorium, 16600 NE 80 Street, Redmond, WA. Learn about life on Lake Washington in the late 19th century, as seen through the eyes of Clarissa Colman, and hear the intrigue and mystery surrounding the murder of her husband, James Manning Colman. Sherry Grindeland will discuss the Colman diaries and Tom Hitzroth will review the current research into the murder of James Colman. Visit our website: www.redmondhistory.org.
3. "Tracing Family Roots through DNA", 7 p.m., Monday, February 12, 2007 at the Auditorium, Stroum Jewish Community Center, Mercer Island. Sponsored by the Jewish Genealogical Society of Washington State
For more information, go to www.jgsws.org or call Lyn, (206) 932-3481. JGSWS Members: no charge; Others: \$5

EGS 2007 MEETING CALENDAR	
EGS Group Name	Meeting Notice
EGS Board Meeting (First Thursday 10:00 AM)	The EGS Board will meet on February 1, 2007 at 10:00 AM at the Redmond Library.
EGS General Meeting (Second Thursday, 7:00 PM)	The Eastside Genealogical Society will hold its general meeting on Thursday, February 8th at 7:00 PM in the Bellevue Regional Library. The Supply Table opens at 6:30 PM.
Computer Interest Group (Fourth Saturday, 9:30 AM)	Will meet Saturday, February 24th, 9:30 am in the Community Room at Crossroads Mall. (Dave Abernathy, 425-271-4885 or DaveA@schmeckabernathy.com)
Czech/Slovak Interest Group (Check EGS Bulletin each month for meeting time information)	Will meet on next meet Saturday, March 3rd 9:30AM to noon at Firestation #22 in Houghton (Kirkland). NOTE Change due to conflict. (Rosie Bodien, 425-828-0170 or rosie@bodien.org .)
EGS Lunch Bunch (Fourth Thursday, 11:30 AM)	Meets every fourth Thursday at Crossroads Food Court. (Call Myra McDowell at 425-641-4650 or mcdowellml@yahoo.com)
German Interest Group (First Friday, 1:00 PM)	Will meet Friday, February 2nd, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM, at Crossroads Mall Community Room. Newcomers are always welcome! (Call Ann Passe 206-232-1104 or annp42@comcast.net)
Irish Interest Group (First Wednesday, 10:00 AM)	Will meet Wednesday, February 7th, at the Lake Hills Library, 10:00AM to 12:00 noon. Helping plan a trip to Ireland. (Call Ann Lamb 425-557-0440 or AnnL7777@aol.com)
Italian Interest Group (Third Saturday, 1:30 PM)	Will meet Saturday, February 10th, at 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm at the Lake Hills Library. NOTE: Time change due to tax help at the library. (Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250 or collectingroots@att.net)
Scandinavian Interest Group (Second Tuesday, 10:00 AM)	Will meet Tuesday, February 13th at 10:00AM to noon in the Regional Archives Building at Bellevue Community College. (Gene Fagerberg at 206-783-4649, wefagerberg@comcast.net)
Shore to Shore Interest Group (changes monthly, call Jan)	Will go on Monday, Feb. 5th to NARA and the Seattle Genealogical Library. (Call Jan Henderson 425-483-0334)



	LOCATION ADDRESSES	
Bellevue Regional Library NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE Bellevue, WA 425-450-1760	Crossroads Mall Shopping Center Community Meeting Room NE 8th and 156th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA	FHC - Bellevue 10675 NE 20th St Bellevue, WA 425-454-2690
FHC - Kirkland 7910 NE 132nd St. Kirkland, WA 425-821-8781	Issaquah Public Library 140 East Sunset Way Bellevue, WA 425-392-5430	Lake Hills Library 15528 Lake Hills Blvd. SE Bellevue, WA 425-747-3350
National Archives and Records Admin. 6125 Sand Point Way NE Seattle, WA 98115-7999 206-336-5115	LDS Fam. History Center-Factoria 4200 124th Ave. SE Bellevue, WA 425-562-0361	LDS Fam. Hist. Center - Redmond 10115 172nd Ave. NE Redmond, WA 425-861-9273
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2007 CALENDAR OF UPCOMING SEMINARS AND EVENTS

- February 9-10 St. George, Utah: Sponsored by My Ancestors Found and Volunteers from the Washington County PAF User's Group. A great place for beginners to learn the ropes! This two-day event is drawing speakers and vendors from all over the U.S. It will feature 100+ terrific classes to choose from, more than 60 vendors and exhibitors, and the latest genealogy products and technology. Many free drawings and prizes each day. More info go to www.myancestorsfound.com/jamboree/jamboreeSG.htm
- February 10 Sun City, AZ: The West Valley Genealogical Society is hosting their annual genealogy seminar featuring Rich Hooverson from Texas. Seminar will be at the First Presbyterian Church at 12225 N. 103rd Avenue, Sun City. Topics include, "Tricks of the Trade: Tried & True Research Techniques", "Life in the Past Lane: Everyday Life of Yesteryear" and "Unblocking Writers Block: Creativity and Technology". Registration is \$40 including a continental breakfast and a light buffet luncheon. Vendors will be onsite. For more information go to www.rootsweb.com/~azwvgs/Index.htm
- April 13-14 Wenatchee, WA: The Washington State Genealogical Society will hold their 2007 Annual Conference and Business Meeting, "Climbing Your Family Tree" at the Wenatchee Center Hotel and Conference Center, hosted by the Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society. Call 1-800-663-1144 for more information.
- April 13 – 14 Oconomowoc, WI: The WSGS 2007 Gene-a-Rama will be held at the Olympia Resort & Conference Center in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. Our featured speaker will be Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak. Megan, the author of "Honoring Our Ancestors: Inspiring Stories of the Quest for Our Roots" and "Trace Your Roots with DNA: Using Genetic Tests to Explore Your Family Tree," was also the recipient of International Society of Family History Writers and Editors awards in 2003, 2004 and 2005, and sits on the Board of Directors of the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG). For more information go to www.wsgs.org
- April 28 Santa Rosa, CA: John Colletta will be the featured speaker at an all day seminar in Santa Rosa, California on 28 April 2007. Details can be found at: www.rootsweb.com/~cascgs/colletta.htm
- May 19 Burlington, WA: Skagit Valley Genealogical Society presents a Genealogy Conference on Saturday, May 19, 2007 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Burlington Community Center, 1011 Greenleaf Avenue, Burlington, WA featuring Sandra Hargreaves Luebking.
- July 12 – 14 Salt Lake City, UT: The Federation of East European Family History Societies (FEEFHS) will hold their 2007 Conference "Access Your Ancestors: One On One Will Get It Done" July 12-14 in Salt Lake City, Utah at the Plaza Hotel and the Family History Library. The feature for this year's Conference will be individual consultations, by appointment, with the FEEFHS experts and Family History Library staff. A cultural presentation entitled "Got Culture? See, Hear and Experience Your Ethnicity" will be presented Thursday evening. The annual banquet will be on Friday night and tours to hear the world famous Mormon Tabernacle Choir broadcast, Temple Square and other historic sights will round out the activities. More Info: www.feeffhs.org
- August 15-18 Ft. Wayne, IN: FGS Conference will be themed " Meeting at the Cross roads of America." For more information go to www.fgs.org



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