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EGS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, January 12, 1995, 7:30 p.m., at the Bellevue Public Library
(7:00 p.m. Beginners' Help and Supply Table Open)

Speaker: Connie Balazic

Topic: How to Write an Exciting and Eventful Family History
from a Family Group Sheet, or, Adding Life to Your Ancestors

ABOUT THE SPEAKER: Connie Balazic, President of Eastside Genealogical Society, is also familiar to many who are not members of EGS, as the friendly, helpful Patron Services Librarian at the Family History Center, LDS Church in Bellevue. Connie has taught weekly genealogy classes and has organized and conducted day-long genealogical seminars. The program on January 12th will demonstrate how to set the scene and bring the events of the past into the lives of our families. By using only documented circumstances, our ancestors can have their lives recreated in a way that will increase the reader's understanding of them.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
Connie Balazic

There is exciting news to share from the Bellevue Family History Center. The updated computerized Social Security Death Index is now available on Family Search. Both the Ancestral File and the IGI will have a new release sometime in January. In the future, look for a new addition to both files every six months. It might be wise to reserve computer time in advance and guarantee access that will fit your schedule.

With a six-month plan for revisions of the Ancestral File, more researchers will be encouraged to submit their family data. Corrections and additions to current files will be included at a faster pace, which should increase the usefulness and accuracy of the whole system. In other words, family genealogists will have faster contact with others working on the same lines. There has never been a better time for you to send the FHL a disk copy of your records, or to use your documents to correct existing data.

Please note - the Bellevue Family History Center will be closed from December 23 through January 9, while a little magic expansion takes place inside. As always, any films that you have ordered will be extended to give you the full three-week viewing time.

The year of 1995 looks like a terrific year for advancing your pedigree. On an average, about 1,000 films are added to the FHL collection each month, along with several hundred books. Hope to see you at the Center on Fridays between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Best wishes to all for a Happy and Progressive New Year.

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COMING EVENTS

SCHOOL DAYS, SCHOOL DAYS -- it's time to register for genealogy classes for winter quarter.

- * **Beginning Family History** - Bellevue Community College, Sarah Little Thorson, Instructor. January 11 through March 15 (10 Wednesdays) from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Interlake High School, Room 12. Fee is \$59. See winter quarter catalog, page 105, or call the college for further details.
- * **Your Legacy in Photographs** - Bellevue Community College, Kay Dees, Instructor. January 10 and January 17 (two Tuesdays) from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the BCC Upper Campus, Room J128, Fee \$44. See winter quarter catalog, page 105, or call the college for further details.
- * **A Family History on Videotape** - Bellevue Community College, Dominic Gentile, Instructor. Saturday, January 21 (one day only) from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the BCC Upper Campus, Room J110, Fee is \$39. See winter quarter catalog, page 105, or call the college for further details.
- * **South Seattle Community College and North Seattle Community College** will have classes in beginning/intermediate genealogy, also. Call them for information.
- * **The Seattle Public Library** has classes for genealogy and also tours of the library. Call the library for information.
- * **The Bellevue Senior Center** will start classes on 22 February. Call the Center 455-7681 for information.
- * **The Seattle Genealogical Society's Irish Interest Group** will meet on Saturday, January 21, 1995, at 10:15 a.m., at the Greenwood Branch of the Seattle Public Library. Address is NW 80th and Greenwood Avenue N. The speaker will be Walt Davis, chairman of the Irish Group, who will give a review of Munster Province (Counties of Cork, Tipperary, Kerry, Limerick, Clare and Waterford). The following meeting will be held on Saturday, February 18, 1995 at SGS, 8511 - 15th Avenue NE, Seattle. Subject will be a review of Leinster Province (Counties of Wexford, Kilkenny, Kildare, Carlow, Wicklow, Offaly [Kings], Lais/Lex [Queens], Westmeath, Meath, Longford, Louth and Dublin.
- * **EGS Beginning Genealogy Workshop** - Saturday, January 28, 1995, at the Issaquah Historical Society's Train Depot in downtown Issaquah, next to the Issaquah Public Library. Sign in time is 8:30 a.m. with classes starting at 9:00 a.m. The fee is \$8, of which \$3 will be donated to the Issaquah Historical Society. Classes will include how to use forms and vital records, Federal and State census, information at the LDS branch libraries, military records, genealogical terms in research, and using the interlibrary loan system to obtain research materials. There will be a supply table with forms and research material for sale.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP NEWS

- * **Computer Interest Group** - Next meeting will be Saturday, January 21, 1995, 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, at the Boeing Technology Center in the Eastgate area of Bellevue. 2760 - 160th Avenue SE (Building 33-07). The general presentation will be a program "CD-ROMS: Background and Genealogical Uses" by Charles Dorian and Ed Kovacs. After the general session the group will break up into two sub-groups: one discussing the PAF genealogy computer program and the other a more generic discussion of other genealogical computer programs. There will be a general discussion on the new PAF program up-date, Version 2.31, followed by a question-and-answer period on problems, solutions, and PAF utility programs.
- * **Italian Interest Group** - Next meeting on Saturday, January 21, 1995, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Bellevue Public Library. Bill Oakes, Past State President of the Sons of Italy, will present two 30-minute videos on the contributions Italians have made to America. His wife Stella will display her pedigree chart, made on parchment paper, framed and sent to her by relatives in Italy.
- * **Irish Interest Group** - Next meeting will be the second Monday of the month, January 9, 1995. Call Linda Hjelm for program, time and place, 392-6193.
- * **German Interest Group** - Next meeting will be Friday, January 6, 1995, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Lake Hills Public Library. Topic will be an audio tape -- "Genealogical Sources Created by Nazi Germany 1933-1945." This group will meet again on February 3, 1995 at the Lake Hills Public Library from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Topic will be a map presentation by Jean Ryan.
- * **Roots User Group** - No information provided.
- * **Snoqualmie Valley Interest Group** - Meets Wednesday, January 18, 1995 at 9:30 a.m. at the North Bend Public Library. Program - Henning Schroeder tape "Genealogical Sources Created by Germany."

Sunshine Committee reports: Wendy McCrain's dad, (husband of Eunice Jobes), has been under the weather but is reported to be doing well. We wish him a steady and speedy recovery.

WHOSE JOB IS IT?

There is a story about four people named Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Anybody would do it but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.
(from the Greater Wenatchee Community Foundation via The Apple Orchard, CVGS, Oct-Nov 94)

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

- In 1645, one vote gave Oliver Cromwell control of England.
- In 1776, one vote gave America the English language instead of German.
- In 1845, one vote brought Texas into the Union.
- In 1875, one vote changed France from a monarchy to a republic.
- In 1876, one vote gave Rutherford B. Hayes the presidency of the United States.
- In 1923, one vote gave Adolph Hitler leadership of the Nazi Party.
- In 1941, one vote saved the Selective Service System
weeks before Pearl Harbor was attacked.

(from the Thirteenth Coast Guard District Retiree Council Newsletter)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- * **PICTURE PAST** - old postcards of churches our ancestors may have known. Some of these old churches are no more. Mrs. K.L. Yvonne Coldron is a member of the Lincolnshire Family History Society and the British Association for Cemeteries in South Asia. **PICTURE PAST** was set up by a family historian for family and local historians. Mrs. Coldron is not a general postcard dealer. She advertises only in Family Tree Magazine and Family History Journals. **PICTURE PAST** started from her own collection of church postcards. She only collects postcards of churches. Photography did not commence until the 1840s, and picture postcards did not come into use until 1894. However, most postcards available today (at sensible prices) date from 1904. When completing your list of wishes, use the pre-1974 counties, i.e., Yorkshire - East, North, or West Riding: Rutland, Huntingdonshire, etc. London would be City of London, or County of London, with the name of the area, i.e., Chelsea, Islington, Stepney, etc. If in doubt you could use an old Bartholomew's Gazetteer of pre-1974 Atlas.

Note from the Editor: I recently asked for postcards of several churches and have received old postcards of two of them. The price was reasonable, I thought. If you wish to take advantage of this service, call me at 562-6663, and I will send you a copy of the information and request form. Jan Ulstein.

- * It's the custom; it's the style; it's the rage! Heritage Books, Inc., has reprinted two books about the daily lives of our ancestors in early America. Customs and Fashions in Old New England, by Alice Morse Earle, was first published in 1893; Americans of 1776, Daily Life in Revolutionary America, by James Schouler, was copyrighted in 1906. These books give a fascinating glimpse into the lives of the ordinary people who were settling a new land and developing a new nation and government. Religion played a very real role in their lives. The greater good of the community was paramount, and shirkers were reminded of their responsibilities. Diet, dress, schools, crime, courting, homes -- all of these items and many more are discussed in the books.

- * **The Women in Military Service for America (WIMSA) Memorial Foundation** is requesting military artifacts from all periods of U.S. history to display in its planned exhibit gallery. The curator hopes to display uniforms, medals, insignias, photographs, diaries, and other military-related items from both war and peacetime.

The Memorial, to be built at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA, will include a 14-alcove gallery portraying the history of women's participation in national defense from the American Revolution to the present. The artifacts donated to the memorial will help create individual exhibits.

Contact the curator, Kathryn Sheldon, if you have questions, or mail your donations to Kathryn Sheldon, Curator, Women in Military Service Memorial, 5510 Columbia Pike, Suite 302, Arlington, VA 22204, or call 1-800-222-2294. (from the Retired Officer Magazine-November 1994)
- * **Registration of German Aliens, circa 1918:** Toward the end of WWI, there was a presidential proclamation (dated 19 April 1918) that Germans who were not naturalized Americans were to be registered. First it was the men and a few months later the women also. Some years after the war, the Justice Department told all the states to destroy these records. All states did, except Kansas. These original Kansas files are at the National Archives in Kansas City. They are also on microfilm there. The registration includes the name of the registrant, the place of registration, the place of registrant's employment, date and port of arrival in the U.S., names and places of residences of parents, marital status, and names and ages of spouse and children. Additionally, the registration required information about any additional male relatives in arms against the U.S., whether the registrant was registered for the selective draft and if the registrant had applied for naturalization in the U.S., or if he/she had taken an oath of allegiance to any other country, state, or nation. (Fort Hays KS Trails to the Past, Spring 94, via SKGS Newsletter, June/July 1994)
- * **Gray.** If you have ancestors named Gray that lived near Poughkeepsie, NY, they are recorded to be the nation's first gang of organized horse thieves and cattle rustlers - in the 1760s! (WWVGS, Vol. 17, via Whitman Co. GS, March 94, and SKCGS Newsletter, June/July/1994)
- * **ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES, USA** (formerly known as Military Ordinariate or Military Vicariate): If you think someone you are searching for participated in a Catholic ceremony on a military base (baptism, confirmation, marriage, funeral), you may be able to obtain a record of the event from this unique church archive. The Archdiocese for the Military Services, 962 Wayne Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910, maintains the records for military personnel and dependents, active and reserve, of those religious ceremonies taking place on any U.S. military base worldwide. This Archdiocese was established in 1917. (from Christine Taylor, Archivist for Archdiocese of Seattle)

- * **Are you interested in the Marine History of the Great Lakes?** *Fresh Water* is a journal about maritime history in the Great Lakes published out of the Marine Museum of the Great Lakes in Kingston. In vol. 9, no. 1, there were articles about lighthouse keepers, ship design, reviews of books on steamships and shipwrecks, and the reminiscences of an early 20th century mariner. The magazine has lots of pictures, too. If you are interested in this topic (and judging by the reaction of attendees at the Great Lakes Conference, plenty of people are), look up this magazine. It should be available in more libraries, for public consumption. Write to 55 Ontario St., Kingston, Ontario K7L 2Y2; phone (613) 542-2261; fax (613) 542-0043; internet mmuseum@qucdn.queensu.ca. The magazine is a quarterly which comes with your membership in the museum. Membership fees are on a sliding scale too complex to be given here. (Families, Vol. 33, No. 4, 1944, OGS)
- * **Immigration History Research Center:** This center is associated with the University of Minnesota. It has been collecting records on 24 ethnic groups who came from the central, eastern, and southern regions of Europe. They possess 25,000 books and pamphlets, 3,000 serial titles, 900 newspaper titles and over 900 collections. For more details, write: Immigration History Research Center, University of Minnesota, 826 Berry Street, St. Paul, MN 55114-1076. (from Heritage Hi-Lites of Kandiyohi County, Vol. 10, No. 4, July 1994)
- * **Iowa Tombstones.** Many Iowa tombstones were carved from sandstone which over the years eroded and/or crumbled. However, during the 1930s, the WPA made a survey of Iowa cemeteries. Information is available from Iowa, Capitol Complex, Des Moines, IA 50319. Be sure and give the county in which the cemetery is located. (from the Family Tree, Jun/Jul 1993, via Grays Harbor GS Newspaper, October 1994)

Please call Gloria Brown, 746-1875, chairperson of the Sunshine Committee, if you have news of any members who are ill and would appreciate a call.

DID YOU KNOW?

- * **The origin of popular sayings: Mind your Ps and Qs**
 1. Barkeepers would tell people to mind their pints & quarts if they were drinking too much.
 2. Printers in olden days put letters in the trays backwards to be printed, and Ps and Qs looked alike.
- * **Nicknames.** Did you know that the name "Margaret" could be changed to Mollie, Maizie, Daisy, Creta, Meta, Mitzi, Madge, Midge -- besides the better known Peggy, Meg, and Maggie? "Martha" was often changed to Marnie or May, Maisie or Minnie, or even Molly or Polly! Even a name so straightforward as "Ann" could be changed to Nannie, Nan or Nancy.

PERSONAL GOALS TO ENRICH OUR LIVES AS GENEALOGISTS

1. Talk to or write to your older relatives NOW while there is still time to get their stories and facts.
2. Write at least two genealogical letters a month.
3. Consider combining genealogical research with your vacation.
4. Plan to attend at least one genealogical seminar or workshop a year.
5. Share your information with others for a round robin effect.
6. Remember: charity, courtesy, and an SASE for success in your genealogical letter writing.
7. Write and illustrate with pictures, clippings and vital records a four-generation ancestor book for your family.
8. Clearly mark names and dates on photos in your possession, so later generations can identify them.
9. Keep a journal - perhaps not every day, but comments on special days, holidays or events.
10. Get to know your family better and enjoy them NOW.
11. If you refinish a chest, sew a quilt, paint a picture, or handicraft anything, consider it a future heirloom and sign and date it.
12. Remember, you only go around once, so ENJOY EACH DAY WHILE YOU HAVE IT.

(from a presentation by Sharon Carahan at SKCGS, June 18, 1994, via SKCGS Newsletter, June/July 1994)

Perhaps the future of the world would be in better hands
if we forgot about discovering something new
and concentrated on recovering our past.

(by Marlo Morgan from Mutant Message Downunder - thanks to Myra McDowell)

Following are some excerpts from an article called "27 Ways to Find a Maiden Name" (They list 32 however) taken from The Seattle Genealogical Society Bulletin for the Spring of 1994. Written by Anne Charlotte Winters of Tualatin, Oregon, the article originally appeared in the Genealogical Forum of Oregon, Inc. publication. If it interests you enough, the Seattle Bulletin is in our periodical section at the Ocean Park Library..

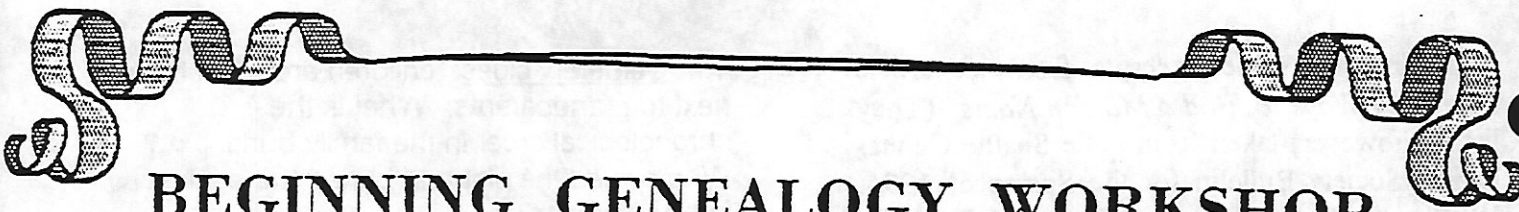
27 WAYS TO FIND A MAIDEN NAME

1. Social Security applications give name, birthdate, place and parents. You will need the person's Social Security number.
2. Marriage records: consent affidavits, banns, intentions, bonds, contracts, applications for marriage licenses, marriage certificates.
3. Divorce records. Don't overlook the nearest divorce Mecca.
4. Death certificate. Possible source of the social security number.
5. Funeral home records (Sometimes the name of the funeral home has been changed yet the records are still there.
6. Relatives. Relatives can give good ideas on where to look for what.
7. The International Genealogical Index (IGI), available at local Family History Centers of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.
8. Names and naming patterns.
9. Did she have a brother? Look for witnesses on their land deeds, etc.
10. County histories, and portrait and biographical records, especially in the Midwest.
11. Family histories. Most genealogical libraries have a section of family histories.
12. In New York State, try the Town Historian. (Usually a volunteer)
13. Court records: Delayed birth certificates, petitions for child support, guardianships, and some times common law marriages.
14. If the courthouse has burned (especially in the South), try the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

15. Cemetery clues: children are often buried next to grandparents. What is the chronological order in the family burial plot? Who owned the plot and buried the earliest family member?
16. Some areas have a reverse index to wills
17. Check the probate packets of the persons with surnames other than your family surname who are buried in the family plot.
18. DAR records.
19. Books such as *Victorian Lady Travelers, Seafaring Women, Ladies on the Loose 'Selling a Wife in England, Faithful Servants, and American Samplers.....* There is a book entitled *Women's History Sources, a Guide to Archives and Manuscript Collection in the U.S.*,
20. Newspapers. Especially personal columns
21. Military pension records can be rich in genealogical information especially if a widow applied for the benefits.
22. Following World War I there was a "Pilgrimage for the Mothers and Widows of the Soldiers of W.W.I Who Were Buried in Europe During the War."
23. Check for indexes in the LDS Family History Library in Salt Lake City.
24. Land records. Names frequently appear as witnesses of documents.
25. School records. Even board minutes.
26. Census records, especially in 1880 and 1900. Who are the neighbors? Who did they marry?
27. Orphanage records, especially state or local government-run orphanages.
28. Check libraries for telephone directories of the entire United States on microfiche, yellow pages and all.
29. Pass port applications.
30. Check the Family Register at the local LDS Family History center.
31. Queries in [national] genealogical magazines or in the geographic area of your search often elicit a response which can unlock a logjam.
32. Hospital records. Generally keep records of parents of babies that were born there.

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From the June 1994 issue of "The Clan Digger" Pacific Coast News



BEGINNING GENEALOGY WORKSHOP

SPONSORED BY EASTSIDE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

SATURDAY JANUARY 28, 1995 FEE \$8.00 CLASS HANDOUTS

SIGN IN TIME: 8:30 A.M. CLASSES 9:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

WORKSHOP AT ISSAQUAH'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S TRAIN DEPOT

(SEE MAP BELOW FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE DEPOT AND PARKING)

9:00 A.M. FORMS AND VITAL RECORDS IN RESEARCH	MRS. HJELM
10:00 A.M. FORENOON BREAK	
10:15 A.M. FEDERAL AND STATE CENSUS IN RESEARCH	<i>Barbara</i> MRS. JUSTICE
11:15 A.M. L.D.S. BRANCH LIBRARY IN RESEARCH	MRS. BALAZIC
12:15 P.M. TO 1:15 P.M. LUNCH BREAK	
1:15 P.M. MILITARY RECORDS IN RESEARCH	DON TAYLOR
2:15 P.M. AFTERNOON BREAK	
2:30 P.M. GENEALOGICAL TERMS IN RESEARCH	MRS. LARSON
3:30 P.M. USING INTERLIBRARY LOAN IN RESEARCH	MRS. MAGNUSON

THERE WILL BE A SALES TABLE AT THE WORKSHOP WITH BOOKS, RESEARCH AIDS AND GENEALOGICAL FORMS, ALL TO AID THE RESEARCHER

THE CHOICE OF THE FOLLOWING RESTAURANTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR LUNCH. ALL WITHIN 1/4 BLOCK OF THE DEPOT;

FASANO'S RESTAURANT, IL MONELLO RISTORANTE ITALIANO. ANDY'S DINER (CHINESE CUISINE) AND FIESTA MEXICANA. OR BRING YOUR OWN BROWN BAG LUNCH.

