



EASTSIDE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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EGS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Thursday, 12 September 1996 7:30 p.m.
at the Bellevue Regional Library
(7:00 p.m. Supply Table Open)**

**Topic: Trip Tips for Family History Researchers and
Their Bored Fellow Travelers**

ABOUT THE PROGRAM: The program for the September meeting will be an EGS Talk Show produced and directed by Audrey Schroeder, and hosted by Mary DeMatteo Sangalang (Move over, Oprah). Guests have traveled here and abroad and integrated their vacations with family research. Learn about their successes and failures, the do's and don'ts, and some humor along the way. And what should you do if you can't "afford" a trip?

The guests include polished speakers and amateurs. Audience participation is required and includes questions and responses to the prompter signs for applause, etc. The program has been planned to be inspirational so you will rush home and get ready for your first or next research trip, wherever it may be.

Guests include Mary Ann Nickell, Eric Taylor, Peter Robertson, Mary Anagnost, and Janice Barbeau. Research areas include: USA coast to coast, Kansas, British Isles, Samford University Genealogy Institute, an Elderhostel, and a Secret Site.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**Charles Dorian**

The August meeting was a great success. Over 105 persons came to hear RaNae Anderson, Director of Patron Services at the Family History Center. Her talk on using the services of the Center, particularly on the use of the Catalog, has steered many individuals on how to progress their family search.

The September and October programs will further lead our members into moving their research into more fruitful areas. Be sure to attend.

Our Secretary, Pam Hillman, had to resign due to family health reasons. Mary Curtis, our nominating Chair, quickly began a search for a replacement. She found a helpful volunteer—Diane Baker—who has stepped into this most necessary position. We thank Diane very much for taking over.

Mary Sangalang, our immediate Past President and leader of the Italian Interest Group, has undertaken a task to organize an "Italian Roots Seminar" at the forthcoming "Festa Italiana" at the Seattle Center. The seminar is being co-sponsored by the Eastside Genealogical Society and the Festa Italiana. It will be held on Saturday and Sunday, September 28-29, 1996. See the flyer in this newsletter for details.

Those of you who have a computer and modem, be sure to take a look at the "Roots-L" surname search list on the World-Wide Web. If you are unsure how to do the search, go to the Computer Interest Group meeting, and Sherry Holthe will show you the way.

Happy hunting to all who are heading to family homestead areas.

Charles

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER**ALBERTI, GORDON E.****17414 N.E. 35th Place
Redmond, WA 98052**

PROGRAMS COMING UP**10 October 1996**

Experts on Board!
A panel of EGS researchers
will answer your pre-
submitted questions

Melissa Clausen, Coordinator
Send questions by Sept. 30 to her
at: 10540 SE 28th Street,
Bellevue, WA 98004 or
call her at 451-9613

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Tracing Ancestors in England
The Malms will tell us about their
walk across England in search of
Missy's forebears, and how to use
the English resources.

Dick and Missy Malm**ORDER FORM FOR IGI AND FHL CATALOG MICROFICHE**

In her presentation about the records of the Family History Library, our August speaker mentioned the order form covering microfiche for the IGI and the FHL Catalog for personal use. Several members have requested copies of the order form. We are trying to obtain a quantity of them; please ask at the Book Tables at the next meeting if you would like to have the order blank.

JEOPARDY WATCHERS

Sometime during September, a nationally known genealogist whose base is in New York City, will be a contestant on Jeopardy. Watch for Trish Taylor from the New York Irish History Roundtable.

NEW LIBRARY VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

EGS welcomes Wini Lake as our new Library Volunteer Coordinator. We appreciate her taking on this important job.

And thank you to Eleanor Dixon, resigning Library Volunteer Coordinator. Eleanor has extensive travel plans for the future.

GERMANS FROM RUSSIA

Edward F. Keller has written a book about growing up in Strasburg ND as part of a Germans from Russia community of 28 families in the 1920's and 1930's. Write the author for information about the book at 529 2nd. Ave. W, Dickson, ND 58601.

Curious about how to trace your Italian Ancestry?

ITALIAN ROOTS SEMINAR

co-sponsored by Eastside Genealogical Society and Festa Italiana
with

Mr. Jayare Roberts

Accredited Genealogist, Masters Library Science

Topics will include :

*Sources and Strategies for Italians in America and in Italy
Researching in Person*

Sat. and Sun. Sept. 28-29, 1996

2 hours per day (time to be determined)

at FESTA ITALIANA

Seattle Center in the Center House Conference Room 2nd floor

Syllabus Cost \$4.00 in advance/\$5.00 at the door
(Syllabus will be held for you at door; no ticket will be sent.)

send check payable to:

Eastside Genealogical Society

P.O. Box 374

Bellevue, WA 98009-0374

for more info call (206) 649-2250

About the Speaker:

Mr. Roberts has worked for the Family History Library in Salt Lake City for 16 years total- as a United States reference consultant and on the Extraction Support and Family History Center support teams. He has lectured at local and national seminars and has published genealogical book reviews, essays, articles, research outlines, library registers, and VIP Pedigrees. Educated at Louisiana State University and Brigham Young University, he earned his MLS and genealogical accreditation. Mr. Roberts has made research trips to Italy and has traced his mother's Torretta lines as well as the DePaulis lines for Salt Lake City's former mayor.

Detach and mail to above address by September 18

Please Print

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____

SURNAME AND AREA OF RESEARCH _____

Genealogy Research Series

Come to one, or all of the Wednesday evening sessions to find out *how* to start researching your unique family history, *what records* are available, and *how* they can be used to gather family history details. *Classes are free, and there is no sign-up*—just come and learn! Presented by members of the Eastside Genealogy Society in Meeting Room 1 of the Bellevue Regional Library.

“Getting Organized, Genealogical Forms, and Research Sources”

Wednesday, October 2, 1996, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Presented by Melissa Clausen.

“Vital Records, Court Records, and Libraries”

Wednesday, October 9, 1996, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Presented by Sherry Holthe.

“How to use Federal, State, and Mortality Census Records”

Wednesday, October 30, 1996, from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Presented by Curt Roselle.

This program is for adults.

Sponsored by the Eastside Genealogical Society

NEW PHOTO ID USER CARD REQUIRED TO USE THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Beginning May, 1996, users of all Library of Congress reading rooms are required to have a new Library-issued photographic User Card. At present, there is little or no wait to receive a card. However, delays are anticipated, so you are urged to obtain your card now.

You must present valid photo identification and proof of address in order to be issued a Library of Congress Card. The Reader Registration station is located on the ground floor of the Jefferson Building in room G22 and is open the following hours: Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday 8:30 a.m. —9:00 p.m., and Tuesday, Friday, & Saturday 8:30 a.m. —4:30 p.m.

Once there, your first step is to complete the self-registration process at one of the terminals provided. While this should be easy, there is a handout at the station to help you if you should need it. Next you will go to the user station where a staff member will:

1. request personal ID(s) to verify identity and address;
2. retrieve your self-registration record and review its contents, and make any needed modifications; and
3. take your picture and obtain your signature.

While not shown on the User Card, it expires two years from the date of issue. You may then renew it at the Reader Registration Station. In certain reading rooms or collections, you may still have to show additional identification. (Prince George's County Genealogical Society Bulletin, June 1996)

BRITISH COLUMBIA ADOPTION ACT CHANGES

British Columbia is changing its Adoption Act. Starting November 4, 1996, it will be easier for adopted adults and birth parents to get information about each other.

If you were adopted in B.C., and are now 19 or older, you will have access to your original birth registration showing the name you were given at birth, and the name(s) of any birth parent(s) recorded on the registration. If you placed a child for adoption in B.C. and that child is now 19 or older, you will have access to the birth registration showing the name your child was given following adoption.

If you do not want to release information about yourself, you can file a disclosure veto. If you are willing to share identifying information but you don't want the other party to get in touch, you can file a no-contact declaration. You can file both of these now, before the new act takes effect. There is no charge.

For information, including the new access to information provisions, disclosure vetoes, and no-contact declarations, call Ministry of Social Services, Province of British Columbia, (toll free) 1-888-236-7888.

BAPTISTS IN THE SOUTH

There is a large amount of material on Baptists in the South at Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama, in the Special Collections Department of the university library. If your ancestors included Baptists, and if you can link them with specific churches or even just specific locales, you might find them here in the church minute books and other denominational records. Also, there is a set of "The Alabama Baptist" from its beginning issue in 1843; indexing has been completed through at least 1870, with work continuing. (Southern Queries, Mar-Apr 1991, pp. 25-26)

EGS TAPE LIBRARY AVAILABLE

EGS has a library of tape recordings available for rent. Rent is \$1 per tape for one month. Recordings include speakers from past EGS meetings, as well as speakers from conferences and seminars. An index of tapes, and the cassette tapes are available from Bob Sandbo at the monthly EGS General Membership Meeting. See Bob, located by the Supply Table, to rent tapes or for more information.

HELP IN LOCATING SWEDISH ANCESTORS

The Swedish postal authorities have a program to help Americans of Swedish background find their relatives in Sweden. Information packets are available at a number of Swedish-American organizations for distribution.

A short form on an ancestor can be filled out and for \$20.00, the sender will receive confirmation of information on the immigrant's parents, siblings, and children. The sender will not be charged if the information is not sufficient. To receive a packet, write the Swedish Council of America, 2600 Park Ave., Minneapolis, MN 55407 (Anola County MN Gen. Soc. Newsletter, May/June 1995).

ALSACE LORRAINE RECORDS

Some years ago a wealthy Frenchman named Andriveau hired scribes to copy all the official records of births, marriages, deaths, divorces, etc. from all cities and districts of Alsace-Lorraine. Later many of the original records were lost, burned, or destroyed. When French officials asked Andriveau to let them recopy his records, he refused.

The LDS was allowed to microfilm the Andriveau records and they are available at the Family History Library (not available in Europe). (From McLean Illinois Genealogical Society Newsletter, November 1995)

REPLACEMENT NAMING

In doing our genealogical research, we often are confused by the use of the same name for a number of different children in the same family. Name replacement or use of necronyms has been widely practiced. The word necronym comes from the Greek meaning "a name of the dead." Necronymic succession was practiced in New England and other American areas in past generations.

When a child named for an ancestor died at a very young age, it was customary to name the next available same-sexed child after the same dead ancestor whose name had been borne by the dead child.

It was customary of the Vikings of Scandinavia to name a child after a dead husband or wife in a new marriage. It is not at all uncommon to name children after grandparents. Some studies have found nearly a 90% occurrence of dying children named for one of their parents with the same name continued by necronym succession. In your research, don't assume you are wrong if you find two or three Johns or Hildas. What you are finding is an effort to pass on the name of a progenitor to a later generation. (From Crow Wing Co. MN Genealogical Society Newsletter, September, 1995)

EGS SURNAME FILE

EGS has a surname file of member's ancestors. The surname file consists of index cards, listing one ancestor per card. Members are encouraged to submit completed cards to our Surname File chairperson, Richard J. Gates. On one side of a 3 by 5 inch index card, list the ancestor's name, birthdate, birth location, marriage date, spouse's name, marriage location, date of death, death location, and burial location. Complete as much information as you can about each ancestor, but it is not necessary to have all of this information to submit a name. On the other side of the index card, list your name, address, and telephone number. Cards are kept in index boxes, arranged by surname. These files are brought to each EGS General Membership meeting. You can submit cards at the meeting, or can mail them to Richard J. Gates, PO Box 2, Bellevue, WA 98009. Richard also has blank cards available.

Be sure to check the file for surnames you are researching. If you find a match, you can then contact the person listed on the card—maybe they are researching the same family as you are!

GENEALOGY BY COMPUTER

If you have a computer and modem, you may want to check out these genealogy-related web sites:

<http://www.millcomm.com/~gzimmer/ochs.html> Olmstead Co. Gen. & Historical Soc.

<http://www.mtn.org/mgs/> Minnesota Genealogical Society

<http://funnelweb.utcc.utk.edu/~hoemann/cwarhp.html> Am.Civil War Homepage

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING SEMINARS AND CONVENTIONS

- 4-6 OCTOBER 1996** "A Capital Event: Research Your Roots," A 1996 Statewide Conference, presented by the Genealogical Council of Oregon, and hosted by the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society. To be held at Quality Inn, Salem, Oregon. For information, write to Mary Jean Crawford, GCO Registrar, PO Box 237, Crawfordsville, OR 97336, or call (541) 367-8323 after Sept. 20th.
- 5 OCTOBER 1996** "Breaking Through Roadblocks in Your Genealogical Research," E.W.G.S. Annual October Workshop, 8:00 am-4:00 pm, SFCC Student Union Bldg., Bldg. 17, Cost: Before Sept. 27, 1996; EWGS members \$22, non-members \$25, at the door \$27. Mail check to EWGS, PO Box 1826, Spokane WA 99210-1826
- 12 OCTOBER 1996** Rendezvous '96, Making History, sponsored by AGLL and Heritage Quest Library, to be held at Stadium High School, Tacoma, WA. Included will be speakers, presentations, and products in a "fair-like atmosphere." Cost is \$30 registration only, or \$36 includes lunch, payable to Heritage Quest Research Library, 220 W. Bridge St., Orting, WA 98360-1119 or call AGLL for information at 801-299-0486.
- 13-19 OCTOBER 1996** For a guided week of research at the Family History Library at Salt Lake City with 3 directors, contact Jim Reilly of ASIS JR GENEALOGICAL SERVICES at 418 N Center St., Suite 308, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84103-1729, or call 517-271-3140. Lodging at Howard Johnson Hotel included in the fee.
- 19 OCTOBER 1996** 2nd Annual Irish Research Seminar, Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York. For information, write to Irish Family History Forum, PO Box 351, Rockville Center, NY, 11571-0351
- 20 OCTOBER 1996** 2nd Annual Seminar on Jewish Genealogy, 9:30 am-5:00 pm, Holocaust Centre at the Jewish Community Centre, 950 W 41st Ave., Vancouver, B.C., cost \$45 US funds before Sept. 30, and \$55 US funds after Oct. 1. For information, call 604-321-9870 or write for brochure at Jewish Gen. Institute of B.C., Suite 206, 950 West 41 Ave, Vancouver B.C. V5Z 2N7 Canada
- 2 NOVEMBER 1996** Fall Seminar with Gordon L. Remington, expert in New York, Quaker, and Urban research. Sponsored by Genealogical Forum of Oregon, 8:30 am-2:30 pm, Tabor Heights United Methodist Church, Portland, OR. Cost: \$25 pre registration by Oct. 26 including lunch, \$25 at door without lunch. Make check payable to GFO and mail to: Seminar Registrar, GFO, 2130 SW 5th, Portland, OR 97201-4934
- 4 JANUARY 1997** "Seminar At Sea", 7 day Caribbean cruise. Classes by George Schweitzer, William Dollarhide, Raeone Steuart, Bradley W. Steuart, and others. Sponsored by AGLL and VStar Cruises. For information, call Murle Casler, 1-800-860-4601

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP LEADERS AND MEETINGS

Computer Sherry Holthe 392-9294	Meets 3rd Saturday at Boeing Technology Center. Next meeting September 21, 1996
German Jean Ryan 746-9610	Meets 1st Friday of each month. Next Meeting Friday, Sept. 6, 1996 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at Lake Hill Library
Irish Gloria Brown 746-1875	Will meet Monday, Sept. 9, 1996, 7:30 p.m. at Firehouse #9. Do not park in center parking lot. This will be a problem solving session—bring 2 copies of a pedigree chart & family group sheet of the Irish family in question. Will evaluate what research is needed to overcome brickwall problems.
Italian Mary D. Sangalang 649-2250	Next meeting Sat., Sept. 21, 1996 1:30-3:30, at Lake Hill Library, Bellevue.
Mid-Atlantic/Southern Don Taylor 643-4438	Contact Don Taylor for more information.
Mid-West Mary Magnuson 746-6627	
Portuguese Barbara Gyll 746-5603	
Snoqualmie Valley Joyce Ossinger 868-1850 Mary Ann Nickell 222-5620	Will meet Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1996 at 9:30 a.m. at the North Bend Library. The Library's computers and new CD Roms will be explained and demonstrated.

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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 Table is open at 7:00 p.m. Annual dues: Single, \$12,
Couple, \$17, Senior Single, \$10, Senior Couple, \$14.