

Welcome to our meeting!  
Thank you for being here.

Eastside Genealogical Society  
Bellevue, Washington  
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## Next Month's Monthly Meeting

October 9, 7:00 PM PT



**Topic:** Who Needed It Anyway?  
Getting Around the Missing 1890 Census

**Our speaker:** Sara Cochran

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[eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org](http://eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org)

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**Thursday, October 9, 2025**

Networking and announcements at 6:30 pm Pacific; program at 7:00 pm

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82046663133>

**About our speaker:** Sara is a full-time professional genealogist with thirty years of research experience. Her research has taken her to nearly every state in the USA and Ireland. She especially enjoys breaking down brick walls, discovering the stories of black sheep ancestors, and helping individuals preserve their photographic legacy. You can find her online at [TheSkeletonWhisperer.com](http://TheSkeletonWhisperer.com).

**About our program:** The loss of the 1890 Federal census is a source of great frustration for American Genealogists, but all hope is not lost! Learn strategies and gather tips for success in locating your family in other records between the 1880 and 1900 Federal censuses.

Everyone is welcome---we hope you will join us.

For more information about EGS, visit our **website** at [eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org](http://eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org)

## SIG News

## Italian Interest Group



**Date:** Saturday, September 20

**Time:** *10 AM PT via Zoom*

**Topic:** On Food and Fascism

**Speaker:** Karima Moyer-Nocchi

**Request Meeting Access** (for non-active members)  
at: [egs-iig.com](http://egs-iig.com)

*Note special time this month*

The Italian Interest Group meets virtually 1:30-3:30pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month Sept. through June excluding December.

**Topic:** Italian Municipal and Tax Censuses

**Description:** Karima Moyer-Nocchi will give a lecture based on her book: *Chewing the Fat – An Oral History of Italian Foodways from Fascism to Dolce Vita*. This highly engaging and visually driven presentation will examine the ways in which the politics of the fascist era (1922-1943) influenced the Italian culinary identity from a socio-cultural perspective and the role it played in the conceptual development of Italian cuisine as we know it today. The lecture will explore the tenets of Oral History in general and then looks specifically at how this method of data collection opens a unique window onto food history research. Moyer-Nocchi analyzes the notion of “authenticity” and reveals how some of the best-loved myths of Italian food are part of an invented set of traditions. That view is balanced through a closer look at how traditions, invented or otherwise, play an important part in societal healing and cultural progression in Italy. The presentation will conclude with a performance of selected excerpts from the book.

ZOOM Meeting  
When: 21-June-2025, Saturday  
Time: 10 AM (PDT)

**Presenter:** Karima Moyer-Nocchi

**Speaker Bio:** Karima Moyer-Nocchi is a noted culinary historian specializing in Italian cuisine. In her work, she reconstructs histories through a culinary lens, with an eye on myth busting, evident in her acclaimed publications “*Chewing the Fat – An Oral History of Italian Foodways from Fascism to Dolce Vita*” and “*The Eternal Table: A Cultural*

History of Food in Rome”. Her upcoming book is “An Epic History of Macaroni and Cheese from Ancient Rome to Modern America” for Columbia University Press for which she was an ICJS Fellow at the Jefferson Foundation in Monticello and a Smithsonian Fellow at the National Museum of American History. An advocate for experiential learning, she encourages “hands-on history” as reflected in her popular Instagram account: @historicalitalianfoodwebsite and website: theeternaltable.com.

Born and educated in the United States, Moyer-Nocchi has made Italy her home since 1990. She teaches in the Modern Languages department at the University of Siena and currently resides in Umbria. Link to “Chewing the Fat” book: this link.  
[https://www.amazon.com/Chewing-Fat-History-Italian-Foodways/dp/099654660X/ref=tmm\\_pap\\_swatch\\_0](https://www.amazon.com/Chewing-Fat-History-Italian-Foodways/dp/099654660X/ref=tmm_pap_swatch_0)

For more information or to request a Zoom link, please visit our website at: <https://egs-iig.com/>

## SIG News

## German Interest Group



**Date:** Friday, October 3

**Time:** 12:30 to 2:30 PM PT via Zoom

**Topic:** Germans to America's Midwest, 1848-1900

**Speaker:** Scott Norrick

**Registration:** [gig.eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org](https://gig.eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org)

*Note that website has changed*

The next meeting of the German Interest Group of The Eastside Genealogical Society will be virtual and take place on: Friday, October 3, 2025, from 12:30-2:30pm PT

**Zoom Registration Required:** <https://gig.eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org/>

**Topic:** Germans to America's Midwest, 1848-1900.

Over 46 million Americans have some German ancestry. The largest German immigration wave to America was 1848 - 1900, and the majority of those that came then settled in America's Midwest. This presentation will examine the reasons why so many Germans were leaving their homeland during this period as well as why so many settled in America's Midwest.

**Presenter: Scott Norrick** has over 30 years of experience researching his family history, and through his company, Ancestral Past, he assists others with their family history research. His areas of expertise include research in the American Midwest along with the immigration to America from Britain, Ireland, and Germanic countries. Visitors are always welcome.

Our **website** is <https://gig.eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org/>

## SIG News

## Family Tree Maker SIG



**Date:** Friday, September 19

**Time:** 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM PT via Zoom

**Topic:** Varies – topics related to using Family Tree Maker software

**Request Meeting Access:** Email  
[ftmsig@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org](mailto:ftmsig@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org)

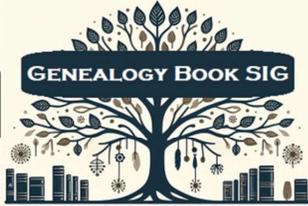
The Family Tree Maker SIG meets on the 3rd Friday of each month from 10:30AM to 12:30PM Pacific time via Zoom.

The next meeting is September 19.

If you are not on the distribution list and would like to attend, email [ftmsig@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org](mailto:ftmsig@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org) to request the Zoom link no later than Thursday, June 19.

## SIG News

## Genealogy Book SIG



**Date/Time:** Friday, September 12, 10 AM PT via Zoom

**Book:** Isle of Canes by Elizabeth Shown Mills

**Next Month's Meeting:** October 10 –  
The Chester Creek Murders by Nathan Dylan Goodwin

**Request Meeting Access:** Email  
vicepresident@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org

Meetings are held by Zoom at 10:00 a.m. on the 2nd Friday of the month. No meetings in August and December. For Meeting Access: Email vicepresident@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org.

Isle of Canes is the epic account of an African-American family in Louisiana that, over four generations and more than 150 years, rose from the chains of slavery to rule the Isle of Canes. Historically accurate and genealogically significant, this first novel by eminent genealogist Elizabeth Shown Mills is a gripping tale of racial bias, human conflict, and economic ruin told against the backdrop of colonial Louisiana. This novel is the result of more than thirty years of research. To fuel the story, as well as to maintain historical accuracy, the author found and referenced actual family history documents such as baptism records, manumission papers, probate records, land records, book extracts, and more to reconstruct the lives and times of Francois, Fanny, Coincoin, Augustin, and countless other unforgettable characters. But it takes more than documents on paper and microfilm to bring such an epic story to life. Mills' engaging prose puts flesh on the bones and pulls you into the lives and lifestyle of long-ago Louisiana.

Future books:

- October 10, 2025, *The Chester Creek Murders* by Nathan Dylan Goodwin
- November 14, 2025 *The Marriage Certificate* by Stephen Molyneux
- December NO MEETING
- January 9, 2026, *The Quest For Annie Moore of Ellis Island* by Megan Smolenyak

- February 13, 2025, *DNA Never Lies* by Sue George
- March 13, 2026, *Three Times Removed* by M.K. Jones
- April 10, 2026, *Once You Were Mine* by Elizabeth Langston
- May 8, 2026, *Paper Love* by Sarah Wildman

## EGS Lunch Bunch and Research



**Date:** Thursday, September 18

**Time:** 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM  
(plus research time)

**Where:** Bellevue FamilySearch Center,  
10675 NE 20<sup>th</sup> St., Bellevue

**Topic:** Records from Norway to go with the  
200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Norwegian Emigration

Bring your lunch and join us in-person on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM PT. We discuss what we are doing in genealogy and have a very short program on a topic such as a new feature in a genealogy program or a recent article or video of interest.

The group meets at the LDS church at 10675 NE 20th Street, Bellevue. Additionally, attendees can walk over to the FamilySearch Center to do some research or try out what they learned with databases either available with a subscription or unavailable online. Bring your laptop. The library is open until 6:00 pm.

For more information, contact Celia McNay at [membership@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org](mailto:membership@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org).

# Twisted Branches

Request for newsletter articles

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## **October Topic:**

- Related to Royalty?
  - Do you have any documented ties to royalty?
  - Please share for the newsletter
  - **Deadline:** September 19

**Send to:** [newsletter@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org](mailto:newsletter@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org)

October Topic: Related to Royalty?

Send an email with your information to Marcia at [newsletter@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.com](mailto:newsletter@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.com)

**Deadline:** September 19, 2025

## Upcoming Help Desk Opportunities

Volunteer assistance with your research



**In-Person:** Bellevue Library, Computer Lab

**Upcoming dates:** September 25 & October 9

**Time:** 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Drop-in.

Volunteers from EGS provide assistance to genealogy researchers in conjunction with the King County Library System. Upcoming dates: September 25 & October 9

EGS volunteers are available in the computer lab on the 2nd floor of the Bellevue Regional Library (1111 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue) from 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. They can show you how to get started with Ancestry Library Edition (available free in the library branches) or provide suggestions about resources to address your genealogy question. No registration required for In-Person help.

Want to help? Email: Jane Wickert at [jcwickert@hotmail.com](mailto:jcwickert@hotmail.com)



## What's in Your Attic- Is There a Story There?

Presentation by Jill Morelli and Heirloom Show & Tell

**Date:** Saturday, October 12

**Time:** 1:30 to 3:30 PM

**Where:** Room 1 in the Bellevue Library

Bring an heirloom to share by contacting Kimberly at [vicepresident@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org](mailto:vicepresident@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org)

Eastside Genealogical Society and the Bellevue Library Present:  
**What's in Your Attic – Is There A Story There?**

Presentation by **Jill Morelli**  
**“Beyond the Binder: My Self-Publishing Journey“**

Followed by an Heirloom Show & Tell

**Date:** Saturday, October 11, 2025  
**Time:** 1:30-3:30 p.m.

**Location:** Room 1 in the Bellevue Library,  
1111 - 110th Ave. NE, Bellevue, WA

What is it? Speaker Jill Morelli will give us a presentation, followed by several EGS members sharing their publishing experience, and then an Heirloom Show & Tell.

You can participate by coming and listening to the presentation, and hear others talk about the items they bring. Or you can also bring an heirloom to share!

Jill Morelli is a certified genealogist, a writer, lecturer and co-founder of the online Applied Genealogy Institute. She has lectured nationally as well as written articles for

major genealogical publications. She is the author of *Journeys of the Forgotten: The Orphans of Hamilton County, Iowa*. Jill is the past president of the Seattle Genealogical Society, program director for the Puget Sound-APG chapter, and a member of many local and national genealogical societies.

Want to share an item? Questions?

Email Kimberly at [vicepresident@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org](mailto:vicepresident@eastsidegenealogicalsociety.org)

## Stick around for the Post-Meeting Discussion

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- Do you have a research question for which DNA could be useful?
- Have you found surprises from DNA testing?

# **BECOME A MEMBER**

If you get value out of our meetings and/or Special Interest Groups, please consider joining (\$20 for 12 months) or donating to Eastside Genealogical Society.

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