

# Tri-City Genealogical Society Kennewick – Pasco – Richland WA

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14 February 2018 Monthly Handout — Linda Stephens, Editor – skip6944@aol.com

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## Benton County PUD

Free Beginner Class 6:15 to 6:45 PM –  
Citing Your Sources – Heather Murphy

General Meeting 7:00 PM  
14 Feb 2018 — Regional Native  
American History and Research  
— Richard Scheuerman



**Welcome New TCGS Members!**

Gay Adkins  
Keith Adkins  
Sharon Adkins  
Beverly Peters

TCGS currently has 112 members.

## **FUTURE TCGS EVENTS**

- Organized by **Art Kelly**, Programs
- 14 Mar 2018 — Adoption Records Research & Personal Adoption Journey — Jan Seeley and Erika Young
  - 11 Apr 2018 — Tri-Cities Aviation History — Pasco Naval Air Station/Bombing Range — Malin Bergstrom
  - 9 May 2018 — Researching WPA Records — Donna Potter Phillips
  - 13 Jun 2018 — Hollywood and the Home Front: Tinsel Town's Contribution to World War II — John Jensen

## **RootsTech 2018**

**Wednesday 28 Feb thru Saturday 3 Mar**  
**Salt Palace Convention Center**  
**Salt Lake City, Utah**

Attend the largest global genealogy conference to learn more about your family history, interact with new technology or share your innovative ideas with the world. For more information, visit their website at <https://www.rootstech.org/>.  
**Live Stream**—<https://www.rootstech.org/live-stream-schedule?cid=tp-rt-6557>

## **WSGS 2018 Annual Meeting**

The Clark County Genealogical Society will host the WSGS Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony at their 2018 Genealogy Conference.

**Saturday, 26 May 2018**  
**717 Grand Blvd, Vancouver WA**

Speaker will be **David Allen Lambert** from NeHGS (New England Historic Genealogical Society). Save the date and spread the word! More info coming soon.





## Genealogical Forum of Oregon

**Saturday, 3 Mar thru Sunday, 11 Mar**

### **GFO Boot Camp**

GFO Library, 2505 SE 11th Ave, Portland OR

**9 days of FREE classes**

GFO's own **Emily Aulicino**, **Lisa McCullough** and **Tim Janzen** are teaming up to provide introductory and intermediate genetic genealogy topics on Saturday the 10th, and intermediate-to-advanced topics on Sunday the 11th. For more information, visit [www.gfo.org/](http://www.gfo.org/) or download the GFO flyer at [https://wasgs.org/upload/events/files/1516564464\\_GFOOpenHouse2018flyer11.17.pdf](https://wasgs.org/upload/events/files/1516564464_GFOOpenHouse2018flyer11.17.pdf)

## Yakima Valley Genealogical Society Annual Spring Seminar

**Saturday, 14 Apr 2018 — 9 AM to 4 PM**

**Mount Olive Lutheran Church**  
**7809 Tieton Dr, Yakima WA**

**Tom Jones** will be the speaker at the YVGS annual Spring Seminar. Topics include:

- Finding "Unfindable" Ancestors
- Five Ways to Prove Who Your Ancestor Was (some reliable and others not reliable)
- Five Proven Techniques for Finding Your Ancestor's European Origin
- Solving the Mystery of the Disappearing Ancestor

For more information, visit <https://yvgs.net/>.



**P.S. Happy Valentine Birthday, Janet!**

## Richland Stake Discovery Day

9am to Noon

**Saturday, 24 Mar 2018**

**Richland Stake Center**  
**1321 Jadwin Avenue, Richland WA**  
(behind the Richland Family History Center)

Topics being taught are:

- DNA & Genetic Genealogy — **Margie Beldin**
- Writing Stories and Personal Histories — **Maureen Briscoe**
- Involving Family in Family History with Family Home Evening Ideas and Fun Ideas — **Kristi McShane**
- Scanning/Uploading Pictures and Other Helpful Hints — **Aaron Allen**
- Beginner Class — **John Dearing**

A Coaches Corner will be open all morning for people wanting individual help with their genealogy:

- Descendancy Research — **Wayne Sant**
- Individual help provided by **David McShane**, **Alisa Anguiano** and **Veronica Anguiano**

No registration is necessary; **attendance is free** and open to the public!

## Ellis Island Tidbits

- A 15-year-old girl named Annie Moore from County Cork, Ireland, was the first person to pass through Ellis Island on the very first day of operation on 1 Jan 1892. She received a 10-dollar gold coin (today's value ±\$700). She was followed by 700 other immigrants on that first opening day.
- It is estimated that approximately half of all Americans have at least one ancestor who came through the Port of New York or Ellis Island.
- Immigrants at Ellis Island were given free meals upon arriving, which often meant their introduction to totally new foods such as bananas and ice cream.
- During its 50 years of operation, more than 3,500 immigrants died at Ellis Island and more than 350 babies were born.
- In 1907, the peak year of immigration, 3,000 to 5,000 newcomers a day were examined at Ellis Island as they tried to gain permanent residency in the United States.
- Immigrants often dressed in their best traditional clothes in order to make a good impression on the inspectors at Ellis Island, whose word had a profound effect which determined their future.