



Tri-City Genealogical Society

January 2009 – Monthly Update

Editor: Margie Beldin

TCGS PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**Beginners' mini-class precedes
each general meeting, 6:15pm-6:45pm
All are welcome!**

Jan 29th: *Publications Meeting*
4pm, Richland FHC Basement

Feb 11th: **FamilySearch Wiki**
Margie Beldin, TCGS Member
Mini-Lesson: Mapping in Legacy Software
Al Jensen, TCGS Member

Mar 11th: **CREHST Museum**
Stacia Gunderson, Museum Educator
Mini-Lesson: Social Networking
Sandra Floberg, TCGS Member

Apr 8th: **Cemeteries**
Mike Grace, Richland Cemetery Association
Mini-Lesson: The Worth of Paid Internet Sites
Renée Petersen, TCGS Member

May 13th: **Polk City Directories**
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Washington State Genealogical Society
Mini-Lesson: Digital Organization
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29th Annual
Ancestor Hunt to
Salt Lake City



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RootsMagic Users Group

7pm, Thurs., Jan 22nd
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Here's the place to find others with an interest in RootsMagic. You can receive help, ideas, and more from other RootsMagic users in your area.

The meeting will cover aspects of RM3, Q&A, plus a preview of RM4.

Contact Margie Beldin, 627 6436,
mabeldin@gmail.com for more information.



RESEARCHERS WANTED

Do you like libraries? Ever thought about working in one? The Mid-Columbia Library is looking for volunteers to help the librarians with research requests. And, bonus, if someone comes in looking for help with their genealogy, you get to help them with their research too.

Contact Sharon Vaughn, sharonvaughn21@msn.com, if you would like to join the MCL volunteers and help our local librarians and community.

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Advanced PAF

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Using U.S. Census Records

7:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 18

Benton County POW/MIA Korean War

At the end of the Korean War, 8,000 American servicemen were unaccounted for. Remains are currently being recovered from North Korea. The United States government is obligated to return these remains to the families for proper burial. Help find the families of two soldiers from Benton County (there are none from Franklin County). These soldiers are **Clyde Foster** and **Glenn Shell**.

If you would like to help, contact Susan Faulkner at 554-1050 or denmother4@hotmail.com. Some research has been completed, but we have still not been able to connect to these families.



UPCOMING EVENTS

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From Roanoke to the West

May 13-16, 2009

Raleigh, North Carolina

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Passages Through Time

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Spokane, Washington

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Author, Speaker, Professional Genealogist

NEWS FROM THE NATIONAL GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

1) The National Genealogical Society Bookstore Year-End Inventory Reduction Sale

<http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/BookStore/ListItems.cfm?CATIC=26>

2) The NGS Logo is available for embroidery on some Lands' End products through a special Lands' End e-store at <http://ces.landsend.com/ngs>. You can order the color and size, add \$8.50, the new NGS tree logo will be embroidered on your item.



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NOTE: Donna's Monthly Internet Class, set to begin March 10th, is being postponed until April; this is due to difficulty in finding a meeting place with internet access for all; more information will be sent next month. If you are interested in the class, we are still accepting students. (Questions? -- contact Janis Littlefield or Margie Beldin.)

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Feb 17: Gathering Family Information

Feb 24: Heritage Albums and Document Preservation

Mar 3: Organizing Your Genealogical Records

Mar 10: Discover Existing Family History and Information

UPCOMING EVENTS

South King County Genealogical Society

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waskcgs/>

DNA & Genealogy Seminar
featuring Emily D. Aulicino,
Regional Coordinator and Speaker of the
International Society of Genetic Genealogists (ISOGG) for
the states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

Topics:

Introduction to Genetic Genealogy: DNA Your Paper
Trail

Comparing DNA: Apples, Oranges and Bananas.
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Pennsylvania's New Right to Know Law Goes into Effect

from FGS Voice – 2009 January

The state of Pennsylvania has a new "Right-to-Know" Law, effective January 1, 2009, including an Office of Open Records headed by Executive Director Terry Mutchler. Mutchler has the following to say about the new law and his office: "Governor Edward G. Rendell signed the new Right-to-Know law on February 14, 2008 fundamentally changing the way people access public records of their government. The hallmark of this new law, which fully takes effect January 2, 2009, is its presumption of openness. For the first time in Pennsylvania history, citizens no longer have to prove that a record is public and that it should be released. Now, a government agency must presume that a record is a public record available for inspection or copying. If the government agency chooses to withhold a record, the agency has the burden to prove – with legal citation – why that record should be be available to the public...The law, sponsored by Senate Majority Leader Dominic Pileggi, also established an Office of Open Records. The mission of the Office of Open Records is to enforce the new Right-to-Know law and to serve as a resource to citizens, public officials and members of the media."



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Mar 17: Preparing for Research by Bev Spencer

Mar 24: Citing Sources by Margie Beldin

Mar 31: FHC CLOSED

Apr 7: Family History on the Internet by Margie Beldin

*We have two ends with a common link;
with one we sit and with one we think,
Success depends on what we use,
heads we win and tails we lose.*

TCGS NEWS

√ The TCGS Board wishes to thank Pat Gould who recently stepped down as the TCGS Treasurer for accepting the position of TCGS Secretary. Those of us who have worked with her look forward to having her remain on the Board. Thanks, Pat!

√ The CREHST Museum photo indexing project is back on track as of March 9th. If you are interested in helping with this worthwhile project, please contact Clark Denise.

√ A wireless doorbell will be outside the meeting place door. Please ring it to notify those of us inside that you need us to open the door if no one sees you waiting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Columbia Gorge Genealogy Society

<http://community.gorge.net/genealogy/announcements.html>

Connie Lenzen

National Genealogical Society Director

Saturday, March 14, 2009
Columbia Gorge Discovery Center
The Dalles, Oregon

Church Records for Genealogists
Evidence Analysis: How to Break Down Brick Walls
Illustrating Family History When You Have No Photos
Nothing But the Facts - But Where Did You Get Them?
Cite Your Sources

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Calling All Internet Users: Donna Potter Phillips Advanced Internet Class begins this month. There are still places available for those interested. See Janis Littlefield to sign up: janislittlefield@gocougs.wsu.edu.

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Gage Blvd Family History Center

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Apr 14: Searching for Record-Filling in the Gaps

Apr 21: Church Records

Apr 28: Location, Location, Location

May 5: City Directories

May 12: Labs.FamilySearch.org

May 19: Putting It All Together, A Case Study

2009 WSGS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 11-13

SPOKANE

Featuring

MEGAN SMOLENYAK SMOLENYAK

Friday, September 11th Special Session

FIND THAT OBITUARY!

ONLINE NEWSPAPER RESEARCH

Dinner 6:30pm, Davenport Elizabethan Room

Sunday, September 13th Special Session

BEYOND Y-DNA:

YOUR GENETIC GENEALOGY OPTIONS

Breakfast 9am, Davenport Elizabethan Room

Saturday, September 12th, All-Day Conference

8:15: Trace Your Roots with DNA
by Megan Smolenyak

9:45: Scenes from Washington
FamilySearch Just Got Better!
Black Research in the Pacific Northwest
Online Query Databases

11:00: CCC in the Pacific Northwest
Traveling Light with an iPAQ
Scandinavian Research in the Pacific Northwest
NEHGS Databases

1:30: Reverse Genealogy: Techniques for Finding Your
Lost Loved Ones by Megan Smolenyak

3:00: The Revolt of the Genealogist: Records,
Records, Records
RootsMagic Genealogy Program
Eugenics: The Misuse of Genealogy?
Creating A Desktop Atlas

4:15: Washington's Paper Archives
Finding Graves, Cemeteries & Burials
Drawing & Keeping Society Members in an
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Finding Pasco: A Research Project



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ROOTSMAGIC Genealogy Software
presented by the software creator
BRUCE BUZBEE**

(Stay tuned for special times)

NO Mini-Lesson

**Oct 14th: How Do You Access the Current
Genealogical News?**

Janis Littlefield

Mini-Lesson: TBD

Ray Baalman, TCGS Member-at-Large

Nov 11th: Annual Meeting

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New Records Added to Labs Pilot Site Thanks to All the Worldwide Indexing

(Go to: labs.familysearch.org to use these new databases and view the 113 databases already there.)

Australia, New South Wales Newspaper Clippings, 1861-1987
Illinois, Cook County Birth Registers, 1905-1916
Indiana Marriage Returns, 1882-1905
Mexico, Censo de 1930—Tabasco
Mexico, Censo de 1930—Sonora
Minnesota 1895 State Census
Missouri—1920 US Federal Census
Montana—1920 U.S. Federal Census

David E. Rencher Named
FamilySearch Chief Genealogical Officer

SALT LAKE CITY—FamilySearch today named David E. Rencher Chief Genealogical Officer (CGO). He will have responsibility to help FamilySearch align strategic business decisions with needs and demands of genealogy-related markets. Rencher is a 28-year veteran of FamilySearch and a popular leader in genealogy and archive circles. He has held leadership positions with several national organizations, is a professional genealogist, and is in great demand as a keynote speaker. In addition to his new role as the CGO, Rencher will continue to direct FamilySearch's collection development activities.

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The new director will be Dee Ann Price of Kennewick. Dee Ann has been a family history director while living in North Carolina as well as president of their local genealogy society. She intends to carry on where Mariann left off, providing the community with excellent service and research possibilities.

Stay tuned for more news on the changes coming to this FHC.



NEWS FLASH!

FREE ACCESS TO
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WorldVitalRecords.com has opened its site allowing for free public access to more than one billion family history records from August 11th to midnight August 13th!



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(Eastern Washington Genealogical Society website)

GOOGLE LABS & TIMELINES

Listen to Lisa Louise Cook of Genealogy Gems Podcasts to learn how to use the old newspapers on Google Labs to enhance your genealogy research timelines: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wrn1gt_CvN0 (or go to YouTube.com and type in "Using Google News Timeline for Genealogy & Family History.")



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7pm, 4th Week of October

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Richland Family History Center

HOURS

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Family History Center classes will resume in September 2009. Class list will be available beginning the week of August 17th. Please call Richard Allen at (509) 946-6020 if you have any questions about classes.

Gage Blvd Family History Center

The Gage Blvd FHC will be closed for renovations from Aug 14th to Sep 1st. Mariann Watson was released as the family history center director with a vote of thanks on August 2nd.

The new director will be Dee Ann Price of Kennewick. Dee Ann has been a family history director while living in North Carolina as well as president of their local genealogy society. She intends to carry on where Mariann left off, providing the community with excellent service and research possibilities.

Stay tuned for more news on the changes coming to this FHC.



NEWS FLASH!

FREE ACCESS TO
WORLDVITALRECORDS.COM

WorldVitalRecords.com has opened its site allowing for free public access to more than one billion family history records from August 11th to midnight August 13th!



Washington State's Annual Conference
is almost here!

2009 WSGS ANNUAL CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 11-13, SPOKANE

Featuring

MEGAN SMOLENYAK SMOLENYAK

Friday Evening Dinner

❖ Find That Obituary! Online Newspaper Research

Saturday

❖ Trace Your Roots with DNA
❖ Reverse Genealogy: Techniques for
Finding Your Lost Loved Ones

Classes will be available all day Saturday by various other speakers in addition to Ms Smolenyak's presentations.

Sunday Morning Breakfast

❖ Beyond Y-DNA: Your Genetic Genealogy Options

For more information, log onto:

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waewgs/>
(Eastern Washington Genealogical Society website)

GOOGLE LABS & TIMELINES

Listen to Lisa Louise Cook of Genealogy Gems Podcasts to learn how to use the old newspapers on Google Labs to enhance your genealogy research timelines: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wrn1gt_CvN0 (or go to YouTube.com and type in "Using Google News Timeline for Genealogy & Family History.")



Tri-City Genealogical Society

September 2009 – Monthly Update

Editor: Margie Beldin

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Lawrence Clay, Publications Chair

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Mini-Lesson:
"A Rose is a Rose is a Rose: Some Naming Problems"
by Ray Baalman, TCGS Librarian

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Time, Place & Date TBD
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7:00 p.m., Thursday, September 10

New FamilySearch Program

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 15

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Yakima Valley Genealogical Society

Annual Fall Workshop

9am - 4pm, Sat., 3 Oct 2009

A.M.: The Underground Railroad by Ester Huey

P.M.: Mini-Workshops

Eastern Washington Genealogical Society

1pm, Saturday, 3 Oct 2009

“Welcoming the New Family Search, How Is It Different?”

by Donna Potter Phillips

Family History Centers Offer More Than Microfilms

Need to scan a large volume of papers in a short amount of time? Come to the Richland FHC!.

The new high-speed scanner, donated by TCGS, easily handles documents as large as 8 ½ x 14. Of

course, smaller documents can also be easily be scanned.

There is no cost, and experts can be made available to help you learn how to use our newly acquired scanner.



Databases Available for Free

- ❖ 19th Century British Library Newspaper Digital Archive
- ❖ 1911 UK Census (from FindMyPast)
- ❖ Heritage Quest Online
- ❖ The Genealogist GenLine.com (Swedish Records)
- ❖ Footnote.com
- ❖ WorldVitalRecords.com & FamilyHistory Link
- ❖ Godfrey Memorial Library
- ❖ Historic Map Works Library Edition
- ❖ Alexander Street Press - The American Civil War
 - Research Database
 - Letters and Diaries
 - Images, Photographs, Posters, and Ephemera



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7:00 p.m., Thursday, November 12

Closed Nov. 25-29 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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Revised NEW HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday: 10am - 8:30pm

Closed Wed. Nov 25 & Thurs. Nov. 26th

(Open again on Tues., Dec. 1st)

OUR WINNING SOCIETY MEMBERS

Two of our members, who recently attended genealogical conferences, have come away winners.

Veronica Anguiano attended the Salt Lake City, Utah Family History Expo 2009 in Sandy, Utah, August 28-29th. She won one of the grand prizes which was a "5-Day Family History Library Research Retreat in Salt Lake City with Professional Assistance". The retreat is scheduled for October 26-31, 2009 at the Plaza Hotel and Family History Library. Classes will be taught by Arlene H. Eakle, Ph.D., Jimmy B. Parker, AG, and Judith Eccles Wight, AG; consultations will be with these professional genealogists and the FHL staff. This is a \$399 value. Needless to say, Veronica is now convinced staying til the very end of a conference is well worth the wait!

In September, Sandra Floberg attended the Federation of Genealogical Societies Annual Conference in Little Rock, Arkansas. As the TCGS FGS Delegate, she was eligible for the daily drawings for Delegate of the Day, one of which she won. This entitled her to run for Delegate of the Conference, the drawing taking place the last day of the conference. She won that too! The prize is her registration fee is fully paid to next year's conference which will be in Knoxville, Tennessee. Needless to say, Sandra will again be attending the FGS Conference.

It pays to attend genealogical conferences. Will you be our next winner?

Expo News

from Family History Expos Genealogy Blog

15 September 2009

Tip #18: Visit the Victorian Dictionary – Even if Your Ancestors are from China!

Amazing. Simply amazing. The Victorian Dictionary at <http://www.victorianlondon.org> is a private collection of wonderful information and a collection of ads, articles, pictures and more that seeks to bring the visitor inside with its Victorian charm and awesome organization.

Want to know and understand the life of your Victorian ancestors? Take time to peruse through this collection of thousands of pages assembled by Lee Jackson. Take time to read the articles, the advertisements and the enlightening and entertaining dictionary... This site is pure Victorian charm.

Don't have Victorian ancestors? Visit it anyway. You'll be entertained, appalled, enthused and inspired by Jackson's meticulous work.



Tri-City Genealogical Society

November 2009 Monthly Update

Editor: Susan Davis Faulkner

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7:00 pm December 9th

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Family History Librarians available all hours of operation. This facility houses all of the Tri-City Genealogical Society's holdings. For a listing of these holdings visit www.tricitygenealogicalsociety.org and click on "Libraries". Then click on "TCGS Resource".

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Get Involved

Your talents are needed. Check out these opportunities to Get Involved.

The Washington State Genealogical Society 2011 Annual Conference will be hosted by TCGS. Committees are being formed now. Contact Susan Faulkner for more information.

TCGS has two Board of Directors positions that need to be filled immediately; Education Chairperson and Publicity Chairperson. Contact Lee Smith for more information.

Family History Librarians are needed at the Richland Family History Center (Contact Richard Allen) and at the Mid-Columbia Library (Contact Sharon Vaughn)

Tri-City Genealogical Society

December 2009 Monthly Update

Editor: Susan Davis Faulkner

New Meeting Location

Starting with our January meeting, on January 13th 2010, the TriCity Genealogical Society will meet in a new location. Our new meeting location will be at Parkview Estates located at 7820 W Sixth Avenue in Kennewick. Meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. as usual. There will be no mini-class.

No Mini-Class

Mini-Classes have been canceled for an indefinite period of time as we adjust to our new meeting location. TCGS is currently in need of an Education Chairperson. If you are interested in this position please contact Susan Faulkner or Janet McKinnon.

Directions to Parkview Estates

Driving South on WA-240

Drive on WA-240

Take the Columbia Center Blvd.

Turn right on N. Columbia Center Blvd.

Turn right on W. 4th Ave.

Turn left on W 6th Place

Parkview Estates is ahead

Driving on I-82 E

Drive on I-82 E toward Richland (I-182 E)/Kennewick/US-12 E

Take exit #109/Badger Rd. - drive 0.3 mi

Turn right on Badger Rd. - drive 0.3 mi

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Funeral Notice

Please join thousands of people remembering a great icon.

The Pillsbury Doughboy died yesterday of a yeast infection & complications from being poked in the stomach.

Doughboy rose quickly in show business but his later life was filled with turnovers.

He wasted a lot of his life on half baked schemes. Despite his flakiness at times he was still considered a roll model.

Doughboy was buried in a lightly greased coffin. Dozens of celebrities turned out to pay respects including Mrs. Buttersworth, Hungry Jack, Betty Crocker, The Hostess Twinkies, Captain Crunch, Uncle Ben, & Oscar Meyer. Aunt Jemima delivered the eulogy, describing doughboy as a man who never knew he was kneaded until he reached his expiration date.

Doughboy is survived by his wife, Play Dough, two children Jon & Jane Dough plus they had one in the oven. His elderly Father Pop Tart survives.

The funeral was held at 3:50 for about 20 minutes.

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