

Tri-City Genealogical Society

January 2010 Monthly Update

Editor: Susan Davis Faulkner

Awesome Educational Opportunities

The first of four workshops titled "Finding Your Family Connections" will be held January 23 at the Kennewick Branch of the Mid-Columbia Library. Sharon Vaughn will give a presentation on how to begin your research. All you need to bring is the family information that you know. You can also bring a laptop computer to be used after the presentation. Several TCGS members will be available to give you one-on-one research guidance. You don't want to miss this opportunity.

Saturday, January 23 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Classes Are Also Available at the Richland Family History Center

Beginning PAF - Instruction in data entry, notes and sources, printing, multimedia, and other features of the Personal Ancestral File computer genealogy program.

Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00 pm

Advanced PAF - How to use import/export, match/merge, focus/design, and other advanced features of the Personal Ancestral File computer genealogy program.

Tuesday, February 2 at 7:00 pm

Upcoming Presentations

7:00 pm February 10th

Filling In the Gaps

Bev Spencer, TCGS member

7:00 pm March 10th

How to Find and Use Railroad Resources

Mike Huntington, Secretary of the Washington State Railroad Historical Society and President of East Benton County Historical Society.

7:00 pm April 14th

Cemetery Sisters

Pauline Dawes and Pat Ramsey

"Google" these names and get excited about what the Cemetery Sisters will share with us in April.



Thank you Parkview Estates for letting the TriCity Genealogical Society use your beautiful facility for our meeting.

Many many years ago when I was twenty three,
I got married to a widow who was pretty as could be.
This widow had a grown-up daughter
Who had hair of red.
My father fell in love with her,
And soon the two were wed.

This made my dad my son-in-law
And changed my very life.
My daughter was my mother,
For she was my father's wife.

To complicate the matters worse,
Although it brought me joy,
I soon became the father
Of a bouncing baby boy.

My little baby then became
A brother-in-law to dad.
And so became my uncle,
Though it made me mad.

For if he was my uncle,
Then that also made him brother
To the widow's grown-up daughter
Who, of course, was my step-mother.

Father's wife then had a son,
Who kept them on the run.
And he became my grandson,
For he was my daughter's son.

My wife is now my mother's mother
And it makes me blue.
Because, although she is my wife,
She's my grandmother too.

If my wife is my grandmother,
Then I am her grandchild.
And every time I think of it,
It simply drives me wild.

For now I have become
The strangest case you ever saw.
As the husband of my grandmother,
I am my own grandpa

~ Author Unknown

Focus Groups

Genie Potpourri Focus Group

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Old Country Buffet (Columbia Center
Mall)
Champion: Susan Faulkner
554-1050 or
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Colonial New England Focus Group

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Richland FHC
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946-8127 or coster@dslextrreme.com

Great Britain Focus Group

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For more information contact
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2010 Dues are Due

Do you have questions about your
TriCity Genealogical Society
membership? Want to know how much
dues cost? Curious about what kind of
memberships are available? Ask your
TCGS Membership Chairperson, Sharon
Vaughn. She will be standing guard at
the front door of the meeting tonight.

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Introduction to Internet Research – 7:00 pm, March 24.

As genealogists, we all love our Census. Many of us are actually excited to have a Census Bureau worker ask us questions and we daydream about what information our descendants will find fascinating. With identity theft being a new concern, however, caution is advised. Dale Denham sent in an email providing DOs and DO NOTs when dealing with Census Bureau workers.

DO - advise children to never engage a Census Bureau canvasser in discussions. Children, even teenagers, do not look at the same concerns or potential threats as adults and are easily manipulated. Census Bureau personnel should not engage anyone but the adult in the home.

DO NOT - answer anything about your financial situation.

DO NOT - respond to emails that claim to be from the Census Bureau. Eventually, Census workers may contact you by telephone, mail, or in person at home. However, the Census Bureau WILL NOT contact you by email, so be on the lookout for email scams impersonating the Census Bureau.

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For electronic edition

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Colonial New England Focus Group database

Faces of America PBS shows

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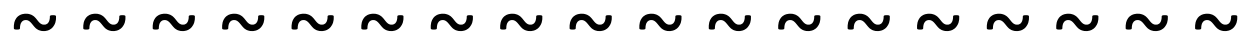


More Census Information

As genealogists, we always want more and more census information. They provide us statistics and personal information about our ancestors and their lives. The US Census Population Schedules are released 72 years after the data has been collected, but statistics from many censuses are available earlier – much earlier. Here are just a few highlights available at www.census.gov suggested by Janis Littlefield.

- "Through the Decades" find information on the questionnaires used for each census.
- "Teaching Resources" statistical atlases including those for 1870, 1880 and 1890. Also hidden in this page is a link to the "Census Atlas of the United States" which was produced in the 1920s.
- "Measuring America: The Decennial Censuses from 1790 to 2000" which is a large PDF file that contains all the questionnaires and instructions.
- "1930 Census" link and several maps of how the US has changed from 1930 to 2000. Every wonder why your recent family moved? Check this out for possible answers.
- And much more. A site worth spending some time exploring.

Some of these titles are embedded under other links, so you may have to hunt around a little for them. You will not be disappointed with the wealth of information available and will find much of it extremely interesting.



Mark your Calendars

The Genealogical Society of South Whidbey Island will hold their Spring Seminar at the Useless Bay Country Club on April 10th. Their speaker is Stephen Morse, Ph.D., creator of the "One Step Search Method". Download a registration form at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wagsswi

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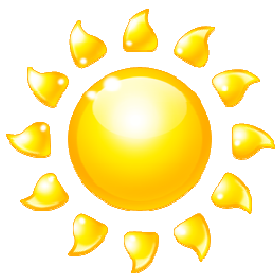
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“Finding Your Connections” workshop will be held April 24th from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the MidColumbia Library. This is the second in a series of four workshops. Margie Beldin will be presenting “Without Proof, There is No Truth – Understanding Sources & Documentations”. TCGS volunteers are needed to help beginning researchers at this workshop. Please see Sharon Vaughn for more information.

Televised Genealogical Research Success Stories

Did you miss the PBS Series “Faces of America” or the Ancestry.com Series “Who Do You Think You Are”? No reason to fret. Both of these are available for your leisurely viewing online.

Find “Faces of America” at www.pbs.org/wnet/facesofamerica/category/video

Find “Who Do You Think You Are” at www.hulu.com/who-do-you-think-you-are

“Who Do You Think You Are” is taking a break from its series but will be on the air again starting April 23 with an all new episode highlighting the genealogy of Susan Sarandon.



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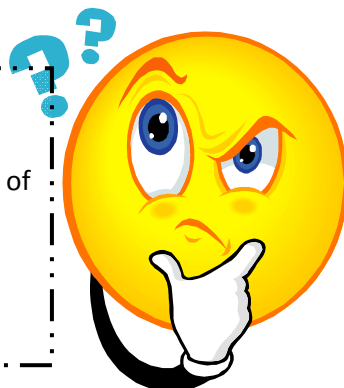
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Have you paid your TCGS dues for 2010? Did you get your membership card? If you still need your membership card, complete with password to the TCGS Members Only portion of the TCGS Website at www.tricitygenealogicalsociety.org contact Sharon Vaughn or send SASE to TCGS, PO Box 1410, Richland 99352.



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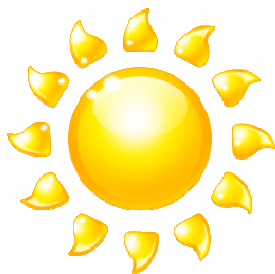
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## Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter Makes Important Announcements!

Footnote.com is allowing free access to their Historical Newsletter holdings for the month of May. For more information see blog at [http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans\\_online\\_genealogy/2010/05/free-access-to-historical-newspapers-on-footnotecom.html](http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2010/05/free-access-to-historical-newspapers-on-footnotecom.html)

FamilySearch.org released information on records containing 300 million names. For more information see blog at [http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans\\_online\\_genealogy/2010/04/familysearch-adds-300-million-names.html](http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2010/04/familysearch-adds-300-million-names.html)

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*The TriCity Genealogical Society
will be 50 years old in 2011. Your
help is needed to plan the celebration.
See Sharon Vaughn at the sign-in
table for more information. Stories
and pictures covering past events are
also greatly appreciated.*



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Heritage Quest/Charlotte Kennedy Workshop on Heritage Quest Census – 1:30 pm, June 3

Heritage Quest/Charlotte Kennedy Workshop on Heritage Quest Books – 1:30 pm, July 15

Heritage Quest/Charlotte Kennedy Workshop – August 25

Heritage Quest/Charlotte Kennedy Workshop – September 16

Other classes at the Richland Family History Center will resume in September 2010.

Upcoming classes at the Kennewick Family History Center (895 W Gage Boulevard, Richland)

For more information, and new business hours, call 628-8332

Customizing RootsMagic4 – 7:00 pm, May 11

Beginning Your Research – 10:00 am, May 20

Free Websites for Family History – 7:00 pm, May 25 and 7:00 pm, May 27

Have You Looked Here? – 7:00 pm, June 1 and 10:00 am, June 3



Maillist Update Reminder


The TCGS Maillist has moved! You don't want to miss important meeting notices or informational updates, so look for it. TCGS mail will be coming from tcgsmembers@googlegroups.com If you have a spam blocker on your email, you will want to make the necessary corrections to allow email from this sender to come to your inbox.

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Welcome New Board Members

We have two new Board Members

Ken Aldrich, Membership Chairperson

Debra Blum, Publicity Chairperson

Take a moment to get to know them and
thank them for serving your society.

Save the Date

Now that we have had our annual break, let's fill our
upcoming calendar.

August 26th

2011 WSGS Conference Planning Committee
7:00 pm at Richland Public Library

We are planning the 2011 annual WSGS conference. If
you would like to help, come to this meeting.

TCGS
meeting

September 17th – 18th

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"Journey of Discovery"

More information at

www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wsgs/seminar.htm

Annual
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September 25th

Puget Sound Genealogical Society seminar

"Let Us Gather At the Church"

More information at

www.pusogensoc.org/psgsseminar2010

October 23rd

TCGS Finding Family Connections Workshop
"Accessing Resources"

1:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the MidColumbia Library
also

Northeast Washington Genealogical Society

"The Internet-The New Frontier"

More information at

www.newgs.org/misc/2010Seminar.pdf

TCGS
workshop

Genealogists say the funniest things!

These quotes are from copies of actual correspondence received by the Family History Department of the LDS Church:

- We are sending you 5 children in a separate envelope.
- My Grandfather died at the age of 3.
- Will you please send me the name of my first wife? I have forgotten her name.
- We lost our Grandmother, will you please send us a copy?
- The wife of #22 could not be found. Somebody suggested that she might have been stillborn - what do you think?
- Will you send me a list of all the Dripps in your library?
- Further research will be necessary to eliminate one of the parents.
- He and his daughter are listed as not being born.
- I would like to find out if I have any living relatives or dead relatives or ancestors in my family.
- A 14-year-old boy wrote: "I do not want you to do my research for me. Will you please send me all of the material on the Welch line, in the US, England and Scotland countries? I will do the research."

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- Outlaw Genealogy – Finding the Outlaw in your Family.

On Saturday, Diane VanSkiver Gagel will present the following topics:

- No AAA? How did our Ancestors get here?
- Women and the Law: Researching our Female Ancestors
- Ancestors in the attic: Finding and Sharing Family Photographs
- Social History and Genealogy: Filling in the Gaps



Annual conferences are a great experience. Not only will you have the opportunity to learn from the above listed presentations, but vendors will also be available to provide helpful information about their most popular and recently developed products. You can participate in a Surname Board and hopefully connect with that long lost cousin you've been searching for. Several TCGS members will be attending, so come and enjoy this year's State Conference. For more information, and to register, go to

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasgs/seminar.htm>

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Scrapbookers Needed

TCGS celebrates its 50th Year Anniversary next year. Memorabilia and photographs have been collected. If you can help organize these precious memories, please contact Phyllis Andresen at 371-0715 or pk618@charter.net

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2011 Washington State Annual Conference Update

Next year's Annual Conference is in its development stage and some exciting progress is occurring. The theme will be *Building Ancestral Bridges* and will highlight the local bridges of the TriCities. There is a lot of work to do, but the outcome promises to be awarding. If you would like to be a part of the TCGS team that is working hard on this conference, please contact Susan Faulkner at 554-1050 or denmother4@hotmail.com

Tri-City Genealogical Society

October 2010 Monthly Update

Editor: Susan Davis Faulkner

Upcoming Presentations

7:00 pm October 13th

Tips and Techniques Gleaned from Conferences

Sandra Meacham Floberg

Want to know what to expect from a genealogy conference? Sandra will share her experiences.

6:00 pm November 10th

Annual Meeting

Chef's Family Restaurant

1320 N 20th Avenue, Pasco (see map below)

Important society business announcements, decisions and recognitions will be made in this social dinner time setting. All orders will be taken from the regular Chef's Family Restaurant menu and paid by separate tickets.

7:00 pm December 8th

Journey of Discover, the Adventure and Tools

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Learning Opportunities

Upcoming classes at the Richland Family History Center at 1314 Goethals, Richland

The following free classes will be taught at the Richland Family History Center. Please register (so that we can contact you if the class needs to be rescheduled) by calling 946-6637.

Introduction to Family History Research – 7:00 pm, October 14.

Advanced PAF – 7:00 pm, October 20.

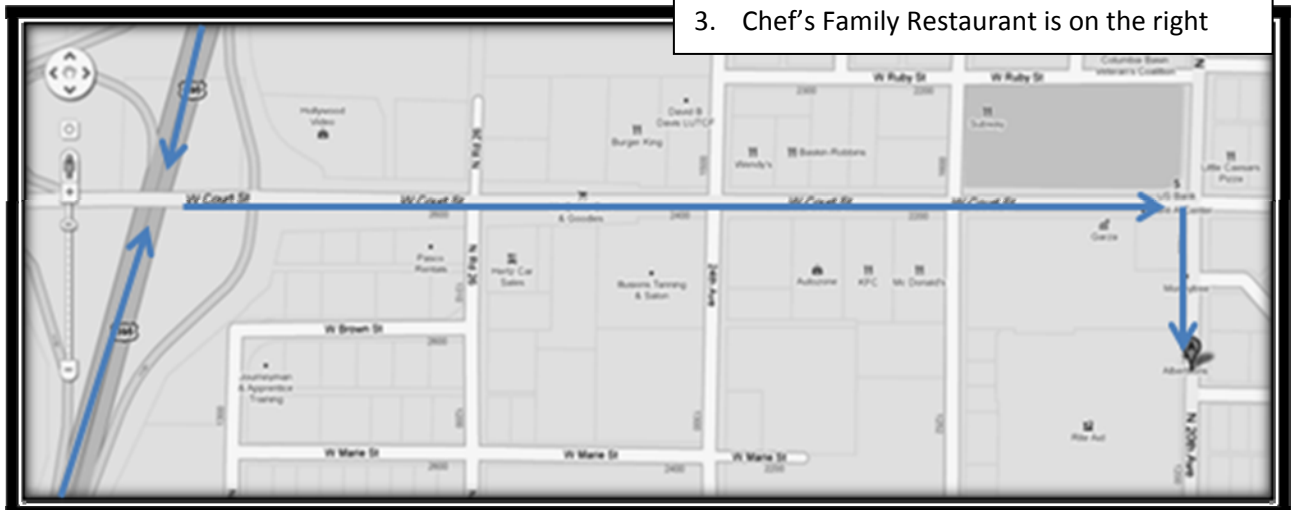
Beginning PAF – 7:00 pm, November 2.

Introduction to Internet Research – 7:00 pm, November 11.

(Note: The Richland Family History Center will be closed November 24-28 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.)

Directions to Chef's Family Restaurant – Map is below

1. Hwy 395 to the Court Street exit in Pasco
2. Drive east to 20th Avenue and turn right
3. Chef's Family Restaurant is on the right



Rotating Rendezvous

TCGS has a variety of business meetings scheduled on a monthly basis. Due to remodeling efforts, scheduling conflicts and the holidays, these meetings will be held in various places in the next several months. Everyone is invited to all meetings. Your input and contributions are always welcome.

October 21 at 7 pm – 2011 Conference Planning Meeting in the Hospitality Room of the Jadwin LDS Church in Richland

November 4 at 7 pm – TCGS Board Meeting location to be announced

November 10 at 6 pm – Regular Meeting at Chef's Family Restaurant (see front page)

December 2 at 7 pm – TCGS Board Meeting in the Hospitality Room of the Jadwin LDS Church in Richland

December 8 at 7 pm – Regular Meeting at Parkview Estates (see front page)

December 9 at 7 pm – 2011 Conference Planning Meeting at the Richland Public Library

The Winner Is



The winner of the 2011 Logo contest has asked to be left anonymous, but their winning contribution paints a picture we will use for our 2011 celebrations.

Busy Weekend

Don't stay home the weekend of October 22 through October 24. There is much to do. Decide where you will go today!

October 22 and 23 – CREHST Museum's Tombstone Tales at Resthaven Cemetery. Contact Anne Nolan for more information. anolan1952@aol.com or 509-375-1062.

October 23 – Northeast Washington Genealogical Society Annual Fall Workshop with Miriam Midkiff. <http://www.newgs.org/misc/2010Seminar.pdf>

October 23 – Genealogical Forum of Oregon Fall Seminar with Paula Stuart – Warren. <http://www.gfo.org/seminar>

October 23 from 1 to 4 pm - Benton County Museum's Antiques and Collectibles Fair at Prosser City Park. Call 509-786-3842 for more information.

Focus Groups



Colonial New England Focus Group

4:00 pm, Tuesday, December 7th
Richland Family History Center
Champion: Carolyn Oster
946-8127 or coster@dslextrreme.com

Great Britain Focus Group

Next meeting will be in January 2011.
Richland Family History Center
Champion: Richard Allen
946-6020 or rp_allen@charter.net

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Individual dues are \$20.00

Family dues are \$25.00

Dual WSGS dues are

Individual \$10.00

Family \$11.00



It's November, which means it is time to consider what we are thankful for. We have many blessings to count, and our volunteers are some of these. Thank you for being a part of the efforts of TriCity Genealogical Society.

Upcoming Meetings and Classes

November 11 at 7 pm – Introduction to Internet Research class at Richland Family History Center

November 24 through November 27 – Richland Family History Center closed for the holiday

December 1 at 1 pm – Using US Census Records class at Richland Family History Center

December 2 at 7 pm – TCGS Board Meeting in the Hospitality Room of the Jadwin LDS Church in Richland

December 7 at 4 pm – Colonial New England Focus Group at Richland Family History Center

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Annual Meeting

What can you expect to occur at your TCGS Annual Meeting?

Election of Officers:

Each year we elect two of four officers that serve two-year terms. This year we will vote for the position of Secretary and the position of Treasurer.

Current nominations are:

Secretary – Pat Gould

Treasurer – Gordon Freeman

Recognition of Honorary Members:

Did you know that TCGS has five honorary members? There are three lifetime memberships, one charter member, and one position work member. Lifetime memberships are awarded by the Board to members that have made an outstanding contribution of time and effort to TCGS.

Honorary Lifetime Members: Mary Hahn, Barbara McIntyre, and Lois Price

Charter Member: Ray Baalman

Work Position: Lee Smith, Bulletin Editor

Approval of Budget:

At Annual Meetings we also review the budget for the upcoming year and decide to accept it or reject it. The proposed budget for 2011 is provided here for your review before we vote.

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TCGS 2011 Proposed Budget

Previous year balance forward 130.00

INCOME

Gifts and Contributions	
NARA	0.00
Contributions*	0.00
Membership Dues	
2010	
2011	2,245.00
Receipts**	
Research	30.00
Raffle	100.00
Interest Income	
CD interest	15.00
Checking interest	0.00
Surplus library book sales	0.00
Total Income	\$ 2,520.00

EXPENSE

Publications	
Bulletin (total)	575.00
Bulk Mail Returns	10.00
Mailing	110.00
Printing	270.00
Supplies	185.00
Website Expense	60.00
Monthly Update	100.00
Post Office Box & postage	135.00
Programs	400.00
Insurance	500.00
Incorporation fee	15.00
Dues to other societies	105.00
NARA Contribution	125.00
FGS Representative costs	200.00
Committees & Officers	
Library	75.00
Education	0.00
Membership	25.00
Treasurer	50.00
Publicity	100.00
Research	10.00
Finance	20.00
Secretary	25.00
Total Expenses	\$ 2,520.00

Notes: Membership revenue is based on 90% of 2010 membership.

*Contributions to be used at TCGS discretion.

**Includes admissions, merchandise sales, services, anything related to the charitable purpose.

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7:00 pm January 12th

Research Wiki – Swedish Records

Wayne Ross

Wayne will share his experiences of being involved with the development of the LDS Research Wiki, especially as it relates to Wayne's interest in Swedish research.

7:00 pm February 9th

Computer Age Tools

Janis Littlefield

TCGS's own Webmaster will share tools to use in this computer age. Who best to learn from? Don't miss this!

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December 11 from 10 am to 1 pm – TCGS Volunteer available at MidColumbia Library on Union

December 16 at 1 pm – Advanced PAF class at Richland Family History Center

December 20 – Richland Family History Center closes for the holidays

January 3 – Richland Family History Center opens after holiday closure

January 5 at 1 pm – Beginning PAF class at Richland Family History Center

January 5 at 7 pm – Board Meeting at Jadwin LDS Church Hospitality Room

January 8 from 10 am to 1 pm – TCGS Volunteer available at MidColumbia Library on Union

January 11 at 1 pm – Introduction to Internet Research at the Richland Family History Center

January 12 at 7 pm – Regular Meeting at Parkview Estates

January 17 from 10 am to 1 pm – TCGS Volunteer available at MidColumbia Library on Union

January 19 at 1 pm – Introduction to Family History Research at Richland Family History Center

January 19 at 4 pm – Publications Committee Meeting at Richland Family History Center

January 27 at 7 pm – 2011 Conference Planning Meeting at Richland Public Library

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- Franklin County, Washington births, 1918 – 1939
- District Court Judges, Judges, Prosecutors, and Clerks, 1883- 1947
- Franklin County, Washington Postmasters, 1879 – 2007
- Natural Disasters (including The Great Flood of 1927)
- Benton County, Washington School Census, District 17, 1915
- Franklin County, Washington Sheriffs and Coroners, 1883 – 2008
- Various interesting articles relating to genealogy



Home for the Holidays. We enjoyed our Annual Meeting at Chefs Family

Restaurant, but it is good to be back home at Parkview Estates.

Tracing My Tree

I started out calmly, tracing my tree,
To find if I could find the makings of me.
And all that I had was Great-grandfather's name,
not knowing his wife or from where he came.
I chased him across a long line of states,
And came up with pages and pages of dates.
When all put together, it made me forlorn,
Proved poor Great-grandpa had never been born.
One day I was sure the truth I had found,
Determined to turn this whole thing upside down.
I looked up the record of one Uncle John,
But then I found the old man to be younger than his son.
Then when my hopes were fast growing dim,
I came across records that must have been him.
The facts I collected made me quite sad,
Dear old Great grandfather was never a Dad.
I think someone is pulling my leg,
I am not at all sure I wasn't hatched from an egg.
After hundreds of dollars I've spent on my tree,
I can't help but wonder if I'm really me..

Found on Roots-I

A note from Richard Allen – Director of the Richland Family History Center
*“During the winter months the Richland Family History Center may be closed occasionally because of hazardous weather conditions.
Please call the Family History Center at 946-6637 before coming. If there is no answer, assume that it is closed, or check with me at 946-6020.”*