

Tri-City Genealogical Society

January 2011 Monthly Update

Editor: Susan Davis Faulkner

Upcoming Presentations

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

Mystery Package

Dee Ann Price

The Director of the Gage Family History Center will present a special session that you don't want to miss. Do you have questions about Family History Centers? Bring them to this information packed meeting.

7:00 pm March 9th

World of Books

Sandra Floberg

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Upcoming Meetings and Classes

January 13 at 7 pm – 2011 Conference Planning Meeting at Richland Public Library

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

February 2 at 7 pm – TCGS Board Meeting at Gage Family History Center

February 8 at 7 pm – Advanced PAF at Richland Family History Center

February 9 at 7 pm – Regular Meeting at Parkview Estates

February 16 at 4 pm – Publications Committee Meeting at Richland Family History Center

February 17 at 7 pm – Using US Census Records at Richland Family History Center

February 24 at 7 pm – Conference Committee Meeting at Richland Public Library

March 2 at 7 pm – TCGS Board Meeting at Gage Family History Center

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Shirley Dickson is our NEW Membership Chairperson. It is time to pay your 2011 dues, and Shirley is ready to renew your membership.

*Individual dues are \$20.00 - Family dues are \$25.00
Dual WSGS dues are Individual \$10.00 - Family \$11.00*

September 16 and 17, 2011

Building Ancestral Bridges

Richland Baptist Church

Patricia Walls Stamm, CG, CGL

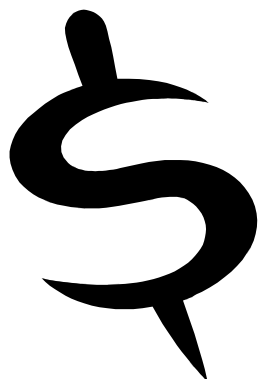
Friday Night Bonus Program

Various Vendors

Supporting Speakers including Ray Baalman, Margie Beldin, Carol Buswell, Jerry Handfield, Richard Kyle, Barbara McIntyre, Leland Meitzler, Miriam Robbins Midkiff, Shirley Penna-Oakes, Dee Ann Price, Geoff Rasmussen,

Check out the new 2011 WSGS Conference website coming soon!!

**It's Coming...
2011 WSGS Conference**



Awesome Fundraising Event

Barnes and Noble has offered the TriCity Genealogical Society an awesome fundraising event that promises to benefit everyone involved.

Barnes and Noble will bring requested books to the Columbia Center Mall store. This means that you can request books and look at them before you decide you want to make a purchase.

How many times have you encountered a book online that looks like it would be a wonderful asset to your research library, but you are just not sure you want to make the purchase because you don't know what all the book contains? Have you tripped upon a historical biography that you would love to own, but hesitate to commit to the purchase? You no longer need to be in this quandary.

Susan Faulkner is compiling a list of books that members of TCGS would like to have brought to the Barnes and Noble store. Barnes and Noble will make every effort possible to have the book available for your perusal on May 21. At that time you can decide if you would like to make a purchase. There is no commitment to having books you are interested in looking at included in this list.

Send your requests to Susan Faulkner at tcgscontact@gmail.com Include the full title, author's name, and ISBN (if available).

Money will be raised to help offset costs of the 2011 WSGS Conference.

Everyone is a winner!!

*"Who Do You Think You Are?"
returns to NBC on February 4th.
Season Twos line-up includes Lionel
Richie, Tim McGraw, Rosie O'Donnell
and others.*

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February 2011 Monthly Update

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Southern States Research

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Meeting at Richland Family History Center

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February 22 at 7 pm – Roots Magic Users Group
'Using RM4 to Complete a Research Project' at
Gage Family History Center

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Estates

The 2010 statistics from the Washington State Archives are in and they are overwhelming. In 2010 348,113 names were added to the Washington State Digital Archives!! 23 counties were represented in this year's indexing efforts. Do you want to be a part of this impressive project? Get involved with the TCGS School Census Transcription Project. Once completed, this project will be turned over to the Washington State Digital Archives. Want to see what the Washington State Digital Archives has in store for you? Visit <http://www.digitalarchives.wa.gov/> Want to contribute to the TCGS School Census Transcription Project. Contact Mikal McKinnon or Elaine Wasil.



JOIN US

FOR A FREE GENEALOGY EVENT

ROAD TO SPOKANE: BING CROSBY'S FAMILY HISTORY

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. • March 5, 2011
Gonzaga University • Spokane, WA

Join us for a Genealogy Workshop tracing Bing Crosby's Washington roots. This free event is open to all who are interested in the fascinating story of Washington's native son, Bing Crosby and his rise to international fame, as well as to those who want to learn about researching family history.

Gonzaga University, home to the Bing Crosby Archives, Crosbyana Room and family home, along with staff from the Washington State Library, Washington State Archives and Digital Archives, Crosby family members, local heritage organizations and volunteer genealogists will combine resources to unravel the Crosby family history and offer workshops that teach the fundamentals of researching your own family history.

Registration for this free event is required as space is limited. For more information and to register for this event, go to: www.HeritageCenter.wa.gov or call (360) 902-4171.

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Office of the Secretary of State



Conference Spotlight

March 19, 2011 South King County Genealogical Society presents its half day seminar – *Detours & Outlaws* featuring Steven W Morrison at the First Baptist Church of Kent: www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waskcgs

May 7, 2011 The Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society will present its Spring Seminar at the LaQuinta Inn and Suites in Tacoma: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~watpcgs/seminar.html>

May 13 to 14, 2011 Bend Genealogical Society's Spring Seminar features Hank Z Jones, Jr at the Bend Golf & Country Club. Early registration ends March 31st: <http://www.orgenweb.org/deschutes/bend-gs/springseminar.html>

September 16 to 17, 2011 Washington State Genealogical Society Conference will present – *Building Ancestral Bridges*, in Richland, Washington at the Richland Baptist Church. Go to www.tricitygenealogicalsociety.org for more details

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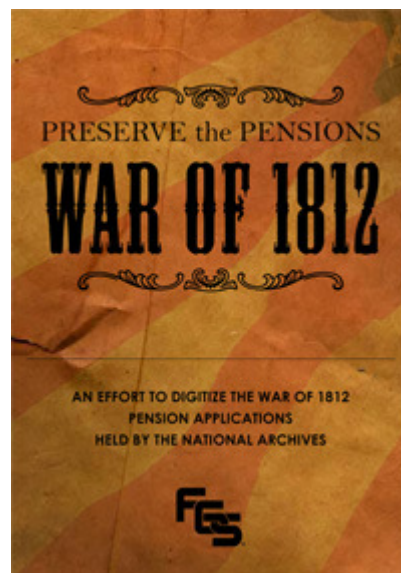
at the Richland Public Library

Come and celebrate a major milestone. Yummy refreshments, including birthday cake, will be shared. This will be a party, so come and network with other TCGS members.

Preserve the Pensions

The Federation of Genealogical Societies, the National Archives, and the genealogical community have started a project to digitize the War of 1812 pension files—a fitting beginning to the bicentennial commemoration of this important war. Many know how information-rich military pension files can be, with comrades and family members providing service, family and personal data. This initiative seeks to raise \$3.7 million. Preserve the Pensions! seeks to raise the bulk of the funds before the bicentennial of the start of the war and finish digitization before the bicentennial of the war's end in 2015. With 7.2 million images in 180,000 files, there is much digitization to do.

A \$25 donation will digitize 50 images -- a \$500 donation will digitize 1,000 images!



*Do you want more information about the 2011
Washington State Genealogical Society Conference?*

Check out the new website!!! Find it at

www.tricitygenealogicalsociety.org

Upcoming Meetings and Classes

March 7 from 10 am to 1 pm – Volunteer available at the MidColumbia Library on Union

March 10 at 7 pm – ‘Beginning PAF’ class at Richland Family History Center

March 11 from 10 am to 1 pm – Volunteer available at the MidColumbia Library on Union

March 18 from 10 am to 1 pm – Volunteer available at the MidColumbia Library on Union

March 23 at 7 pm – ‘Introduction to Internet Research’ class at Richland Family History Center

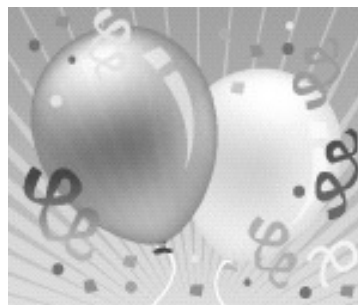
March 24 at 7 pm – Conference Committee Meeting at Gage Family History Center

March 29 at 4 pm – Colonial New England Focus Group at Richland Family History Center

April 7 at 7 pm – TCGS Board Meeting at Gage Family History Center

April 9 from 8:30 am to 3 pm – Eastern Washington Genealogical Society annual Spring Seminar with Dan Lynch at Spokane Falls Community College

April 13 at 7 pm – ‘Computer Age Tools’ Regular Meeting at Parkview Estates



**May 4 at 6:30 pm
– ‘50th
Anniversary
Celebration’ at
Richland Public
Library Doris
Roberts Gallery**

This year’s TCGS Annual Trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City will be from May 15 through May 22. Our Coordinator is John Covey. Contact John at jcovey50@aol.com to make your reservations now!!



The Barnes and Noble Fundraiser is May 21. There are openings for four people (two sets of two) to help during the day of the event. Contact Susan Faulkner.

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100 Year Celebration of Carnegie Library Building

at the Franklin County Museum

Sherel Webb, Franklin County Museum Administrator, will host this unique meeting.

Happy Birthday TCGS!!!



Our next meeting is a very important one. We will be celebrating in the Doris Roberts Gallery of the Richland Public

Library on May 4th at 6:30

pm. The time and day are different then our regularly scheduled meetings, so mark your calendar now.

Philatelic Keepsake of our 50th

A special souvenir envelope will be available at the TCGS 50th celebration. The envelope with the TCGS logo and 50th anniversary wording will be canceled with a special genealogical postal cancellation that has been authorized for the event. These souvenirs will cost \$1.00 and can be obtained at the celebration or later from Lawrence Clay. Also, you can bring your own envelopes with a 44 cent stamp on them and have them canceled with the special cancellation. If you want to mail letters with the genealogical cancellation, bring them to the celebration event and Lawrence will see that they are processed and mailed.

Do you want to support your local genealogical societies? Do you want Barnes and Noble to carry more genealogical reference books? Then come to the Barnes and Noble Book Fair on May 21st. We will have Research Assistants available periodically through the day. A percentage of all sales mentioning this event will go to support the 2011 Washington State Genealogical Society Conference.

Kittitas County Genealogical Society is hosting a Family History Fair on 30 April 2011. This is a free event. For more information go to <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wakcgs/FamHistoryFair2011.html>

TCGS Salt Lake City Research Trip



For over 30 years TCGS has had groups of researchers traveling together to visit the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. This trip is one of the longest lived and popular events that TCGS hosts. Members gain from the shared knowledge of all traveling, and they enjoy the camaraderie of other TCGS Members. Travel dates for 2011 are May 15 and May 22.

This year TCGS has decided to make the trip even more special by including two presentations. Susan Faulkner will give a presentation on Sunday night, followed by John Covey's presentation on Monday night. The Family History Library is closed both nights, but the fun of the hunt doesn't need to stop. There will also be a group dinner on Monday and an opportunity to hear the Mormon Tabernacle Choir practice.

Many societies are charging hundreds of dollars for these extra add-ons, but any member of TCGS is encouraged to come for no additional charge. TCGS stays at the Carlton Hotel and their prices for a week's stay are \$365.00. A double room is \$425.00 for the week, and a triple is \$485.00. Bring a friend to share the expenses and the fun.

Contact John Covey at JCovey50@aol.com to make your reservation.

Upcoming Meetings and Classes

April 14 at 7 pm – Using US Census Records Class at Richland Family History Center

April 15 from 10 am to 1 pm – Research Assistance available at MidColumbia Library

April 20 at 7 pm – Advanced PAF Class at Richland Family History Center

April 23 from 10 am to 1 pm – Research Assistance available at MidColumbia Library

April 26 at 4 pm – Colonial New England Focus Group at Richland Family History Center

April 26 at 7 pm – Introduction to Family History Research Class at Richland Family History Center

April 27 from 10 am to 1 pm – Research Assistance available at MidColumbia Library

April 28 at 6:30 pm – May Board Meeting at Gage Family History Center

April 28 at 7 pm – Conference Planning Meeting at Gage Family History Center

April 30 from 9 am to 2 pm – Family History Fair at Hal Holmes Center, Ellensburg

May 4 at 6:30 pm – Special 50th Anniversary Celebration at Doris Roberts Gallery of Richland Public Library

May 15 – Travel day for TCGS Salt Lake City Research Trip

May 18 at 4 pm – Publications Committee Meeting at Richland Family History Center

May 21 – Barnes and Noble Book Fair Fundraising Event

May 22 – Travel day for TCGS Salt Lake City Research Trip

TRI-CITY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

November 2011 Monthly Update

Editor-Renée Petersen

Elaine Wasil, 67, one of our active TCGS members passed away Tues. 1 Nov 11. In her very quiet way Elaine served TCGS well. Through the years she was Secretary and Research Committee Chairperson. She worked on Washington State Census Transcription, the Photo Indexing Project and the School Census Transcription. We miss her kind smile and caring personality. Our sincere condolences to her family and close friends.

Upcoming Presentations

November 9 @ 6:30 pm Annual Business Meeting - Remember and Enjoy To be held at **The Country Gentleman Restaurant, 9221 West Clearwater Ave. Kennewick.** Election of Officers and other business.

December 14 @ 7:00 pm, Parkview Estates
Memories in Motion Leo Smigelski, Genealogist experienced in preserving video and films

January 11 @ 7:00 pm Parkview Estates*Family Search* with Richard Allen, Director of the Richland Family History Center; Learn what you can do on a *long winter night* from home using Family Search.

February 9 @ 7:00 pm Parkview Estates TBA

March 14 @ Mid Columbia Library
*Manifold Greatness * Using the Family Bible as a Genealogical Resource.* Susan Faulkner, MCL Smithsonian Exhibit of the King James Bible - 400 years .

GREAT SAVINGS - It is time for the TCGS membership dues. Discount of 10% will be given if the dues are paid between now and Jan 31 2012. Individual membership \$18 not \$20, Household \$22.50 not \$25.

Salt Lake City Family History Library trip 2012

In the spring of each year the Tri-City Genealogical Society takes its annual trip to the Family History Library (FHL) in Salt Lake City. The trip in 2012 will be the Society's 32nd annual trip. This trip will be from Sunday, April 29 to Sunday, May 6 or any part thereof if you want to stay for only part of the week. Sundays will be the travel days since the FHL is only open Mondays through Saturday. Most people have flown down on Sunday afternoon and returned on the following Sunday morning. Some people have driven there and back.

So why make this trip with all the information on the Internet? Here is the description of the FHL, in their words, on Family Search:

- **The collection** includes over 2.4 million rolls of microfilmed genealogical records; 727,000 microfiche; 356,000 books, serials, and other formats; over 4,500 periodicals and 3,725 electronic resources.

Is all this information on the Internet? The FHL has been working to get some of it on the Family Search site but there is a tremendous amount of information that is not there and will not be there for many years. An example of the information that you can only get at the FHL or the local government agency is that on one of my trips I found the land records for my parents buying and selling land/homes in my home county in West Virginia and also records for some of my ancestors in Ohio. Instead of making long trips to West Virginia and Ohio I could look at the records in one location.

Next month I will talk about where we stay and what else there is to do in the area if you want to take a break from research or if you bring your non-genealogy inclined significant other.

If you like to get information at anytime please contact me.

John F Covey FHL trip coordinator

FAMILY HISTORY CLASSES: 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 during library hours (Tuesday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Monday, Friday, and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.).

November 2011

Introduction to Internet Research (How to use the extensive resources available on the Internet to find, disseminate, and preserve family history information.) - 7:00 p.m., Thursday, November 10.

****NEW**** Legacy's Documentation Features – sources and pictures. Wednesday, November 16th at 1:30 p.m. and Thursday, November 17th at 7:00 p.m. at the Richland Family History Center. (same class, different day and time options)

Note: The Richland Family History Center will be closed November 23-27 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

December 2011

Using U.S. Census Records (How to use the U.S. Federal Census records and indexes on the Internet to identify your ancestors.) – 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 7.

****NEW**** Legacy's Features – Tagging, sorting and reports. Wednesday, December 7, at 1:30 p.m. and Thursday, December 8 at 7:00 p.m. at the Richland Family History Center. (same class, different day and time options)

Advanced Computer Genealogy (Using PAF and other computer genealogy programs to find, import, incorporate, and share family history information through interfaces with new FamilySearch and other Internet sites.) – 7:00 p.m., Thursday, December 15.

Note: The Richland Family History Center will be closed December 19-January 2 for the Holidays.

ROOTS MAGIC USER GROUP-Margie Beldin
10 Nov. 7pm Thursday FHC Gage Blvd.
Customizing Roots Magic.Q&A.

The Kennewick Branch of the MidColumbia Library will be hosting the Smithsonian Institute exhibit "Journey Stories" from December 10, 2011 to January 20, 2012 . They have asked the TriCity Genealogical Society to help make this event more meaningful and would love to have your personal contribution.

"Journey Stories" is just that... stories about journeys. Check out the website www.journeystories.org for more information. From that website you can get a better understanding of this exhibit, which "explores the mobile nature of Americans – why we move, how we move, and what that says about us."

The MidColumbia Library would like stories about journeys our ancestors or ourselves have taken. These should be short stories, no more than 500 to 600 words. They will be used by the MidColumbia Library to create a website of journey stories from people of the TriCities. We know that genealogists are always full of stories. How did you get to the Tri-Cities? How did your ancestors get to America or from one state to another? If you have photographs you would like to attach to your story that would add interest, please do, and especially if the photograph related to the journey, whether it's the ship your family took or the old Ford station wagon that brought all your possessions west or the Wagon along the trail, or use your imagination!

Submit your stories by November 10 to TCGS Member Tom Moak, who is branch manager of the Kennewick Branch Library at tmoak@mcl-lib.org . We will be mentioning this at our meetings throughout the fall, too.

MID-COLUMBIA LIBRARY SCHEDULE

For November, all 10am-1pm
Wednesday, Nov. 2 - Bruce Pratt Friday
Nov. 4 - Sam Izzo Saturday
November 12 - Nancy Gibbs Saturday
November 19 - Shirley Dickson
FYI-- The library will be closed on Friday, November 11.

The genealogy books are now in the far back corner of the library, against the wall. It is not clear if that will be their permanent home, as remodeling is currently going on. Also, don't forget to sign in in our notebook.



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14 Dec "Memories in Motion" Leo Smigelske

UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS

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can do on a 'long winter night' from
home using Family Search.*

7:00 pm February 9, Parkview Estates.

Roots Tech Review – Margie Beldin
Learn the latest and best of Roots Tech.

7:00 pm March 14, Mid Columbia library

Family Bibles a Research tool – Susan
Faulkner

Exhibit of the King James Bible-400 Years.

**GIVE YOURSELF A CHRISTMAS GIFT AT A
GREAT SAVINGS: 2012 TCGS
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EWGS have extended an invite to TCGS members on
Saturday 7 January Meeting/Luncheon. Program:
Guest speakers Doug and Mary Ellen Siebold;
Germans from the Russia Society. For more
information go to www.ewgsi.org

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History Library (FHL) in Salt Lake City, this time I will talk
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area.

We stay at the Carlton Hotel on 140 East South Temple
a city block from Temple Square and a little over two
city blocks from the Library. The Carlton provides
shuttle to and from the airport. It also supplies shuttle
service to the Library in the morning and from the
Library in the evening.

Included with the room is breakfast, as they
describe it "The Carlton's full-service made-to-
order breakfast includes all of the favorites: ham,
eggs, sausage, toast, pancakes, juice, coffee, fresh
fruit, The Carlton Special Omelets, cereal, muffins
and more." The group meets for this breakfast and
mainly talks about their finds the day before or what
they plan to do that day.

For more information about the hotel go
to carltonhotel-slc.com.

For lunch most people go to the cafeteria in the basement of the LDS main administration building. There are numerous restaurants in the area to choose from if you don't want to eat lunch at the cafeteria. Dinner except for Monday is on your own. Since the Library closes at 5PM on Monday the group normally selects a place to go to at breakfast and will then go out to dinner together.

So if you want to take a break from the library or if you have a non-genealogy person with you then what can you do. Here are some ideas:

1. Take a tour of Temple Square.
2. Thirty-minute pipe organ recitals are given in the Tabernacle weekdays and Saturdays at 12:00 noon.
3. Listen to the Mormon Tabernacle Choir rehearse at 8PM on Thursday.
4. Gateway Shopping Mall – Free transit from near the hotel to the Mall.
5. Clark Planetarium at the Gateway Shopping Mall
6. The Hogle Zoo
7. Tracy Aviary
8. Natural History Museum of Utah
9. Evening carriage rides around the city. <http://www.carriageforhire.net>

For more ideas go to www.visitsaltlake.com click on “things to do” then “Attractions”.

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NEED VOLUNTEERS: CREHST MUSEUM needs a Docent for four hours one day a week. Training will be provided and you don't have to have worked at Hanford. Contact CREHST at 509-943-9000 for further information.

MEN: Do you qualify to be a member of the Sons or the American Revolution Men: Do you qualify to be a Son of the American? 1:00pm at the Old Country Buffet in Kennewick.

Contact: Stan Wills President Spokane Chapter

bgwills@webtv.net

Notice: Smithsonian exhibit arrives at;

Kennewick Branch Library: How transportation and travel built the nation and how it brought changes over the years. The exhibit will remain at the library through Jan. 20.