



Seattle Genealogical Society

September-November 2010

newsletter

Have You Renewed?

Thank you to all those who have renewed their SGS membership. Thanks also to the many members who included donations to the society.

Dues for the 2010-2011 SGS membership year were due by 31 May. Members not renewed by 1 July are marked "inactive" in our records and no longer receive meeting notices and publications.

SGS Quarterly Meeting on Saturday, 25 September 1-3 p. m.

Our next quarterly membership meeting is scheduled for Saturday, 25 September at 1:00 p.m. The Financial Review Committee (Don Kunz, Lisa Robertson, Mari Short) will present a summary of the review of our 2009-2010 accounting practices and President Ginny Sommarstrom will present an update of Board activities and plans for the coming year. This short business meeting will be followed by an encore presentation by Mary Roddy of "Bagging a Live One" (first presented at our Fall 2009 Seminar). You'll learn tips and tricks for finding those elusive living cousins who may have the family records you so desperately need.

SGS Fall Seminar: "ON THE MOVE" 'Roads, Rails, Ships and Trails'

Plans are well underway for the Seattle Genealogical Society's all-day Fall Seminar to be held Saturday, 23 October at the Nordic Heritage Museum in Ballard. The Seminar will feature programs by local speakers with an emphasis on 18th and 19th century westward migration. Sarah Thorson Little will present the general session, "Routes to Our Roots". She will cover general migration

SGS Fall Hours

Tuesday - Saturday, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

SGS Holiday Closures

- Labor Day Weekend,
Saturday-Monday, 4-6 September
- Veteran's Day, Thursday, 11 November
- Thanksgiving,
Wednesday-Monday, 24-29 November

patterns and the many records available to genealogy researchers. The general session will be followed by nine additional sessions. Attendees will select from migration topics presented by a variety of speakers. It promises to be a full day of learning with a little free time to enjoy our new and used book sale and to try your luck on some of our great raffle items. A box lunch provided by Panera will be available to order for \$12 with your registration. The SGS Fall Seminar, "On The Move...Roads, Rails, Ships and Trails" fee: \$35 for SGS Members; \$45 for non-members; \$50 walk-in registration. Look for a Seminar Brochure in the mail in September. The deadline for registration is 15 October. Write this event in on your calendar now, This seminar will offer you new perspectives on the westward movement of your ancestors.

Holiday Open House

Friday, 3 December 3-8 p. m.

This year's annual meeting and Holiday Open House will be held the first Friday of December. Music and goodies set the holiday mood and it's a great place to meet and greet other genealogists. For those books you are giving to yourself and for family members and friends, spend time at the Book Sales table. More details in the next newsletter.

Desk Volunteer Training

Training for those who have offered to serve as desk volunteers at the SGS Library will occur on 27 September from 10 a. m. until 3 p. m. at the library. Bring a sack lunch. If you are interested in serving the Society in this capacity please send your name and contact information to Pat Younie, <gly.pjy@comcast.net>. She will contact you with more detailed information as to what this important position entails.

Serving the Society as a desk volunteer is an opportunity to learn more about the unique and extensive holdings of the library and utilize some quiet times to further your own research.

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SGS Participates in the Seattle Scottish Highland Games

As part of our Community Outreach, the Seattle Genealogical Society once again had an information booth at the Seattle Scottish Highland Games the weekend of 31 July-1 August at the Expo Center fairgrounds in Enumclaw. We have been participating for over twenty five years at this event which is one of the largest in the nation. Attendance at the games was estimated at about 25,000 people. It was a weekend of music, dance, athletic events, clan tents, vendors, and good food. It was an excellent opportunity to let the public know about SGS and to help people learn about their Scottish and Irish heritage. Armed with reference books from the SGS Library, our volunteers answered questions about genealogy, did look-ups on family names, introduced the facilities at the SGS Library with brochures and promoted membership in the Society.

We offered a class in Scottish Genealogy at the game's Heritage Tent on Sunday and carried the SGS Banner at each day's opening ceremony where we were introduced by former Secretary of State, Ralph Munro who encourage people to visit our booth.

Thanks to our many volunteers, headed by Jean Roth, SGS Director of Education. Friday set-up of the double booth was by Jean with Pat Younie, Jean Morton, Director of Membership and Tom Hamilton, SGS Treasurer with his wife Kathi. Pat, and both Jeans manned the booth on Saturday and Sunday while Tom and Kathi took a Sunday shift. Other one-day volunteers included Pam Hillman, Patricia Keeley, Joan Kelday, Nancy Parks, Joe Herron, Jan McNair, Elizabeth Howie, Sharyl Swope, Barb Van Droof, Linda Fitzgerald, SGS Director of Op-

erations; Annette Dwyer, SGS Director of Publications; and John Griffin, SGS past-President.

Check our SGS Facebook page for photos of the event.

Name Our E-Newsletter!

The SGS Newsletter has been called just that for many years. Can you come up with a more interesting, exciting name? Sno-Isle has The Beacon; Puget Sound has The Backtracker; Clallam County has the Genie Gram; what should we call our e-newsletter? Please submit your suggestions to Annette Dwyer at <SGSPublications@gmail.com>.

SGS is on Facebook!

SGS has started a new Facebook site to help keep our members informed of Society activities. If you're on Facebook, please become a fan of SGS. Just search for "Seattle Genealogical Society" or click the link on our website. We'll be posting some photos of SGS events and hope to get some discussions going. Please join in.

Welcome New Board Members

Four new Board members were sworn in at the Board's 26 July meeting. Our 2010-11 Nominating Committee provided candidates for the four open positions (two candidates each for two of the positions) at the Board's June meeting, and the Board elected the following new members:

Treasurer – Tom Hamilton

Vice President – Bonnie Larson

Director of Membership – Jean Morton

Director of Volunteers – Becky Kaufman

Volunteer of the Quarter

SGS would like to salute the hard work and dedication of one of our hard-working volunteers, Wini Price. Wini worked with team leader Marilyn Van Hise (and around 50 other volunteers) over the course of the past 10 years on the King County Court Records indexing project, which they have just completed.

Marilyn says that Wini, who joined the effort at the very beginning, was a "mainstay" of the project.

The records were from a land title company that had kept hand-typed records of King County cases involving

titles to land—including wills, birth records and name changes—dating from 1850 to the 1980s. There were about 110 boxes of documents, around 1.5 million records in all. Marilyn, Wini and the rest of the team made an index of all records that are pertinent to genealogical research. The information is on a CD in the SGS library. In the matter of the King County Court Records, Wini set a record for dedication and volunteer spirit. "Anyone who has a library project will succeed if Wini is on the team," says Marilyn. Thanks to Wini, our Volunteer of the Quarter, and all our other volunteers.

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Please join in welcoming these members to new leadership roles in the Society. They are already hard at work.

From the Board...

Your SGS Board of Directors has been meeting through the summer. At our July meeting we passed or revised the following SGS policies: Key Policy, Prorated Membership Dues; Removal and Reinstatement of Membership. We also established calendar dates for events throughout the year, discussed the Library Trustees proposals that were presented at the June Annual Meeting and reviewed Board job descriptions.

At our August meeting, the Board continued to work on revising and updating our job descriptions, passed several additional policies, and set our goals and priorities for the coming year. These are:

1. Revamp SGS Website (to include a members only section)
2. Increase Membership
3. Secure Library lease for a minimum of five years.
4. Improve Communication with members
5. Involve more members as volunteers
6. Improve financial stability
7. Increase outreach & visibility in the community.
8. Continue Long Range Planning effort
9. Publish material for sale

Needless to say, it will take more than the 12 Board members to accomplish these goals. Are there some you'd be willing to help with? Do you have ideas or suggestions that might help us? If so, please contact Ginny Sommarstrom at <sgspresident@gmail.com>.

Library Inventory

On Wednesday, 21 July, nine volunteers started working on an inventory of the SGS Library. Between 10 in the morning and 4 in the afternoon they contributed about 36 hours of work and inventoried approximately 2400 books. They found 42 volumes which were missing in the shelf-list of SGS Library books. There were 129 books missing from the shelves; we hope to find many of the missing books on shelves that have not yet been inventoried. Perhaps the most difficult part of taking a library inventory is not stopping to read the many interesting books on the shelves. Volunteers frequently had their interest whetted for more family history research. The SGS Library is an important asset to the society. You can learn more about the library holdings from the SGS website.

By the end of July the inventory was about 20% complete.

We hope to finish the physical inventory of the library books by the end of August. The next step will require checking the shelf-list against the electronic catalog. If you wish to help, contact Mary Alice Sanguinetti at <sgslibrary@gmail.com>.

BYUTV was here!

On Monday, 19 July, the SGS Library was the setting for an episode of "The Generations Project." More filming will be done at other locations in August and "our" episode should be ready for airing late this year. BYUTV (Brigham Young University TV) will send us a DVD of the program and let us know when it's set to air. If you have Direct TV or Satellite TV, you can probably watch BYUTV. If you have Comcast or an antenna, you're out of luck. However, you can watch some episodes on their website at <<http://www.byutv.org/thegenerationsproject>>. We'll let you know when the SGS episode hits the BYUTV website.

Wish List

Can you help SGS with some much-needed items?

- Smaller, lighter-weight folding tables for our meeting area (approx. 24" x 60")
- PC laptops to use for classes; must run Windows XP or Vista
- Gently used printer/copier that can handle at least 12,000 page prints per year (Do you work for a company that surpluses such equipment?).

Please contact Ginny Sommarstrom <sgspresident@gmail.com> if you can provide a lead on any of these items.

Do you have...

SGS library books or keys? Our recent Library inventory has identified many missing books from our shelves. Have any migrated to your house? If so, please return them ASAP, no questions asked. We're also missing several keys to SGS, so if you happen to have one, please contact Linda Fitzgerald, Director of Operations <sgsoperations@gmail.com>.

October is Family History Month

How are you celebrating?

About.com has a list of 10 great suggestions for commemorating your family's past at <<http://genealogy.about.com/od/holidays/tp/family-history-month.htm>>.

They include such things as creating a family cookbook, researching your family's health history, recording family stories, scrapbooking, creating a family web site, preserv-

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ing photos, and several other ideas. All great ideas, but what's even better is that there are links to more detailed "how to" articles for each suggestion.

Is it time for a move?

SGS's lease for our library space on Sand Point Way NE expires on 31 March 2011. Is it time for another move? With our increasing attendance at educational programs, many of you have been frustrated by our limited parking and meeting space. Recent rearrangements have helped increase our meeting capacity, but we still can't handle our own Computer Interest Group. Our Library Trustees have recommended developing an archival repository, an activity that would require more space. At the same time, genealogical research is changing rapidly. Few of you use our library; most research is now conducted via the internet. The Seattle commercial real estate market is severely depressed right now, with lots of properties on the market. But moving SGS would be costly and physically exhausting. Many SGS members have indicated a desire for SGS to purchase our own space, but we don't currently have the financial resources to do that. What do you think we should do?

Do you know of an appropriate space for SGS that might be less expensive and better meet our changing needs than our current location? Is there a church or fraternal organization in your neighborhood that is underutilized? We currently have about 2700 square feet and 7 easily accessible parking spaces. We need a wheelchair accessible space of at least 3000 square feet with 20 or more parking spaces that is close to a Metro bus line. Most of our members live North of the ship canal, so a North Seattle location is preferred. If you know of a space that might meet these needs, please contact either Linda Fitzgerald <sgsoperations@gmail.com> or Ginny Sommarstrom <sgspresident@gmail.com>.

Beware of Genealogy Phishing Scams

Beware! A recent phishing scam has targeted some genealogist's computers. User's computers have been attacked by a virus and the user is unaware that emails are being sent to people on their mail list purporting to be from them. The message is a plea from the sender that they are stranded overseas because they have been robbed and have no money to pay their hotel bills. Money is being requested to be sent through Western Union. Because the user recognizes the name of someone on

their mail list that they have corresponded with—some have been responding. Never send money! Delete these emails and block the senders. The PAF-5 users group is a genealogy list that has been hit and one local Seattle researcher received a dozen such messages from people that she knows who have no idea that their names are being used.

Do You Have Intriguing Ancestors?

If so, have you thought about writing about them? Many of us have located details about our ancestors that no recent generations knew. Some details are funny, some sad, some warm, some inspiring, some historical, but all form the beginning of a family story that should be written down so that future generations will learn what you have found. The Seattle Genealogical Society would welcome the contribution of these stories that we could publish in up-coming issues of the *Bulletin*.

The combination of information from vital records, those elusive details that you have uncovered and your own knowledge of the historical time in which they lived will allow you to create the unique story of one of your families. Family history comes alive for all of us when the researcher places ancestors in the context of their own time and place in history and tells their stories for the present and future generations to read about and to ponder.

The editorial staff of the *Bulletin* encourages you to write some of the stories of your ancestors that you have found; stories that may be lost to the future generations unless you make the effort to capture on paper the details of events in the lives of those who have gone before. As a genealogist, don't you wish that you could remember all of the little details of those stories that you heard as a youngster at a grandparent's knee? The *Bulletin* staff welcomes articles of any length about your ancestors that you may wish to submit for publication.

Contact the Director of Publications, Annette Dwyer by email at <sgspublications@gmail.com> to make arrangements to submit a story or to ask any questions about SGS publishing your family story. Some authors who have submitted stories have been pleased to hear from previously unknown relatives after the article was published in the *Bulletin*.

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Computer Interest Group Volunteer Leadership Information

The Computer Interest Group (CIG) of the Seattle Genealogical Society serves to advance genealogical research through the use of computers and related technology.

Did you know that our Computer Interest Group is the oldest group of its kind in the United States, having been established in January 1981?

You can help us maintain that legacy by volunteering to be a leader of the CIG. Group leaders need excellent computer and genealogical skills, and must commit to attending the monthly meeting, held the 2nd Saturday of every month (except November) from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Typically, leaders are elected by CIG attendees in May of every year for a one-year term. This year, no one has yet stepped forward to replace outgoing Chair Dawn Bingaman following her three years of service, so we are appealing to a broader audience.

In the past, the group has typically been headed by a Chair and a Vice-Chair, but other arrangements are possible, depending upon the skill sets of the individuals, their schedules, and how they mutually agree to divide up the responsibilities.

CIG leaders are responsible for the following tasks:

- Reserve meeting rooms up to 3 months in advance at Seattle Public Library branches, complying with all library policies, and completing the "Application for Branch Meeting Room Use" as directed by library staff. If library space is unavailable then other arrangements will need to be made.
- Develop a calendar of appropriate topics for presentation, usually 3-months in advance.
- Locate and schedule individuals who are capable of speaking on the selected topics. Solicit information from them for advertising the talk and maintain contact with the speaker in the time frame leading up to their talk. Depending upon the speaker, CIG leaders may need to review the presentation and make suggestions for refinement, or to improve focus.
- Market the meetings the week of the talk through the e-mail distribution list, and through distribution of flyers.
- Prepare copies of the handouts, when requested by the speaker.
- On meeting day, set-up and tear-down the room, laptop and projector. Make announcements and introductions.

- When speakers cannot be booked, CIG leaders will need to create and deliver the presentation or determine an alternative type of meeting (i.e. group sharing, panel discussion). Other meeting formats would be facilitated by CIG leaders.

- Maintain an Excel-based sign-in sheet for each monthly meeting.
- Use the Excel sign-in sheet to maintain the e-mail distribution list on a monthly basis.
- Read and respond to incoming e-mail to the CIG mailbox on a regular basis.
- Maintain contact with the SGS Director of Education, and other officers and volunteers regarding group activities as needed (i.e. Publications, Webmaster).

A Conference of Interest — and You're Invited!

Genealogists document family history by piecing together information about ancestors through generations past. Personal historians work with the ancestors who are still with us, preserving their stories and memories for generations to come. Genealogists and personal historians have much in common, and much to learn from one another.

The Association of Personal Historians will hold its annual conference in Victoria, B.C., Wednesday-Sunday, 3-7 November. The program includes quite a number of workshops of interest to genealogists. Among them is a presentation on interpreting family photos by Maureen Taylor, the internationally recognized expert on the use of photographs in genealogical research. Dave Obee, a perennially popular speaker at genealogy meetings and conferences across North America, will give a special presentation on providing historical and geographical context for family stories. Obee will also give a workshop on interviewing techniques — invaluable for the genealogist who is hoping to get family history from an elderly relative.

For more information, go to <www.personalhistorians.org/conference> and <<http://voicesoftheelders.com>> or contact Program Chair Pattie Whitehouse at <conference2010@personalhistorians.biz>.

Save the Date!

21 May 2011—Spring Seminar: Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD, author of *Forensic Genealogy* and *DNA & Genealogy*. 2011 is the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War. The Fall seminar is military-related; from the Colonial wars in the 1700s up to the Korean Conflict in the 1900s.

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SGS Donations

A special thank you to the following individuals who made monetary donations between April and July of 2010. Without these donations, SGS would not be able to continue operating our library and programs. Thank you!

\$1 - \$50

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 Pinson, Mary
 Poitras, Liz
 Price, Janice Wasden
 Prohaska, Myrtle
 Pulliam, Christine
 Range, Rita
 Roach, Hal & Gloria
 Robson, Laurie
 Roddy, Mary
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 Ryseff, Janeen
 Russell, Douglas
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OVER \$200

Hebert, Elizabeth

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Calendar of Events

All events held at the Seattle Genealogical Society Library, unless stated otherwise.

SEPTEMBER

- 4-6 Monday, SGS Library CLOSED for the Labor Day Holiday.
- 7 Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. "HERITAGE CRAFTS TUESDAY'S" SGS Library
You asked and we have Cary Bright coming this fall to help bring your family history alive. The first class will be creating a series of scrapbook pages with your family history information and ideas for future pages. You will leave with two completed 12x12 double pages and many more ideas. \$3 charge for supplies or bring your own. Limited to 12 attendees. Email <clbright@comcast.net> for more information.
- 9 Thursday, 1 – 3 p.m. BRICK WALL PANEL SGS Library
Come hear how our panelists have solved their brick walls and bring yours to share. Many minds are more likely to come up solutions than just one!
- 11 Saturday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP
Location and Topic to be announced. This group will not meet until a new chairperson steps forward.

Note: The Irish and German Special Interest Groups will meet early on Monday this month so members can attend the Washington State Genealogy Conference.

- 13 Monday, 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. IRISH INTEREST GROUP SGS Library
"Researching the Scots-Irish" Did your ancestors come from Ulster? Northern Ireland's records and methods of research can differ from those ancestors who come from the Republic of Ireland in the South. Picture of the Ulster American Folk Park in County Tyrone - This is Ireland's Williamsburg.
- 13 Monday, 1 – 3 p.m. GERMAN INTEREST GROUP SGS Library
"Basic German Research" and open discussion.
- 17-18 Friday night and Saturday ANNUAL CONFERENCE, "JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY"
Washington State Genealogical Society presents a bonus evening on Friday night, seating limited. Friday 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Speaker: Steven Waltz Morrison, *"Outlaw Genealogy - Finding the Outlaw in your Family"*
Saturday 8:00 -3:45 pm Speaker: Diane VanSkiver Gagel, *"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", and "Social History and Genealogy: Filling in the Gaps"*. Assembly of God Bethel Church, 132 Kirkland Road, Chehalis, Washington. For more info: WSGS, 1901 S 12th Ave, Union Gap, WA 98903-1256.
- 20 Monday, 10:15 – 3:30 p.m. BEGINNERS CLASS SGS Library
This all-day class for beginners will introduce family history research and help you organize your findings. **Space limited - SGS Members only.** Register with SGS Director of Education Jean A. Roth at <jeanaroth@juno.com>.
- 25 Saturday, 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. PENNSYLVANIA STATE FOCUS GROUP SGS Library
- 25 Saturday, 1 – 3 p.m. SGS MEMBERSHIP MEETING SGS Library
A short Membership Meeting will be followed by a program. *"Bagging a Live One"*. Tips for connecting with those elusive and distant cousins who may have genealogical gems to share. Speaker: Mary Roddy.

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- 25 Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. PSGS FALL SEMINAR: *"Let Us Gather At The Church"*
Puget Sound Genealogical Society presents the Keynote Speaker: Mary Kozy. *"Finding & Using Church Records"*, *"Organizing Your Family History in Order to Stay Sane"*, *"More Genealogy on the Internet—Beyond the Basics"* +14 topics to choose from for a full day of classes. Location: First Christian Church, 4885 SW Hovde, Port Orchard, WA. Registration \$30/\$35 after 10 Sep. Lunch available on order. For more info: PSGS (360) 876-4320; <<http://www.pusogensoc.org>>.
- 27 Monday, 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. DESK VOLUNTEER TRAINING WORKSHOP SGS Library
Please RSVP to <sgsvolunteers@gmail.com> to let us know you will be attending.
- 27 Monday, 3 – 5 p.m. SGS BOARD MEETING SGS Library
- OCTOBER
- 2 Saturday, 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. CANADIAN INTEREST GROUP SGS Library
Topic to be announced.
- 2 Saturday, 1 – 3 p.m. BASIC COMPUTER SKILLS SGS Library
"Using Flash Drives with your Computer" What is that little gizmo everyone carries around to transfer or download data from one computer to another? How does it work? This is one of those "everybody needs one" items.
- 2 Saturday, 8:15 a.m. – 3 p.m. AUTUMN QUEST 2010: *"Unlocking the Hidden Power of the Internet"*
Featuring National Best-Selling Author Daniel M. Lynch, at the Tacoma Elks Club, 1965 S Union Ave, Tacoma, WA 98405. Topics will be: *"Google Your Family Tree"*, *"Google News Archive & News Timeline"*, *"Organize for Efficiency"* and *"What About the Living?"*. Due to overwhelming demand from last year, Dan Lynch, author of *"Google Your Family Tree"* will be returning to give us more insight into how to use the Internet for genealogy, using not just Google, but a wide range of tools and techniques. This is your opportunity to hear one of the best speakers available in the Genealogy community today. \$35 per person or register before 24 Sep for \$30. \$10 Lunch. Info: <<http://www.hqrl.com/autumnquest/autumnquest.html>>.
- 5 Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. "HERITAGE CRAFTS TUESDAY'S" SGS Library
The second class will show you how to make Holiday items with your family history to use as décor or gifts. Bring a vintage photo (copy on paper) of a family member dressed in black to make a Halloween craft. Limited to 12. Email Cary Bright for more information at <clbright@comcast.net>.
- 7 Thursday MAC COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP
Topic, time and place not known at publication date.
- 9 Saturday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP Topic and Location tba.
- 10 Sunday, 1 – 3 p.m. INTERMEDIATE SERIES SGS Library
"Passenger Arrival and Boarder Crossing Records", at SGS Library; Learn how these valuable sources can help you understand your ancestors' lives. Speaker: Karen Sipe.
- 16 Saturday, 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. IRISH INTEREST GROUP SGS Library
"Irish Surnames and Given Names" Looking at origins, localities, spellings, and naming patterns."

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- 16 Saturday, 1 – 3 p.m. GERMAN INTEREST GROUP SGS Library
"Researching in the Berlin Document Center Collection". After World War II, the Allies captured the Nazi War documents in Berlin and the captured documents contain a variety of research material including records of German immigrants in the United States that were to be used as resources when the Allies were defeated in Europe. This a unique opportunity to learn about these records, some of which are available through the Family History Library. Speaker: Lou Dorney, Commander, U.S. Navy Ret. and a LDS North Stake Family History Library Volunteer who lived in Berlin.
- 18 Monday, 1 – 3 p.m. SGS PROGRAM MEETING SGS Library
"Emigrant Arrivals in the Port of New York City". Audio-visual slide program on how our ancestors were processed in our country's most important ports of arrival at Castle Garden, the Barge Office, and Ellis Island. Speaker: Jean Roth.
- 20 Wednesday, Deadline for Board Meeting agenda items to <sgssecretary@gmail.com>.
- 23 Saturday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. SGS FALL SEMINAR Nordic Heritage Museum
"On the Move... Roads, Rails, Ships and Trails: How Our Ancestors Came West" 3014 NW 67th Street, Seattle
This full day seminar will cover western migration patterns through history. Do you know how your ancestors got here? Learn from the experts! Select four of the ten presentations that will be available. Check the SGS website for registration information at <<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waseags>>.
- 25 Monday; 3 – 5 p.m. SGS BOARD MEETING SGS Library
- 30 Saturday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. DNA INTEREST GROUP
At Aljoya Thornton Place (South of Northgate mall by Group Health clinic) at 450 Northeast 100th Street; Seattle, WA 98125. Check the SGS Website for topics. Leaders: Jim Gunderson and Cary Bright.

NOVEMBER

- 4 Thursday, 7 – 9 p.m. BRICK WALL PANEL SGS Library
Come hear how our panelists have solved their brick walls and bring yours to share. Many minds are more likely to come up solutions than just one!
- 4 Thursday, MAC COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP Topic, time and place tba.
- 6 Saturday, 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. CANADIAN INTEREST GROUP SGS Library
Watch the website for information as this group may reschedule or cancel due to the Family History Expo.
- 6 Saturday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. LDS FAMILY HISTORY EXPO 2010 Bellevue Stake Center
All day: free classes and exhibits. SGS will have an info table. See <<http://www.wafamilyhistory.net>> for last year's topics. At the Church of Latter Day Saints 14536 Main Street, Bellevue, WA 98007.
- 8 Monday, 1 – 3 p.m. SGS PROGRAM MEETING SGS Library
Come celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Women's Vote in Washington State. In 1854, Washington women nearly got the right of suffrage, but it was defeated by a single vote. They were granted the right in 1883 by the Territorial Legislature, but lost it in 1887 due to the liquor lobbyists who were afraid women would vote for Prohibition. Finally, on 8 Nov 1910, Washington became the fifth state in the nation where women could vote, ten years before the rest of the country had that right. What did it mean for our state?

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Calendar of Events, continued

- 9 Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. "HERITAGE CRAFTS TUESDAY'S" SGS Library
The third class features taking family member memorabilia and making Shadow Box or Memory Pillow. Limited to 12 attendees. Email <clbright@comcast.net> for a supply list.
- 13 Saturday 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP
This group will only meet if a new chair has stepped forward. Check the SGS website for topic and location.
- 15 Monday, 1 – 3 p.m. SGS INTERMEDIATE RESEARCH SERIES SGS Library
"Sourcing Your Records" Our technology panel will demonstrate adding sources to your research in popular genealogy software programs: Family Tree Maker, Legacy and Reunion.
- 17 Wednesday, Deadline for Board Meeting agenda items to <sgssecretary@gmail.com>.
- 20 Saturday, 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. IRISH INTEREST GROUP SGS Library
"Irish Genealogy Sources in Salt Lake's Family History Library" Using Family Search and the Pilot Program to find collections in the LDS Family History Library and accessing them in Seattle.
- 20 Saturday, 1 – 3 p.m. GERMAN INTEREST GROUP SGS Library
"German Websites" Popular websites for German research and how they can be effectively used. New sources are being added every month and both free and for-pay sites will be discussed.
- 22 Monday 3 – 5 p.m. SGS BOARD MEETING SGS Library
- 24-29 SGS LIBRARY CLOSED from 3 p.m. Wednesday, 24 Nov through Monday, 29 Nov for Thanksgiving Holiday.

DECEMBER

- 3 Friday 3 – 8 p.m. SGS HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE SGS Library
Drop by SGS to enjoy Food, Fun and Music plus suggestions for Genealogy gifts for yourself and family members.
- 4 Saturday, 10:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. CANADIAN INTEREST GROUP SGS Library
Topic to be Advised.
- 7 Tuesday, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. "HERITAGE CRAFTS TUESDAY'S" SGS Library
The fourth class will demonstrate making a Family Heritage Box for the coffee table that will bring your family members alive to anyone who looks in it. Limited to 12 attendees. Email <clbright@comcast.net> for a supply list.
- 11 Saturday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP Location and Topic tba.

Note: The Irish and German Interest Groups will not meet this month.

SGS LIBRARY CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS: Sunday, 19 December through Monday, 3 January.

DNA INTEREST GROUP MEETING CHANGE:

Meets the 5th Sat of the month (four times a year). The dates for 2011 will be 29 Jan, 30 Apr, 30 Jul, and 29 Oct.

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