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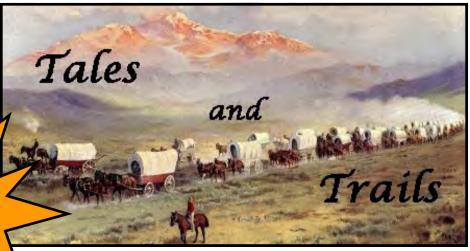
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## th Anniversary Party

Sunday July 9, 2017 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM At Sorosis Park Picnic Shelter, The Dalles, OR

Potluck starts at 1:30 – Bring main or side dish

#### **Activities**

- Recognition of Charter Members
- Recognition of past efforts
- Seeing old acquaintances
- Meeting new acquaintances that were involved in CGGS before or after you were.
- Sharing Good Food!
- Sharing tales or photos of genealogical success
   or even chasing rabbit trails

CGGS will provide plates, napkins, cups, utensils, pop, water, coffee and cake for desert

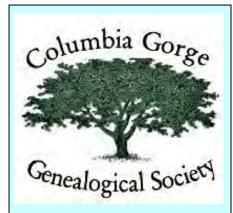
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audyarnell@hotmail.com

By June 30!
Please!

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### President's Report



Happy Summertime Everyone,

Gather and let's celebrate!! The Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society is celebrating its

40th anniversary. Looking forward to spending a great afternoon with past members, hearing stories and giving recognition to charter and life time members. Some early members have passed on but will not be forgotten as we recognize them also. Our board is working very hard to plan a memorable afternoon.

The society has had a tough year regarding attendance. The winters weather conditions didn't help. We would like to remind you as members that we appreciate your membership and attendance. Program presenters appreciate you attending because they have put many hours in preparing their work to enlighten and educate us in many subjects. If you have given a program in the past please consider giving it again. We know there are many knowledgeable and talented members we would like to hear from.

Wishing all a great summer, happy family history tree climbing!

Georga



## USGenWeb.com Has A Facelift

By Jim Bull



Jan Bony's presentation at the June 10 meeting had its ups and downs. First of all, despite our

projector having multiple cords in its accessory bag, none of them seemed to be compatible with Jan's new laptop. Realizing that the turnout was small (7 – more on this in another article), Jan quickly said "That's alright, I'll just go through my presentation and walk around and show the images." P.J. added that she would bring up the sites on her laptop, thus taking care of one side of the room.

The <u>USGenWeb</u> site has recently undergone a complete redesign to make it easier to find and use the information, starting with the interactive map that you can click on to start your research no matter where your ancestor lived. This paragraph also welcomes you:

"The USGenWeb Project is a group of volunteers working together [since 1996] and having fun providing free online genealogy help and information for every U.S. state and county. Our national site provides links to state sites, which, in turn, provide gateways to the counties. We also sponsor important Special Projects, gathering useful data you can access for free. I'm proud of the variation you'll see in site style and content across our

many web sites. It shows the wonderful diversity of our volunteers!"

A total of 17 special projects ranging from Archives to Tombstone can be accessed from the "About Us" tab at the top of the home page. Fifteen topics are displayed under the "Research" tab. The "Website Support" tab provides 14 topics to help you create your own presence on the interned.

If you haven't used www.USGenWeb.com before, or recently, give it a try to learn what each local site may have to add to your collection of data.

The upside of the day was that there were lots of opportunities to ask questions and explore lots of spontaneous paths that suddenly appeared. An enjoyable afternoon!

## Write Your Own Obituary

(an example)

(Suggested by Georga Foster)



Josephine West

I, Josephine Jewell Koonce West, was born July 22, 1926 in Ola, Gem County, Idaho. I was

born many years after my siblings and was a great surprise to George Robert and Ethel (Stephens) Koonce. After a period of time we moved to St. Ignatius, Montana and from there mother and I moved to Magalia, California, where we lived with my sister Susanne and family for a period of time. Moving to Klickitat

County during the depression, I later graduated from Goldendale Class of 1945. I was married to William Lester West, October 7, 1949 and we lived our lives together raising our family in Centerville, Washington. Bill was Goldendale Chief of Police, as well as owner of the West Ranch.

My time was spent with my boys and being their Cub Scouts and 4-H Leader, and events at the Fair. I was a member of the Historical Society working on the start of the Presby House Museum back in 1958. I loved gardening and entering flower shows. A search of Sentinel archives will show all the awards I proudly won. I hope the fields of the hereafter are covered with flowers. I love genealogy, and worked very hard through the years to find my ancestors as well as helping others do the same. My thanks to those who assisted me.

I love all animals, but cats above all. Anyone visiting would know I was a cat person, as they ruled the house. I hope I am allowed to see all of them again. I am a lover of antiques, and I started collecting and have, to this day, never looked back. Garage sales and estate sales were a great adventure for me, as well as visiting with the people having the sale.

I was preceded in death by my parents George and Ethel and a beloved step father Harry Emerson. Husband William West, an infant son, Stephen. Sisters, Laura, Ida Beatrice (Known as Susanne) Georgia May and Brothers Guy Roberts and John Jackson, Great Grandson Dalton

Elliot.

My Children are: Peter Thompson (Mae), Jonathon West (Linda), David West (Jill), and T. Michael West.

Grandchildren: Taeven Thompson; James West (Toni); Michael West (Heather); Sarah West, Mary

West; Matthew



Young Josephine West

West; Rebecca (Pete) Naillon; Shayla West; Rachel Arens, Tom, Jacob, and Yzabel McKee; William and Remington Taylor West.

Great Grand

Children: Abbigail & Annabelle West, William K. Elliot, Athena Little, Porter & Riley West, Zoey & Payton Naillon, Dayne and Austin West. Kara, Elle and Aubrey DeWitt, Arbor, Josiah, Sunan Louise, among others I all care for dearly, even if I missed giving their names here.

I love going to church and teaching various classes, which prepared me for the many adventures in my 90+ years of life. I have had a great life filled with family, friends and good times. I really loved the adventures with Venice. I had a few hurdles to overcome along the way, but through prayer and the Lord, I overcame those problems....and even now...as it is time for me to leave, I hear the summons ..... and happily I go, as I did April 11, 2017 in Scottsdale Arizona. My son Timothy Michael tried his best to make me feel at home in AZ, but Klickitat County was always my real home. I am

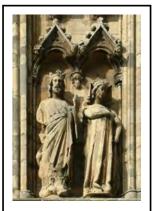
very grateful for everything he did for me.

Always remember that, "I love you all", and I will see you again down the road. ... "Bye Now" and to those who know me, and for James.... "Toddles".

Services will be held April 22, 2017 at 10 am at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saint's church, at the corner of N. Columbus and McKinley. Interment at Spring Creek Cemetery, surrounded by family already waiting for me. In lieu of flowers please send donations to Purrfect Fit Cat Adoptions in Hood River Oregon, or the Humane Society. (From *The Goldendale Sentinel*, April 19, 2017)

### Finding royal roots

By Zachary Garceau Digested from *Vita Brevis* 2 Mar., 2016



Representations of Edward I and Eleanor of Castile at Lincoln Cathedral. Courtesy of Wikipedia.org

In lineage societies, the frequently -used term 'gateway ancestor' refers to an anceswho tor has known lineage

which can

be traced back to a person of prominence. Proven lines to gateway ancestors can result in descendants being accepted into many hereditary societies. In the following piece, I will be using my own ancestor, Robert Abell, as an example. Born about 1605 in Stapenhill, Derbyshire, Abell came to Massachusetts in 1630.1

I began my research by first confirming my connection to Robert Abell through my great-great-grandmother, Jennie Luther, daughter of Edwin Sanford and Jennie H. (Connolly) Luther. Using works including *The Luther Family in America* and *The Luther Genealogy*, as well as vital records, probate records, and other widely available resources, I was able to confirm the ancestry of Jennie Luther:<sup>2</sup>

Through Robert Abell, I was able to trace my ancestry back to individuals such as Eystein Glumra (born c. 805), Amadeus of Oscheret (born c. 790), and Fulcois, Count of Perche, a tenth-century French nobleman.

The entire article can be found at <a href="http://vita-brevis.org/2016/03/finding-royal-roots/">http://vita-brevis.org/2016/03/finding-royal-roots/</a>.

#### Notes

1. Carl Boyer, Medieval English Ancestors of Robert<sup>1</sup> Abell: Who Died in Rehoboth, Plymouth Colony, 20 June 1663: with English Ancestral Lines of Other Colonial Americans (Santa Clarita, Calif., 2001).

2. Leslie Luther, *The Luther Family in America* (Moravia, N.Y.: Chronicle-Guidance Publications, 1976), and Leslie L. Luther, *The Luther Genealogy* (Rockport, Me.: Penobscot Press, 2001).

## Reasonable Exhaustive Search -- A Follow Up

By Jim Bull

Last June member Linda Colton gave us a lot of information about the Genealogical Proof Standard. At the foundation of that standard was the pursuit of a "Reasonably Exhaustive Search" to find and document the support of the data you found about your ancestor.

In July Sandy Bisset sent me a copy of an article by Michael John Neill on his Rootsdig.com blog in response to a reader's question "Are the Online "Trees" Part of a Reasonably Exhaustive Search?". Click on the link to find details to the answer "Yes... But".

## A good index guides the reader

By Penny Stratton From *Vita Brevis* Aug. 11, 2016

Yesterday, Alicia Crane Williams wrote about the steps she takes when indexing the Early New England Families Study Project, showing the extensive work that makes it possible for us to find ancestors in database searches. But what if you're not creating a database, but writing a book instead?

In the course of your research, have you ever picked up a family history and, to your dismay, found no index? With this experience in mind, if you are writing a family history, you must have an index for your work—at the very least an every-name index.

The guiding principle for indexing is to help the reader find a precise person. Whereas a database allows you to narrow your search according to certain criteria, a print index doesn't. So how can you apply that guiding principle when indexing a printed work? Two key things will help, one involving indexing people who have the same name, and one involving the indexing of married women.

An index helps the reader find the right person.

#### Indexing people with the same name.

If your ancestors carry certain given names throughout generations, you'll want to help your reader find the right person with a particular name. The easiest way to do so is to include generational numbers, if you're using them. Taking examples from my husband's ancestry, I would index his two Daniel Ladds and handful of Nathaniel Ladds like this:

Daniel<sup>1</sup>
Daniel<sup>3</sup>
Nathaniel<sup>2</sup>
Nathaniel<sup>4</sup>

Ladd

Nathaniel<sup>5</sup> Nathaniel<sup>6</sup>

If you're not using generational numbers, consider using a birthdate (or death date, if the birthdate is unknown) or some other identifier. For the Daniels and Nathaniels:

Ladd

Daniel (d. 1693)

Daniel (b. 1717)

Nathaniel (b. 1651)

Nathaniel (b. 1745)

Nathaniel (b. 1774)

Nathaniel (b. 1794)

#### Indexing married women.

As I mentioned in a <u>previous</u> <u>post</u> on the topic, you must index women under every surname they have ever had. My husband's history, for example, will include his late mother, Ella Mabel (Clark) (Stratton) (Yourch) Corke, who was widowed three times. Someone who knew Ella under only one of these surnames will want to find every instance

of her mention in the book. Thus she will appear in the index four times. In alphabetical order, they would be as follows:

Clark, Ella Mabel
Corke, Ella Mabel (Clark)
 (Stratton) (Yourch)
Stratton, Ella Mabel (Clark)
Yourch, Ella Mabel (Clark)
 (Stratton)

Under each entry, I would list every page where Ella appears, even if she is not listed with that particular surname on that page. Doing so will add to the work of indexing, and make it tedious. But it will be a great boon to the reader—which brings me back to the guiding principle: helping the reader find a specific person.

Do you have specific questions about indexing we can address in *Vita Brevis*? List them in the comments, and we'll make every effort to answer them in future posts. Or, for more complete information about indexing, see NEHGS's Portable Genealogist on the topic, or consult our Guide to Genealogical Writing.

Announcing a New Consistency Checker for Online Family Trees at MyHeritage



From Dick Eastman's *EOGN* 2/12/17 What errors are in your genealogy database? Most people have several and are not aware of the

errors. A new Consistency Checker for online family trees at MyHeritage scans your family tree and identifies potential mistakes and inconsistencies in your data so that you can quickly make the necessary changes in your tree, improving its overall quality and accuracy.

I ran this on my database and am a bit embarrassed to admit it found two errors.

In addition, the Consistency Checker identified several possible problems, such as people who had children at a rather young, but possible, age or at an advanced, but possible, age. In other words, it displayed a notice that "you might want to double-check this." Luckily, in my case they were all legitimate facts as many of my French-Canadian ancestors did have children while in their midteens. However, it never hurts to double-check your sources.

Besides, I love the graphic used for the Consistency Checker of the man with a monocle. "I'm checking on you."

More information about the Consistency Checker for online family trees may be found in the MyHeritage blog post at: <a href="https://goo.gl/7IWeIk">https://goo.gl/7IWeIk</a>.



## Boston Transcript column now online

By Jean Maguire, NEHGS Library Director Digested From *Vita Brevis* Nov. 7, 2016



The genealogy column in the Boston Evening Transcript newspaper has been one of the more heavily used resources at the NEHGS Library for the past century or more. The paper was published, under a few different titles, from 1830 to 1941. 1906 through 1941, it featured a genealogy column in which readers would submit and respond to queries. During most of its run, the column appeared twice a week. According to an editors' note which appeared in many issues, the newspaper was almost overwhelmed with submissions and had a backlog waiting to be published. The editors claimed that they had "correspondents in every corner of the country." By the time it ceased publication, the column had covered an estimated two million names.

FamilySearch expressed a willingness to help us digitize the *Transcript* collection. A little over 20 months ago, their wonderful volunteers arrived at the library with equipment and energy, ready to go. A few weeks later, they had finished photographing the clippings. As a result, we now have a browsable (i.e., not searchable) online collection of the genealogy column from 1911 to

1941 on AmericanAncestors.org.

To read the original posting of this article for more information on accessing these records, click here.

## Closing Death Records Is Just Dead Wrong!

From Dick Eastman's *EOGN* Oct. 28, 2016

Fred Moss has posted <u>an article</u> on the Records Preservation and Access Committee (RPAC) Blog that I would suggest be required reading for every genealogist, every legislator, and every government employee who has responsibility for public records.

Note: RPAC is a joint committee of the Federation of Genealogical Societies, the National Genealogical Society, and the International Association of Jewish Genealogical Societies.

Fred describes the threats of identity theft and then tells how the restriction of access to public records is ineffective. He then writes:

"The most dramatic example of this paradigm at the Federal level is found in those provisions in Section 203 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 limiting access to and the content of the Social Security Administration's Death Master File. The context prompting these provisions arose in 2011 from particularly egregious cases of tax fraud by identity theft involving recently deceased children. Early House and Senate hearings highlighting these horror stories involved a narrative which injected additional elements to the paradigm."

Fred Moss' article is available at

http://www.fgs.org/ rpac/2016/10/28/closing-deathrecords-is-just-dead-wrong/.

I suggest you read <u>Fred Moss'</u> <u>article</u>, then copy-and-paste it into email or print it out and mail it to your elected representatives.

### Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps Now Online

From Dick Eastman's EOGN 5/29/2017

Many experienced genealogists can tell you that using the Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps is a great way to learn more about the lives of your U.S. ancestors, especially if they owned their own homes or rented homes or their places of business.

The Library of Congress has placed online nearly 25,000



Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps, which depict the structure and use of buildings in U.S. cities and towns. Maps will be added monthly until 2020, for a total of approximately 500,000.

The online collection now features maps published prior to 1900. The states available include Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont, Wisconsin and Wyoming. Alaska is also online, with maps published through the early 1960s. By 2020, all the states will be online, showing maps

from the late 1880s through the early 1960s.

The Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps are a valuable resource for genealogists, historians, urban planners, teachers or anyone with a personal connection to a community, street or building. The maps depict more than 12,000 American towns and cities. They show the size, shape and construction materials of dwellings, commercial buildings, factories and other structures. They indicate both the names and width of streets, and show property boundaries and how individual buildings were used. House and block numbers are identified. They also show the location of water mains, fire alarm boxes and fire hydrants.

## Congratulations to Member Rose Denslinger



Rose was named Wasco Co. Pioneer Woman of the Year at the Wasco County Pioneer Association's 95th annual meeting in May.

Along with her efforts with 4-H Sewing Club, volunteering at Fort Dalles Museum and the Pioneer Association, Rose was recognized for her tenacious genealogical research that resulted in her tracing her family roots to pre-Revolutionary War era and qualifying her for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution.

### My Comments about Black Sheep Ancestors

From Dick Eastman's EOGN, June 14, 2017

I have always been interested in the less than perfect people in my family tree. These folks often may be found in various court records that have been preserved. At the <a href="RootsTech2017">RootsTech2017</a> conference, I was asked about such ancestors and my comments were videotaped by the RootsTech crew. You can view the video on Twitter at <a href="https://t.co/KdFInLZkgh">https://t.co/KdFInLZkgh</a>.

In my computer, I found I had to click on the video image to hear the audio. Your computer may be different.

What black sheep did you find in your family tree? Other videos from RootsTech2017 may be found at:

https://www.rootstech.org/rootstech-2017

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#### **Upcoming Events**

July 9, 2017 1:00 to 4:00 PM Sorosis Park Picnic Shelter CGGS 40th Anniversary Party Fun and Food!

August 16 to 19, 2017
Byrnes Performing Arts Center
Arlington, WA
2017 Northwest Genealogy Conf.
See <a href="https://stillygen.org/cpage.php?pt=50">https://stillygen.org/cpage.php?pt=50</a> for details

Sept. 9, 2017 1:00 PM at Discovery Center CGGS Monthly Meeting Researching Land Records by Sandy Bisset

Oct 5 & 6, 2017
Mt. Olive TLutheran Church
Tieton, WA
Fall Workshop (YVGS)
Speaker Pam Vestal.—See https://
yvgs.net/eventListings.php?nm=74 for
information and Contacts

Oct. 14—15, 2017
Portland
Time, Location TBA
GFO Fall Seminar
CeCe Moore of "DNA Detectives"
and Louis Gates of Finding Your
Roots" are the speakers.

Check www.GFO.Org for more info.

October 21, 2017 (Not our regular meeting date)

10:00 AM—2:30 PM The Discovery Center CGGS Genealogy Jamboree

Program Information TBA

Nov. 11, 2017 1:00 PM at The Discovery Center CGGS Monthly Meeting Sharing cultural heritage foods and stories.

December 9, 2017 No CGGS Meeting

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### Plan Ahead!

## Announcing the 14th Unlock the Past Genealogy Cruise (Alaska 2018)

From Dick Eastman's EOGN May 7, 2017

The following announcement was written by Unlock the Past: Adelaide, South Australia, 17 May 2017 – Unlock the Past Cruises announces its 2018 cruise – an opportunity to discover more about your family history while in great company and visiting great destinations.

The Alaska cruise, 7-14 September 2018 on Royal Caribbean's *Explorer of the Seas* will leave from Seattle, visiting Juneau, Skagway, Tracy Arm Fjord, Alaska and Victoria, British Columbia over 7 days.



The conference program will feature 40–45 talks in three streams from an international team of 12–15 speakers. No talks will occur when in port or during scenic cruising. An optional full day extra seminar is being considered the day before the cruise to offer additional value to the many who will travel from a distance. This will feature leading North American speakers and a different program.

The featured presenters on the cruise are:

Chris Paton (Scotland) – Chris is one of the most sought-after presenters in Australia, New Zealand, Britain, Ireland, Canada and the US. He has written many books (including nine for Unlock the Past) and numerous articles for genealogy magazines.

Dick Eastman (United States) – Dick is widely known internationally for his Eastman's online genealogy newsletter. He has been involved in genealogy for more than 30 years and has worked in the computer industry for over 40 years in hardware, software, and managerial positions.

Other speakers are Dr Janet Few and Caroline Gurney from England, Jan Gow from New Zealand, Shauna Hicks, Eric and Rosemary Kopittke, Mike Murray and Helen Smith from Australia and Cyndi Ingle from the United States. More will be announced.

For details, bookings and registration of interest go to <a href="www.unlockthepastcruises.com/alaska">www.unlockthepastcruises.com/alaska</a>. US Passport holders have the option of booking with our US travel agent partner, Cruise Planners: O'Connell Travel. (See <a href="http://www.oconnelltravel.com/rw/view/8810">http://www.oconnelltravel.com/rw/view/8810</a>.)

Some comments on previous cruises:

A genealogy conference on the high seas? Not only do you get all the fun of a regular cruise, you have the opportunity to network with other family historians from all over the world. The best part: the lectures and educational presentations are offered by some of the leading speakers in the genealogy industry. And Unlock the Past Cruises has the best selection of destinations and speakers hands down! – Thomas MacEntee, United States, 4th cruise presenter

Only one thing beats a good genealogy conference, and that is a genealogy conference that offers a chance to see a bit of the world, to enjoy some top-class entertainment, and above all else, meet many other people sharing a similar interest. It's also the perfect family holiday, with plenty of fun activities for your partner and kids to get up to on board whilst you're attending conference sessions! – Chris Paton, Scotland, 2nd, 4th and 8th cruise presenter



<u>About Unlock the Past</u> — Australian based Unlock the Past was established in 2009. It is the event and publishing division of Gould Genealogy & History which has served family and local historians since 1976. It is a collaborative venture involving an international team of expert speakers, writers, organizations and commercial partners to promote history and genealogy through innovative major events and a new publishing brand. It also main-

tains general and events directories online.

## Low Attendance At Meetings

By Jim Bull

You've already read Georga's comments about recent declining attendance. The low participation at the past three programs (4 in April; 7 in May; 8 in June) was briefly discussed at our board meeting June 10. Thoughts included lack of interest in program subjects, "out of the habit" resulting from weather cancellations on top of no meeting last December, conflicts with other local activities, etc., and the possibility of rotating meeting locations throughout the Gorge.

Here is a summary of the past two years.

| Meeting   | Attending    | Scheduled Program Topic                                                  |  |
|-----------|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| June '17  | 8            | USGenWeb                                                                 |  |
| May '17   | 7 + 4 guests | A Grave Situation                                                        |  |
| April '17 | 4            | Visit to GFO in Pdx                                                      |  |
| Mar. '17  | 11           | Members shared winter research results                                   |  |
| Feb,'17   | Cancled      | DNR Research Video                                                       |  |
| Jan. '17  | Cancled      | Genealogy Jar                                                            |  |
| Dec. 16   | No Mtg.      |                                                                          |  |
| Nov. '16  | 10           | Cultural Heritage Feast                                                  |  |
| Oct. '16  | 49           | Genealogy Jamboree                                                       |  |
| Sep. '16  | 17           | Non-Population Cencus Records by Sandy Bisset                            |  |
| Aug. '16  | No Mtg.      |                                                                          |  |
| July '16  | No Mtg.      |                                                                          |  |
| June '16  | 10           | Genealogy Proof Standard by Linda Colton                                 |  |
| May '16   | 16           | Cemetery crowdsourcing & Find-A-Grave by Georga Foster                   |  |
| Aor. '16  | 15+3 guests  | City Directories by Georga Foster                                        |  |
| Mar. '16  | 14           | Overview of Roots Tech classes by Linda Colton                           |  |
| Feb. '16  | 16           | Holly Robinson, Story Teller                                             |  |
| Jan. '16  | 14           | Officers shared their plans for the coming year& asked for program ideas |  |
| Dec. 15   | No Mtg.      | N/A                                                                      |  |
| Nov. '15  | 15           | "Movies & Popcorn"- MyHeritage.com technology-Jim Bull                   |  |
| Oct. '15  | See Note>    | Several members participated in Hood River LDS Family Workshop           |  |
| Sep. '15  | 16           | Researching Military Records by Fred Henchell                            |  |
| Aug. '15  | No Mtg.      |                                                                          |  |
| July '15  | No Mtg.      |                                                                          |  |

No conclusions were reached, but it was agreed that after the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary potluck that the board would contact members to get feedback on why they have/haven't participated in the last few months and get their thoughts on how to get back to seeing 10 to 20 members at the programs. Please be thinking about what your feedback to the board will be.

### Serendipity Day

WASGS Blog Jan 13, 2017 by Donna

#### \*\*\* NWGC..... Save the Date! Are you going?

"Where does your story begin?" That is the 2017 theme for the Northwest Genealogy Conference, sponsored by the Stillaguamish Valley Gen Society next **16-19 August in Arlington, WA**. Click to <a href="https://www.stillygen.org">www.stillygen.org</a> for more information. This is a fabulous event and worth your time, money and effort to attend. WSGS will have a large presence at this conference. Get registered and stay tuned!

#### Mid-Columbia Genealogical Resources

#### **Family History Centers**

The Dalles FHC Goldendale FHC 1504 East 15<sup>th</sup> St N. Columbus Ave. & McKinley

P.O. Box 109 West Entrance, basement The Dalles, OR 97058

Goldendale, WA 98620 Phone: 509-773-3824 Phone: 541-298-5815 Director: Sandy Schertenleib Director Dorothyanne Fuss Open: M-Tue 10am-5:30pm Open: Tue & Thur 10:00 – 2:00

> Wed 10am-8pm Thur 10am-5:30pm

Mid-Columbia FHC 18<sup>th</sup> & May St. Hood River, OR 97031 Phone: 541-386-3539 Director: Linda Frizzell Open:Tue. 10am-5:00 PM

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### Book Review: Tips and Quips for the Family Historian

From Dick Eastman's EOGN May 22, 2017

The following book review was written by Bobbi King:

*Tips and Quips for the Family Historian* by Elizabeth Shown Mills and Ruth Brossette Lennon. Genealogical Publishing Co., 2017. 173 pages.

On a lighter note......Elizabeth Mills has collaborated with her granddaughter Ruth Brossette Lennon in producing a smallish book of "tips and quips," presenting a more lighthearted approach to words from the wise.

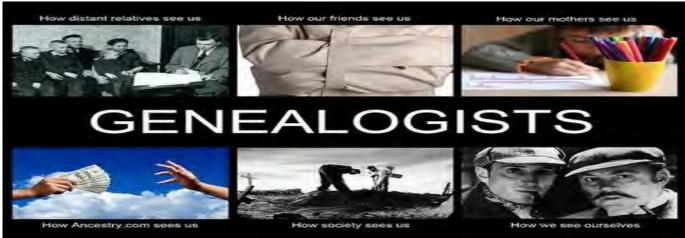
Ms. Lennon typeset the book and created the look. Her innovative style gives a cheerful and sunny air to the deep thoughts of master genealogists: "Genealogy can not only help kids understand the world but can give them respect for their elders, bridge generation gaps, and heal family wounds." (Tony Burroughs.)

Different fonts for different voices lend a sense of distinction to each individual and quote. And true to form, she cites each source to perfection.

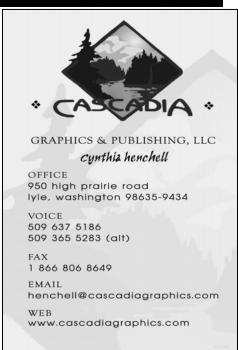
I like this little book. It's like sipping an effervescent cucumber-mint spritz: the same ingredients as in a salad, but put together in a sparkling new way.

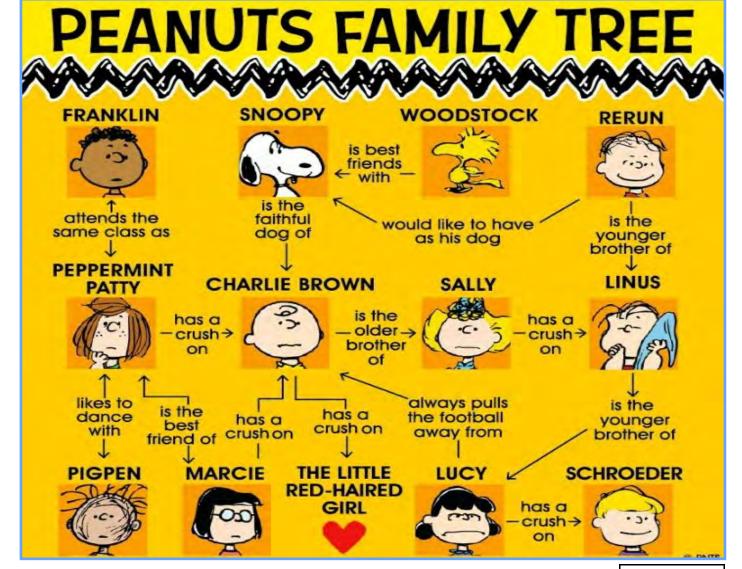
Please keep writing, Ms. Lennon. You're imaginative.

Tips and Quips for the Family Historian may be purchased from the publisher, Genealogical Publishing Co., at <a href="http://bit.ly/2qOnbC">http://bit.ly/2qOnbC</a> as well as from Amazon at <a href="http://amzn.to/2raL9cg">http://amzn.to/2raL9cg</a>.



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