

Memorial & Anniversaries

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MILESTONES

Ruth Vanderslice



Ruth Roeder Vanderslice. On January 26, 2013, Ruth Violet (Roeder) Vanderslice, 86, passed away in Centralia at her daughter's residence. Her husband Robert preceded her in death in 1991. She was born in the Bronx, New York City, on November 25, 1926, to Ethel Lytle and George W Roeder. She is survived by a sister Dorothy (Richard) Morrissey of Davis, California, a son, James of Federal Way and daughters Janet (Gary) Door of Edgewood, Judy (Greg) Welsh of Centralia and Jean (Frank) Gardiner of Black Diamond. Six grand children and four great-grand children also survive her. Ruth graduated from Wagner School of Nursing in Staten Island and married Robert Vanderslice on August 3, 1946 at the family home. She moved to Raymond, Washington, where she raised her four children while working at the New Riverview Clinic, Raymond High School and later at the Willapa Harbor hospital in South Bend. She later moved to Cosmopolis where she work at Grays Harbor Community Hospital and completed her nursing career at St. Peters Hospital in Olympia. Ruth was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Olympia. Ruth also was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and enjoyed researching her ancestral family history. She also enjoyed traveling and cruising around the world having visited five of the six continents. She also enjoyed gardening, shopping and spending time with family and friends. Memorials may be sent to the Alzheimer's Organization. Graveside service will be Thursday January 31, 2013, at 1:00 at Forest Memorial Garden in Olympia.

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David Hastings



David W. Hastings. David W. Hastings of Shelton died on January 2, 2013, at Mason General Hospital. He was 67. Dave was born to Warren and Fay (Hambleton) Hastings on December 11, 1945, in Vancouver, B.C. As a child he enjoyed living in a large house with his parents, grandparents, great-uncle, aunts and cousins, and singing "God Save the Queen" at school. When Dave was seven, he and his parents moved to Pasadena, California, and a very different environment. Dave was a member of the Vikings Car Club and raced an Oldsmobile at appalling speeds. He spent twelve years working as a grocery clerk at Don's Market on Rosemead Boulevard, while putting himself through Pasadena High School, Pasadena City College and California State University at Los Angeles. In 1973, Dave moved to Bellingham where he earned a master's degree in history, met his future wife, Kathleen Waugh, and worked on Moore's Blueberry Farm. In 1976, Dave and Kathleen moved to Olympia and began working at the Washington State Archives. Dave inventoried the Archives' holdings, created its widely-respected research room, and for thirty-five years helped thousands of genealogists, lawyers, writers and other researchers delve into Washington State's historical records. Few people anywhere knew more about Washington State history and government than Dave. Dave is survived by his wife, Kathleen Waugh; his daughter, Rebecca Hastings of Shelton and Ellensburg; two sons, Ian Hastings of Shelton and Thomas Hastings of Perris, California; two aunts, Jean Fell of Kingston, Ontario, and Beverly Horne of Prince George, B.C.; and eight cousins.

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Terry Joyce Huntley



Terri Joyce Huntley, a dedicated historian who helped Washington State's digital archives rise to national prominence, died in Olympia on March 19, 2013. Her sunny disposition will be long remembered. Terri fought a resolute eight-month battle with lung cancer. She was 54. Terri ("T.J." to friends) dropped out of high school at 16 and earned her GED at 21, a matter of great personal pride. She got hooked on history at Grays Harbor College in Aberdeen and went on to graduate from The Evergreen State College. Her diverse life experiences and commitment to excellence led to an award-winning career with the Office of Secretary of State. Terri managed the Historical Records Project, a volunteer program that transcribed and indexed 3.4 million records that are now accessible worldwide. Before joining the agency as an archives preservation specialist for Southwest Washington in 1998, Terri worked as a short-order cook, health trainer, Kmart

cashier, book store owner, administrative aide at KGY radio and lead caseworker for the Olympic Area Agency on Aging. As the Historical Records Project coordinator for the secretary of state, Terri drew on her decade of experience working with courthouse, city hall and library employees throughout Southwest Washington. "She served admirably and creatively recruiting and managing hundreds of volunteers who transcribed thousands of documents to be placed in the Digital Archives," Secretary of State Kim Wyman said. "In addition, Terri was an enthusiastic volunteer for many events and activities that supported our whole agency. People still talk about the fun 'Wayne's World' music video she produced for the Combined Fund Drive talent show." "Wayne's World" italicized Terri's love of music and her infectious sense of humor. Her life was punctuated with caring and sharing, according to family, friends and co-workers. She directed drama at Montesano High School; wrote oral histories for family members; videotaped the Olympia toy run and donated the profits to a cause. She was a bell ringer for the Salvation Army and contributed to the Humane Society. In all, Terri produced, videotaped, and edited some 50 videos for Thurston Community Television and was a member of its board of directors. Her work for TCTV included a history of the Odd Fellows Lodge; the Cowlitz Trail project; the story of Tenino's wooden money and a profile of Bronco Tesia, proprietor of the legendary Liberty Saloon in South Aberdeen. "She loved live theater," Mike Huntley, her husband, recalls. Flower Drum Song, The Rocky Horror Picture Show and Mamma Mia! were among her favorites. Likewise live concerts from Alice in Chains, Black Sabbath and The Who to Tom Jones, Paul McCartney, Willie Nelson and Frankie Valli. "Terri was a rocker chick at heart," Mike adds "but she loved to play music from the '20s, '30s and '40s on her clarinet," and she knew the words to every Golden Oldies song. KBRD was her favorite radio station. She and Mike would sing along as they cruised to the Tacoma swap meet in their vintage Studebaker sports coupe. During her 15-year career with the Office of Secretary of State, Terri was certified in every aspect of archival preservation, from repairing books and documents to digitizing records. She was trained in grant-writing for preservation projects and was a skilled ombudsman. She compiled oral histories on notable public figures in Grays Harbor history and wrote a college paper on the unsolved 1940 Laura Law murder case. Sam Cagle, a retired Air Force colonel, worked with Terri for four years, gathering and digitizing military records. "Always pleasant, always upbeat, she was able to guide and motivate those 150 volunteers in her care," Cagle recalls. "A special friend, a tireless mentor. She will be missed." Terri was born on Oct. 31, 1958, at Tacoma General Hospital. She was raised by her mother Joyce and her stepfather Roger Nelson. Terri grew up in Western Washington, mostly in Olympia, Puyallup, and Tacoma. She and her first husband, Rod Zimmerman, had two children, Jacob Jay and Jenell Marie "Jake" and "Nellie." The family lived in Olympia, Lilliwaup, Randle and Centralia. Terri and her second husband, Scott Barbour, lived in Aberdeen and Montesano. That marriage also ended in divorce, as did a marriage to Sasha Juillerat. Terri endured a parent's worst heartbreak in the fall of 2000 when Nellie died of Huntington's disease after a nine-year battle they fought together. To work through the grieving process, Terri wrote a book "Losing Nellie: A Mother's Journey of Loss." It was her hope that through her words, others would be able to understand that they are not alone. Terri often said that when her daughter died it was like Nellie truly became a part of her. She always felt her presence. Terri and the love of her life, Mike Huntley, were married in April 2009. Terri cherished her family and friends, her dogs (Jack and Violet), movies, garage sales, cruising in the Studebaker, Halloween (her birthday), shopping and Cannon Beach, Ore. Terri's zest for life, her love of music and standup comedy, were summed up in her favorite saying: "Laughter makes a crying heart dance." In her last weeks of life, Mike recalls, she wrote that on the whiteboard in their den. In addition to her daughter, Terri was preceded in death by her brother, David Nelson, and grandparents Eldin and Ethel Fain. In addition to her husband, she is survived by her son, Jake Zimmerman, and granddaughter Megan Zimmerman; by her mother and stepfather, Joyce and Roger Nelson; three sisters, Lori McBride, Julie Nelson and Deni Nelson, and a brother, Dan Curley. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations to the Salvation Army in Olympia. A celebration of Terri's life is set for 2 - 5 p.m. Saturday, April 6, 2013, at the Olympia Elks Lodge, 1818 4th Avenue.

Katherine Houser Memorial Service

Katherine May Houser died 30 January 2013. She was a active member of OGS in the 1990's. Her memorial is March 16 at Pellegrino's Event Center, 5757 Littlerock Rd SW, Tumwater from 10-2.

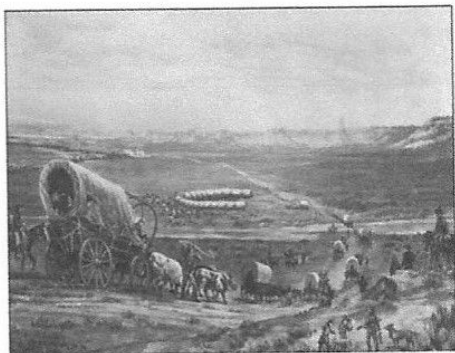
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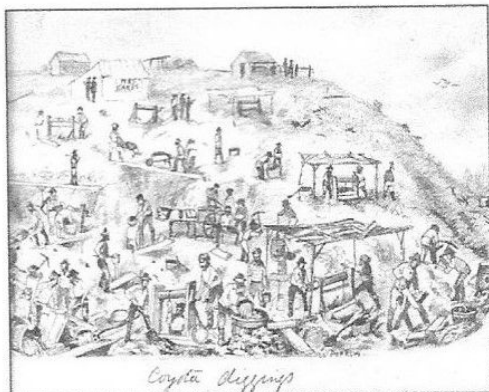
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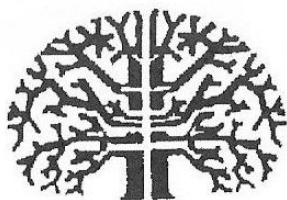
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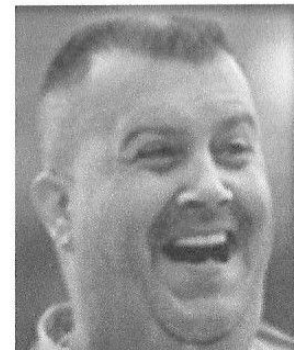
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A Program for seasoned Genealogists to those just getting started...

As a genealogist specializing in the use of technology and social media to improve genealogical research and to interact with others in the family history community, Thomas MacEntee relies upon his 25 years of experience in the information technology field. Thomas was introduced to his ancestry in 1993 when he discovered a published copy of his family's genealogy from 1916. Working with a detailed accounting of his Dutch ancestry, Thomas has continued to trace the other roots and branches of his family for the past 15 years.

At the beginning of Thomas's career working for the Department of Agriculture, Thomas learned about computers and taught his department about the new fangled machines. Thus began a fascination with desktop computer technology and training. Throughout his career he worked as a trainer, technical writer, applications analyst and project manager for various large law firms.

Fast-forward to the present: Thomas now shares his knowledge of technology and experience as a genealogist with others through various forms of social media and speaking engagements. Through his business High-Definition Genealogy, he provides consulting services in the genealogy industry covering such areas as market research, education, technology and more.

Saturday, 6 April 2013 -- 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Phoenix Inn Suites

415 Capitol Way N., Olympia, WA







September 2013 – August 2014

In the News

Special Event at the Olympia Timberland Library

OGS Member *Barbara Houtenbrink Andreason* has turned her genealogy research into a hard-to-put-down novel about her seventh great grandfather's immigration to America in the 17th century and will be at the Olympia Timberland Library on November 6, 2013. Join Barbara for a reading and signing of her novel, "The Final Port". John Hillman, a 16-year-old boy, is forced--at his own mother's insistence--to abandon his London birth family, all of whose members are slowly dying of the plague. He finds refuge in a boat on the Thames River--until he's spirited away by pirates.

Barbara is interested in boating and history and writes on genealogy.

Note: This event will occur after regular library hours; no other library services will be available.

Comments and Program Updates from Program Chairperson, Peggy Cooley:

I really liked 2012, but the thing about life is that great stuff is always ahead. I think making resolutions is helpful, because one can prioritize dreams and goals for the new year. OGS starts out 2013 with a presentation to get your genealogical research off and running. Our own **Eileen Dodge**, who has been "**Breaking Through Brick Walls**" for years, will help us do the same. She'll discuss disowned children, informal adoptions, name changes, finding unknown fathers, and much, much more.

Comments and Program Updates from Program Chairperson, Peggy Cooley:
"Our Heritage," by Chuck and Suzanne Hornbuckle

It's Dinner time! **Chuck and Suzanne Hornbuckle** are going to bring the Oregon Trail to life for us at the River's Edge at Tumwater. Check out the flyer for the details. I have a headcount of 36 so far, and I'd like to email Patrick by Feb. 12 with the number estimate--but come if you can! I know it's noisy, but genealogists are such fun people and passionate about discovery and disclosure. Have you ever met one who didn't want to share a story?

March's program, given by **Steven Morrison**, is about finding that New England ancestor that never made it in to any of the published books. You know you have one of those in your family tree. As always, expect a high quality, informational, and entertaining program. April is our **Spring Seminar**, so there is no regular meeting. **Jerri McCoy** has agreed to give "PowerPoint 101" in May. Maybe it will help you to try something a little different in order to share your research with others.

Program Updates from Program Chairperson, Peggy Cooley: "PowerPoint 101," by Jerri McCoy

Just as spring finally arrives, summer is right on its coattails! How many of you are going to see family and want a really neat way to showcase all your genealogy finds? PowerPoint by Microsoft may be just right for you. I want to do a slide show with captions, because I really don't want to talk non-stop while the show is on, and I want Irish music in the background. **Jerri McCoy** will do a PowerPoint 101 presentation in May just to ease you into the technology.

In June, **Sarah Peté** (our Library Liaison) and her crew from Oly Timberland Library will reveal all the genealogy treasures available to us in the Genealogy Room. I don't know half of what's there, do you? So we'll see you at the meetings on May 9 and June 13!

Program Updates from Program Chairperson, Peggy Cooley: "Tools Available at the Olympia Library," by Sarah Peté

This is the final meeting before our summer break, and we have a great program lined up. **Sara Peté** and her team, along with **Pat Harper**, are going to unlock the treasures in our Genealogy collection at the Olympia library. We have shelves of resource and reference books just waiting to help you add to your family tree. If you haven't been lately, just remember, on hot days it's air-conditioned!

Once you return from your summer, I have programs lined up on Salem witches, Redcoat soldiers, and source citation. If you see **Ann Olson**, ask her about the amazing discovery that was simply serendipitous!

Programs

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Olympia, Washington

October 2013

OCTOBER PROGRAM IS ANNOUNCED by Chairperson Peggy Cooley.

Jerri McCoy will be our speaker in October, and in keeping with the ghoulish nature of the month, she'll talk about the Salem Witch Trials. She says, "There are no witches – are there? Of course not! We of the twenty-first century are very much aware that hags do not fly across the moon on brooms. But in 1692 charity and mercy and plain good sense were all thrown into the fire of zealotry. Like autumn brush fires, the witch hunt would swell and burn through Salem Village and neighboring towns. How were witches identified? What happened to them? And who were those that were executed that terrible year in Salem? Come learn a little bit about them and their accusing neighbors." Jerri brings enthusiasm and genealogical expertise to each program she presents. Come learn!

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Olympia, Washington

November 2013

November Program

by Peggy Cooley

Our November program: *Pioneer Cemeteries of Washington State*. Cemeteries aren't scary or ghoulish, at least not to genealogists. "Susan Goff of the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation Cemetery Program will present a program on pioneer cemeteries. Legislation of cemeteries began with the regulation of burying grounds by the Territorial Legislature in 1857. However, it was the early settlers in Washington Territory with their practice of burying in orchards and fields, which then most often evolved into the 2-acre graveyard that had the most impact on cemetery establishment in our state."

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Olympia, Washington

December 2013

December Program

by Peggy Cooley

Happy Holidays! December is a time of coming together, giving and receiving. That's my plan for the December meeting! Be prepared to stand up, give your name, the names of the families you are researching, countries and counties plus ethnic or racial groups (no more than 1 minute). I hope all of you will also sign up on the poster board as we are looking for speakers for the next year.



Eileen Dodge takes over leadership of OGS from Roger Newman.