



Olympia

# Genealogical Society

## Newsletter

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### ***OGS Program for October from Peggy Cooley***

The Olympia Genealogical Society's October 13, 2016, program will be "Visiting Your Ancestral Town" presented by Carolyn Schott, author of the book by that title. Walk in the footsteps of your ancestor. Experience the places where your family lived and get the most out of your trip to seek out family roots. Carolyn has done all of these things and will share with us her insights on what makes a successful visit to the places your ancestors left. The book will be available for purchase at the meeting.

The November program will be on a grimmer topic that generated records potentially useful in family history research: "A Troubling Resource: The Eugenics Record Office" presented by Carol Ballard.

Carol says, "Finding a handwritten "Record of Family Traits" filled out by my ancestors for inclusion in 'a good index of the natural traits of the better American families' was both disturbing and enlightening. This little-known resource may provide interesting insights into personal family history as well as a dark moment of American history."

The December topic for OGS will be "Writing Your Memoirs" presented by Delores K. Nelson. The December meeting is the time when members bring special treats from family memories to share with the group.

### ***Membership Dues***

Membership chair *DeeDee Simpson* will be at the October OGS meeting to accept dues for the 2016-2017 membership year. A form is ready for printing at the end of this newsletter. There will also be copies at the meeting. Dues can also be mailed to: OGS Membership, PO Box 1313, Olympia, WA 98507-1313.

November is the deadline to be included in the membership book.

Regrettably, there is no way renew/join online.

### ***President's Message***

#### ***We need volunteers!***

As many of you know, I am relatively new to OGS, I joined in 2014. I don't know why it took me so long to join. By 2015, I was the membership coordinator and now I am President! One thing I've learned in that brief period of time is that many of those on the OGS Board and the many other volunteers who keep things going have been doing so for a very long time. *Jean Laws* just recently retired from her role as Memorials coordinator after 24 years! I'd like to thank Jean for all her years of giving to our society as a volunteer. Another of our longtime members and volunteers, *Roger Newman*, recently stepped down as the Vendor coordinator for the Spring Seminar. We need volunteers to fill both those positions.

In order for a genealogy society to remain vibrant, it must constantly find new members, and find individuals who are willing to volunteer their time to keep the society moving and providing services for the local genealogy community. Please consider giving some of your time and skills so we can continue to thrive as a society.

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***The Crosby House Museum from Ann Olson*****Crosby House Museum Tours:**

October is the last opportunity until next spring to tour the Crosby House Museum, unless you arrange for a special tour anytime throughout the year. Regular tours continue on Sundays from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. through the end of this month. A special treat on the last Sunday, October 30th, will be re-enactors in 1860's period dress assisting with the tours. Also, for young and older, is a fully furnished miniature of the Crosby House built with exquisite detail by the Miniature Enthusiasts of Olympia, WA. Come take a tour!!

***Judy's Genealogical Gems from Judy Artley***

## USA Focus:

Revolutionary War Pension Payment Ledgers 1818-1872, FS, updated, DE 9/28

AR, WV, IL, New England, TN & MA 1650-2010 marriage records to FS, DE 9/2

Transatlantic Migration late 1500's-early 1900's, new, FS, DE 9/3

USA & Barbados Early American Vital Records, 1600's-early 1900's, new, FMP, DE 9/3

Guild One-Name Studies database now available @ [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org), DE, 9/7

Freedmen's Bureau Land & Property Records 1865-1873, new, FS, DE, 9/15

AR: Oakland & Fraternal Historic Cemetery Records 1867-2013, added indexed records, FS, DE 9/15

CT: U. S. CT Towns Vital Records, Barbour Collection, new, FMP, DE 9/3

MA: Boston passenger lists 1820-1891, updated, FS, DE, 9/15

ME: Maine crew lists arriving @ Robbinston 1947-1954, updated, FS, DE 9/15

Civil War enlistment papers 1862-1865, new, FS, DE 9/15

MI: Ypsilanti African American Oral Stores, [www.history.ypsilibrary.org](http://www.history.ypsilibrary.org), DE, 8/30

MO: Adoptees Born Missouri prior to Jan 1, 1941 CAN access records, DE, 8/30

NC: Architectural survey early 1900's, Transylvania Co.:

[www.digitalinc.org/exhibites/transylvania-the-architectural-history-of-a-mountain-county/](http://www.digitalinc.org/exhibites/transylvania-the-architectural-history-of-a-mountain-county/)

Discharge & Statements of Service Records 1940-1948, new, FS, DE, 9/15

OH: Crawford Co. obits 1860-2004, updated, FS, DE 9/15

TX: Laredo Index arrivals 1903-1929, new, FS, DE, 9/15

Virgin Islands: U. S. church records 1765-2010, updated, FS, DE, 9/15

WV: Naturalization records 1814-1991, updated, FS, DE, 9/15

WY: Star Valley Independent Obits 1901-2015, new, FS, DE, 9/15

That's it for USA this month. :)

DE-Dick Eastman  
FMP-Find My Past  
FS-Family Search

**OGS Events Calendar - October 2016**

<b>OGS Meeting</b>	<b>Thursday, October 13, 2016</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>	<b>Thursday County Court House Building 1, Room 152</b>
<b>OGS Genealogy Café</b>	<b>Saturday, October 15, 2016</b>	<b>1-3 p.m.</b>	<b>Olympia Timberland Library Meeting Room</b>
<b>OGS Board Meeting</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 18, 2016</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Olympia Timberland Library Meeting Room</b>
<b>OGS Genealogy Café</b>	<b>Thursday, October 20, 2016</b>	<b>1-3 p.m.</b>	<b>Olympia Timberland Library Meeting Room</b>
<b>Beginner's Workshop</b> Registration required.	<b>Saturday, October 29, 2016</b>	<b>9 a.m.-3 p.m.</b>	<b>Olympia Timberland Library Meeting Room</b>



**OLYMPIA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP/  
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip+4: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you need a ride to the meetings? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you prefer to only have your name, but NOT your contact information included in the member directory?  
**Circle one**    Name only    Name & Contact Information    Neither

Single Membership    \$20.00 per year (Membership year is from Sep 1 to Aug 31)

Family (one newsletter) \$25.00 per year

OGS Membership Pin    \$7.50 each

New Membership \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Reinstatement \_\_\_\_\_

*Please list your areas of Family History Research on the back of this form.*

You can pay at the meeting or send this form and a check (payable to OGS) to:

**Olympia Genealogical Society  
Attn: OGS Treasurer  
P.O. Box 1313  
Olympia, WA 98507-1313**