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A Note From President – Nancy Cordell:

What skills do you have? We all have many different skills. Do you know how to use a word processing program on a computer? Do you know how to send an email? Are you able to write a paragraph about a specific topic (for instance, a paragraph about one genealogical insight you learned in the last month, a description of an upcoming or past trip, or about the past month's activities of a group you belong to, etc.)? Do you have a relatively flexible schedule? Can you ask someone to help when you aren't sure you know how to do it yourself?

If you answered yes to all or most of those questions, you are qualified to be the President of the *Olympia Genealogical Society*. When I first agreed to take on the position, I was concerned about how much time it would take to be president. Turns out it doesn't take that much time. Every month I take the outline of the agenda for the board and general meeting that Eileen Dodge created when she was president and make the appropriate changes (for instance, at the August board meeting the treasurer needs to present the budget for that year and the board has to vote on it, at the beginning of every general meeting I have to ask if there are any new members or guests attending our meeting, if I learn that another genealogical society is doing something that will help attract more members, I bring that up to the board to see if they think it is a good idea and we work together to see if we can make it happen). I don't have to create anything from nothing every month. Occasionally I have to attend a local meeting of another organization on behalf of OGS, but very rarely. Overall, it doesn't require much of my time on a day to day basis. When I am stumped or unsure about something, I have a whole board with far more experience to ask questions of. Twice a month (with some exceptions) I have to chair a meeting. If I can't, the VP does it for me. It really isn't all that hard, honest.

I confess, the pay sucks (it is a volunteer position). But the personal gratification is enormous.

Plus, I really do believe that change at the top is important to move any organization forward. Each one of us has our strengths and weaknesses, it is a good to change those up from time to time. So, think about doing it. In March, the OGS board will put together a nominating committee to find nominees to fill Board positions for the 2019-2020 year. You can find position descriptions at <https://olygensoc.org/fileDownload.php?cid=14&sid=1>. I'm sure you have new ideas that can help keep OGS a vibrant and thriving organization.

A Note from Vice-President - Kathy Erlandson:

February 7 is the date for our Annual Dinner, which takes the place of our usual monthly meeting of members. Attendance at the Annual Dinner is a benefit of membership, another good reason to join OGS! Guest speakers at this event will be members of Tacoma's

9th and 10th Horse Cavalry Buffalo Soldiers Museum. It is sure to be a fun and informative program. By the time you read this, registration for the dinner will be closed.

Coincidentally, all three of the remaining monthly programs of this program year will have a military connection. The March program will be a Civil War Parlor Talk, presented by the Washington Civil War Association, giving us a glimpse of American Civil War time from the point of view of civilians. Thanks to our member, Diana Bargmann, for making this presentation possible.

A Note from Spring Seminar Chair – Peggy Cooley:

On March 30, we hope 150 guests will gather at our Spring Seminar to hear Blaine Bettinger present *Beyond the Basics: Genetic Genealogy in Practice*.

Will you be one of those 150 guests? Seats are filling up fast, so don't delay! To register, just go to our website at olygensoc.org and click on the Seminar. Print out a Registration form and send it along with a check to Ann Olson, our Registrar.

Please note that the Italiano lunch selection is a sandwich, not a salad.

A Note from Refreshments Chair – Diana Bargmann:

From the Refreshment Corner: Remember that if you show up at the courthouse on Feb. 14 for an OGS meeting, you will probably be all by yourself, as the rest of us will have already gotten together on Feb. 7 to have dinner together at Panorama City. Not to mention that you may have stood up your sweetheart for Valentine's Day in the process!

Our next regular OGS meeting will be on March 14, and I will contact those of you who signed up for that month beforehand. BUT on March 30 our organization will be holding our Annual Spring Seminar, and as usual, any of our members who are attending are asked to bring a contribution of food with them that day for the refreshment table, the same type of foods you would bring to one of our meetings. The BIG difference this year is that we are expecting a lot more people (about 150) to attend. We hope we can count on everyone to bring a contribution. Thanks so much.

A Note from Sunshine Chair - Gayle Strom:

As the Olympia Genealogical Society Sunshine person, it means I like to bring a bit of "sunshine" when needed and I would like for you all to let me know, when you know, that someone is ill or needs a thoughtful note. It is nice to think about them and let them know. My best to all.

A Note from Membership Chair – Bob Monn:

Please welcome the following new OGS members who joined recently:

Dee Bright	Dawn Fox	Angela Frasier
Cathy McCarty	Deborah Metzler	Wayne Olsen
Trena Payton	Sue Sheldon	Pam Trautman

We continue to encourage our members to regularly log in to our website to access members-only content. If you have any trouble logging in, please contact me and I'll be very happy to help you.

This and That – Eileen Dodge

The following is a news release from the Washington Secretary of State:

The Washington State Library, a division of the Office of Secretary of State, has launched a new website for the Washington Digital Newspapers program: Washingtondigitalnewspapers.org.

Judy's Genealogical Gems – Judy Artley:

Find My Past – by Dick Eastman

England:

Norfolk, England Baptisms 1777-1990, updated
Norfolk, England Banns, updated
Norfolk, England Marriages, 1777-1984, updated
Norfolk, England Burials, updated
British & Irish Newspapers, updated
England & Wales Electoral Registers 1920-1932 updated

TheGenealogist – by Dick Eastman

United States:

Boston, Massachusetts Pilot Newspaper Information Wanted Ads, 1831-1920

England:

Worcestershire, England Baptisms, updated
St. Giles, Imber on Salisbury Plain, England headstones, updated
Kent, England Baptisms, 1736-1917, updated
Kent Marriages, updated
Kent Burials, updated, 1911-2005
Devon, England Social & Institutional Records, updated
England Roman Catholic Parish Baptisms, 1742-1917, updated
England Roman Catholic Parish Marriages, 1796-1944
England Roman Catholic Parish Burials, 1774 and 1974, updated
England Roman Catholic Parish Congregational Records, 1743-1920, updated
Scotland Jacobite Rebellions 1715 and 1745, 1701-1719, 1740-1767, new
Scotland, Glasgow Anderson's College Anatomy Students 1860-1874, new
Scotland, Glasgow Smallpox Vaccination Registers 1801-1854, new
Scotland, Glasgow and Lanarkshire Death and Burial Index 1642-1855, updated
Scotland Roman Catholic Parish Registers, updated 1800-1966
Scotland Roman Catholic Congregational Records, new
England Court and Criminal Records, 1821-1876, new

FamilySearch – by Dick Eastman

The World:

Australia: South Australia School Admission Registers, 1873-1985
Belgium: East Flanders Civil Registration 1541-1914
Benin: Civil Registration Deaths 1891-2014, updated
Bolivia: Catholic Church Records 1566-1996
Brazil: Rio de Janeiro Civil Registration 1829-2012
Chile: Cemetery Records 1821-2015
Costa Rica: Civil Registration 1823-1975
Czech Republic: Church Books 1552-1981, updated
Dominican Republic: Civil Registration 1801-2010
El Salvador: Civil Registration 1704-2001
England, Derbyshire: Church of England Parish Registers 1537-1918
England, Northumberland: Parish Registers 1538-1950

France: Calvados Military Registration Cards 1867-1921
France: Haute-Garonne, Toulous Church Records 1539-1792
France: Saone-et-Loire Parish and Civil Registration 1530-1892
France: Vienne Census 1856 & 1876
France: Vienne Military Draft Cards 1867-1921
Germany: Baden, Archdiocese of Freiburg in Breisgau, Catholic Church Records 1678-1930
Germany, Bavaria: Diocese of Augsburg, Catholic Church Records 1615-1939
Germany, Rhineland: Diocese of Trier, Catholic Church Records 1704-1957
Germany, Schleswig-Holstein: Kreis Steinburg, Civil Registration 1874-1983
Germany, Baden: Stebbach Church Book Extracts 1675-1951, updated
Great Britain: War Office Registers 1772-1935, updated
Hungary: Civil Registration 1895-1980, updated
Italy: Campobasso Civil Registration (State Archive) 1809-1918, updated
Nicaragua: Civil Registration 1809-2013, updated
Peru: Diocese of Huacho, Catholic Church Records 1560-1952, updated
Peru: La Libertad, Civil Registration 1903-1998, updated
South Africa: Cape Province, Civil Deaths 1895-1972, updated
South Africa: Pietermaritzburg Estate Files 1846-1950, updated
United States
Delaware: Vital Records 1650-1974, updated
Georgia: Cook County Marriages 1871-1920, updated
Indiana: Ripley County, Osgood, Greendale, Cemetery Records 1861-2007, updated
Maryland: Baltimore, Loudon Park Cemetery Records 1853-1986, new January 1, 2019
Missouri: Pre-WWII Adjutant General Enlistment Contracts 1900-1941, updated
Montana: Cascade County Records 1880-2009, updated
Montana: Granite County Records 1865-2009, updated
Montana: Teton County Records 1881-2012, updated
Ohio: County Naturalization Records 1800-1977, updated
Texas: Swisher County Records 1879-2012, updated
Virginia: Lynchburg, Diuguid Funeral Home Records 1820-1971, updated
Cemetery Abstracts, new
Native American, Eastern Cherokee Indian Reservation Rolls, 1848-1970, updated
Obituaries, American Historical Society of Germans from Russia 1899-2012, updated
Veterans Administration Master Index 1917-1940, updated

Ancestry- by Dick Eastman

The World:

England, Liverpool: Electoral Registers 1832-1970, updated
England, Gloucestershire: Church of England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials 1538-1813, updated
Sweden: Indexed Marriage Records 1860-1947, updated
Sweden: Index Death Records 1840-1947, updated
Sweden: Indexed Birth Records 1859-1947, updated
Sweden: Emigration Registers 1869-1948, updated
Former British Colonial Dependents, Slave Registers 1813-1834, updated
Germany: Barnim Births 1874-1906, new
Germany: Minden Births, Marriage and Deaths 1809-1873, new

OGS – General Meeting Minutes – Dec 13th – Thurston County Courthouse

1. The meeting was opened at 7:04 pm. Vice-President Kathy Erlandson filled in for President Nancy Cordell. Nancy is in Salt Lake City at the “Mother Ship”. Kathy welcomed everyone. There were about five guests.
2. The minutes of the previous meeting were distributed as part of the December newsletter. There were no corrections or additions; the minutes were approved as published.
3. Treasurer - Judy Artley gave the Treasurer’s Report. There is \$13,174.88 available in the Checking account (this includes \$62.88 from our PayPal account), Certificate account has \$4,120.88, Amazon has \$1.00.
4. Vice-President – Kathy Erlandson announced the upcoming programs:
February - the annual dinner at Seventeen 51 Restaurant. \$25 per person. The Buffalo Soldiers Museum will give the program. A sign-up sheet was passed around. This meeting is scheduled for one week earlier than normal, February 7th, due to our regular meeting time falling on Valentine’s Day. March – Diana Bargmann will present a Civil War Parlor Talk The “Ask The Experts’ has been rescheduled for August 24th.
5. Committee Reports
Seminar – Peggy Cooley announced that registration for the seminar opens tonight. Look on the Website for the registration form and information. There is still a need for volunteers. See Peggy for more information. There will be a Seminar Planning Meeting on January 22nd at 5:15 at the Olympia Library if you’re interested in helping.
6. Announcements
Dave Abernathy: Family Tree Maker SIG is at the Tumwater Library 1-3 pm on Thursday, January 24th and Thursday, February 28th. Also, Microsoft windows 7, 8, & 8.1 knocked out networking for Family Tree Maker

Greg Norlund: SIG for Ancestry hasn’t begun. They will meet Jan 26th at 11 am. He will get the address information out.

Rosemary Walrod: Roots Magic SIG will meet February 10th, 1 – 3 pm, Panorama Quinalt Room.

Kerry Upton: The DNA SIG. She suggested SIG members visit the ‘forum’ and SIG pages on our website.
7. Meet a Member - Roger Newman presented his story during the Meet the Member.
8. Program – Introduction by Kathy Erlandson. Kathy introduced Ronald Barron. He gave an interesting talk on how, with the OGS help, he found out who his birth father was.
9. Kathy closed the meeting at 8:25 pm followed by refreshments and visiting.