



Olympia

Genealogical Society

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Eileen Dodge, Editor

A Note From President - Nancy Cordell:

Phew...This year flew by awfully fast! I realize that Thanksgiving has already past, but I do want to express my thanks to some awesome OGS volunteers. As you may recall, it was a mere 11 months ago that Rootsweb crashed and OGS had to scramble to find a new place to host our website and get some new folks trained to use it. *Bob Monn, Kerry McHugh Upton, and Jerri McCoy* stepped up to the plate and hit home runs. Websites are living, breathing entities, so their work continues. The best way to thank them for their hard work is for all of us to log in and use the website! And also say "thank you" next time you see them.

Thank you to *Peggy Cooley* for her ongoing work and attention to detail for our yearly seminars. We get rave reviews from the attendees *and* the speakers.

Thank you to our newest volunteers who are facilitating the Special Interest Groups (SIGs): *Greg Nordlund* (Ancestry.com), *Judi Hine* (daytime DNA), *Kerry McHugh Upton* (evening DNA), *Scott Morrison* (FamilySearch.org), *David Abernathy* (Family Tree Maker), *Gayle Strom* (Legacy), and *Rosemary Walrod* (RootsMagic). You can join a SIG anytime. Learn more information about each SIG in the Members Only area of the OGS website.

Thank you to...

- *Judy Artley* for keeping our books balanced.
- *Kathy Erlandson* for stepping in for me when I'm ill, scheduling speakers for our monthly meetings, and helping me find local events for OGS to get others interested in genealogy (we really would like someone to volunteer to help us with that).
- *Eileen Dodge* for patiently reminding me that I really do need to write this message every month and for keeping *Drop-In Genealogy Help* (DIG) going twice every month.
- *Diana Bargmann* for making sure we have food and drink at our meetings.
- *Ann Olson* for organizing and presenting the OGS Beginners Workshop(s) and keeping us in line with Parliamentary Procedure.
- *Joyce Ogden* for making sure local press know what we are doing and when and where we are doing it.
- *Judi Hines* for keeping the minutes of our meetings.
- *Rebel Romero* for making sure you can all see and hear our speakers each month.
- *Gayle Strom* for sending out cards to those members who are ill or have had a loss.
- *Kerry McHugh Upton* for monitoring the OGS FaceBook page and adding new followers.

- *Our Members* for helping us all learn more about how to trace our family history.

A genealogical society, like most non-profit organizations, can only work with the support and help of members who volunteer their time so all of us can benefit from the knowledge of others. We still need more volunteers to keep the Olympia Genealogical Society viable for the long term. Please consider volunteering your time and skills.

Happy Holidays to all of you!

A Note from Vice-President - Kathy Erlandson:

I, for one, have come to look forward to the OGS December general meeting with great anticipation. It is a time of fun and merriment, a chance for all of us to share our favorite holiday snacks, and for a number of our members to relate some of their favorite genealogical finds. This month, we will skip the usual Meet a Member feature, but six or seven of our members will tell about their *Genealogical Oddballs and Quirky Ancestors*. We are sure to get some good laughs out of these presentations. I'm really looking forward to this, and I hope to see you there on December 13.

A Note from Dianna Bargmann's Refreshment Corner:

This month we will be having our holiday refreshment table where everyone is invited to bring your family's traditional holiday cookies, or just your favorite snack to share with others. See you there! Merry Christmas to all.

A Note from Membership Chair - Bob Monn:

Please welcome the following new members who joined in November:

- Alice Anderson
- Phyllis Farrell
- Dawn Fox
- Kathy King
- Marilyn Miller
- Trena Payton
- Sandra Raynor
- Zoe Waggoner

A special thanks to Sandra Raynor for her generous donation when she joined OGS.

Thanks to everyone who has renewed paid memberships for 2018-2019. Currently, 102 people are OGS members, matching 2014-2015 and 2012-2013 as the highest level in the past 10 years.

Finally, thanks to those members who have been logging on to the OGS website to take advantage of the members-only content and features; 35 members logged on in November and another 9 last logged on in October. Among the members-only content is a current membership list, which includes member contact info.

A Note from Spring Seminar Chair - Peggy Cooley:

We are finalizing the Seminar brochure. For this Seminar, we will still use paper registration, along with details on our open website. Registration opens at our January meeting.

Thanks to everyone who has offered to volunteer, and of course, my wonderful team of coordinators. Happy Holidays, everyone!

Judy's Genealogical Gems - Judy Artley

Irish Genealogical Research Society - by Dick Eastman

Early Irish Birth, Marriage & Death Indexes, updated 10/30

Picture Nottingham - by Dick Eastman

Pictures Nottingham, England, www.picturenottingham.co.uk, 11/2

New York City (all five boroughs) Dept. Records & Information

Services & 1940 property tax photos, <http://bit.lyksuwq63>

The Genealogist - by Dick Eastman

WWI Officers Who Died in Great War, Rolls of Honour & War Memorials, War Graves Plans, maps & listings, new, www.thegenealogist.co.uk/, 11/9

FindMyPast - by Dick Eastman

United Kingdom:

Royal Air Force Lists 1919-145, new 11/11

Billion Grave Cemetery Indexes, updated

British & Irish Newspaper updated

Middlesex Monumental [tombstone] Inscriptions 1485-2014, updated 11/10

British Armed Forces, WWI Soldiers' Medical Records, updated 11/17

Kings Royal Rifle Corps Chronicle 1900-1920, new 11/17

Rifle Brigade Chronical 1890-1920, updated 11/17

British Armed Forces, Board of Trade Rolls of Honour 1914-18, DE 11/17

England & Wales Ecclesiastical Dignatories 1800-1840, new, 11/24

England Dictionary National Biography 1885-1904, 40 volumes, new s11/24

Australia:

Queensland Windsor Town Council Honour Roll 1914-1925 (WWI)

United States:

PA: Cemetery & Burials 1700-1950, browse, new 11/24

International Tracing Service for WWII Survivors Holocaust Survivors Concentration Camp Inmates, updated, free, <https://digitalcollections.its-arolsen>, 11/17

Family Search

USA: GA: Fulton County Records from Atlanta Historical Center 1827-1955, added indexed records 11/19

MI: Mortuary Schedules 1850-1880, added indexed records, 11/19

MN: County Deaths 1850-2001, added indexed records, 11/12

MT: Toole County Records 1913-1960, added indexed record, 11/19

NY: County Naturalization Records 1791-1980, added indexed records, 11/12

OR: Baker County Records 1862-1950, added indexed records 11/12

TX: Cooke County Deeds 1895-1924, new, 11/12

WV: Will Books 1756-1971, FS, 10/23

Family Search International

Benin: Civil Register Deaths 1891-2014, added indexed records, 11/12

Costa Rice: Civil Register 1823-1975
 Germany: Lutheran Baptisms, Marriages & Burials 1500-1971, new, 11/19
 Honduras: Civil Registers 1841-1968, added indexed records, 11/12
 Ireland Census 1901, added indexed records, 11/12
 Peru: Ancash Civil Register 1888-2005, added indexed records, 11/12
 Portugal: Aveiro Civil Register 1911-1915, new indexed records 11/19
 South Africa: Transvaal Civil Marriages 1870-1930, added indexed records 11/19

Ancestry

No updates or new records so far in November.

Olympia Genealogical Society Board of Directors
2018-2019 Elected Officers

President - Nancy Cordell

Vice President - Kathy Erlandson

Secretary – Judi Hine

Treasurer - Judy Artley

Past President - Eileen Dodge

Standing Committee Chairs

Beginners Workshop	Ann Olson	Newsletter	Eileen Dodge
Book Manager	Cherry Roegner	Outreach	Vacant
Drop In Genealogy	Eileen Dodge	Publicity	Joyce Ogden
FaceBook	Kerry McHugh Upton	Refreshments	Diana Bargmann
Historian	Joyce Ogden	Research	Jerri McCoy &
Library Liaison	Agatha Burstein		Roger Newman
Membership	Bob Monn	Seminar	Peggy Cooley
Memorials	Vacant	Sunshine	Gayle Strom
Multi-Media	Rebel Romero	Webmaster	Bob Monn

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OGS Events Calendar – December 2018

OGS General Meeting	Thursday, December 13	7:00-9:00 pm
Thurston County Court House - 2000 Lakeridge Drive SW - Building 1, Room 152		
OGS Drop-In Genealogy Help	Saturday, December 15	1:00-3:00 pm
Olympia Timberland Library	313 8 th Ave SE	Genealogy Area Table
OGS Drop-In Genealogy Help	Thursday, November 20	1:00-3:00 pm
Olympia Timberland Library	313 8 th Ave SE	Meeting Room

OGS Future Events Calendar

Spring Seminar	Saturday, March 30, 2019	Speaker, Blaine Bettinger
Capital Event Center, Tumwater		Registration begins January 2018

OGS – General Meeting Minutes – Oct 11, 2018 – Thurston County Courthouse

President Nancy Cordell opened the meeting at 7:00 pm. Nancy welcomed everyone. She introduced three new members and said hello to the guests rather than let them all introduce themselves. There were 9 of them! There were approximately 70 people in attendance.

Treasurer's Report:

Judy Artley reported that the Checking account has \$13,378.32. CD has \$4,118.48. She asked about a vote on the budget. Nancy asked the membership if they had looked at it on the members only website. Several said they could not open it. Others could. Greg Nordlund will walk those who couldn't access it through the process during the break to make sure they could see it. It was decided to postpone the vote until December meeting.

Vice President's Report:

Kathy Erlandson said the December program would be members sharing "Quirky or Oddball Ancestors or Genealogical Circumstances". She passed a sign-up sheet for seven members to volunteer to share. The February meeting is our annual dinner. She would like a travelogue of someone who took a trip concerning their genealogy.

Committee Reports:

Seminar Committee – Peggy Cooley said the Brochure is in the works. Registration will begin in January. She still needs volunteers to help with the Vendors and a Lunch Coordinator.

Meet a Member:

Barbara Houtenbrink Andreason told us about her very interesting life, her parents and some of her genealogy.

There was a 10-minute break. Members were reminded that there were no snacks allowed until after the meeting!

Program:

Nancy Cordell presented "Why Did I take This DNA Test? All I see is a Pie-Chart That Doesn't Make Sense!" This was a very interesting presentation by Nancy in her quest to find out who her grandfather really was. She also gave us many tips about using DNA resources.

Everyone was encouraged to have snacks and visit with each other.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm

Judi Hine, Secretary

**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

Join after March 1 Single membership \$10; Family Membership \$12.50

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
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