



Olympia

Genealogical Society

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Eileen Dodge, Editor

A Note From President – Nancy Cordell:

The rains have returned! That tells me it is time to analyze any documents I collected on genealogy trips over the summer and those from previous summers and previous winters and... well, they accumulate quicker than I can analyze them.

I am avoiding that analysis completely by trying to identify who my second great grandfather Boy(e)d really was using DNA evidence. Nine of his grandchildren have done DNA testing, along with several of us great grandchildren, and quite a few 2x great grandchildren. The paper trail he left is misleading, at best. And is non-existent prior to his marriage, at age 29 or 39, in 1899. Yes, you read that correctly, we don't know exactly what year he was born. As for his surname, Boyd or Boyed, he was inconsistent in his inclusion of the "e." And the Y-chromosome his grandson inherited from him doesn't match anyone else with the surname Boyd.

How are my 2nd cousin Millie and I going about cracking this nut, er...case? At our next OGS meeting I will discuss the steps we have and will take to try to solve this mystery. The journey is still unfolding. But it gets to the heart of "Why did I take this DNA test? All I see is a pie-chart that doesn't make sense." I will do my best to answer general questions about genetic genealogy, so bring those questions with you.

I look forward to seeing you all on Thursday, November 8!

A Note from Vice-President - Kathy Erlandson:

You're not going to want to miss our Nov 8 meeting!

Not only will Meet a Member provide us the opportunity to become better acquainted with Barbara Houtenbrink Andreason, but our program, presented by President and Professional Genealogist Nancy Cordell, will help us to put to use those otherwise confusing DNA reports. You might even want to invite a friend or relative to come and hear "Why did I take this DNA test? All I see is a pie-chart that doesn't make sense".

I look forward to seeing you!

A Note from Membership Chair – Bob Monn

Please welcome the following new members who joined in October:

Ronald Barron

Margaret Gusse

Thanks to everyone who has renewed paid memberships for 2018-2019.

For those who haven't yet renewed, the two-month grace period expired Oct 31. After Nov 15, any member who hasn't renewed will no longer receive OGS email and will lose access to our Members-Only web content. If and when membership dues are paid, the member will be returned to active status and website logon credentials will be restored. We'd like to retain all of our current members so if you're having any difficulty renewing your membership, please contact me: rhmonn@comcast.net

This & That

Jennifer Crooks, the speaker at our October meeting mentioned the Thurston County Historical Journal. Several of our members were interested in learning more about the Journal, so Jennifer asked Karen L. Johnson, curator of the Schmidt House, to send us information about the Journal.

Thurston County Historical Journal - By Karen L. Johnson

The idea for a historical publication dedicated to recording and celebrating the history of Thurston County was first conceived by Charlie Roe of the Olympia Historical Society and Bigelow House Museum. A consortium of heritage groups in the county came together to discuss the publication. Eventually, the Olympia Tumwater Foundation volunteered to act as publisher, and various heritage groups and county/city government entities donated money to fund the publication.

The first issue of the *Thurston County Historical Journal* was published in November 2016. Subsequent issues have been, and will continue to be, published about three times a year (depending on funding and availability of articles).

Paper copies of the *Journal* are available to members of participating heritage organizations, and are also offered at the Bigelow House Museum, the Crosby House Museum, and the Lacey Museum. Copies are also given to public libraries, colleges, and every high school in the county.

A digital version of each issue will be posted online one year after release of the paper copy (see <http://www.ci.lacey.wa.us/museum-main/research-and-resources/thurston-county-journal-archives>).

The *Journal* has already published articles on railroads, Native American basket weavers, Charles Lindbergh's visit to the area, Nisqually Valley pioneers, maritime history, mining, early Catholic priests, the introduction of blueberries, World War II recycling, and other topics.

The *Journal* welcomes factual articles dealing with any aspect of Thurston County history. Please contact the editor, Karen Johnson (360-890-2299, karen@olytumfoundation.org), before submitting an article to determine its suitability for publication. Articles on previously unexplored topics, new interpretations of well-known topics, and personal recollections are preferred. Articles may range in length from 100 words to 10,000 words, and should include source notes and suggested illustrations.

Judy's Genealogical Gems – Judy Artley

The Ancestor Hunt – Free Site – by Dick Eastman

U.S. Western States High School & College Yearbooks Online, <http://bit.ly/2JlipbKA>

The Genealogist – Pay Site – by Dick Eastman

Outbound Passenger List Records 1950's, new 10/26

FindMyPast – Pay Site – by Dick Eastman

England: Staffordshire Dioceses Litchfield & Coventry Marriage Allegations & Bonds 1636-1893, updated 10/27

Find A Grave – Free site

International & United States, updated

Belgium: East Flanders Civil Register 1541-1914, updated

Chile: Cemetery Records 1821-2015, updated

Columbia: Diocese Barranquilla Catholic Church Records 1808-1985, updated

France: Calvados Civil Registration 1792-1942, new

Rhone Military Register Cards 1865-1932, new

Vienne Census 1896, new

French Polynesia: Civil Register 1780-1999, updated

Germany: Hesse-Nass and Civil Registers & Church Books 1701-1875, updated,

Italy: Pesaro e Urbino Civil Register (State Archive) 1866-1942, updated

Roma Civil Register (State Archive) 1863-1930, updated

Torino Civil Register (State Archive) 1802-1816, updated

New Zealand: Cemetery Transcription 1840-1981, updated

South Africa: Transval Civil Marriage 1876-1930, new

Spain: Diocese Lugo Catholic Parish Records 1550-1966, updated

Switzerland: Fribourg Census 1880, updated

Ukraine: Kiev Confession Lists 1799-1911, updated

FamilySearch – United States - Free Site – by McEntee

CA: Sacramento Cemetery Records 1900-1959, new 10/18

CT: World War I Military Census Nurses 1917, new 10/18

DE: World War I Servicemen Records 1917-1919, new 10/18

FL: World War I Navy Card Roster 1917-1920, new 10/18

GA: World War I Statement Service Summary Card Files, ca 1920-1929, new

HI: Kauai County Obits 1982-2010 FS

IA: Birth Records 1921-1942 & Death Records 1904-1951

KS: 1915 State Census, updated

Gove Co. Enumeration Books & List Res's 1909-1950, new 10/18

LA: Orleans Parish Vital Records 1900-1964, updated 10/18

MS: World War I Service Cards 1917-1919, new

MT: Sanders Co. Records 1866-2010, updated

Rosebud Co. Records 1878-2011, updated 10/18

ND: County Marriages 1872-1958, updated 10/18

NY: County Naturalization Records 1791-1980, updated

OH: Bloomfield Twp., Brownwood Cemetery Records 1824-2012, updated 10/18

Mexican War Pension Index 1887-1926, updated

Native American Census Rolls 1885-1940, updated

Western States Marriage Index, new
Ancestry - United States - Pay Site

PA: Beaver County Tax Records

USA: Evangelical Lutheran Church America Church Records 1781-1969, new 10/18

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
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Drop In Genealogy	Eileen Dodge	Publicity	Joyce Ogden
FaceBook	Kerry McHugh Upton	Refreshments	Diana Bargmann
Historian	Joyce Ogden	Research	Jerry McCoy & Roger Newman
Library Liaison	Agatha Burstein		
Membership	Bob Monn	Seminar	Peggy Cooley
Memorials		Sunshine	Gayle Strom
Multi-Media	Rebel Romero	Webmaster	Bob Monn

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OGS Events Calendar - September 2018

OGS Legacy SIG	Friday, November 02	12:30-3:30 pm
Lacy Timberland Library	5000 College Street SE	Meeting Room
OGS General Meeting	Thursday, November 08	7:00-9:00 pm
Thurston County Court House	2000 Lakeridge Drive SW - Building 1, Room 152	
OGS Seminar Meeting	Tuesday, November 20	5:30-6:30 pm
Olympia Timberland Library	313 8 th Ave SE	Meeting Room
OGS Board Meeting	Tuesday, November 20	6:30-7:30 pm
Olympia Timberland Library	313 8 th Ave SE	Meeting Room
OGS Drop-In Genealogy Help	Thursday, November 15	1:00-3:00 pm
Olympia Timberland Library	313 8 th Ave SE	Meeting Room
Family Tree Maker SIG	Thursday, November 15	1:00-3:00 pm
Tumwater Timberland Library	7023 New Market St. SW	Meeting Room
OGS Drop-In Genealogy Help	Saturday, November 17	1:00-3:00 pm
Olympia Timberland Library	313 8 th Ave SE	Genealogy Area Table

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

Vice-President Kathy Erlandson presided, as President Nancy Cordell was unable to do so. Kathy opened the meeting at 7:08 p.m. A total of 45-50 members and guests attended.

Vice President's report: The 'Ask The Experts' event is going forward, questions will be given to the experts this week. Our November program will be Nancy Cordell "Why did I take this DNA test? All I see is a pie-chart that doesn't make sense". Last month's program to sign up for the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) was a huge success. "Information about the various SIGS is available on the website."

Minutes: Kathy asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from those printed for the September General Meeting. There were none, therefore, the minutes are approved as written.

Judy gave the Treasurer's Report:

Checking Account: \$13,751.15; Certificate Account \$ 4,117.26; Amazon \$ 1.00; Paypal \$0.00

Annual Budget:

Motion made by Recording Secretary, Judi Hine:

By direction of the OGS Board, I move that the budget for 2018-2019 be approved as presented.

Discussion was had, most members wanted to see the budget which was not available. It was decided to postpone the motion until everyone could review the budget which will be posted on the members-only section on the website.

Committee Reports / SIG Reports:

Ancestry – Greg Norlund: In the works

Family Tree Maker – David Abernathy: Meetings are set up for the next three months on the third Thursday from 1:00-3:00 pm at the Tumwater Library.

DNA – Carol Ballard: No action yet. Set a date, but no one could attend. She asked for a way to contact others through the website.

Legacy – Gayle Strom: Had one meeting which was very successful. Next meeting is at the Lacey Library on 2 November 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.

By-Laws Changes:

Motion made by Recording Secretary, Judi Hine:

By direction of the OGS Board, I move the recommended by-laws changes be approved as presented. There was no discussion. The vote was taken and the motion was passed.

Meet a Member: Ann Metzler presented her story.

Program: Jennifer Crooks presented: Thurston County on the Home Front During WWI.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm for refreshments and visiting.
Secretary, Judi Hine

**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:

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