



Olympia

# Genealogical Society

## Newsletter

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**Eileen Dodge, Editor**

### *A Note From President- Nancy Cordell*

As I write this, I am sitting in a friend's house in Salt Lake City. Last week I attended the Salt Lake Institute for Genealogy. The weeklong course I attended, presented primarily by Thomas Jones, was on Advanced Genealogical Methods. My mind is spinning from all the methodology presented in the course. Genealogy is not simply about gathering records, it is mostly about analyzing records and gleaning information that is not apparent on first reading. As Dr. Jones notes, virtually all genealogy is inferential because most of the information available to us is indirect evidence. Analyzing indirect evidence require us to compare and correlated data, and to resolve conflicting or missing information. These methods can help us to break through brick walls, but definitely take more time and effort, not only in collecting information for a variety of sources, but thoroughly analyzing those sources not only for information, but also for reliability and authenticity.

To take you genealogical research to the next level, consider what you can learn from indirect evidence. I highly recommend Thomas Jones book *Mastering Genealogical Proof* to learn those methods.

This week I will be doing research at the Family History Library, the LDS Church History Library and a couple of courthouses in search of more indirect evidence to correlate and compare

I look forward to seeing many of you at our annual Dinner on February 8<sup>th</sup> at Panorama City.

### *A Note from Vice-President- Kathy Erlandson*

When our January meeting had to be cancelled because of flooding at the courthouse, many of us were especially disappointed to miss Erin Quinn Valcho's program about preservation of photos and documents. Luckily, Erin has agreed to bring her program to us in June.

February 8, 5:30 p.m. is our Annual Dinner Meeting. We're trying a new venue this year, Panorama City's Seventeen51 Restaurant, in the Gallery Room. Fifty-three people are registered to attend, so we should have a grand old time. We'll gather at 5:30. Meals will be served between 6:15 and 6:30, and at about 7:15, Jon Halvorson will tell us about his research into his Norwegian roots and present a program about an amazing Norwegian woman named Thea Foss. Thea founded Foss Tugg in Tacoma, and is the historical person who inspired the character, Tugboat Annie. I hope to see you there!

### *A Note from Spring Seminar Chair - Peggy Cooley*

Its just over two months (April 7<sup>th</sup>) until our Spring Seminar, "Find Your Immigrant & Miscreant Ancestors." To register for the seminar you can visit our new website, [www.olygensoc.org](http://www.olygensoc.org) for the brochure, or bring your checkbook to the Annual Dinner, and I'll have brochures available.

We need at least 6 volunteers to help with various tasks to make our Seminar run smoothly and be fun for all. If you can volunteer to help, please send me an email to [jerseymouse@comcast.net](mailto:jerseymouse@comcast.net), or see me at the Annual Dinner on February 8th.

### *A Note from Newsletter Editor - Eileen Dodge*

A list of OGS Board Members, OGS contact information, and the OGS Events Calendar is on page 5. There will be no Secretary's Minutes do to emergency meeting cancellation in January. A Membership Renewal Form is on page 6. If you have any questions, suggestions, or information for inclusion in the Newsletter, contact me at [edodge1946@comcast.net](mailto:edodge1946@comcast.net)

### *A Bit of Humor - Comical Epitaphs - Eileen Dodge*

A widow wrote this epitaph – found in a Vermont cemetery:

Sacred to the memory of  
My husband John Barnes  
Who died January 3, 1803  
His comely young widow, aged 23,  
Has many qualifications of a good wife  
And yearns to be comforted

Another epitaph for Harry Edsel Smith of Albany, New York:

Looked up the elevator shaft  
To see if the car was on the way down  
It was

On a grave from the 1880's in Nantucket Massachusetts:

Under the sod and under the trees  
Lies the body of Jonathan Pease  
He is not here, there's only the pod  
Pease shelled out and went to God

Anna Hopewell's grave in Enosburg Falls, Vermont:

Here lies the body of our Anna  
Done to death by a banana  
It wasn't the fruit that laid her low  
But the skin of the thing that made her go

## *Judy's Genealogical Gems - Judy Artley*

### **Find My Past - Dick Eastman**

England: Middlesex, Brompton Cemetery Records, 1/6  
Cheshire School Records 1782-1950, 1/16  
British Arms, British Red Cross Society Vols. 1914-18, 1/16  
Greater London Burial Index, updated, 1/16  
Jersey Baptisms 1540-1915; Marriages 1542-1940 & Burials 1541-1940, 1/20  
Greater Manchester Baptisms 1571-1910, 1/20  
British Army Forces & Overseas Births & Baptisms, new, 1/27  
British Armed Forces & Oversea Banns & Marriage, Deaths & Burials, new 1/27  
Hertfordshire Baptisms, Banns & Marriages, Burial, Parish Records new, 1/27  
Yorkshire Memorial Inscriptions, updated, 1/27  
Northumberland & Durham Monumental Inscriptions, updated, 1/27  
British Newspapers, updated, 1/27  
Ireland: Military pensions & Medals 1916-1922, 1/6  
Civil Registrations 1845-1913, updated, 1/11  
USA: CT: Stonington Cemetery Records, 1/20  
ID: Southeast Counties Obituaries 1864-2007, browse, new, 1/27  
MS: Tippah Co. Records 1836-1923 Image Browse, new, 1/6  
NJ: Birth Index 1901-1903, 1/20  
SC: Will Transcripts 1782-1866, 1/13  
Plants for State Land Grants 1784-1868, 1/13  
Legislative Papers 1782-1929, 1/13  
Criminal Court Records 1769-1944, 1/13  
Records Confederate Veterans 1909-1973, 1/13  
TX: Laredo Arrival Manifests 1903-1955, new, 1/27

### **Ancestry:**

Bavaria: Germany Traunstein Res. Registrations 1840-1910, new, 1/9  
Scotland: Dunfermline, Fife Carnegie Music Institution Registers 1910-1920, 1/9  
USA: U. S. 1860 & 1870, Censuses, updated, 1/9  
Obituary Collection 1930-2017, updated, 1/9  
Cemetery & Funeral Home Collection, updated, 1/9  
Find A Grave: 1600s-Current, updated, 1/9  
MT: Birth records 1897-1919, new, 1/9  
County Marriages 1865-1987, new, 1/9  
Marriage Records 1943-1986, new, 1/9  
NM: Civil Records of New Spain 1621-1821, updated, 1/9  
TX: Naturalization Records 1852-1991, updated, 1/9  
Worldwide: Global Find A Grave for Burials at Sea & Other Select Burial Locations 1300's-current, updated, 1/9.

### **FamilySearch - Dick Eastman**

American Samoa: Passenger Lists & Travel Documents 1918-1965, updated, 1/11  
Billion Graves Index, updated, 1/11  
USA: CA: County Birth & Death Records 1800-1994, updated, 1/22  
GA: Reconstruction Reg. Oaths Books 1867-1868, new, 1/24  
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MA: Naturalization Records 1906-1917, updated, 1/24  
MD: State & Territorial Census Records 1732-1933, updated, 1/24  
NH: Naturalization Records 1906-1993, updated, 1/24  
NY: Book Indexes to Passenger Lists 1906-1942, updated, 1/24  
UT: Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel Database 1847-1868, updated, 1/24  
Virgin Islands: Index Passenger Arrivals 1906-1947, new, 1/24  
Worldwide: Argentina: Santa Fe Catholic Church Records 1634-1975, updated, 1/24  
Colombia: Diocese Barranquelea Catholic Church Records 1808-1985, new, 1/24  
Denmark: Military Conscription Rolls 1789-1792, updated, 1/22  
El Salvador: Civil Registrations 1704-2001, updated, 1/24  
England: Derbyshire Church of England Parish Registers 1537-1918, updated, 1/22  
Warwickshire Parish Registers 1535-1984, updated, 1/24  
Liberia: Marriage Records 1912-2015, updated, 1/23  
New Zealand: Civil Records Index 1800-1966, updated, 1/11  
Peru: Civil Registers 1874-1996, updated, 1/24  
Philippines: Manila Civil Registers 1899-1984, updated, 1/11  
Portugal: Setubal Catholic Church Records 1555-1911, updated, 1/11  
Coimbra Civil Registers 1893-1980, updated, 1/24  
Portalegre Catholic Church Records 1859-1911, updated, 11/29  
Slovenia: Ljubljana Funeral Accounty 1937-1970, updated, 1/24  
South Africa: Dutch Reformed Church Records (Stellenbosch Archive) 1690-2001  
Natal Province Civil Deaths 1863-1955, new, 1/24  
Register of Slaves 1762-1838, new, 1/24  
Spain: Diocese Cartagena Catholic Church Records 1503-1969, updated, 1/24  
Sweden: Orebro Church Records 1613-1918; index 1635-1860, updated, 1/24  
Goteborg Och Bohus Church Records 1577-1932, Index 1659-1860, updated, 1/11  
Household Examination Books 1880-1920, updated, 1/11  
Kopparberg church Records 1604-1900, Index 1628-1860, updated, 1/11  
Vasternorrland Church Records 1501-1940, Index 1650-1860, updated, 1/11  
Venezuela: Archdiocese-Merida Catholic Records 1654-2015, updated, 1/11  
Catholic Church Records 1577-1995, updated 1/24

### **My Heritage - Dick Eastman**

USA: Yearbooks 1890-1979, new, 1/27  
IN: Newspapers 1847-2009, new, 1/27  
NY: Newspapers 1806-2007 & Marriage License Index 1908-1929, 1/12  
OH: Newspapers 1793-2009, new, 1/27  
PA: Newspapers 1795-2009, new, 1/27  
Worldwide: Germany: Minority Census 1939, new, 1/27  
Palestine: Mandatory Naturalization Applications 1937-1947, new, 1/27  
Sweden: Household Examination Books 1920-1930, 1860-1880, new, 1/27

### **The Genealogist - Dick Eastman**

United Kingdom: National Archives Prisoner of War WWII Archives, 1/20  
USA: Passenger Records 1834-1900, 1/25



**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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