



TPCGS

NEWSLETTER

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MEETINGS AND EVENTS SCHEDULE

September 13, Tuesday 2016... “Bring & Brag!” or “What I Did Last Summer!”
Presentations by Members

We will also have a short presentation by the FHC staff on their newly remodeled facilities.

October 11, Tuesday 2016... Presentation by TPCGS Member LIZ OSBORN
Liz will talk about and share her Historic Family Cook Book

November 8, Tuesday 2016... The “Push” and “Pull”: Decision Making of the 19th Century Emigrant
Jill is a professional genealogist who is passionate about genealogy. She focuses her work on teaching/lecturing, writing and client work.

January 10, Tuesday 2017... Swedish Research
Presentation by TPCGS Member Trevliga Damen DUSTY GORMAN

Message from the President

by D Becker, TPCGS President



Images of Smokey Bear 1944 through 2016

Editor's Note:

During the summer while the rest of us are busy stealing hours for genealogy research our TPCGS President D Becker works for the US Forest Service alongside the brave fire crews. Since this is the first newsletter after our summer break – to help D Becker take-off her fire boots and slide back into her late night genealogy slippers, I agreed to include a *Smokey Bear* message. I thought a little “Smokey Bear” Genealogy 101 would be appropriate for those of us who grew-up singing the song about a “Ranger’s Hat And Shovel”...

Smokey's Story

Courtesy of the US Forest Service and AD Council

Smokey Bear was born on August 9, 1944, when the USDA Forest Service and the Ad Council agreed that a fictional bear named Smokey would be their symbol for forest fire prevention.

Artist Albert Staechle was asked to paint the first poster. In 1947, Smokey's slogan became the familiar "Only YOU Can Prevent Forest Fires!". This was later updated to "Only YOU Can Prevent Wildfires!"

In the spring of 1950, in the Capitan Mountains of New Mexico, a young bear cub found himself caught in a burning forest. He climbed a tree to survive, but he was still badly burned. This little cub was rescued by firefighters who were so moved by his bravery, they named him Smokey.

News about this real bear named Smokey spread across the nation and he was soon given a home at the National Zoo in Washington, D.C. Smokey played an important role in spreading messages of wildfire prevention and forest conservation. Smokey died in 1976 and was returned to Capitan, New Mexico, where he is buried at the State Historical Park, now called Smokey Bear Historical Park.

THE NEW RESEARCHER'S CORNER

How Christian Women Cooked Husbands circa 1900

By Carol Rikerd

TPCGS Membership

One of the joys of genealogy is gaining an understanding of history. In addition to looking at national history, we become familiar with the social history of the towns and counties where our ancestors lived. Artifacts saved in old trunks and boxes give us pictures of our families' lives within history in ways photographs don't. A picture of our grandparents or great-grandparents shows us what they looked like, what clothes they wore, and a glimpse of a place they lived or visited. A cookbook gives us much more than that.

Hill of Zion was a Congregational / Christian church in Union Township, Adair County, Iowa. There is no congregation now, but the building still stands. Sometime between 1900 and 1905, the ladies belonging to the Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of this church wrote out their favorite recipes. They gathered the recipes, solicited advertisements and published a cookbook. In my grandmother's copy, the front page listing the printer and publishing information is missing.

The recipes and advertisements in this little book tell so much about how these women lived, and included detailed information they found critical for the successful running of a household. The advertisements come from the shops supplying the ingredients for their cooking, their necessary housewares, and inform the reader of the best shops for hats and corsets.

These women lived at the intersection of home gardens, small farms, and grocery stores. They cooked on wood stoves and probably had ice boxes to store food. They were most likely members of the Temperance Movement and Anti-Saloon League. The women in my family were also active suffragettes. Proper Church ladies, corseted, never leaving their homes without a hat and gloves, exercising their increasing right to speak out freely on issues impacting women and girls; and possessed with a devilish sense of humor about the necessity of marriage as their means of survival. From this social milieu comes the introduction to the cookbook - "Cooked Husbands".

"A great many husbands are utterly spoiled by mismanagement. Some women go about it as if their husbands were bladders, and blow them up. Others keep them constantly in hot water; others let them freeze by their carelessness and indifference. Some keep them in a pickle all their lives; some keep them in a stew by irritating ways and words; others roast them. It cannot be supposed that any husband will be tender and good managed in this way, but they are really delicious when properly treated. In selecting a husband you should not be guided by the silvery appearance, as in buying mackerel, not by the gold tint, as though you wanted salmon. Be sure and select him yourself, as tastes differ. Do not go to the market after him, as the best is always

brought to your door. It is far better to have none unless you will patiently learn how to cook him. A preserving kettle of the finest porcelain is best, but if you have nothing but an earthenware pipkin, it will do. With care, tie him in the kettle with a strong silk cord, called comfort, as the one called duty is apt to be weak. They are apt to fly out of the kettle and be burned and crusty on the edges, since like crabs and lobsters, you have to cook them while alive. Make a clear, steady fire out of love, neatness and cheerfulness. Some husbands need this till they are quite done. Add a little sugar in the form our confectioners call kisses, but no vinegar or pepper on any account. A little spice improves him, but it must be used with judgment. Do not stick any sharp instruments into him to see if he is becoming tender. You cannot fail to know when he is done. If thus treated, you will find him very digestible, agreeing nicely with you, and he will keep as long as you want, unless you get careless and set him in too cold a place.” Mrs. M. E. Hull
Very proper ladies, weren’t they?

Editor’s Note: *If this article tantalized your taste buds for more...*

Please join us on October 11th when Liz Osborn will share her Historic Family Cook Book

Also, TPCGS Members are encouraged to share their stories...

Journey of a Revolutionary War Muzzle Loading Musket

By Sandra D. Johnson

TPCGS Recording Secretary

I wanted to find some contemporary information about the Battle of Wyoming which happened on July 3, 1778 near Forty Fort on the Susquehanna River, up-river from Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. I went online to GenealogyBank.com and entered “Battle of Wyoming” in the search field for historic newspapers. (Hint: at first I did not use quotation marks and so got every page which had the word “of” on it!) I got many hits but the one that caught my eye said “Valuable Old Gun Displayed Seattle”. This article was from 20 July 1909 and was in the Daily Record –Miner from Juneau, Alaska!¹

The gun was being displayed at the 1909 Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition in the forestry building. The muzzle-loader had originally been owned by Nicholas Manville, who used it in the Revolutionary War. Nicholas was killed at the Battle of Wyoming and the gun passed on to his son, Ira, who served in the war as a drummer boy. Ira named a son Ira, who used the gun in the War of 1812. Then Ira Manville carried the gun into the Black Hawk War. Ira’s son George W. Manville migrated to the territory of Oregon and then settled in the Washington Territory in the early 1850s. The article said that George participated in the Rogue River Indian War and that he built the Steilacoom jail in 1853. George lived in Thurston County and died 30 May 1909 in Tacoma, Washington.

The rifle’s journey started in Connecticut, moved to Pennsylvania, to Illinois, to Oregon, to Washington and ended up being written about in an Alaska newspaper!

Then I realized that the Manville family and my family traveled the same paths. My Clark family and the Manville family both came from Connecticut to Luzerne County, Pennsylvania. Nicholas was killed at the Battle along with my 3rd great grandmother Keziah Yarrington Gore’s first husband, Silas Gore. Keziah later married Benjamin Clark who also lived in the Wyoming Valley but was away at the time of the battle with the army. Both families had a son who moved to the same area of Illinois in 1818. My husband had family that moved from Springfield, Illinois to Yamhill County in the Oregon Territory. George Manville married in Yamhill County. He moved north, the Lord family moved to Chelan where Alma Lord married Claude Johnson. Their son Arthur moved to Pierce County. I even have a tie to Alaska. My mother lived in Juneau for a time, and I went to high school in Alaska.

“You never know where articles about your ancestors may show up, so don’t limit your searches to the place you know that they lived [in].”²

¹ Tuesday, July 20, 1909; Daily Record-Miner (Juneau, Alaska); Page 1; accessed at GenealogyBank.com on August 15, 2016.

¹ Courtesy of Jane Irish Nelson

Message from “The Legal Genealogist”

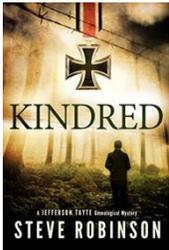
And Sandra D. Johnson, TPCGS Recording Secretary



This is wonderful news and TPCGS members helped to make it happen...
On September 1, 2016, at the 40th annual conference of the Federation of Genealogical Societies in Springfield, Illinois, it was announced “*We have gone over the top*” Thank You!

Recommended Reading ...

Book Review by Jane Irish Nelson



Kindred

By Steve Robinson

Jefferson Tayte is good at finding people who don't want to be found. For years he has followed faint genealogical trails to reunite families-and uncover long-hidden secrets. But Tayte is a loner, a man with no ties of his own; his true identity is the most elusive case of his career.

But, that could all be about to change. Now Tayte has in his possession the beginnings of a new trail-clues his late mentor had started to gather-that might at last lead to his own family. With Professor Jean Summer, his partner in genealogical sleuthing, he travels to Munich to pick up the scent. But the hunt takes them deep into dangerous territory and the sinister secrets of World War II Germany and those who must keep them buried at any cost.

When their investigation threatens to undermine a fascist organization, Tayte and Summer know time is running out. Can they find their way to the dark heart of a deadly history before they become its latest victims?

Do you have a brickwall you need help breaking down? If you send it to our webmaster, Jane Irish Nelson, she will post it on the TPCGS blog, where others can post their suggestions in the comments section. And, just maybe your wall will come tumbling down!

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From the Desk of... Gretchen Campbell, TPCGS VP Family Line Research

The Latest from Various Society Publications received by TPCGS May 2016

Available at the Tacoma Public Library:

American French Genealogical Society Vol. 1 No. Spring 2016

- Account of the 1663 Earthquake in New France – An eye witness account written by Father Charles Simon, speaks of total devastation and chaotic weather; great fear among the people; very descriptive article.
- A discussion of “dit” names used by French Canadians through the mid to late 1800’s. The word “dit” means alias often given to someone with military background; used to indicate the various branches of a family.
- A discussion on the Mainville Family found on both sides of the St. Lawrence and Ottawa Rivers.

Minnesota Genealogist from the Minnesota Genealogical Society Vol. 47 No. 1 Spring 2016

- Searching for the Parents of Fred A. King of Saginaw Michigan – A study of census records and obituaries and following all branches of the family.
- Untimely death of Tillie Olcott McArthey – a discussion of Tillie’s death caused by the shock of the murder of her maid,
- Minnesota Alien Registration Order of 1918 – justified as a necessary war measure to encourage citizenship.
- A study of the British Origins of Laurence Lee of Minnesota—a discussion of how the Lee family was traced to Ireland.

Fiske Genealogical Foundation; Spring 2016; Vol. 23 No. 4

- Listing of Spring education classes offered at the library.
- Listing of new Acquisitions to the Fiske Library
- Books We Own – discusses free on line service where a group of people who have books in their personal collection will look up information for others. <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~byo/index.html>

Kansas Kin; May 2016, Vol. 54, No.2

- Riley County Naturalization Records – records for 1859-1943 are digitized
- Alien Registration of Wabaunsee & Wallace Counties
- Magic, Riley Co., Kansas, 1882-1955 – settled by German immigrants but was consumed by the expansion of Ft. Riley Military Reservation.

Lifeline – Genealogical Society of Riverside, CA; Vol. LI, No. 2 – May 2016

Current Events – Genealogy Roadshow; DNA Are our friends actually Family?

- Digitized Books now available on MyHeritage
- Nuisance of Nicknames complete with a chart of name and nickname
- Tips for finding alternate surname spellings and variations
- Riverside CA – early settlement in Inland Empire
- 1878-1880 births, marriages and deaths

The Dakota Homestead Historical Newsletter March 2016 Vol 45, No. 1

- Morton Co. Naturalization Records Index
- Pioneer Histories: Bridget Farrell, Mary Louise Maloney Ford, Etta Frost Harmon, Herman Meyer, Priscilla Magnuson, Fred Michel and John Laschkewitsch
- Honor List of Dead and Missing for North Dakota – Spanish American War 1898-99; Mexican Border Campaign 1916-17; WW 1917-18; WWII 1940-46; The Korean Conflict 1950-53

Redwood Researcher, Humbolt Co., CA- May 2016, Vol 48, #4

- CA Birth Index Humbolt Co. 1912
- 1908 Cash Book, Police Court May 1908

The Bulletin – Genealogical Forum of Oregon – Vol.65 #4 – June 2016

- Prof. John Foster: Poet, Author, Publisher 1845-1886
- How Many Lives for Ten Dollars by Paul Dinnen Lyons – about the Dinnen Ranch In Condon Oregon
- Ten Minute Methodology When Index is a Dirty Word by Judy Kellar --- Research should follow information to its original source
- Elizabeth “Lizzie” Early, 1864-1937 by Sarah L. C. Holmes
- Cemetery Vertical Files and Guard by Lawrence Robbins – Primary records kept by cemeteries
- Reuben Thurston Lockwood (1922-1895) – First Families of Multnomah Co. by Judith LepperttHow to Use PERSI – By Nanci Remington
- Ida Herriff Bible, transcribed by Laura Denise White
- Biographical Index (Eccleston-Gearin) See Oct 2014 P. 32 for more information

The Apple Orchard June 2016 Chelan, WA

- Historical Records Survey by Carol Richey – look at the efforts of the WPA to survey historical records and the lasting contribution made to genealogical researchers
- Portable Paper Scanners – by Chris Courtright – Epson DS-30 purchased at Staples

Stalkin’ Kin – Vol 13 Nos. 3 & 4 – Summer/Fall 2016

- The Ole Rock House by Everson & Neely – Christoval, TX old family home restored to original glory.
- The Arden Family: Pioneers of Tom Green and Irian Counties, TX and Katheryn ARDEN – Pioneer, Mother, Teacher and History of Arden TX. by Tina DeLong
- How can a DNA Test Help with my Genealogy? By Jana Jenkins
- Various Stories about Families: Burk, Weaver, Stocks, Stewart, Austin
- Medal of Honor Recipients
- Genealogist’s Guide to Texas Homesteading
- The San Angelo Standard May 1890
- The Rustler Newspaper-May 1896-Jan 23, 1897
- Crockett Co. Texas Marriage Records, Book I – 11/1926 to 12/1928
- Tom Green Co. TX Civil Court Docket – 1929
- Menard County TX Marriage Records Book 4 – Jan 1934-June 1935
- Runnels Co., TX Marriage Records Book 4 – Aug 1919 to Dec 1919

Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly – June 2016; Vol.61; No. 2

- Genealogy Writing Contest Winner – Living on Grain Rent in Gideon, OK – A description of subsistence living in 1930; the games we played; fishing for food; superstitions; illnesses.
- Contest 2nd Place – Searching for Renne – The search for the Allreds family home and burial place.
- Contest 3rd Place – Searching for Riley Clay, Dawes Rolls #14891 – Life in Cherokee County during the depression; continuing encounters with bushwhackers affected the family throughout their lives; ask questions and search for answers; record the families stories and continue to tell them to stories to the younger generations.
- Finding an Immigrant Family’s Place of Origin – Prove all facts; record sources; ask for help; oral history may be faulty; be open to spelling variations; brick walls require further review of information and look for clues; genealogy is never completely finished.

Kittitas Kinfolk – Vol. 29 No. 3 – Kittitas County Genealogy Society – WA State

- Organizing your Genealogy by Drew Smith – an organizational review
- Jacob Livingston (1837-1916) ---review of memorial held in 2016
- Disappearing ancestors – ideas for finding them
- Define a query and a research question
- **Oral history resource --- more than dates, names & places – family traditions, foods, rituals, skills & abilities for their trade, home life now and then,**

Family Tree Quarterly – Cobb Co. Georgia Genealogical Society

- Finding Aurelia Roxana King and information about her family
- Atlanta's First Baseball Team and its players
- Types of scanners allowed in National Archives Research Rooms
- Information on records that were burned/destroyed by state

American Spirit – DAR Magazine – July/Aug 2016

- Photo sharing on the Web
- Long May She Wave – story of Annin Flagmakers
- Elias Van Bunschoten, Reformed Dutch minister, served 5 congregations around Sussex Co., NJ; descriptions of his life and his home
- Marylanders at the Battle of Hobkirk's Hill – pitted Patriots against Loyalists
- Daniel Morgan – from wagoner to war hero

Minnesota Genealogical Society Vol. 47 No. 2 Summer 16

- Uncle Ted Labor and his life “outside the law”
- Fred King, Early Entrepreneur, Civic Involvement & Politician
- Records of the life of Hubert Kramer and his mental illness
- Newspaper study looking for facts about George Fisher, the author's 2nd great grandfather

Dakota Homestead Historical Newsletter Vol. 45 No.2 June 2016

- Birth date chart to determine which war your ancestor might have fought in
- Information you can learn from a social security application
- Honor List of Dead and Missing for the State of North Dakota
- Pioneer Histories: Mrs. Peter Cressinger (Mary Jane McMullen); Mrs. J. C. Creighton (Susan Hill); Fred Kaiser; Catherine Klawitter; Valerie King; Norman Johnson; Henry Spelen; Fred Kist; Isreal E. Keator
- Morton Co. Naturalization Records Index – names beginning with W

Fiske Genealogical Foundation Summer 2016 Newsletter – Vol. 23 No. 4

- Historic Newspapers in New York State
- Book Review: Massachusetts and Maine in the American Revolution – a source guide outline of information
- Expanding Genealogy with DNA
- Digital Public Library of America – an overview

TriCity Genealogical Society – Vol. 56 No. 2 – July 2016

- Tips on using Church Records
- DNA Research – several short articles
- Beware of the Sand Built House – the story of Fred Kuhn, research, false leads and documents and “poof” he was the wrong fellow
- A self-improvement checklist for rookie researchers
- Summary of the Family History Library member trip
- 20 years of research to topple a brick wall – continue to study genealogy, look for new sources to back up your research, track every variation of the surname, electronically record each event to refresh your knowledge



GEORGE W. SNYDER

George W. Snyder was born on October 22, 1938 in Lebanon, Oregon and passed away on March 31, 2016 in Puyallup, Washington.

He was a 1961 graduate of the University of Washington. He was a technical engineer.

George was a long time member of the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society and served on the Board of Directors as the Vice President of Education.

In the late 1980's, George programmed his own DOS based computer at home. This led him to design and code his own genealogy website, "*Snyder's Root Cellar*" to share the findings of his family research.

"As a family historian, my job is to bring to light the facts, the stories, the narratives, the evidence, and any other pertinent information I discover regarding ancestors, mine or yours; and then share it in some organized, enlightened fashion with those interested individuals, families, friends, associations, clients, or the community around me."

George will always be remembered for his willingness to share his genealogical knowledge with others and for his strong belief that anyone doing family research has an obligation to share ancestral narratives beyond the dry reporting of facts, places and dates.





JANICE LEE (VINSON) WEIHS

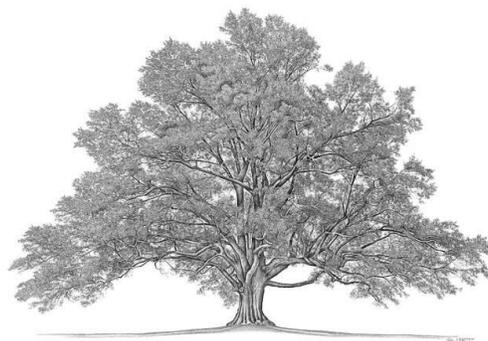
Janice Lee (Vinson) Weihs was a resident of Tacoma, WA for forty-six years. She passed away on August 17, 2016, at Franciscan Hospice House after a long struggle with cardio-pulmonary hypertension. Janice was born in Pasco, WA on August 10, 1937.

Janice enjoyed a life-long love of reading which led to her career as a high school librarian for Peninsula High School for many years. She earned a BA in English at Fresno State College in 1962, a Master of Librarianship at the University of Washington in 1977, and a Master of Education at the University of Puget Sound in 1978.

Janice served on the Board of the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society and in 2006 initiated and edited the newsletter for the Society until 2014. She also served on the Library Committee in 2010 and researched resources for the Society. She was named a lifetime member of the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society and was recognized as Outstanding Volunteer in 2015.

Janice also used her genealogical expertise with the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) where she served as Registrar, helping new members research their ancestors' records. She also worked as a volunteer researcher for the Washington State Historical Museum cataloguing ephemera for the collection.

Janice will be greatly missed but will live-on forever in our hearts and memory for her beautiful smile and kind, giving nature.



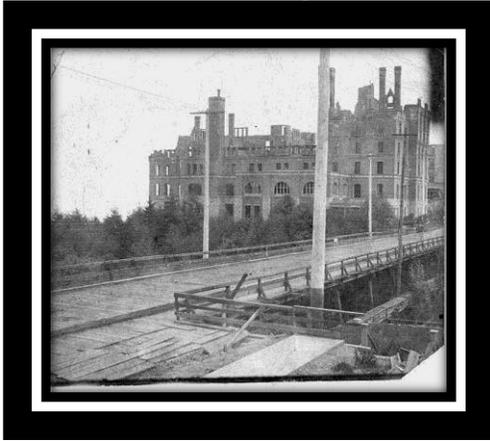
TPCGS TRIVIA “So You Think You Know Tacoma”?***Did You Know?******Stadium High School***

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Stadium High School in Tacoma was originally designed to be a luxury hotel. In 1893, the Depression stopped the construction of the Northern Pacific Railroad Hotel. Then a fire swept through the building leaving nothing more than an empty masonry shell. The shell was used to construct the high school in 1906. It still proudly serves as a high school today.

SAVE THE DATE:**Saturday, September 24, 2016 8:00 am – 4:00pm*****Ancestry Day in Washington State***

Greater Tacoma Convention & Trade Center, Tacoma, WA

Presented by the Washington State Archives, Washington State Library, Legacy Washington and the Washington State Historical Society.

Saturday, September 24, 2016 8:30 am – 3:30pm***Puget Sound Genealogical Society “A Day of Discovery”***

Featured Presenter: Thomas MacEntee

For more information: www.pusogensoc.org/psgs/seminar2016**Saturday Seminar & Sunday Workshop October 15 & 16, 2016*****D. JOSHUA TAYLOR, MA, MLS “Genealogy Roadshow”******DISCOVER YOUR HERITAGE, “Genealogical Forum” GFO Library, Portland, OR***For more information: seminar@gfo.org**Saturday, October 8, 2016 8:00am – 4:40pm*****Heritage Quest Research Library: AUTUMN QUEST 2016******“Enriching Research Through Library Sources***

Featured Presenter: Curt B. Witcher, Genealogy Center Manager, Allen County Public Library

For more information: HQLAutumnQuest@gmail.com

A BAD HEIR DAY!

*A Bad Heir Day for a Genealogist
is when you realize your most
Colorful Ancestors were accepted into
"The Witness Protection Program"*

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