

Directors:

Publications Director

People who have held this position: Dulca Baxter, Doreen Johnson, Ann Wright, Dave Flomerfelt.

The Publications Director is the editor of the Society newsletter that is provided to the members from September through June; its purpose is to update members on the latest genealogy news, to announce upcoming seminars, special programs, trips, etc. The Director collects articles, edits, proofreads, and electronically sends the finalized newsletter to the Membership Director for distribution. If the Director has physical custody of the Society HP color Inkjet DP1700 printer and printing supplies, responsibilities also include printing all Society printed materials, ordering supplies, and maintenance of the printer. If there is another custodian for the printer, the Director e-mails the electronic file to the Custodian to print and mail the few copies we send to other societies etc.

Sections for the newsletter:

- Programs section – report on the previous month’s program and the programs for the next two months
- Events: report on upcoming genealogical events in other societies and cities - include at least the following information:
 - Speaker
 - Topics
 - Date
 - Location
 - Sponsoring society
- Education: report the education activities for the next 2-3 months
- Field Trips: report on the field trips for the next 2-3 months and those taken
- Request reports from members, book reports, articles from other publications (with permission)

Places to check for upcoming events

- The President should provide you with mail we’ve received about upcoming events
- Check other websites & newsletters. A good source is the WA Genealogy Newsletter found online at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasgs/wsgsproj.htm
- See attached list of Newsletter Information Sources.

At the end of the year

E-mail files for all GSSWI newsletters to the Director of Archives to store in GSSWI Permanent Records.

FOCUS ON THE BOARD:

News Letter Editor: Dave Flomerfelt

Well it is my month for a not so great photo, but Doreen did the best she could for what she had to work with. I do not claim to be much of a writer my only real background in this kind of work is revising operating procedures for a nuclear power plant. I did get a lot of experience in using computers, unfortunately it was with a different word processor program, but I am picking it up, thanks to the Undo button.

If nothing else we could use a backup editor in case I am gone for a month or two, training time is available. Doreen Johnson has helped out but with her other jobs she could use a break, I'm sure.

So in the words of the old "Uncle Sam" poster the Newsletter "Needs You" and your stories. Any experience you have had working on genealogy problems, or problems you are trying to solve. That might make an interesting new section sort of a Dear Abby of Genealogy. Send us your problems and we will ask for answers.

Sizing articles is not a big limitation since most of our copies are sent electronically we are not seriously impacted by printing cost. Generally I have tried to create six to eight pages for each issue. Plain text articles are best to send copying, and if you want to send another persons work please get their approval or send in early so we can try to reach them for approval. If you can create a page or less in 12pt type we will find a place to put it

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Newsletter Information Sources

www.lostcousins.com – newsletter to members

www.legacyfamilytree.com

www.familytreemagazine.com

If you'd like to use content from the E-mail Update newsletter or Genealogy Insider blog for your genealogical society newsletter or Web site, please e-mail <mailto:ftmnews-editor@fwpubs.com> to arrange permissions.

Seattle Gene Society events: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~waseags/> - get on their distribution list which shows their upcoming meetings, etc.

(How to subscribe. Just send the command in the body of the message "subscribe" to WA-SGS-Announce-L-request@rootsweb.com.)

Whatcom County Gene Soc: <http://members.aol.com/whatcom59/wgs.html>

Skagit County Gene Soc: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~wasvgs/>

Clallam County Gene Soc: <http://www.olympen.com/ccgs/>

Sno-Isle Gene Soc: <http://rootsweb.com/~wasigs/>

Jefferson County Gene Soc: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~wajcgs/>

Genealogy info on about.com: <http://genealogy.about.com/index.htm?terms=genealogy>

WA State Genealogical Society: www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasgs/wsgsproj.htm

Genealogy info on ancestry.com: (under Learning Center) You can even sign up for a weekly e-mail journal for tips, news, updates, etc.