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Program Co-Chair: Patricia Philippsen & Bobbie Hubbard

Please note this is a change to the scheduled April program. **Deb Freedman** will speak on "Mining Old Newspapers for Genealogical Gems" at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, April 12, 2007, at the Thurston County Courthouse, Bldg. 1, Room 152. Ms. Freedman is retired from The Tacoma Public Library where she worked as a Children's Specialist. She became hooked on genealogy through her training in genealogy and Northwest history. She has presented this program to Jewish Genealogical Societies in Seattle and Portland. She is currently researching 150 Tacoma Jewish pioneer families.

On May 10, 2007, at 7:00 p.m., **Bobbie Hubbard** will speak on "The Trail of Tears" at the Thurston County Courthouse, Building 2, Courtroom 129. One of the most tragic episodes in the history of the United States is known as "The Trail of Tears." In 1838, 16,000 Cherokees were evicted from their homeland in Georgia and forced to relocate to Oklahoma, 1000 miles away. Traveling in winter without proper food, clothing, or shelter, 4,000 people died en route and had to be buried in shallow unmarked graves. The journey was destined to be an epic travel of misery and death that the Cherokees would call "the trail where they cried."

A black umbrella with a wooden handle was left on the coat rack at the March meeting. If it belongs to you, please claim it at the April meeting.

President's Message, from Pat Harper

It seems like April not October should be genealogy month with the multitude of seminars including the Washington State Genealogical Society/Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society Conference on April 13-14 and on April 21st, OGS presents Vikings (**Deanna Egeland Dowell**)/Dakota Settlement (author **Jo Ann B. Winistorfer**)! The Dakota and Norway combination may seem odd on the surface, but an amazing number of Norwegians settled in the Dakotas along with many other ethnic groups from Scandinavia, Russia, Germany—twenty-three in all! For those of us who don't fall directly into either group there will be great examples of how to organize a successful research project. Heritage Quest Library in Sumner will be bringing a greatly expanded collection from their bookstore for us to browse and buy. Two members from the band, Nordic Exposure, will entertain at lunch. Rosemalers will demonstrate their craft. **Keith and Jean Laws** will bring along their Viking Ship! The day should be very interesting and fun for everyone. If you haven't registered by the next meeting on April 12, you can catch **Marilyn Connon**, the seminar registrar, that evening and pay the pre-cut off amount. Also, check the front lobby display cases at the Olympia and Lacey libraries for the two wonderful displays Linda **Fialkowski** has created.

See you on Thursday, April 12th at the Thurston County Court House and don't forget to bring your genealogical adventures to share after the break.

Message from Kathleen Newcomer, Membership Chairman:

We currently have 103 members. Membership directories are available at monthly meetings, or by sending a SASE with 2 stamps to Kathleen Newcomer, 7420 Byron St NE, Olympia, WA 98506.

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April 2007 OGS Calendar

OGS Seminar Meeting	Thursday, April 12, 2007	6:00 p.m.	Thurston County Courthouse Building 1, Room 152
OGS General Meeting	Thursday, April 12, 2007	7:00 p.m.	Thurston County Courthouse Building 1, Room 152
	Program: "Mining Old Newspapers for Genealogical Gems" By Deb Freedman		
OGS Board Meeting	Tuesday, April 17, 2007	7:00 p.m.	Olympia Timberland Library
Genealogy Café	Thursday, April 19, 2007	7– 8:30 p.m.	Olympia Timberland Library
Annual Spring Seminar	Saturday, April 21, 2007	9:00 a.m. Doors open at 8:30	First United Methodist Church 1224 Legion Way, Olympia, WA

May 2007 OGS Calendar

OGS General Meeting	Thursday, May 10, 2007	7:00 p.m.	Thurston County Courthouse Building 2, Courtroom 129
	Program: "The Trail of Tears" By Bobbie Hubbard		
OGS Board Meeting	Tuesday, May 15, 2007	7:00 p.m.	Olympia Timberland Library
Genealogy Café	Thursday, May 17, 2007	7– 8:30 p.m.	Olympia Timberland Library
	Hosted by Dave Purtee		



Have a Hoppy Easter