



# TPCGS NEWSLETTER

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## MEETINGS AND SPEAKERS SCHEDULE

- 24 Oct 2011 TPCGS Board Meeting. . . . . All members welcome. . . . . Denny's, 6th Ave. 6:30 p.m.  
8 Nov 2011 Jean Fisher, "New Genealogical Resources at The Tacoma Public Library" . . . . Bates Technical College  
28 Nov 2011 TPCGS Board Meeting. . . . . All members welcome. . . . . Denny's, 6th Ave. 6:30 p.m.  
10 Dec 2011 Anniversary Party Celebrating our Golden Anniversary! . . . . Bates South Campus, 2201 South 78<sup>th</sup> St  
10 Jan 2012 Gary Zimmerman "Land Companies & Bounty Lands, 1733 - 1850" . . . . . Bates South Campus

## Celebrating 50 Years

by Warren Fisk, TPCGS President

**This is the 50<sup>th</sup> year of the Tacoma Pierce County Genealogical Society. On Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, we will come together to celebrate our past and begin the society's future at a new meeting location.**

This party will not be a regular meeting but instead a celebration of the first 50 years of the Tacoma Pierce County Genealogical Society and its members. We will begin with a brief review of our history, followed by a few comments from some of our members and guests, and then we will have time to celebrate with cake and coffee, tea, or juice to drink. It will be a time to visit with past and current members, share memories, and have a great time with friends.

The society was officially established in the spring of 1961. During its first year the TPCGS went from 6 to 54 members. As the society grew, its members built TPCGS into what we have today. Over the years the society has provided its members and the public with genealogical information and research support through its meetings, various TPCGS publications, Tacoma Public Library support and in more recent years a web site at TPCGS.org. We have come a long way and with the popularity of genealogy we should have a great future.

As times have changed so has the society. Changes were not only driven by the board of the society but by individual members. Recently the board conducted a survey where the members provided list of concerns and made suggestions as to how the society might go forward.

One of the concerns brought forward by the membership was the location of society meetings in downtown Tacoma. These concerns, including dealing with the hills in winter, were viewed as an opportunity to make an important change for our members. The board of the TPCGS has decided to move our meetings to a new location. Beginning with the 50<sup>th</sup> year celebration, and continuing with the regular meetings beginning in January of 2012, the society will be meeting at the South Campus of Bates Technical College. The South Campus address is 2201 South 78<sup>th</sup> St and its phone number is 253-680-7400. It is located on the west side of I-5 off the 72<sup>nd</sup>/74<sup>th</sup> Street exits in Tacoma. Access to the campus can be made either off 74<sup>th</sup> street or off of 78<sup>th</sup> street by way of Tacoma Mall Blvd. Tacoma Mall Blvd parallels I-5 from 38<sup>th</sup> street to 84<sup>th</sup> streets. Driving directions and campus maps are available through the Bates web site at

<http://www.bates.ctc.edu/contactBTC/>.

**Please plan to come to this party on December 10<sup>th</sup> from 1:00PM to 3:00PM in the auditorium in building "E" on the South Campus of Bates Technical College. Building "E" is the only two story brick building on campus. Parking is limited to student parking areas, visitor parking in front of Building "A" (Between 78<sup>th</sup> Street and Building "A"), and handicap parking throughout the campus.**

As planning continues, more information will be available through the society web site at [www.TPCGS.org](http://www.TPCGS.org) and through society e-mails.

I and the board of TPCGS are looking forward to this time to get together with you and celebrate 50 years of society success.

## CHRISTMAS IN JUNE

We celebrated an early Christmas in June this year because of the generosity of one of our members, Persis Shook. Persis was downsizing and getting ready to move into an assisted living apartment and had to part with her genealogy library. She had called Pat Wood and myself about the books that she wanted donated to the Tacoma Public Library or TPCGS to sell at our seminar next May. Pat then called Gretchen Campbell to check on storage and a place to sort them over. Gretchen's garage is her second office and used to store, sort and price used books for the seminar.

Pat and I loaded up on boxes, made arrangements to meet and to move the books. It was a gold mine of gently used books, magazines and copied records that covered a life time of collecting and a source of materials that cover many of the eastern states where Persis had ancestors and had done research. It was truly a genealogist's paradise.

Many of the books will probably end up at the Tacoma Public Library after they have been checked over for duplicates on the library shelves or sold to seminar participants raising money for our society.

It also offers a solution to all of us when we come to the realization that we eventually will have to downsize what we own and what to do with genealogy books that we no longer use. Do keep the Tacoma Pierce County Genealogical Society in mind when it comes to that point.

—Ellen McKanna,

### Membership fee is due for 2012

Annual dues will come due December 31st for the 2012 calendar year, but can be paid any time now. Individual membership is \$22.00, or \$25.00 for two memberships at the same mailing address.

Remember that dues fall under 501(c)3 in the IRS code which makes them deductible if you itemize your tax return. Dues can be paid at the upcoming meetings or mail to:

TPCGS, PO Box 1952, Tacoma, WA 98401

## THANK YOU TO PUYALLUP FAIR VOLUNTEERS

### MANY THANKS

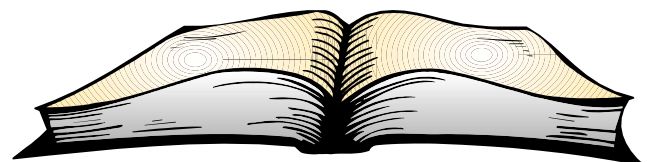
To Lou and Marge Lehmann and Chuck Hayden who set up the Laura Ingalls Wilder display. A special appreciation to Marge Lehmann who produced this very interesting display. We had many wonderful comments on the display of the "Wilder Family Genealogy." Many people even stood and took time to read the whole display.

And to the following volunteers who manned the TPCGS table for the 17 days of the Fair -

Janet Baccus, Frank & Annette Bannon, **Howard Baumgart**, Mary Baze, Donna Botelho, Glenn & Roberta Campbell, **Renae Carnay**, Richard & Leone Chauner, **Michael Cook**, **Mary Erskine**, **Warren Fisk**, Delores Fitch, **Sue Foster**, Celia Gammel, **Jean Gobel**, Lorraine Graeber, Lila Gregor, Alice Grenier, Mary Hammond, Dorothy Hayden, **Marie Hayden**, Jean Hayes, Jim & Allison Hoffman, **Gordon & Ellen Holt**, Sandy Johnson, Pat Kalenius, Donna & Darryl Kercher, Patty LeBlanc, **Louis & Margie Lehmann**, Kay B Lovelace, **Ellen McKanna**, Jean McLean, Nicky Minor, **John Moore**, Bob & Susan Mounts, Jane Irish Nelson, Bob & Judy Orlando, **Margaret Patjens**, **Tom Payne**, Lynn Percich, Carol Rikerd, **Gary Robbins**, Barbara Rohr, **Audrey Roley**, **Shirley & Phil Schiller**, Marv & Dee Dee Schnaible, Michal Sleight, Eileen Smiley, Jerry & Jo Snyder, George Snyder, Trish Sowards, Martha Spear, Helen Stender, **Pat Stolp**, June Summerville, **Durina Taylor**, **Nancy Thaut**, Cathi Vannice, **Barbara & Charles Waid**, **Elaine Workman** and LaVonne Zemek.

Thank you for all your help. We hope it was a good experience. Our Society made many new contacts through your help and, we hope, helped all these contacts to get started on their research. They have all been invited to the upcoming TPCGS Seminar next May. Hope to see all of you there also!!!

(Bold Print - means two or more times at the table - many thanks to them.)



# FAMILY LINE RESEARCH

Researched and Compiled by  
Gretchen Collins Campbell

I recently returned from a driving trip to Chicago. On the way we visited Ft. Atkinson Wisconsin to see the grave of my husband's great, great grandfather and grandmother. What a treat it was to see their stone, with the stones of several other family members who made their homes in Wisconsin. We were also able to pick up a copy of a great, great, great grandfather's will and visit an old family farm. Those were bright spots in our travels.

Obituary look ups were waiting for my return and have kept me busy since. I was able to answer requests for 78 obituaries, frequently for several members in the same family. The Tacoma Public Library Obituary Collection is a rich source of information for family history researchers from all over the country.

Sometimes people who are living in our prison systems contact us for help with their family history research. Since I have been doing society research I have received three such requests. I received a very polite letter from an inmate looking for obituaries and information. When I receive these letters, I will look up the information and do not look for a check in payment. I hope other societies will do the same. And lets hope that when these individuals are released, they will make different life choices.

I received a request from Will who was looking for an obituary for Eulad Marquat. In his request, Will wrote that "I am writing my M.A. thesis which deals with her dead husband, William F. Marquat. I am trying to locate any mention of surviving relatives."

Wife Eulad passed away in 1978 at age 89 and was survived by a sister and a niece. Since she died 33 years ago, I guessed that her sister and niece were probably deceased but I decided to check for their obituaries to see who the survivors were. The niece had children and grandchildren – now the telephone book – and there was a listing for a nephew. I called and talked to his wife who was very welcoming and said of course her husband would be happy to talk to Will about Eula's husband William.

It seems that William Marquat was the Section Head of the Economic and Scientific Section in the Japanese Occupation government and was a close colleague of Gen. Douglas MacArthur. Mr. Marquat was a sports fanatic and was deemed "Chancellor of the Asian Baseball Congress." He encouraged the use of sports to "re-orient" the Japanese after the War. The archivist at the MacArthur Library in Norfolk, Virginia mentioned that he was unable to track down any living relatives of Marquat in a prior search. There is a library at Ft. Bragg named after Marquat but they have virtually no materials or mementos from Marquat. It has been a long time since World War II and one would think that one of these archivists would be able to do the research and find the family in all that time but I guess it takes a graduate student, a genealogist and about 2 hours to really find the facts!! For all this, TPCGS did get a sizeable donation from Will – and we sent a big thank you to him for his gift.

As I have said before, not all obituaries are interesting but there are some bright spots in the requests. Hope you are having some good success in your research.

## TPCGS Programs

6:00 to 7:00 pm pre-meeting topic. 7:00 to 9:00 pm meeting and program

**8 Nov 2011 Jean Fisher, Librarian, Northwest Room, Tacoma Public Library, will bring us up to date on "Resources and Hidden Gems in the Genealogy Collection at TPL". . Bates Technical College**  
**Pre-meeting: All members are invited to "Show and Tell" of summer travels and discoveries**

**10 Jan 2012 Gary Zimmerman "Land Companies & Bounty Lands, 1733 - 1850"**  
**Pre-meeting: Exploring brick wall problems and suggested solutions . . . Bates South Campus**

**14 Feb 2012 Eric Stroschein "Case Study of Richard Brockbank of the Confederate Submarine H.L.Hunley"**  
The CSS Hunley was a Confederate state submarine this is the story of one sailor who served on her. The mission might not have left records, but her crew had lives full of paper trails. **Pre-meeting topic: To be announced**

**13 Mar 2012 Steven Waltz Morrison "NOW WHAT? Options for YOUR Genealogy Education"**  
Ready to move your family history up to the next level? This session provides an overview of ways to advance your Genealogy skills and knowledge. **Pre-meeting topic: To be announced**

**10 Apr 2012 Jerri McCoy "Overcoming the Boulders on the Way to the Cemetery - DAR Real Daughters."**  
A look at the detective work that was involved in the search for the burial sites of actual daughters of Revolutionary Soldiers. These are methods that can be used in everyone's genealogy! **Pre-meeting topic: To be announced**



## BROWSING PERIODICALS . . .

by Elaine Workman

### INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL

**American Spirit** (DAR, Washington DC) Vol.145.5 September/October 2011: Gail KETTLEWELL educator; Thomas SULLY painter of "Mother and Child"; Americana Collection in DAR Museum; Ted DICKSON, Charlotte, NC history teacher; St. Paul's Chapel oldest continuously functioning public building in NYC; Q & A with Victoria TAGLIABUE manager of Flight 93 National Memorial Campaign; SMITHFIELD Plantation in Virginia; Wilmington, Delaware; Amelia Heiskell LAUCK needlework; Colonial Americans and their money; Robert MORRIS financier of the American Revolution. (HF)

**Je Me Souviens** (American French Genealogical Society, Woonsocket, RI) Vol.34.1 Spring 2011: journal of Cecile TESSIER-BEDARD helped reveal family genealogy; Gedeon BEDARD and wife Emilia ROUSSEAU; writer Honore BEAUGRAND; Pierre BUTEAU; Pierre and Rose (FRECHETTE) NADEAU; Fred GAMELIN; a general introduction to Acadian genealogy; Marie PLANTIER; BOULDOC to BOLDOC. (929.1/J34J)

### AROUND THE U.S.A.

**CA Redwood Researcher** (Redwood) Vol. 44.1 August 2011: Samuel Skerry MONTAGUE, GREGORY Family, Henry Levi DAVIS, Lloyd CHURCHILL, EHRET Family, Louis MEISS Sr. Family, SEVERNS Ranch, MCCOMBS Family, FORD Ranch, Thomas ROWE & Sons, BETTS Family; inhabitants of Roscoe Cemetery; inhabitants of Harris Cemetery; 1926 citizens of Garberville; October 14, 1938 Arcata Union, cont'd; Humboldt County burials 1905-1949 VALLEJO – VENTURI; 1896 precinct register for Table Bluff Humboldt County ALLEN-WERTZ; Harold Earl STEWARD pedigree; 1896 precinct register of North Fork Humboldt County ANDERSON-ZARUBA. (929.1/R248R)

**FL Buried Treasures** (Central Florida Gen. Soc., Orlando) Vol. 43.2 April-June 2011: Bessie COLEMAN black daredevil aviator; WILKINS/PEARSON papers up for adoption; Y-DNA testing links Toliver WALLACE to Lt. William WALLACE; Josephine M. Hartzell STUART 1867-1961; Maynard F. MARTIN; Benoit Joseph BELPERCHE. (929.1/B916B)

**ID Idaho Gen. Soc. Quarterly** (Boise) Vol. 54.2 summer 2011: WITHROW Brothers, Confederate ancestors of Matt BEEBE; Civil War in Idaho Territory by Katie A. KENDRICK; Native Daughters of Idaho by Leota BOATMAN; genealogy angel Carol ANGLIN by Darla ANGLIN; memories of Carol Ann Sams ANGLIN by her husband Eldon L. ANGLIN. (929.1/ID11)

**KS Kansas Kin** (Riley Valley Gen. Soc., Manhattan) Vol. 49.3 August 2011: Julia LOVEJOY diary of 1855 travels; George W. HIGINBOTHAM obit 1899; BERNSTEIN first Jewish family in Manhattan; Ann CLEMENTS first black family in Manhattan; 1903 burials in Manhattan Cemetery. (929.1/K133K)

**KS Topeka Gen. Soc. Quarterly** Vol. 41.3 July 2011: how to use WorldCat.org library database; how to use PERSI (periodical source index); Topeka dealer in horses and mules Frank BECHTELHEIMER; WWI Shawnee County casualties, Topeka Ceme-

tery AKERSTROM-THOMPSON, Rochester Cemetery BAIRD-WRAY, Rossville Cemetery, BINNS-TAYLOR, Mt. Auburn Cemetery, BUREL-WILSON, Mt. Hope Cemetery, ELLIS-VANTASELL, Mt. Calvary Cemetery, FLEMING-SIMON, other cemeteries in Kansas, CHITWOOD-YATES, burial locations unknown, BEYERS-WHITE; extracts from the 1903 Topeka Daily Capital, Miss Ethel ALDRICH and Miss Elizabeth EBY gave a thimble party yesterday, J.C. BOWEN, Clyde WILLIAMS and Ike KICKER were arrested early this morning on the charge of being in a disorderly house; 1880-1913 Shawnee County marriage license applications ASHMORE-BECKMAN to be cont'd. (929.1/T621T)

**MN Minnesota Genealogist** (Minneapolis) Vol. 42.2 Summer 2011: the case of Edward LINKHORST; philatelic genealogy follow-up; update of the Minnesota Polish Church Database Project; beginning genealogy step 3 – locate a useful source, part II; civil war burials in the Fort Snelling Post Cemetery; a cemetery headstone in search of its home; poetic writings by Johann ETTEN while in the German Army 1859-1862. (929.1/M666M)

**OK Oklahoma Gen. Soc. Quarterly** (Oklahoma City) Vol.56.2 2011: 1911 savage murder of Lewis ERNEST by suspected killer William MOORE whose real name was Charles FAVRO born Charles FAVOR; correspondence between Ruth Eager MORAN and her sister Ruby regarding the federal census; 1935 funeral of hero Wiley POST; 1936 challenge to King Edward to drop plans to marry Mrs. Wallis SIMPSON or abdicate. (929.3766/OK40)

**OR Bulletin** (Gen. Forum of OR, Portland) Vol. 61.1 September 2011: Oregon during the Civil War; Hiram PLATT and Hanna TRAGO letters; C.S.S. Shenandoah; Olive Jane MALCOM 1840-1931; George T. LEDFORD; researching Civil War ancestors; Hardman an Oregon ghost town; Thomas and Mandana THORP; extracts of marriage register index 1911-1912 Multnomah County. (929.1/G286B)

**WA Bulletin** (Yakima Valley Gen. Soc., Yakima) Vol. 43.3 September 2011: Newton S. HECOX 1836-1917 and Henry L. HECOX 1878-1956; Ethbert Allan BROWN cont'd; extracted BALL Funeral Home records; local news from The Yakima Herald 1891; 1902 alumni notes from The Normal Outlook. (929.1/Y11Y)

**WA Seattle Gen. Soc. Bulletin** Vol.60.2 Spring/Summer 2011: Seattle city directory 1867-1928 now available at SPL website; genealogy of John MCNAIR Sr.; list of King County cities, towns and communities and their newspapers and other resources; index to SGS bulletin volumes 1-45, 1952-1996 articles about cemeteries; Maria Christina [BENNER] KARLS; navigating FindA-Grave.com. (929.1/SE18B)

**WA The Sounder** (Sno-Isle Gen. Soc., Lynnwood) Vol. 25.2 second quarter 2011: DAR Marcus Whitman Chapter rededicates Pt. Elliott Treaty Monument; using quilts in genealogical research by Margaret Robe SUMMITT; sinking of the steamship Admiral Sampson by Betty Lou GAENG; Big Four Inn guest register 1926-1927 part 2; 1902-1903 business directory of Snohomish County cont'd; records of service men from Snohomish County cont'd MURPHY-RASMUSSEN; Everett Daily Herald obituaries for November 1913 cont'd. (929.1/SO83S)



# Genie Rubbings

By Pat Wood

It's Halloween! Death records can be treasure troves of previously undiscovered family information. Your grandmother's death certificate might just include her mother's maiden name. Her obituary may include the married names of her surviving sisters and daughters. The funeral home record and the interment list for her cemetery plot may be able to provide names, addresses, and dates you have been searching for.

Have you checked into [www.findagrave.com](http://www.findagrave.com) lately? *Find A Grave* now has over 63 million records in its database, and some 40,000 researchers check in and search it every day. This free, volunteer-supported database holds records from cemeteries from over 170 countries. Try searching on your family surnames and see where they can be found – and be sure to check that little box to include maiden names in the search. For example, if you search on Griffith, there'll be more than 29,000 hits in the U.S. alone; scale that number down by state and county. You may find a few nice surprises and connect with lost branches of the family tree. Consider uploading your family's information so that other researchers can find you!

Looking for a list of Pierce County, WA cemeteries? You need go no further than our society's website. Here's the direct link to the page: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~watpcgs/cemeteries.html> If you have any additions or corrections, please let us know.

Some cemeteries have their own websites and have uploaded their databases. A Google search will help you locate them.

One of the best websites in the country is our own Washington State's Digital Archives. Check back often to see what's new. <http://www.digitalarchives.wa.gov/>

A fine source for veterans' cemeteries is <http://www.gravelocator.com.va.gov/> More and more states and cities are making death indexes available online. If the index you are seeking is not yet available on [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org) it would be worthwhile to do a Google search. For example, to find a death index for New York City, go to [www.google.com](http://www.google.com) and then key in "New York city death index" without the quotes. Several possibilities will appear, including <http://www.italiengen.org/> and <http://www.germangenealogygroup.com/> See also <http://www.deathindexes.com/newyork/city.html>

Yet another site to check for American death indexes and records <http://www.deathindexes.com/>

*New Horizons Genealogy* specializes in New England and New York colonial American ancestry. Available on their web site are pre-1940 cemetery records from old cemeteries, burial grounds, grave yards and old abandoned burial plots in New England and New York. They also have a selection of Revolutionary War soldier burials, whose graves have been officially reported, located or marked by the DAR. <http://www.newhorizonsgenealogicalservices.com/>

As a final thought . . . Please know that none of these websites is 100% complete, nor are they perfect. Many of them are free – no charge – sites, prepared and maintained by dedicated service-oriented volunteers – just like us. Consider the information to be clues or aids to further your own research and may need verification.

NOTE: To connect to these websites directly from this page place your cursor over the website (hover) and follow the directions in the small box that will appear (You may also have to press the "Ctrl" key)

**COME TO THE SOCIETY'S GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY PARTY!**

Saturday, Dec. 10, 2011, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Bates Technical College South Campus at 2201 South 78<sup>th</sup> Street

# Gems in the stacks

Jeanie Fisher, Librarian, Northwest Room, TPL

I love Ancestry.com as much as the next genealogist, but nearly every day I'm reminded of the fact that not everything (not *nearly everything*) is available online. More specifically, our wonderful genealogy collection at TPL reminds me of this all the time. Here are a just few examples of resources that I (or a patron) recently found particularly helpful:

*Map guide to the US federal censuses, 1790-1920* by William Dollarhide. County and state lines have changed over time. Did your ancestor live in one county in 1840 and a different county in 1850? Without actually moving? This invaluable resource will tell you.

*The Source* by Loretto Szucs. Need a kickstart on breaking down a brick wall? I never fail to find something new and useful in *The Source*. Older editions of this goldmine of how-to research articles are available to check out from our regular non-fiction collection.

*History and bibliography of American newspapers 1690-1820* by Clarence S. Brigham. I found this two volume set for a patron who was hoping to learn what newspapers may have been printed near her ancestor's town in Ohio around 1800. This was a wonderful resource for her.

*Family Tree magazine* is recently added magazine subscription, new just this year. So far I have really enjoyed the monthly issues, which include research guides, how-to articles, and informative reviews of books and websites.

County historical atlases: Recently I was helping a patron locate information about her ancestor who lived in Boone County Missouri. Among the resources we found was an historical atlas giving a wealth of information, including a map showing the location of her ancestor's farm. She was delighted.

Thousands of county, family and other local histories are available on microfiche and cover genealogical topics relating to regions all over the United States. Each title is listed in the "Topical Quick-Reference: The Genealogy Collection of the Tacoma Public Library" binder, available to browse in the Northwest Room. It is important to note that many of these titles have also been digitized and are available online through HeritageQuest, a subscription-based database for which the library pays a fee to access.

And speaking of HeritageQuest – if I may briefly digress from print materials - did you know you can use this wonderful online resource from home with your TPL library card? Besides covering all federal censuses, it includes Revolutionary War and Freedman's Bank records, the Periodical Source Index (PERSI), digitized congressional reports, and a huge collection of over 27,000 digitized family and county histories – all fully keyword searchable.

Happy digging!

## A Brief Introduction to our upcoming speakers . . .

**Gary Zimmerman** is a fourth-generation resident of Seattle, and officer in the Pioneer Association of the State of Washington and the President of the Fiske Genealogical Foundation. He is retired from a professional career as a university administrator, with thirty three years of service to Seattle University and Antioch University Seattle. He also was involved in local politics for many years, serving as Mayor of Bellevue in the 1970's and chairman of Seattle Metro from 1980 to 1990. He currently serves on the board of the Public Development Authority that runs PacMed Clinics and on the board of the Chief Seattle Council, Boy Scouts.

**Eric Stroschein** has been engaged in genealogical research for 25 years. He is a graduate of the National Institute of Genealogical Research (NIGR). He specializes in research at the National Archives and Records Administration. He speaks on subjects that include Military Records (Civil War, Indian Wars, War of 1812, and Revolutionary War), Federal Land Entry Files (Homestead Act 1862, Timber Culture Act, Cash Sales and Military Warrants), Japanese Internment Records, and State Department Records.

**Steven Waltz Morrison** is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists. He is a past president of the Olympia Genealogical Society and was an adjunct faculty member at The Evergreen State College for seven years. Steven obtained advanced genealogical training at SLIG (Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy) in 2010; and at IGHR (Institute of Genealogical & Historical Research) in 2005 & 2010. He has traveled to Ireland and Britain to research Quaker ancestors.

**Terri McCoy** has worked in genealogy for over 35 years. She currently is active in eight lineage and genealogy societies, and is past president of two of them along with having held numerous other lineage society offices. Having retired from the computer industry a few years ago, Terri now puts her computer skills into use on the Internet. She designed and maintains the web sites for a number of genealogical and lineage societies, as well as her own personal genealogy web sites. She also has published a book on one of her family lines and is working on two more. Terri recently worked on a special project for the National Society, DAR, locating and documenting the burial places for their early "DAR Real Daughters." Her program for the April meeting will present some of the lessons learned on this project.

## Spring Seminar 2012

The TPCGS Seminar Committee has been meeting to lay the groundwork for next spring's genealogy seminar, "**Genealogy Meets Technology**," to be held on Saturday, May 12, 2012, at La Quinta Inn, site of last year's seminar.

Speakers will be Cyndi Ingle Howells, of *Cyndi's List*, with two new presentations and Emily D. Aulicino, from Portland, with extensive background and experience administering DNA applications in genealogy.

## TPCGS Queries

compiled by Frank Weihs

**HINTON**--My sister is an apartment manager in Steilacoom. A while back one of the tenants found a headstone in a field near one of the company's properties. They said it looked like it was tossed there, and my sister would like to get it to its proper place. She called the police department for help, and was told to just toss it. I have searched on line for this name and date hoping to find where this poor man is buried to no avail. What should we do? I do not want to be disrespectful. His name is Robert Hinton and the date on the stone is 1896-1935.

Submitted by--Helen Wyrich;

[Wyrichhelen@hotmail.com](mailto:Wyrichhelen@hotmail.com)

(or if you want to contact my sister Patty Perry 253-582-3022)

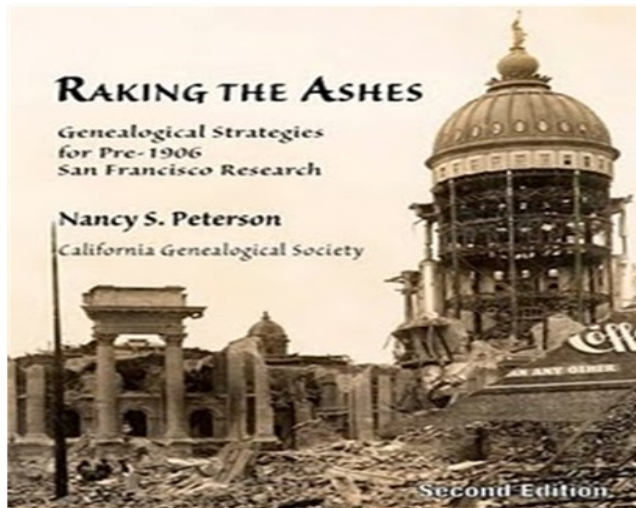
## Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness web site will not be available

Corresponding Secretary Pat Wood received news that **Random Acts of Genealogy Kindness (RAOGK)** will be offline for some time. Bridgett Schneider, the administrator of the web site, sent word that with computer problems (harddrive turning to toast) and the health of the administrator very questionable, RAOGK, after 11 years, will cease to exist for awhile.

## Raking the Ashes

**Nancy Peterson**, former member of TPCGS and editor of the *Researcher* for several years, has produced a second edition of her book: *Raking the Ashes: Genealogical Strategies for Pre-1906 San Francisco Research*. This book, published by the California Genealogical Society in Oakland, California, is a unique work for genealogical research. This second edition extensively revises, updates and expands the previous edition, first published in 2006.

Reviewer Randy Seaver, in *Genea-Musings*, notes that for the family historian with San Francisco ancestral families this book is priceless, and the book is a must-have for researchers with Bay Area ancestry, and should be on every genealogical library shelf .



### Officers for 2011

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*All officers can be reached through their email address listed on the TPCGS web site at <http://www.tpcgs.or>*

## Did your ancestors come from England or Ireland?

You might be able to find a photograph of that ancestral area at Geograph.

The **Geograph Britain and Ireland Project** goal is to collect geographically representative photographs and information for every square kilometre of [Great Britain](#) and [Ireland](#) .

### What is Geographing?

- It's a game - how many grid squares will you contribute?
- It's a geography project for the people
- It's a national photography project
- It's a good excuse to get out more!

It's a free and open online community project for all. [Registration](#) is free so come and join us and see how many grid squares you submit!

This is a great place to look for a photo of where your ancestors originated.

<http://www.geograph.org.uk/>

