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MEETINGS AND SPEAKERS SCHEDULED

- 9 Mar 2010 Mashel Massacre of 1856 & Eatonville History Abbi Wonacott Bates Technical College
5 Apr 2010 TPCGS Board Meeting. All members welcome Olympic Room, Tacoma Public Library
13 Apr 2010 Scottish Research Speaker TBA Bates Technical College
3 May 2010 TPCGS Board Meeting. All members welcome Olympic Room, Tacoma Public Library
11 May 2010 Huguenot History and Society Peggy Goldenman Bates Technical College

UPCOMING GENEALOGICAL EVENTS WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

South King County Genealogical Society would like to announce its spring mini-seminar:

Seattle's Pioneer Women: More Than Pretty Petticoats

When: **March 20, 2010** ~ 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Where: The First Baptist Church of Kent, 11420 SE 248th St., Kent, WA 98030. Full details can be found on our website:

(<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waskcgs/>)

Dr. Stephen Morse, creator of the **One Step Search Method** will be the program presenter for the 2010 spring seminar presented by the Genealogical Society of South Whidbey Island. The seminar will be held **Saturday, April 10, 2010**, at the Useless Bay County Club from 8:00 to 4:30. Topics, brochure, driving information and reservation forms will be available soon on our society's website.

(www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wagsswi)

Dr. Morse has created one step search forms for numerous databases including Ellis Island, Castle Garden, other US ports of entry, census sites, Social Security Death Indexes, naturalization records, DNA markers and many, many more. To see and use the incredible variety of searches he has simplified, go to his website at:

(www.stevemorse.org)

Clark County Genealogical Society in Vancouver, WA, will present **Barbara Hovorka** at their Spring seminar. She will be speaking on *Directories, Newspapers, Obituaries and Cemeteries, Google Genealogy, and Is there an Index to THE Index of the Immigration Index?*

Seminar date is May 1, 2010 at the CCGS Annex, 715 Grand Blvd., Vancouver. Registration 8:30 am to 9 am; Program 9 am to 4 pm.

Registration: Deadline April 24th; Members: \$35.00 ~ Non-Members \$40.00. Spaghetti Lunch \$5.00. Additional Information:

(<http://www.ccg-s-wa.org/p325.htm>)

Seattle Genealogical Society's Spring seminar is featuring **Elisa Scalise Powell** May 22, Saturday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Swedish Cultural Center, 1920 Dexter Ave. N, Seattle. "Hiding Behind Their Skirts: Finding Women in Records", "Twenty Years of Stuff-Now What Do I Do?", "Rubik's Cube Genealogy: A New Twist on your Old Data", and "How did my Pennsylvania Ancestor Get Here: Migration Trails out of the Keystone State". Lunch, raffle, book sale! Registration deadline is Saturday, May 15, 2010. Check web site for more information:

(<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waseags/calevents.html>)

And mark your calendar for next **September 17 and 18, 2010**, for the Washington State Genealogical Society Annual Conference to be held in Chehalis, WA. The conference is being organized and co-hosted by the Lewis County Gen. Society and the Lower Columbia Gen. Society and will feature Diane Gagel. Registration information will be sent out in April and will be available on the WSGS website at: (<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasgs/seminar.htm>)

Eating an Elephant

by Elaine Workman

While at the family history center in Salt Lake City recently, I overheard a man comment to his companion that doing genealogy was like eating an elephant – one mouthful at a time. I had to agree with him by the time ten days at the library had passed, yet I found not all mouthfuls to be the same – some were much tastier than others – as was the case with my 3rd great grandfather. I found Felix RUCKER in Lincoln Co., TN. He had eluded me for some time until I found him in the 1830 Mid TN census along with Jesse COMBS, the father-in-law of two of Felix's sons. Then I knew I had found my ancestor. As I searched more records, I discovered he had done the normal things, such as buying and selling land and building roads. After long days of looking I found him again in court minutes of 1811. He had taken Mr. WHEELER to court for biting off part of his left ear! What kind of ancestor was this? My imagination was off and running. I wanted to know more about life in the early 1800's in middle TN. That led me to read "Goodspeed's History of Lincoln Co., TN," where I learned that "Fayetteville, Petersburg, and Arnold's Grocery (now Smithland) were noted places for settlement of all grudges in pummeling fights. The onlookers enjoyed this very much, and it was their duty to see fair play. No weapons or missiles were to be used, and it was not fair to bite!" Oh, my! Felix had been standing up to his civic duty to inform the court that Mr. Wheeler had not followed the rules! I was instantly converted in my opinion of Felix as a scrapper to a civic-minded individual. More research is needed to fill in the voids I have for Felix's life – more bites of elephant to chew. But it's all worth the effort when a story reveals the character of an ancestor living in a different era.

Tacoma Historical Society News

The Tacoma Historical Society has opened a Resource Center to provide members and other researchers access to the historic newspapers and other materials the society has collected.

More than 400 bound volumes of Tacoma newspapers, dating as far back as 1883, have been cataloged, organized and placed on sturdy shelving. A grant from a friend of the society made this improvement possible. Tacoma city directories, spanning nearly a century, are available.

The center is located at 3712 S. Cedar St. in Tacoma in part of the Tacoma Denture Clinic building. Society members are requested to reserve parking in front of the dental office for patients. The society has rented space in the building since 1995.

Manned by volunteers, the center will be open from noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

The center provides space for small meetings and houses the society's offices and collection of historical artifacts. An artifact of the month, chosen from the society's collection, will be on display.

The center's gift shop features books on Tacoma history and Tacoma souvenirs. (Society members receive a 10 percent discount.)

For additional information, phone 253-472-3728 or e-mail inquiries to info@tacomahistory.org

TPCGS Fall and Winter Programs

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

9 Mar 2010 **Abbi Wonacott**, Eatonville native, has published two books about Eatonville area. *Where the Mashel Meets the Nisqually* is about the Mashel Massacre of 1856. Ms. Wonacott and her Bethel High School Honors Class researched and published the story of the massacre. Her second book, *Firm Foundation*, tells of the formation of Eatonville, Washington, from 1851 to 1916: from the time when sheep herders raised their families in and around Ohop Valley to the date of the city's incorporation. Pre-meeting topic: Margaret (Peggy) Barton will present a program on "King Philip's War," which began in 1675 in New England.

13 April 2010 Scottish Resources —Speaker to be announced. Pre-meeting topic will be **Peggy Viney** talking about "**How to Date Old Photographs.**"

11 May 2010 **Peggy Goldenman**, President of the Huguenot Society, is the featured program speaker. Pre-meeting topic will be a discussion moderated by Lou Lehmann on "How to Write the Family Story and/or the Family History."

QUERIES

by Frank Weihs

Abbreviations used in queries: b-born; ca-circa (about); ch-children; d-died; dau-daughter; div-divorced; fa-father; hus-husband; m-married; mo-mother; res-resided; s-son; sib-sibling; wi-wife; wid-widow; y-years.

TACOMA COURT RECORDS FOR 1898--I am trying to locate Tacoma Court records, for a case that happened around August 3, 1898, with a Justice Mattison (maybe Thomas Mattison) with a C.A. Stewart as the defendant and the City of Tacoma as the prosecutor.

I checked and the City of Tacoma does not have any records for this period. The State Archives does not have any records for this period from the City of Tacoma. The Libraries NW room has some city council minutes that I intend to look at. But, does anyone anywhere know of any City of Tacoma Court records during this period that maybe laying around somewhere? I would greatly appreciate it.

Submitted by Erin Thoeny; thoenyf@cni.net; Woodland, WA.

SHOEMAKER--I'm trying to locate a Geraldine Shoemaker, wife of Francis. I believe that they lived in the Tacoma area during the Korean Conflict. He was in the army. They had a child, believed to be named Francis. The family of Francis is trying to locate them. Any information would be greatly appreciated.

Submitted by—Family friend Donna Laubach; 377 East Fifth St, Bloomsburg, PA 17815; momlaubach@pa.net

Washington State Library Staff Cuts Will Affect Response Times

Due to state budget cuts, the number of staff of the Washington State Library has been reduced. We remain open to the public, will continue our **Ask A Librarian service**, and will continue offering **free obituary searches**. However, with a smaller team of librarians our response time will be affected.

Therefore, obituary and other genealogy requests may take up to 4 weeks (instead of 2) to answer. As always, we will strive to respond to questions as quickly and accurately as possible. Thanks for your understanding.

Visit our Obituary Requests page for more detail about the service: <http://www.sos.wa.gov/library/Obituaries.aspx>
For more information about the budget cuts, go to: <http://www.sos.wa.gov/library/StateLibraryBudgetCuts.aspx>

Donations have always been appreciated! Now it is even easier to give to the State Library. Go to <http://www.sos.wa.gov/library/LibraryDonations.aspx> and click on the **Donate Now!** button to donate online by credit card.

Kathryn Devine, Genealogy Reference, Washington State Library

Dues were due As of January 1, 2010

TPCGS membership dues for the 2010 calendar year need to be paid in order for members to continue to receive the newsletters and the annual *Researcher*. If there is a **red stamp** on this newsletter, your dues have not been received by the membership secretary and no more society publications will be mailed to you. Dues can be paid at the March 9 meeting. Or mail a check to the address below.

Remember—dues are tax deductible. Here is the current dues schedule:

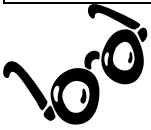
US\$ 22.00 per year for an individual membership, or library/society membership

US\$ 25.00 for a joint membership (two members, same address, one *Researcher*, and five *Newsletters*)

Memberships outside the United States are US\$ 30.00 per year

Society Patron: US\$ 100.00

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BROWSING PERIODICALS . . .

by Elaine Workman & Pat Wood

Publications exchanged with or subscribed to by the Society are available in the Northwest Room of the Tacoma Public Library, and may be found by a call number or hanging file designator (HF). Due to limitations of shelf space, some periodicals are stored in the Basement Stacks. If you provide the library staff with the call number, they will retrieve the journals for you. Just ask.

INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL

Je Me Souviens (American French Genealogical Society, Woonsocket, RI) Jan-Feb 2010 XXI.1: Preserving Newspapers and Clippings; burial customs of different countries; census abbreviations. (929.1/J34J)

AROUND THE U.S.A.

CA Redwood Researcher (Fortuna) Feb 2010 42.3: Humboldt County Great Register 1868 cont'd, SIMPSON-STREETER; Humboldt County Burials 1904-1941 cont'd, TOMASSEN-PETERSEN; descendants of THOMAS OVIATT and THOMAS WEBSTER. (929.1/R248R)

ID Idaho Gen. Soc. Quarterly (Boise) winter 2009, 52.4: Deltiology, formal name for postcard collecting; useful information about the census; useful information about the counties of ID; historical maps of ID. (929.1/ID11)

KS Kansas Kin (Riley Valley Gen. Soc., Manhattan) Feb 2010 XLVIII.1: Reminiscence of JACOB EMMONS of St. George, Kansas from the *Manhattan Enterprise*, Feb 27, 1878. (929.1/K133K)

KS Topeka Gen. Soc. Quarterly Jan 2010 40.1: Shawnee County Farm Directory 1963 ABRIGHT-COLE; Record of Admissions to Kansas State Orphans Home, Shawnee County, Book 89 JOHNSON-WRIGHT; Extracts from early Kansas Newspapers of Shawnee County, *The Topeka Daily Capital*, Nov 17-Nov 22, 1903 and *The Bern Gazette*, Jan 27-Apr 14, 1905. (929.1/T621T)

MN MN Families (Newsletter of Minnesota Gen. Soc., Golden Valley) Feb 2010 41.1: Ontario and Acadia Collections at the MGS Library (HF)

NC The Carolinas Gen. Soc. Bulletin xlv.2 Fall 2009-2010: John GARLAND Family Bible; Union County, NC Clerk of Superior Court Record of Estates 1841-1850; Roster of Co A, 48th NC Troops; Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church Cemetery listing cont'd; will of Ennis STATEN 1882. (Monroe) (929.1/C221C)

OK Oklahoma Gen. Soc. Quarterly V.1, No.4: Family Story Contest 2nd and 3rd Place Winners; OCU 1926 Yearbook index. Oklahoma City. (929.3766/OK4O)

OR Beaver Briefs (Willamette Valley Gen. Soc., Salem) **Newsletter** Feb 2010 XXXII.2: society news. (HF)

WA Apple Orchard (Chelan Co. Gen. Soc., Chelan) 20.1: What's in a Marriage Banns?. (HF)

WA Bulletin (Clallam Co. Gen. Soc., Port Angeles) winter 2010 30.1: How to Find Ancestors on the Web. (929.1/C138B)

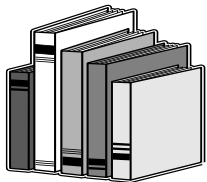
WA Kittitas Kinfolk (Ellensburg) Jan 2010, 24.1: Roslyn Heritage, a collection of historic materials of early culture, industry and community life of Roslyn, WA. (HF).

WA Pioneer Branches (Northeast WA Gen. Soc., Colville) Jan 2010, XXV.2: genealogical codicil to add to your last will and testament; Stevens County timeline, part VI, events 1900-1909; 1945 plat map of Stevens County, part 6; WALLACE and TURLEY families, part 2; names from the Stevens County directory 1913-1914, cont'd; (929.1/P661P)

WA The Sounder (Sno-Isle Gen. Soc., Lynnwood) Fourth Quarter, 2009, XXIII.IV: Diary of Sergeant Marion Frederick WARNER an American soldier from Seattle in WWI; The story of Dan McDonald LEONARD; Snohomish County in the War, cont'd; *The Everett Daily Herald* obituaries for May 1913. (929.1/SO83S)

An enjoyable excerpt from the "President's Message" in the Fall 2009 issue of the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society's *Beaver Briefs*:

" . . . on the lighter side, this summer I had a layover in the Denver airport and saw a billboard advertisement apparently for a bank. On this billboard was the question "What is your mother's mother's father's mother's maiden name?" I thought for a minute and then remembered my great-great grandmother Rosamund Fross. I then thought about how many people in that airport could also answer that question. Obviously, there would not be very many people that could. I have to assume that the bank advertising this is rather exclusive and deals only with genealogists." (signed) George Cropsey.



New Genealogy Books in the Northwest Room

List of recently cataloged titles available in TPL Genealogy collection as of February 2010,
compiled by Jeanie Fisher, NWR Librarian

Ballway, Eleanor Wheeler, ed. *History of Fletcher, Vermont*. 1976 This slim volume includes short vignettes and memories by long-time residents of this small community. Includes photos, maps, and a directory of citizens of Fletcher in 1976. (GEN 974.313 H62967H)

The Fairfield County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society. *Index to Wills, Estates, Guardianships and Partitions, Fairfield County, Ohio, 1803-1900*. 2003. This index is compiled according to surname and includes detailed information on original source materials, and how to request copies of them. (GEN 929.377158 IN2341)

Dillion, Wilda Collier. *Deaths and Burials Boise Barracks Military Reserve, Idaho: 1863-1913*. 2003 This informative book contains tombstone and article/obituary transcriptions, military service information, and any additional information the author was able to find on each person. Includes full surname index. (GEN 929.509796 D584D)

Album of Genealogy and Biography, Cook County, Illinois. Ninth edition, revised and extended. (reprint of 1898 pub). The biographical profiles in this book (many with photos) are not in any discernable order, but fortunately there is a name index. (GEN 977.31092 AL157A)

Chamberlain, George Walter. *The Babson Genealogy: 1637-1930*. (reprint of 1934 pub). Published by the Babson Institute in Massachusetts, this family history is sparse but spans many generations. It contains a full name index. (GEN 929.2 B119C)

Poteet, Ellen. *Dr. J.B. Alexander's Medical Ledger & Account Book: April 23, 1855 to January 1, 1871*. 2006 Dr. Alexander was prominent physician in Charlotte, North Carolina, and this ledger provides insight into the medical lives of that city's early residents – their ailments, how they were treated, and what medicines they took. It is organized chronologically, according to the original ledger, with full name index. (GEN 610.975676 AL271D)

Franklin, Charles M. *Harrison Co., KY marriages, 1794-1832*. 1985. The marriage records indexed in this publication were taken from the Register of Marriage Returns and marriage bonds as found in the Clerk's office of Harrison County, KY. (GEN 929.3769413 F8543H)

Wolfe, Barbara S. *Rush County, Indiana Marriages, 1822-1849*. 1985 This straightforward index contains bride and groom name, and date of event. (GEN 929.377261)

Southeastern Colorado Genealogical Society. *Las Animas County CO Cemeteries*. 1995 Twenty-nine small cemeteries are transcribed in this index, with the history of each cemetery briefly described. (GEN 929.5097889 L33L)

Southeastern Colorado Genealogical Society. *Huerfano County Marriages, 1863-1900*. 1989. This index includes marriages copied from the original records in the office of the Huerfano County Clerk. Each book is listed separately and records are listed by the groom's name, with a bride index. (GEN 929.378851 H8713H)

From the Family Line Research Desk

Pierce County family line research has been keeping me with my nose to the grindstone recently. It was a bit slow over the holidays but things really picked up in January.

Here are some of the families I have researched: Betty Pogue **Harris**; Grace **Carlson**; Catherine and Edward **Normandeau**; Frances and Oscar **Brown**; John and Lydia **Cox**; Agnes and Frank **Hartman**; Elizabeth Schlarb **Tefft**; William A. **Freeman**; Belle Rowan Freeman; Lillian A. **Schlarb**; Althea Freeman; and last but not least Carman and Alva **Lewis**.

In early December I received a request from a lady who had recently moved from Tacoma to Arizona. She asked me to find out something about Margaret Dorothy Pim's first husband, Ed Anderson. She included two pages of a memoir that Margaret had written about her early life with Ed in Tacoma.

It started in 1935 where she talked about being with girl friends and having taffy pulls, making fudge and popping corn. There wasn't money to go to movies, but one of the fathers thought they were old enough to learn to dance so he took them to Normanna Hall where they learned Scandinavian dances. This friend's father was very strict and he promised Margaret's parents that he would "watch the girls carefully." That winter the girls met boys and went skating on Snake Lake and sledding on the 14th Street hill between Tyler and Verde. This was when Margaret met Ed Anderson. That summer they went swimming and fishing, on picnics and to dances. That fall Margaret's family moved to Graham.

One of her girlfriends eloped with her boyfriend, and soon Ed asked Margaret to marry him. She thought she loved him and they were married April 17, 1936. Their first home was at Salmon Beach near the Narrows Bridge where she spent the early days of her marriage out in the Narrows catching fish and digging clams!! Ed and a friend owned a two-seat airplane, and she learned how to fly and even received her flight license during this time.

Her son Gary was born in 1937, and shortly thereafter, Ed's step-father passed away, and the family moved to his house "on 38th,

two blocks east of M Street." Ed's mother had died several years earlier. Soon Margaret began to realize that her husband had "several girlfriends and was cheating up a storm." Margaret and Ed had a big fight, and Margaret took Gary and moved out. She took only their clothes and the ten dollars she received from selling their washing machine!!

Margaret went to a friend's house where she could stay and help in the household. Soon she found a night job at Rhodes Department Store as a packer where she packed beautiful dishes and crystal for delivery the next day. When that job ended she found work in a laundry where she ironed and worked a big steam press.

I began my research by looking for the house that she lived in over on 38th. I found the possible addresses and then spent time pouring over city directories to find an Anderson family that lived in that area. I found Herman and Inga Anderson living at 3730 South K Street. Their death dates fit the time frame from the memoir; both their obituaries listed Ed as their son. Next I went to the auditor's office to see what the marriage records held. I found Herman Anderson had married Inga Swengston in 1922 and Margaret had married Eddie Anderson in 1936. In between I spent time looking at census records and many Tacoma City Directories. Through these sources, I was able to follow the family through the years.

There was a birth record for an unnamed Swengston child born in February 1915 to Karl and Inga (Nelson) Swengston. In the 1920 census Inga Swengston and her son, Edwin M, were without Karl, and Inga was running a boarding house. Inga passed away in 1932 and Herman died in 1938. They are buried at Mountain View Cemetery. There is no further reference to Karl Swengston so I don't know what happened to him.

This was a fun research project because it was both detective work and genealogy. Sometimes it takes more than genealogy to reach the solution.

Gretchen Collins Campbell
Vice President for Family Line Research

Tacoma Historical Society invites you to our

Historic Homes of Tacoma Tour, held annually on the first weekend in May.

The tour typically includes eight or nine private homes plus a reception center, usually a church. Ticket books, purchased in advance, contain a brief history of each home and a map. Homes may be visited in any order during tour hours. Tacoma Historical Society docents guide visitors through each home. Restrooms, refreshments and souvenirs are available at the Reception Center.

The 2010 Historic Homes of Tacoma Tour will embrace Tacoma's unique topography. The tour will include marvelous view homes from Prospect Hill to Whitworth Hill, culminating in the magnificent Weyerhaeuser Haddaway Hall, now the Northwest Baptist Seminary. See http://www.tacomahistory.org/Events/special_events.html click on "2010 Historic Homes of Tacoma Tour FAQ's"

President's message

A Backyard Genealogy Source

It all began when my granddaughter's husband, Jeff, saw me working on some of the family genealogy. He became interested and wrote down what names he remembered of his parents, grandparents and great grandparents and the fact that they had lived on Fox Island. I am always thinking of ways to come up with something a bit different for gift ideas, so I decided that perhaps I might be able to do a bit of research for his birthday or Christmas. It soon became a journey that involved more than just pedigrees, death certificates and census reports.

To begin with it led me to the Fox Island Museum and Historical Society after I had talked to his mother who was able to write a pedigree that took me back to her great-grandparents who had moved there in 1897. A couple of emails put me in contact with several volunteers at the historical society that happens to be a member of the Heritage League of Pierce County. (check out the link that we have on our website)

A very gracious volunteer brought 4 books and some copied pages from another book that was no longer in print to my home. (We do have all the books at TPL) I had struck the jackpot regarding Jeff's family during those early years. The books contained family pictures, maps, family stories, poems, names of more family members that we weren't aware of for that time period and where they had come from prior to moving to Fox Island. It was also a history of an island that I used to visit as a teenager rowing with a friend to a sand spit on the northern end of the island. I discovered that it was a favorite location for the local Indians and their celebrations.

Too often we overlook resources that are accessible to us because we think that some of these groups don't have anything to offer genealogists. What a sad mistake that can be. I even discovered

that a favorite peanut butter was made by the son-in-law of Jeff's great-great-grandfather. Do you remember Adam's Peanut Butter? Well, it originated on Fox Island nearly 100 years ago! It is now owned by Smuckers.

We often use county histories for information, but our local historical societies and museums have a wealth of material for the genealogist who is interested in expanding the history of their early ancestors.
by Ellen McKanna

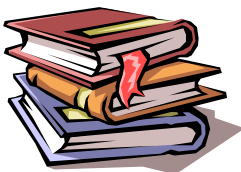
On-Line Genealogy Newsletter

THE BEACON is the Sno-Isle Genealogical Society's newsletter (published monthly except July and August) that keeps the Society's membership and the larger research community updated on SIGS meetings and activities. It also provides information relating to genealogy and history, including other organizations' activities, local seminars and workshops, pertinent websites and noteworthy publications.

The MARCH ISSUE of the newsletter is now available online as a PDF file (perfectly formatted and ready for you to read and print) AND also on its own web page as an HTML document (quick loading and great if all you want to do is READ the latest issue)

Visit The Beacon's portal page at for links to both formats at: <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasigs/indexbeac.htm>

Debbie Dale, editor, *The Beacon*



Fiction with Genealogical Interest

Bitter Tide, by Ann Stamos. 2009 It is New York City, 1901 . . . young Irish immigrant Maggie Flynn steps off the ferry and shoots her fiancé on Ellis Island soil. Superintendent Joseph Hannegan's mission fighting rampant corruption in the immigration station is side-tracked for the murder investigation. While there is no genealogical research happening in this mystery, it gives a stark look at conditions affecting the millions of immigrants flooding through Ellis Island and provides a fascinating and detailed look at a setting our own ancestors may have experienced.

Blood Atonement, by Dan Waddell. 2009. Genealogist Nigel Barnes' second case leads him into Mormon Church history and a 100 year-old secret. When Det. Insp. Grant discovers a murder victim who seemingly has no past, he turns to Nigel for help. Nigel uncovers the victim's history which is shared by subsequent murder victims. They are all descendents of a couple who fled to England to escape an extremist branch of the Mormon Church.

Ghost a la Mode, by Sue Ann Jaffarian. 2009. Emma Whitecastle can see ghosts, particularly the ghost of her 3rd-gr. grandmother, who was strung up by vigilantes in the gold rush town of Julian, CA, for supposedly murdering her husband. Granny is intent on finding a descendent who can prove her innocence; along the way she can provide answers to all those pesky questions we label "brick walls." This must be every genealogist's favorite fantasy.

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