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RAILROADS OF THE STILLY VALLEY

Presentation by Eric Erickson

You are invited to attend a special presentation on Tuesday, July 9, 2013, at 1:00 pm where railroad historian, Eric Erickson, will share information about railroads that laid tracks in the Stillaguamish Valley at the turn of the twentieth century. Several lines transported millions of board feet of timber to markets around the world.

This presentation will be held at the Arlington City Council Chambers, 238 North Olympic Avenue in Arlington. Everyone is invited to attend this free presentation.

Note: We typically host our monthly meetings at the Free Methodist Church in Arlington, so make sure you come to the Arlington City Council Chambers instead of going to the church because we changed the meeting location for the July meeting and presentation.

MEMBERSHIP DUES RENEWAL REMINDER

It's time to pay our annual membership dues. Some of you have already paid your renewal fees and we thank you for that. If you are one of the many who have not yet sent in your renewal check, we'd appreciate you doing so.

Annual fees for individual membership is \$15.00. Annual family membership is \$20.00. If you are tired of keeping track of annual fees, you are welcome to renew as a lifetime member for \$250. Include an extra \$5.00 for any category of membership if you would prefer to receive all newsletters via mail instead of e-mail. This helps cover some of the costs for postage.

Please mail your check to SVGS Library, P. O. Box 34, Arlington, WA 98223.

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SILVANA FAIR VOLUNTEERS

SVGS will host a booth at the Silvana Fair on Saturday, July 27 2013. We need volunteers to help out in the booth. If you are interested, please sign up for a time slot at the SVGS library in person, or call (360) 435-4838 and talk to a librarian during library hours, or leave a message and we will get back to you.



YARD SALE



Where: At the SVGS Library: 215 French Avenue, Arlington, WA

Summer Picnic – Hot Dogs and Potluck: July 13th, Noon

Bring your favorite dish that will go with the hot dogs we will be providing. Salads, desserts, fried chicken ...whatever you want. ??? We would like to start the potluck at noon. Bring a folding chair to sit in, something to drink and pray for sun!

Yard Sale - July 13, 2013 - 9:00am to 4:00pm - We Need Your Donations

If you have anything laying around your house that you can part with, consider donating your item(s) to the genealogy library. We will use the proceeds for the society. We are looking for items in good condition that someone would be interested in purchasing at our yard sale. Please don't bring in junk, soiled or broken items.

We will put your donated item(s) out at the yard sale on July 13th which will take place from 9:00am and 4:00pm. Bring your donation(s) to the library during normal library hours the week before the yard sale:

*Saturday, July 6, 10:00 - 2:00; *Tuesday, July 9, 12:00 - 4:00, *Thursday, July 11, 10:00 - 2:00

A FREE sign will be placed on any items not sold at the yard sale. If you would prefer to take your unsold item back home, you have to be present at the close of the yard sale so that you can take it home...otherwise it will remain in the FREE pile.

We Need Two Volunteer Librarians



We are looking for two cool people like you to help us out in the SVGS library. As a librarian you will have the opportunity to meet our visitors, show them around the library and help them to trace their family on the computer.

Becoming a librarian is easy. You will be provided with plenty of training. Also, we make it easy for new volunteer librarians. Initially, you won't be working by yourself. You will have another experienced librarian working with you each time you work at the library (for several months) or until you are comfortable on your own. Available shifts are 3 hours on Thursdays and

4 hours on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Contact Michele Heiderer at kellen2000@seanet.com if you are interested, or just leave her a message at the SVGS library (360) 435-4838 and she will get back to you.



New Books

Come explore our library shelves and take a moment to peruse these resources donated in the past few months. *Our Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society would like to thank all who graciously donated these resources.*

Aust1	Australia Miscellaneous Notebook
Aust/2	Wardle Family History, 1839-1986, Albert Sampson*
Eng/40	Colonial Settlers and English Adventurers, Noel Curren-Briggs*
Ire/37	Finding Your Irish Ancestors, David S. Ouimette, donated by Marlene Agnes
CT/34	Stories of Old New Haven, Ernest H. Baldwin, Ph.D.*
CT/35	Genealogical Data from Colonial New Haven Newspapers, Kenneth Scott*
CT/36	Ancient Town Records-New Haven, Franklin Dexter*
CT/37	New-Haven Colonial Records 1638-1649, Charles Hoadly*
IL/43	Illinois State Library-Newspapers, George Ryan, Secretary of State
MA/31	History of the Wright Family, William H. Wright*
/32	Suffolk County Wills, NEHGS*
NY/69	Early History of Southampton, Long Island, George R. Howell*
OH/61	A Man of Distinction Among Them: Alexander McKee and the Ohio County Frontier, Larry B. Nelson*
UT/5	How Beautiful Upon the Mountains, William J. Mortimer*
UT/8	Index to the 1850, 1860 & 1870 Censuses of Utah, J. R. Kearl*
UT/9	Set in Stone, Fixed in Glass-The Great Mormon Temple & Its Photographers*
VA/67	The McKees of Virginia and Kentucky, A. Patricia McKee Bauer*
400/4	Founders and Patriots of America Index, Nat'l Society of Daughters of Founders*
600/47	Benefits Provided by the Veteran's Administration, compiled by Marlene Agnes
600/48	Soldier Princess: The Life and Legend of Agnes Salm-Salm, David Coffey*
600/49	Deeds of Valor-How America's Civil War Heroes Won the Congressional Medal of Honor, W. F. Beyer and O. F. Keydel*
650/15.3.C	Mayflower Families through Five Generations, Vol. 18, Part 3*
700/10.1	New England Marriages Prior to 1700, Clarence A. Torrey*
700/10.2	Supplement to Torrey's New England Marriages Prior to 1700, Clarence Torrey*
WA/70	Miscellaneous Washington Magazines
WA/71	Guide to Church Vital Statistics Records in Washington, WPA Project, 1942

Stillaguamish Valley Schools: "Stillaguamish Star" yearbooks:

1939, 1940, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945 donated by Freda Valliant

1941, donated by Joanne Wetmore

1952, 1953, donated by Loren Kraetz

1967, 1969, donated by Gail and Gary Moffett.

WA/Snoh/36.1927 Snohomish County Plat Maps 1927 on CD, donated by Lynne Bridges

WA/Snoh/Bryant/19 Centennial Trail, Phase II, Bryant area; photos by Tim Cowan; on CD

WA/Snoh/Mary/2 Quil Ceda, Marysville High School, 1967, 1969, donated by Gary and Gail Moffett

WA/What/2 Kulshan, Whatcom High School, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, donated by Judy Dawson

WA/What/14 Klipsun, Western Washington University, 1949, donated by Judy Dawson

WA/What/20 Shuksan, Bellingham High School, 1938, donated by Judy Dawson

* Books donated by Roberta Baker in memory of her husband, Kent Baker



Magazines Available for Review at the SVGS Library



The SVGS library has a great selection of genealogy magazines for your review whenever the library is open. Avoid clutter in your house and save yourself some money by using these resources in our library.

The following deal with early New England genealogical research, history, and ancestors: *New England Historic & Genealogical Society's "Register" and *American Ancestors



These two magazines offer the latest in genealogical research methods, sources, DNA information, computer programs for genealogical research and for preserving your family's history, problem solving, and so much more: *Family Chronicle and *Family Tree.



MINOLTA MICROFILM READER/PRINTER

The Minolta Microfilm Reader/Printer is now working!

SVGS would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Arvol Hyatt for donating this reader/printer to our library.

Odds-N-Ends

SNOCOHERITAGE CLASSES

Mondays, June 24, July 1, 8 and 15 -- *An Introduction to Genealogy Series*, Instructor Steve Baylor, Lecturer and past president of the Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society and the Washington State Genealogical Society and member of the Washington State Historical Records Advisory Board. 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

July 22 -- *Native American Ancestry*, Instructor: Theresa Trebon, Swinomish Tribal Records Manager and Archivist, Author of *First Views: An Early History of Skagit County, 1850-1900*, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

July 29 -- *Hispanic/Latino Genealogy Research*, Instructor: Janice Blackhurst, Professional Genealogist, B.A. Spanish, member APG, member NSDAR, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.****

All classes are free and open to anyone interested in genealogy. No pre-registration is required. They are offered in preparation for an optional commitment to work with and mentor high school students in the 2013-2014 school year. All classes are at the Burlington Rotary Community Meeting Room at the Burlington Library located at 820 E. Washington Avenue. 360-755-0760.



Odds-N-Ends Continued

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE ? – IT’S BACK!

So many of us were so sad when NBC cancelled the TV show, Who Do You Think You Are? Lucky for us fans, the show was picked up by TLC and will air on Tuesday, July 23rd. Tune in to see the show bring to light the ancestry of these stars: Kelly Clarkson (first winner of “American Idol”), Zooey Deschanel (Actor, “New Girl”), Chris O’Donnell (Actor, NCIS: Los Angeles), Christina Applegate (Actor, “Samantha Who”), Jim Parsons (Actor, Sheldon of “Big Bang Theory”), Cindy Crawford (Model), Trisha Yearwood (Country Singer) and Chelsea Handler (Comedian and talk show host).

www.CivilWarVetsWaState.com

Karyn Weingarden, historian, Washington Civil War Association, has been busy over the past several years documenting civil war vets in Snohomish cemeteries. This is a website that you might be interested in reviewing. It’s a free website to anyone researching WA families.





EVENTS CALENDAR

July 9, 2013, Tuesday, 1:00 – 3:00	General meeting and presentation: (Note Location Change) Railroads of the Stilly Valley, Eric Erickson Arlington City Council Chambers, 238 North Olympic Avenue, Arlington Railroad historian, Eric Erickson, gives an account of the logging railroads that were laid in the Stillaguamish Valley. A number of operations were set up to transport the tall timber from the Stilly basin to markets around the world and contributed to the founding of the various communities up and down the valley.
August 13, 2013, Tuesday, 1:00 – 3:00	General meeting and presentation: Researching the Pennsylvania Archives, Laura Sparr Arlington Free Methodist Church, 730 E. Highland Drive Former WSGS President and noted speaker, Laura Sparr, will explain how to research the Pennsylvania Archives. The talk will focus on both the printed series which contains colonial records as well as resources available online through the Pennsylvania State Archives website. The Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society Library has a fairly complete printed series on its shelves.
September 10, 2013, Tuesday, 1:00 – 3:00	General meeting and presentation: The Strange Case of Sgt. Jesse Hyde, Steve Baylor Arlington Free Methodist Church, 730 E. Highland Drive Society Education chairperson, Steve Baylor, will give a presentation entitled, "The Strange Case of Sgt. Jesse Hyde." How did a Civil War diary of the 1st Kentucky Volunteers end up in the dusty attic of a house east of Bryant, Washington? The diary has been deeded to the Kentucky State Historical Society for archival care. Scanned images of the diary and a transcript prepared by Steve and fellow society member Kay Crabtree are available online.
October 8, 2013, Tuesday, 1:00 – 3:00	General meeting and presentation: Island Schools, Loren Kraetz and Sue Walde Arlington Free Methodist Church, 730 E. Highland Drive Society members Loren Kraetz and Sue Walde will give a presentation on the schools that were built to serve the Island community along the Stillaguamish River just west of Arlington. Students who attended these schools which were eventually consolidated into the Arlington School District are featured in the Society's recent publication, "Early Stillaguamish Valley Schools."
November 12, 2013, Tuesday, 1:00 – 3:00	To Be Announced
December 10, 2013, Tuesday	Christmas Social Arlington Free Methodist Church, 730 E. Highland Drive Potluck and a time to reflect, relax and enjoy.