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Summer BBQ

July 12th

Below: Dan Caesar fires up the grill and creates a wonderful day for SVGS.



Joni Smith
said, "everything looks
so good!"



Bill Grant



Left: The newlyweds
Larry Taylor &
Mimi Andersen
Taylor.

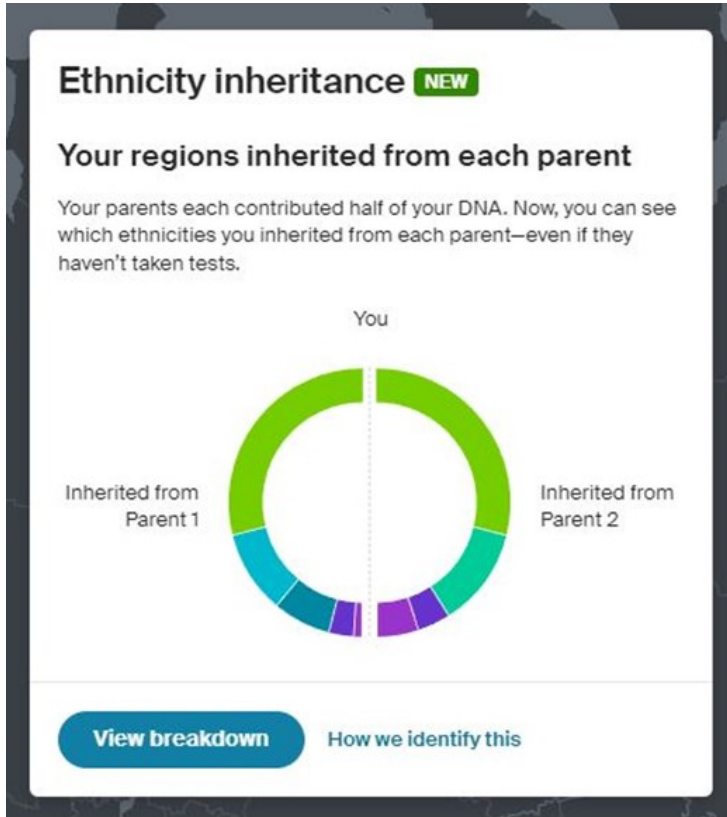
Right: Shirley Case
said, "it's a perfect
day".



Ancestry's Ethnicity Inheritance

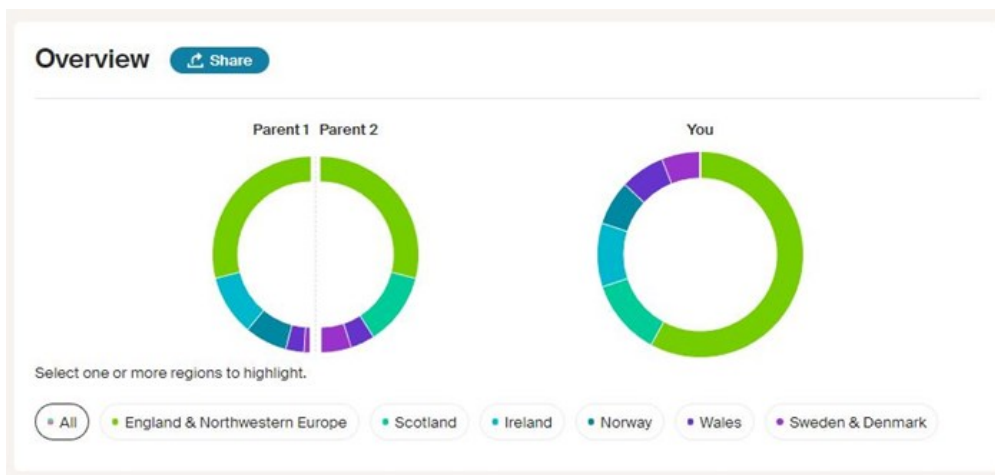
If you tested your DNA at Ancestry.com and have not rechecked your ethnicity results recently, you may want to look again. Using new technology, Ancestry has split your ethnicity to show what you inherited from each parent.

1. To see your Ethnicity Inheritance, go to your 'DNA Story' on Ancestry and there will be a box on the right side of your ethnicity map (you may have to scroll down to see it).



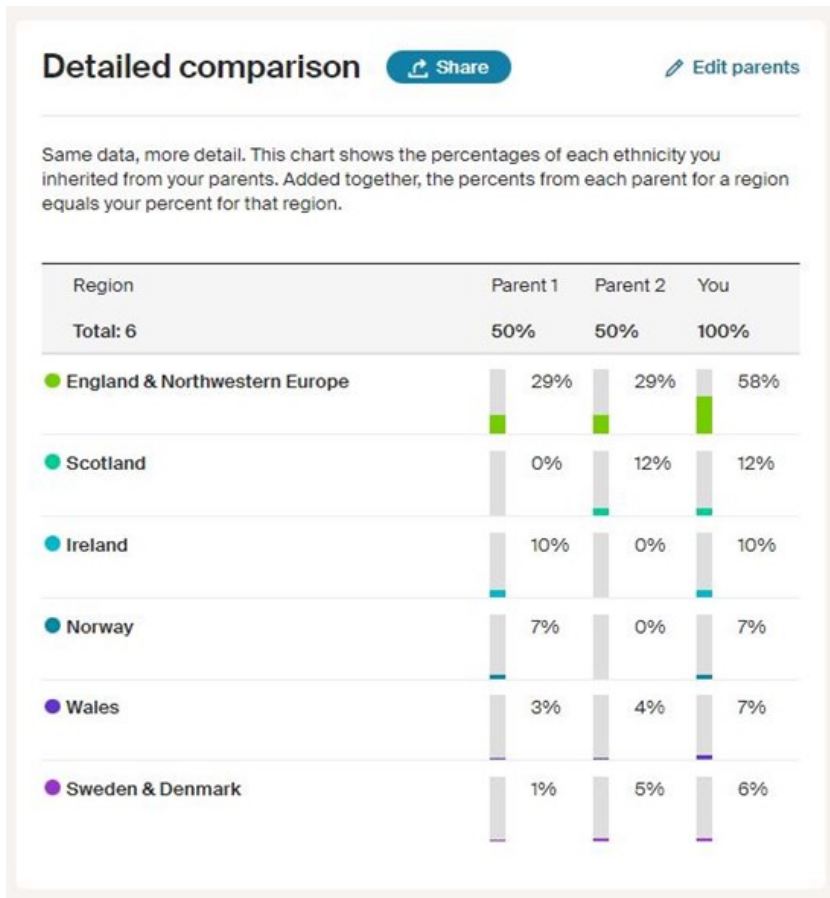
The 'Ethnicity Inheritance' box includes a link to look at your breakdown. There is also a link provided if you want to learn more about how they determined the split.

2. Click 'View Breakdown'



The 'Overview' box has two colorful rings and the ethnicity regions listed below with colors assigned. The left ring shows which ethnicities were inherited from each parent and the relative amount of each. The right ring shows the combination of the inherited DNA received.

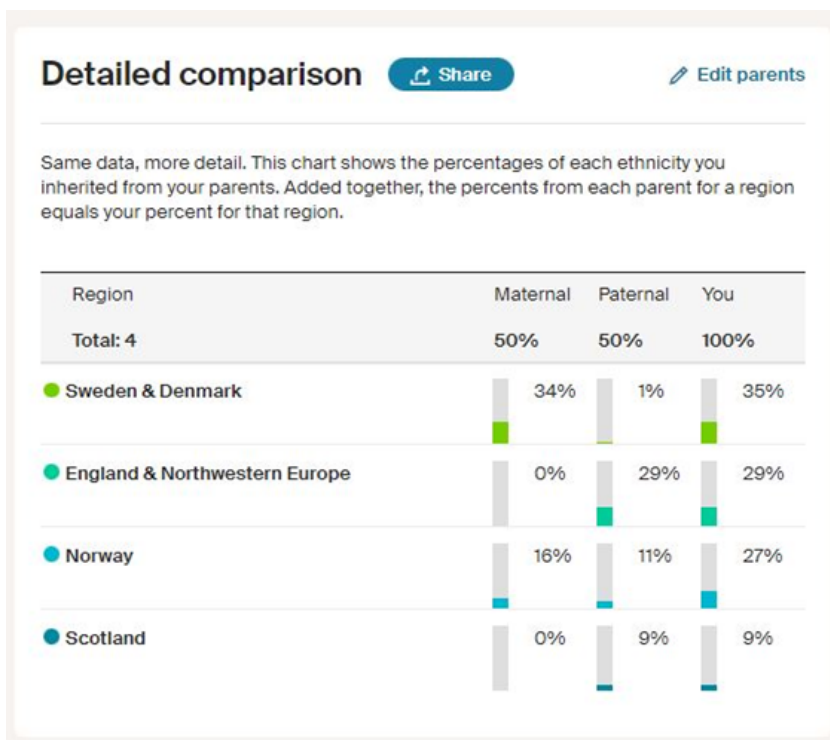
3. Review the 'Detailed Comparison'



The 'Detailed comparison' box shows the information in a table with the percentages inherited from each parent and the total amount inherited.

Note they do not know if Parent 1 is the test taker's father or their mother; they can only break it into two parts.

- If you know by looking at the results whether Parent 1 is the father or mother based on your research, click 'Edit parents' to assign Parent 1 as paternal or maternal.



In this example of my dad's results, I know Parent 1 must be his mother due to the high Swedish percentage, so I have assigned Parent 1 as maternal.

Now I need to figure out how my dad inherited 10% Norwegian from his mother and 11% from his father. We have no known Norwegian ancestors!

Let's Talk About: WORDS!

from Donna Potter Phillips

This has got to be one of the most clever E-mails I've received in a while. Someone out there must be "deadly" at Scrabble or Wordle.

PRESBYTERIAN:

When you rearrange the letters: BEST IN PRAYER

ASTRONOMER:

When you rearrange the letters: MOON STARER

THE EYES:

When you rearrange the letters: THEY SEE

THE MORSE CODE:

When you rearrange the letters: HERE COME DOTS

DORMITORY

When you rearrange the letters: DIRTY ROOM

SLOT MACHINES:

When you rearrange the letters: CASH LOST IN ME

ANIMOSITY:

When you rearrange the letters: IS NO AMITY

SNOOZE ALARMS: When you rearrange the letters: ALAS! NO MORE Z 'S

A DECIMAL POINT:

When you rearrange the letters: I'M A DOT IN PLACE

ELEVEN PLUS TWO:

When you rearrange the letters: TWELVE PLUS ONE

AND FOR THE GRAND FINALE:

MOTHER-IN-LAW:

When you rearrange the letters: WOMAN HITLER

Bet your friends haven't seen this one!!!

This item was seen on
the internet and the
original
author is unknown.

Washington State Genealogical Society
recognizes

Historical Newspapers Digitization Team

for exceptional service to the Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society



The Historic Newspapers Digitization Team has been selected by the Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society (SVGS) as their recipient of a WSGS Outstanding Team Award. The team is comprised of (from left to right) Karen Looney, Sue McNeil, Ruth Caesar, Sue Walde, Michele Heiderer and Susanne Brown (pictured separately).

Despite COVID-19, SVGS's Outstanding Volunteers worked with SmallTownPapers, Inc. to digitize 7,770 pages of The Arlington Times historic newspapers (1895 – 1924) from microfilm. The team reviewed every page to ensure each was posted as accurately as possible on the SVGS website. Roughly 500 corrections were discovered, researched and reposted. The newspapers are an essential source of local history of Arlington and the surrounding Stillaguamish Valley benefiting genealogists, historians and local families for posterity. Now the earliest of the historic Arlington Times newspapers (1895-1924) are freely available to the world at www.stillygen.org.

It is with great pride and much appreciation that the Historic Newspapers Digitization Team is recognized as an Outstanding Team by the Washington State Genealogical Society and Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society.

Given this 1st day of June in the year 2022.

Kathleen Sizer
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President
Washington State Genealogical Society



Washington State Genealogical Society
recognizes

The SVGS Zoom Team

for exceptional service to the Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society



Pam



Susanne



Flynn



Dana



Karen

The Zoom Team has been selected by the Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society (SVGS) as their recipient of a WSGS Outstanding Team Award. The team is comprised of Karen Looney, Susanne Brown, Dana Carney, Flynn Kennedy and Pam Shoberg.

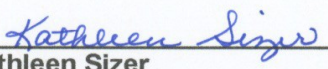
The Zoom Team began in 2020 after COVID brought a halt to SVGS's "in person" meetings at their library. Pam Shoberg set up the Zoom account and created and hosted their initial weekly Thursday morning special interest group meetings.

Shortly thereafter, the society began providing presentations and resumed their "new normal" Zoom monthly general and board meetings. To date, these monthly meetings are hybrid meetings provided on Zoom with an option to attend in person and are hosted by education chair Dana Carney.

In 2020, Karen Looney and Flynn Kennedy began co-hosting the Thursday meetings. Later, Susanne Brown stepped in to co-host with Karen.

It is with great pride and much appreciation that the Zoom Team is recognized as an Outstanding Team by the Washington State Genealogical Society and Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society.

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President
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Washington State Genealogical Society
recognizes

Elizabeth Dalton

of Camano Island, Washington

for exceptional service to the Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society



Elizabeth Dalton has been selected by the Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society (SVGS) as their recipient of a WSGS Outstanding Volunteer Award.

Elizabeth began as a volunteer with SVGS in its early days, as a member of the Publications Committee, by serving as an indexer for some of the society's earliest published books. In between indexing projects, she wrote articles and fillers for the newsletter "The Stillaguamish Star," as well as performing editor-in-chief duties. More recently, she functioned as vice president of the library for a time during the pandemic. Currently, she is working on organizing a large collection of donated materials from the Camwood Genealogy Workshop.

In Elizabeth's opinion, the three most important things to remember when doing genealogy research are "... accuracy, accuracy, and accuracy." She adds, "We need to prove the accuracy of every record used in our research to the best of our ability."

Elizabeth was born in Seattle and currently lives on Camano Island in Island County. She has been an SVGS lifetime member since 2015.

Elizabeth is a respected and diligent member of the SVGS, and richly deserves this recognition.

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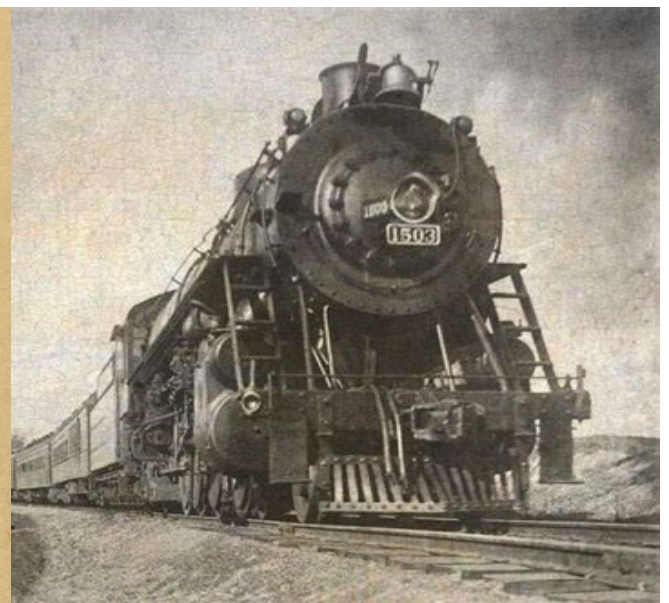
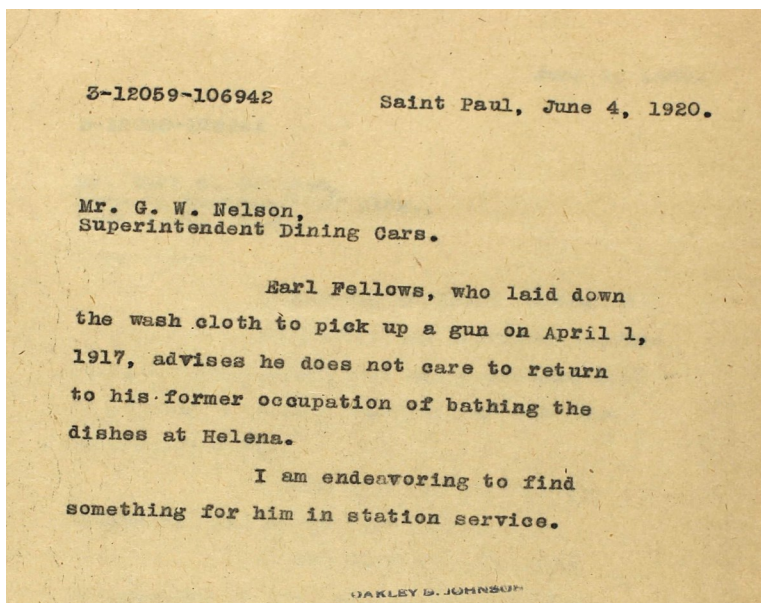
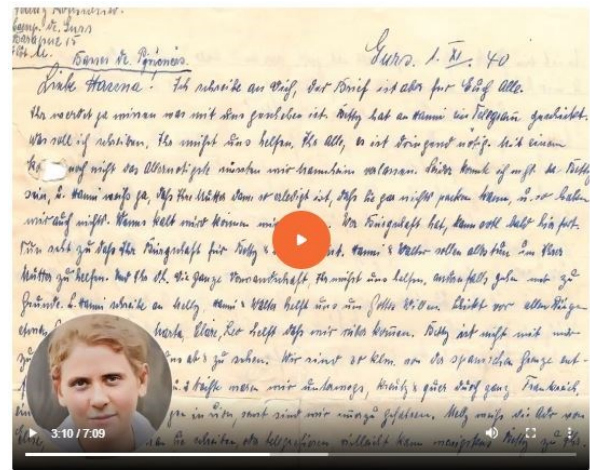
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**Look for additional Washington State Genealogical Society Outstanding Achievement
award recipients in the November/December edition of the Stillaguamish Star**

My Heritage: Deep Story

The society's August presentation by Sue McNeil generated a great deal of interest in the My Heritage: Deep Story "tool". Sue has kindly offered to assist any Member who would like to create their own animated "Deep Story". Sue is available by appointment at the SVGS Library on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays between 1 and 4 PM. Appointments can be made by contacting the SVGS Library at (360)435-4838 and leaving a message for Sue.



The correspondence above was obtained from the records of the Northern Pacific Railway and is a reminder of days of old.



November/December Newsletter and Your Holiday Memories

Can you believe Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner already?

Do you have an interesting story you would like to share with SVGS members in our next newsletter? Please send your story and (photo/s) to newsletter@stillygen.org by October 26th if you'd like to make the next edition.

EVENTS

The Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society (SVGS) holds it's General Meeting at 1:00 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday of each month which may include a presentation via Zoom. The Society is located at 6111 188th Place NE, Arlington, WA. Phone 360-435-4838. The library is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. You can also participate in our special interest group which meets on Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Zoom. This groups helps each other to solve research issues and share information. For more information: www.stillygen.org

*Please note: the following SVGS presentations and meetings will be available on Zoom; the presentations will be followed by the General Meeting beginning at approximately 2:15 p.m. and Board Meeting following. A Zoom link will be emailed to all members and will be available at www.stillygen.org/events.

*SVGS General Meeting, September 13, 2022, 1:00 p.m. Speaker Pam Vestal will present - ***Was Your Ancestor Truly Gone or Just Hidden Within the Records*** - Why haven't you found your ancestors in the records? Documents are often hidden from view, with information that is present but concealed, stored in a place or a manner that is unexpected, misspelled, indexed incorrectly, or separated from the other similar records. We'll explore strategies for tracking down these elusive ancestors so that we don't miss a single detail.

*SVGS General Meeting, October 11, 2022, 1:00 p.m. Speaker Sunny Morton. Presentation TBD.

*SVGS General Meeting, November 8, 2022 1:00p.m. Speaker Pam Vestal will present- ***Voting Records: Genealogy's Best Kept Secret***-Looking for a date of birth or death? The date and court of naturalization? Where your ancestor disappeared to, or where he came from? His political outlook? Even what kind of house he lived in? Voting records may have the answer. These often-overlooked gems can be packed with genealogical information, and you won't believe what they can tell us about our ancestors!

SVGS Christmas Potluck- December 13, 2022, starts at noon. Bring an old family favorite potluck holiday dish.

The Whatcom Genealogical Society meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 2:00 p.m., except January, July and August at Pioneer Pavilion, 2007 Cherry ST , Ferndale, WA.

The Skagit Valley Genealogical Society meets 2nd Saturday of each month except July, August, and December at 12:45 p.m. at the Burlington Public Library, 820 E. Washington Avenue, Burlington.
For more information: www.skagitvalleygenealogy.com

The Seattle Genealogical Society is now located at the Good Shepherd Center in Suite 302 at 4649 Sunnyside Avenue N., Seattle, WA in the Wallingford area. Phone 206-522-8658. This is in a new location and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Closed Sunday and Monday.

The Sno-Isle Genealogical Society is open by appointment on Tuesday and from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Thursday and Saturday. They are located in the vintage Humble House at 19827 Poplar Way, Lynnwood, WA. Phone 425-775-6267.

For a list of genealogy events both live and virtual go to <https://conferencekeeper.org/> This free website provides a huge number of events all in one place.



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