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JCGS OFFERS BOOK REPAIR CLASS

by Karen Driscoll

The JC Genealogy Society member, Yvonne Weir, presented a class on book repair to a roomful of fascinated club members on June 24th at the Research Center. Yvonne’s love of books, both old and new was evident in every move of her experienced hands as she led the group through the various steps that can be taken to repair a book and preserve its usefulness. She carefully explained that very old, valuable books should only be repaired by a professional restorer. This class was only for cherished and useful books you want to mend yourself. These pictures show the various steps she demonstrated. If you missed this presentation you may want to call Yvonne for some personal advice or ask her to present another class.



RESEARCHING IMMIGRANT ANCESTORS IN THE JCGS LIBRARY

by Bev Brice

Remember that it is essential to start research on your immigrant ancestors by first learning all there is to know about the family in this country before jumping to immigration records.

There are many excellent references not included on this list. Especially helpful are the 1900 and 1920 censuses. The following list is a general overview for helping researchers in the JCGS Library.

On-Line

- Ancestry Immigration Records
- ellisland.org
- castlegarden.org
- immigrants.net
- english-america.com/index
- Norway sites: Digital archives Norway <http://digitalarkivet.uib.no/cgiwin/WebFront.exe?slag=vis>
- Norway Census and Tax Lists <http://home.online.no/~otjoerge/genlink/census.htm>
- Norway Roots <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/3856/>
- Norwegian Historical Data center <http://www.rhd.uit.no/indexeng.html>

The following lists begin with the JCGS Catalogue number so you can go right to the book on the shelf:

Colonial Immigration

- Huguenot:
 - Records, Immigration 01: Huguenot Emigration to America
- New England:
 - US GEN-NE 02 & 10: Great Migration Begins/Great Migration
 - US GEN-NE 43: Genealogical Dictionary of New England
- New England and Virginia (from England):
 - Records Immigrant 03: Complete Book of Immigrants in Bondage
 - CD: Complete Group of Immigrants 1607-1776
- New Netherlands:
 - CD: New Netherlands Vital Records 1600s
- Germany and Switzerland:
 - Germany 09 (CD): Germans & Swiss Settlers in America 1700-1800

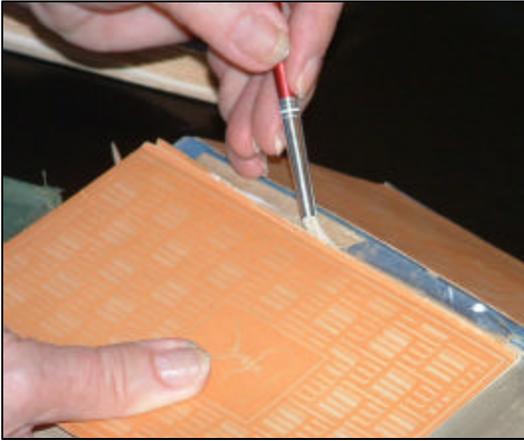
Researching in Other Countries

- Europe Western 01 (CD): Vital Records Index (LDS Church)
- Canada 01: In Search of Your Canadian Roots
- Germany 01 & 06 (CDs): Germans to America 1850-1888
- Germany 02: Clues for Germans from Russia
- Germany 08: Germanic Genealogy
- Germany 15: German Research Companion

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BOOK REPAIR CLASS (CONT)



GROUPS, CORNERS AND CLASSES...

RESOURCE CORNER : Please note the change in the day scheduled for the Resource Corner. Beginning in October, the Resource Corner meetings will move from the last Friday of the month to the last SATURDAY of the month. Saturdays are better for those who work. Please give Bev Brice your comments on this change.

DISCUSSION GROUPS: Bev has had a request for formation of a group who are working on writing family histories, or are, at least, wanting to do so. We will try to start this January. Bev needs suggestions for topics, and people who would be willing to host discussion groups. Please let Bev know your ideas.

BEGINNING GENEALOGY CLASS: Eileen Martin and Bev Brice will be teaching a 5 week beginning genealogy class. It will be held Mondays in October from 1:00 to 3:30 PM. The cost is \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members. To register, send a check to JCGS, P. O. Box 627, Port Townsend, WA 98368-0627 marked "class registration" before September 28th.

The genealogy classes will cover the research process step by step. They will address how to get started, the various types of records that can be used, how to analyze what you have found, where to go next and getting organized. There will be a brief overview of vital records such as land, probate, military, immigration and census records.

While it is not necessary to use a computer to do research, the computer is a very useful tool both for organizing information using genealogical software and for finding data on-line. Both of these functions will be main themes throughout the class sessions.

The class is recommended for those just getting started in research and for those who want a refresher on good research practices. If you, or friends, are interested in the class but need an evening or week-end meeting time, let us know and we will see what can be done. For questions contact Eileen Martin at 385-0673 or Bev Brice at 385-6599.

NEW RESOURCES AT THE CENTER

JCGS has been able to expand its coverage of states and local communities. Come and check out these new additions!

Collection of Descendants of John Webster & Wife May Shatswell, You Can Write Your Family History

Kentucky—Adair County, KY Marriage Records 1802-1820; Abstracts of Pensions—Christian County, KY (Rev. War, War of 1812 & Indian Wars)

Oregon— issues of the Clatsop County Historical Society periodical 1999-2005

Rhode Island—"Rhode Island Roots", periodical of RI Genealogical Society (various issues plus index for the first 5 years)

Virginia—Halifax County, VA Marriages 1756-1800 plus Parents' Consents

Washington—Index to Jefferson County Superior Court Civil files; Jefferson County Delayed Birth Certificates 1868-1891: The Saxony Story, Volume 2 (Whatcom Co.)

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER OCTOBER NOVEMBER

Sept. 8th Thursday, 10:00 AM	Library Volunteer Meeting	Research Center
Sept. 9th Friday, 10:00 AM	Library Committee	Research Center
Sept. 13th, Tuesday 10:00 AM	Researching in the States—Nebraska	Research Center
Sept. 16th, Friday 10:00 AM	Southern Group	Research Center
Sept. 17th, Saturday 9:30 AM	Monthly Meeting—Nineteenth Century Fashions by Pam Wilson and Friends	Tri-Area Community Center Chimacum
Sept. 29th, Thursday 10:00 AM	Library Volunteer Meeting	Research Center
Sept. 30th, Friday 10:00 AM	Resource Corner "Using Add-On Programs With Your Genealogy Software" – Sherry Kimbrough	Research Center
Oct. 1st, Saturday 11:00-4:00	OPEN HOUSE	Research Center
Oct. 3rd, Monday, 1:00 PM	Beginning Genealogy Class	Research Center
Oct. 4th, Tuesday	Trip to National Archives	Seattle
Oct. 10th, Monday 1:00 PM	Beginning Genealogy Class	Research Center
Oct. 11th, Tuesday 10:00 AM	Researching in the States—Iowa	Research Center
Oct. 15th, Saturday 9:30 AM	Monthly Meeting—Immigration, Naturalization and Ship Passenger Lists by Evelyn Roehl	Tri-Area Community Center Chimacum
Oct. 17th, Monday 1:00 PM	Beginning Genealogy Class	Research Center
Oct. 21st, Friday 10:00 AM	Southern Group	Research Center
Oct. 24th, Monday 1:00 PM	Beginning Genealogy Class	Research Center
Oct. 27th, Thursday, 10:00AM	Library Volunteer Meeting	Research Center
Oct. 29th, Saturday 10:00 AM	Resource Corner "Using Tax Records" Jesse Stewart	Research Center
Oct. 31st, Monday 1:00 PM	Beginning Genealogy Class	Research Center
Nov. 8th, Tuesday 10:00 AM	Researching in the states—Kansas	Research Center
Nov. 18th, Friday 10:00 AM	Southern Group	Research Center
Nov. 19th, Saturday 9:30 AM	Monthly Meeting—Colonial Life During King Philip's War by Bev Brice	Tri-Area Community Center Chimacum
Nov. 26th, Saturday 10:00 AM	Resource Corner-Open Discussion	Research Center

OUR COUNTY HISTORY: LEARNING FROM DEATH RECORDS

JCGS volunteers have spent hundreds of hours transcribing records from the local funeral homes, cemeteries and newspaper obituaries. Lets look into the information we can learn about Ole Johan Vig as a sample case.

CEMETERY INFORMATION

The cemetery was found using the JCGS cemetery index, which gives the name of the cemetery as "Greenwood" in Chimacum, WA, and the grave location as Section 1 row 12. If you cannot visit the cemetery you can use the inscription from the cemetery index.

From the stone we learn Ole Johan Vig saw service in WWII where he was a Sgt with the 339 Service SQ A. A. F. He was born March 25, 1908 and died November 23, 1958. With the military information we can send for his service records by ordering forms from NARA (National Archives & Record Administration). We have his birth date, death date and military information but no further information. What next?



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FUNERAL HOME RECORDS

JCGS has indexed funeral home records for Jefferson County from 1913-2004. Checking the JCGS Funeral Home index gives you some important information that will help when you write to the local funeral home. You will find out if there are funeral home records, the name and address of the funeral home, volume and page number from their records and general information, such as date of death, place of death, birth date, place of birth, cemetery, parents (sometimes), occupation, military service and informant. It is always a good idea to get original records from the funeral home. The JCGS index does not give all of the information. Cause of death is not included in the index nor is Social Security number given after 2001. You may also find a death certificate in the records and military information, cost of the funeral, method of payment, etc.

Ole Johan Vig is listed in Volume 11, page 273. His name is given as Vig, Ole J. birth date as 25 Mar 1908, birthplace, Norway, death day, 23 Nov., 1958; burial date, 29 Nov 1958; burial place, Greenwood cemetery. He was not cremated. There is no listing for a spouse. His father's name was given as Torjus Zennes of Norway, his mother was Kristine Vig, no birthplace given. He is listed as a veteran of WWII. His occupation was a brick mason from Rayonier Co. of Port Angeles. He also lists his residence. He is listed as single. It gives his Social Security number and the name of the informant, Ole Torkelson from Chimacum. (This is very important, as the information is only as good as the person giving it.) When you have his Social Security number you can find out more about him from the Social Security Administration.

OBITUARY RECORDS

JCGS has an index to obituaries found in the Port Townsend Leader from 1889 to 2005. The index is available at our web site www.roots.com/~wajcgs. If you find an obituary you can then go to the research form and order it. The cost is \$7.50

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THE 50/50 BOOK PURCHASE PLAN

Have you seen a good genealogy book in an area you are researching that you would like to use but found the cost too much? Here's your chance to get a book and add to the JCGS Library at the same time.

The 50/50 Book Purchase Plan works like this: you recommend a book to the Book Committee. If they agree that it would be a good addition to our Library, JCGS orders the book. You reimburse for half the cost. You then get first use of the book for up to six weeks before it goes on the Library shelf. (We can not consider books you already own for this purchase plan, but you can donate them to the Library anyway!) Three books are currently being purchased under this plan: *Armstrong County (PA) the 19th Century and Before* (multiple books on CD), *Baltimore County Maryland Families 1659-1759*, and *To Maryland from Overseas*.

Want to participate but need ideas of books to sponsor? Here is a beginning list of what would be useful to add to our collection:

King County Death Book 1881-1907, South King Co. Genealogical Society

Scandinavian American Genealogical Resources, Dr. Charles Dickson

Inhabitants of Frederick County Maryland v 1 1750-1790 Stefanie R. Shaffer

Caring for Your Family Treasures, Jane and Richard Long

Bringing Your Family History to Life through Social History, Katerine Sturdevant

Historical Collections of Georgia, Rev. George White

South Carolina Genealogical Research, George Schweitzer

The Story of Georgia and the Georgia People 1732 to 1860, George Gillman Smith

Swedish Exodus, Lars Ljungmark, Translated by Kermit B. Westerberg

Cradled in Sweden, Carl-Erik Johansson

Forms are available at the Research Center to put in your request

"Here's your chance to get a book and add to the JCGS Library at the same time."

A Tip For Jefferson County Researchers

In the back of the Port Townsend City Directory for 1909-10 is a Jefferson County tax listing of names and amount of tax paid. This is probably real estate tax. It is interesting to compare the amounts. Similar lists are published in other genealogical publications.

Learning From Death Records (cont.)

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per obit. So what do we find from Ole Johan Vig's obituary? In the Port Townsend Leader, 27 Nov 1958, it states, "Ole J. Vig Died While Out Hunting." He died of a heart attack after shooting and dressing a deer. Funeral services were conducted by Stroud's Chapel, Port Townsend. The article also states that he was born in Norway, March 25, 1908 and came to the U. S. as a child and lived with the Nailor family of Chimacum. He moved to Port Angeles 20 years ago, working as a mason with Rayonier Inc. He served in the army during WWII and was a member of VFW Post 1024, Port Angeles. His nearest survivor is an uncle, Ole Torkelson of Chimacum (the informant on his funeral home records.)

All this information can provide answers to your research questions.

Researching Immigrant Ancestors in the JCGS Library (cont.)

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- Germany 18: In Search of Your German Roots
- Gr. Britain 01 (CD): 1851 British Census, Devon, Norfolk, Warwickshire only
- Gr. Britain 11: In Search of Your British and Irish Roots
- Gr. Britain-Channel Islands 01: The Quiet Adventurers in North America
- Gr. Britain-Ire & Scot 01: Irish and Scotch Irish Ancestral Research
- Gr. Britain-Scotland 06: Scottish Roots
- Ireland 08: Tracing Your Irish Ancestors
- Ireland 09: Irish Immigrants in North America
- Ireland 10(CD): Search for Missing Friends 1821-1920
- Ireland 12: Irish Records
- Italy 01: Finding Italian Roots
- Italy 02: Italians to America 1880-1893
- Norway 05: History of Norwegian Immigration
- Switzerland 01: Swiss Colonists in 19th Century America
- Switzerland 07: Swiss Surnames
- Research Instructions 35: LDS Research guides:
 - Denmark, England, Latin America, Norway, Sweden, Wales
 - Language Work Lists: Finnish, German, Italian, Latin, Polish, Portuguese, Spanish, Swedish

Information on Immigration/Naturalization Records

- Ref Immigration 01: Guide to Naturalization Records of US
- Ref Immigration 06: Ships of Our Ancestors
- Ref Immigration 07: They Became Americans
- Ref Immigration 08: They Came in Ships

Kudos to Pam Wilson

A special **THANK YOU** goes to Pam Wilson who is one of our Library Volunteers. Pam lives in Kitsap County and makes the long trip over the bridge once a week to work in our library. In addition, Pam has taken on the task of learning how to work FilemakerPro, the database program we use for our Jefferson County data and has mastered the formatting necessary to put new programs in our information "Kiosk". She has also presented a program for us in April and will do another in September. Lets hear it for Pam, a great canal-crossing gal!

HELP! Volunteers Needed

The program committee is looking for new team members. Help plan monthly meetings and the yearly seminar. No experience necessary. Apply in person at the next meeting or call Carrie at 732-4218.

Also, we need more help in the library. If you can commit to 4 days training and then to working a minimum of once a month, we will promise you a fun time and a chance to learn about resources and research. Contact Bev Brice if you want to help

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Dues

Membership Dues

\$15 Single/\$20 Couple

Research Center Location

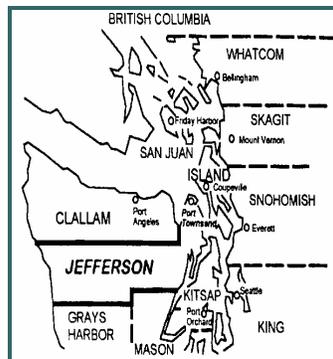
13692 Airport Cutoff Road

Hours: 11 to 4 Tuesday-Saturday

Phone (360) 385-9495

\$4.00 admission for non-members

\$2.00 children



Surname List

Tom Berg is maintaining
a list of surnames
being researched
by members of our society.

Send your updates to
P.O. Box 627

Port Townsend, WA 98368-0627

Treasurer's Report-Respectfully submitted by Sandy Smith, Sept. 7, 2005

6 month CD	\$569.07
1 year CD	\$579.02
6 month CD	\$772.77
1 year CD	\$778.43
Checking	\$1,646.34
Savings	\$3,000.37

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We're on the Web!

[Http://www.rootsweb.com/](http://www.rootsweb.com/)

~wajcgs



Meetings:

*3rd Saturday
every month
9:30 AM*

*Tri-Area
Community Center*

*Chimacum,
Washington*

**Visitors
Welcome**

OPEN HOUSE AT THE RESEARCH CENTER

by Bev Brice

There will be an OPEN HOUSE at the Research Center on October 1st for the public at no charge to receive help with their genealogical research. If last year is any indication, it will be a busy day and a lot of fun, so stop by.

The theme this year will be *Finding Your Immigrant Ancestors*. We want to let everyone know that we have resources at the Center for genealogical research beyond Jefferson County families.

When researching immigrant families, one first starts with everything that can be learned about them during their life in America. We can help here, especially with census data on the Ancestry website. The second step is to identify when and where your immigrant ancestors entered this country. This leads to passenger lists and hopefully the name of the town of origin. The third step is to look at the records in the originating country. We have excellent guides on researching in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Scotch-Irish, Germany, Canada, Switzerland, and for Jewish, Huguenot, Italian and Scandinavian emigrants.

Library Volunteers will be on hand to help guide people to the right resource. To top it all off, we will have snacks available. If you would like to, bring a snack from your ethnic background to share. This is an excellent time to bring a friend who is considering genealogy as a hobby. We look forward to seeing you.