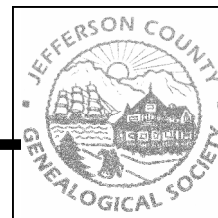


**GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
NEWSLETTER**



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**GENEALOGY RESEARCH
THE FUTURE IS NOW**

By Dick Bennett

In past years, at one time or another, most of us have been found buried in the stacks of our local family history library, genealogy society, regional archives, or local or regional public library. We have squinted at faint images from microfiche readers, paged through musty volumes or searched worn pages of out of print publications. The postal service was our primary means to send queries. The response may have taken weeks and then may not have been productive.

While these research techniques are still required, the use of computers and the Internet has provided relief to some of those routine research tasks. Using email we have been able to communicate more directly with sources of information and distant relatives. Online forums focusing on “how-to” information and “message boards” targeting specific families have helped us obtain answers more quickly.

New technology applications for genealogy research

Many of us are intimidated by the rapid growth of technology. For some we are in uncharted waters and we often don't know where to begin or even if it is worth the effort. We find ourselves adding new terminology to our research glossary, terms and phrases such as e-zines, blogs, RSS readers, podcasts, webinars, family social networking, cloud computing and SaaS. Before exploring these applications, learning definitions and descriptions of the terms is in order. In future issues we will discuss their use in our family research in detail.

Digital Magazines

Digital Magazines are magazines that are delivered in electronic form on the Internet that focus on a specialized interest niche market such as family history research. They may be an online version of a printed publication or may be published only online. Other names for online magazines are e-zines, webzines, cyberzines and hyperzines.

Blogs

The term blog is a contraction of the term “Web Log” and it is a website usually maintained by an individual who writes commentary on issues, events, special interest subjects or items of personal interest such as a diary. Most blog sites are updated at least daily. The term “blog” is also used as a verb, meaning to post, maintain, or add information to a blog.. Many blogs contain text, images, links to other websites and blogs and a means for readers to leave comments. Specialized blogs may have other names such as photography = photoblog, music = MP3blog, audio = audioblogs. This form of focused interactive communication is growing at warp speed with over 100 million blogs being tracked by blog search engines.

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Happy Holidays

**Remember ...
the
Research Center
will be closed
Dec 21- Jan 5**

CLASS ON FEDERAL CENSUSES

**Did your great-aunt Toots have epilepsy?
Was your third great-grandpa living in the poor house?
Did your ancestor free his slaves prior to the Civil War?
What was the predominant religion in your ancestors' neck of the woods?**

Ah the census, one of the most used records in genealogical research. Sharpen your skills in using these records by joining Lesa Barnes for a 5 week class reviewing not only the Federal Population schedules, but those special enumerations available to the family historian.

The first class session will be a review of the 1790 - 1930 censuses. In addition to these well-known decennial population censuses, the federal government also collected information on special populations such as slaves, American Indians and persons classified as "defective, dependent and deficient". And, non-population censuses were undertaken which included data on mortality, agriculture, industry, religion and wages among many other topics.

If you are interested in learning more, Lesa will be discussing these population and non-population censuses and when they were taken, what questions were asked, and why you should care, and where and how to find them today.

**We will start this class in early March,
so look for announcements about the time and dates
in the future.**



Census-taker from years past

2009 SEMINAR

**JCGS has decided not to hold a seminar in 2009. Instead, we'll save our resources for a special event in 2010.
There will be a regular monthly meeting held in March with, perhaps, an unusual twist.**

THE FUTURE OF GENEALOGY

By Lesa Barnes

I think that over the next 25 years the emphasis in genealogy will move beyond "how to collect" information and toward "how to analyze" it. As information becomes more readily available, primarily because of the Internet but also because so many people will be writing their "family histories", it will become increasingly important to learn how to process and correctly value (or devalue) that information. Additionally, I like to imagine that social and historical context will become more appreciated and will begin to play a more significant role in family histories.

GENEALOGY RESEARCH (CONT)

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Podcasts

Podcasts are sound or video files received over the Internet through “web feeds” (see next definition) to portable media players or personal computers. Podcasts can be online audio casts of radio shows, lecture series, or even movies or TV shows. The ability for the content to be subscribed to and downloaded when new content is added distinguishes such “broadcasts” from other digital media formats that can be downloaded directly or through “streaming media”. The term podcast comes from the first portable media player that was developed called the “iPod”. Now there are a number of such mobile devices that allow podcasts to be automatically transferred from a personal computer to them. There are countless genealogy related blogs and podcasts available to researchers with helpful hints, announcements, and discussions many of which are published or broadcast on a daily basis.

Web Feeds/RSS News Feeds/Feed Readers/Aggregators

A web feed, news feed or RSS feed is a means for providing users or subscribers with frequently updated website content, such as blog entries, news headlines, audio and video podcasts in a standardized format. Making a collection of web feeds accessible in one spot is known as “aggregation”. Web feeds benefit publishers by letting them syndicate content quickly and automatically. Web feeds benefit readers by allowing them to read updated content from multiple websites in one place through a RSS reader (also known as feed reader or aggregator). This makes it possible to read new material without having to visit every single website. These readers can be either a web application or software on your computer.

Web Conferencing/Webinars

Web conferencing is a means of conducting a live presentation or meeting over the Internet. Each participant is at their own computer and is connected to the others participating via the Internet. A web conference can be achieved by either downloading a conferencing application on each participant’s computer or via a web-based application where the participants enter the conference site by clicking on a site link on their computer. A webinar is a web conference which typically has a speaker presenting with little audience participation. It can have interaction and include polling with questions and answers usually following the presentation. Recently, web conferencing has incorporated VoIP (Voice-over-Internet Protocol) audio technology to allow fuller interaction and web-based communication. Webinars may also allow anonymous participation by attendees. Ancestry.com has been an active user of this technology.

Family Social Networking

A social network service is designed to create online communities of individuals who share common interests. Not unlike face-to-face networking, online participants are “social” in nature and are eager to share activities and learn of others’ interests, activities and relationships. Most social networks are web-based and offer a number of ways for individuals to communicate and interact including e-mail and instant messaging. The sites enable users to share photos and videos, calendar events and birthdays and connect with long-lost friends. This ever-increasingly popular service is being used by millions of online users. Facebook.com and MySpace.com are probably the most familiar social networks of their type in North America. Other types of social networks include Twitter.com, LinkedIn.com, and LiveJournal.com. Not surprisingly, these social networking sites have inspired the development of numerous family or genealogy social networking sites. More on these in future articles.

Future Genealogy Software-Software as a Service (SaaS)/ Cloud Computing

We have become accustomed (but not necessarily pleasantly so) with maintaining our family history/genealogy data base application on our home and/or laptop computers. If we want to share database information we normally have to resort to providing an often imperfect GEDCOM file. When the program is upgraded we are forced to pay once again for the program’s latest features. And, of course we must, hopefully, backup our database files on a frequent basis adding to our file storage conundrum. Some are predicting that these nuisances may soon be a thing of the past. SaaS and Cloud Computing are internet-based developments that appear to be gaining in

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DON'T MISS IT!

New Members

Normandie Anderson

Joan Best

Lindsay Busch

Dennis Canada

Galen L. Clark

Mary Ann DeLong

Dianne Duncan

Roberta Grisot

Mary Pat Griswold

Kevin Harris

Carol Iverson-Scrol

Jack Kibele

Dwight L. Lechner

Larry & Teresa Lewis

James & Irma Martin

Susan McMahon

Donna Olin

Linda Peterson

Meribeth Meixner Reed

Darold & Kay Seed

Richard L. Sobota

Kiesy Strauchon

Nancy Thorn

Ralph and Janet Wilson

Leslie G. Bennett

Pam Stinso

Karen Brown

Sherell J. Faber

Phil Keys

Kay Piehl

JCGS has a full schedule of events for the coming quarter. You can refer to the calendar in this issue for dates and times (don't forget to mark your calendars), but some of the special things coming up include our monthly meetings, discussion groups and resource corners:

December Meeting: Our annual Christmas party; bring snacks to share to the Research Center and share your holiday stories.

January Meeting: Having trouble organizing your computer files? We'll spend this meeting exploring how to create folders, move files between folders, search for lost files, and other techniques to help you keep your computer as organized as your papers!?!

February Meeting: Come share your "most unusual research finding" with others. By each of us discussing unique places to look for evidence, different types of records that told us something about our ancestors or atypical tidbits uncovered during our research, we all can get ideas about new ways and places to explore.

Writing Your Family History Discussion Group: For those who are thinking about writing their family stories and for those who have put pencil to paper. A chance to share ideas about how to accomplish this part of our family history. An informal group—all are welcome.

Regional Research Discussion Group: An informal discussion group giving members a chance to share information on various topics. This quarter we will focus on researching our Civil War ancestors; an opportunity to learn about and share sources of information that have been particularly helpful and fun.

December Resource Corner: No Resource Corner this month.

January Resource Corner: Using Probate Records; one of the common records we use for all kinds of information. Bev Brice will help you determine if you are making the most of these valuable records.

February Resource Corner: Scanning 101. Learn the basics of using a scanner, including converting the image to text. Bruce Freeland will demonstrate the "how-to".

Research Trip: At this time we have suspended regularly scheduled research trips to local repositories. Individuals are encouraged, however, to get together to take advantage of the great resources we have available to us.



Civil War Drummer Boys

CALENDAR OF EVENTS DECEMBER * JANUARY * FEBRUARY

DATE	ALL MEETINGS START AT 9:30 AM AND ARE HELD AT THE RESEARCH CENTER UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED
5 December	Executive Committee Meeting
12 December	Program Committee Meeting
13 December	Writing Your Family History Discussion Group
19 December	Regional Research Discussion Group: Civil War Research
20 December	Monthly Meeting: Annual Christmas Party
21 December	Research Center closed for the Holidays through 5 January
6 January	Research Center re-opens
9 January	Executive Committee Meeting
10 January	Writing Your Family History Discussion Group
16 January	Regional Research Discussion Group: Civil War Research
17 January (Saturday)	Monthly Meeting: "Organizing Your Computer Files" (Tri-Area Community Center 9:30 AM)
24 January	Resource Corner: Bev Brice—"Using Probate Records"
6 February	Executive Committee Meeting
7 February	Research Center Closed for Volunteer Training
13 February	Program Committee Meeting
14 February	Writing Your Family History Discussion Group
20 February	Regional Research Discussion Group: Civil War Research
21 February (Saturday)	Monthly Meeting: "Most Unusual Research Finding" (Tri-Area Community Center, 9:30 AM)
28 February	Resource Corner: Bruce Freeland—"Scanning 101"



SUBSCRIPTION WEBSITES AVAILABLE AT JCGS

By Eunice Franklin

Try our subscription website, *Footnote*, for information about your ancestors during our major wars. Additional information is being added regularly so it pays to check the site more than once. Recently I looked through the Civil War Index for information on Napoleon Bonaparte Parsons. How easy thought! There were at least a dozen of them in the Union Army, in about 6 states, with almost as many Confederates. Some were single, some were too young and a few died. When I found the right guy he turned out to be called "Lum". I also found him on the 1860 census on *Footnote*. This was a plus as I didn't find him on *Ancestry*.

I have found the use of *Footnote* to be within the scope of one with just average computer abilities. There is a brief taped introduction of the site available with a demonstration of some of the features. The search and/or browse choices are pretty clear but I found I needed some practice. Don't think it is a site to just dive in and find your person immediately. He may be there but so are many others with the same name. A lot of reading of filmed actual hand-written documents in faded ink may be required before you can click the print button. But also consider how easy it is to just drive to the Research Center as often as you like to do this research through *Footnote* and not have to trek over to the National Archives and read miles of microfilm. We suggest that you keep an eye on new databases that are added to the subscription websites on a regular basis. We don't have enough room in the newsletter to list all the additions, but some that may be of interest include:

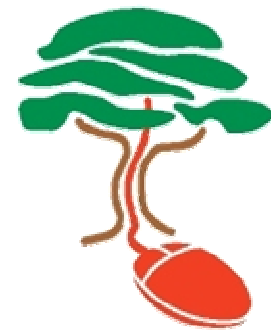
Ancestry

- Cook Co., IL Birth Index 1863-1904; Marriage 1930-1960; Death 1908-1988
- Several databases for French speaking Canada (in French), other Canada based added in September
- Missouri Births 1851-1910; Deaths 1834-1931 were updated
- Family histories including Crawford, Edmondson, Franckleton, Girty, Grose, Kimber, Lott, Vance, Ring, Wedgwood
- Pioneer Families of the Midwest (Vol. 2 & 3)
- 1860-1965 Topographic Maps of Germany
- North Dakota State Censuses

Footnote

- Naturalizations in NY and OH
- Confederate Soldiers of AZ, FL, KY, MO, and MD
- Massachusetts Vital Records
- Civil War Widow's Pension Files
- Photography of Marine Corps in Vietnam

WIRED GENEALOGY



GENEALOGY RESEARCH (CONT.)

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popularity. Simply said, in each instance software applications being used and the resulting data are stored on web-based servers. In some instances the applications may be run in a web browser, but not always. Most commonly, the software or application programs are available to anyone through the Internet. SaaS companies assume responsibility for purchase and maintenance of the software, providing upgrades, protecting against bugs and making all backups and storing them safely for retrieval as necessary. There may or may not be a fee for using the services. Cloud computing is the general concept where SaaS and other technology trends are the primary means of meeting the needs of computer users through the Internet instead of home-based software applications. The "Cloud" in Cloud Computing is metaphor for the Internet.

In future we will delve more deeply into these new technological applications for our genealogy research. We hope to provide examples of their applications and web links to assist you in accessing these programs and services.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S SOAPBOX

by Jesse Stewart

As I look back over the 25th Anniversary year of JCGS, I think we did our founders proud. We kicked off the year with an incredible seminar featuring Elizabeth Shown Mills, one of the pre-eminent genealogical researchers of our time. Elizabeth was quite a success—her wonderful presentation style was exceeded only by the knowledge she imparted. Over 170 people attended the event, and, although we were hoping to just “break even” on the event, we added \$1,500 to the coffers of JCGS.

The Open House, held annually to introduce members of our community to the exciting (and addicting) hobby of genealogy, was also a success. Our Program Committee (Eileen Martin, Marge Samuelson, Harlean Hamilton, Sharon Cottier, and Eunice Franklin) took charge of this event, and as with the seminar, exceeded all expectations. Our theme focused on the subscription websites available to our members—Ancestry, Footnote, Newspaper Archives, New England Historic Genealogical Society, and World Vital Records. We had 47 visitors during the day, keeping our volunteers (Jerry Hamilton, Bev Brice, Lorrell Louchard, Sue Snyder, and Sherry Kimbrough) hopping! Thanks to all who made this a great day, including Barb Larson, who made our celebratory 25th Anniversary candies and Linda Atkins who brought her “genealogy” quilt to display.

The Beginning Genealogy Class filled to overflowing again this year with 20 students. And, our membership has swelled to over 225.

I can't leave 2008 without thanking all those people who helped make it such a success—your officers Eileen Martin, Al Standish, Eunice Franklin, and Mimi Starks were able leaders of the Society. The other regular members of the Executive Committee Tom Berg, Bev Brice, Lora Eccles, Harlean Hamilton, and Marge Samuelson were instrumental in planning and carrying out the ongoing activities of JCGS as well as spearheading our special events. And, many, many more of our members stepped up the help us with ongoing and special occasions including our intrepid group of Research Center volunteers, THANK YOU ALL for your support of JCGS!

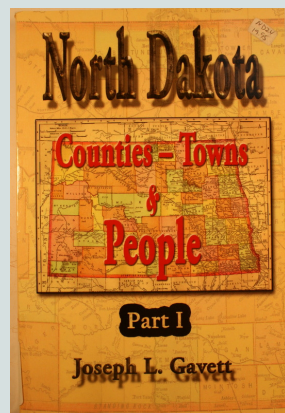
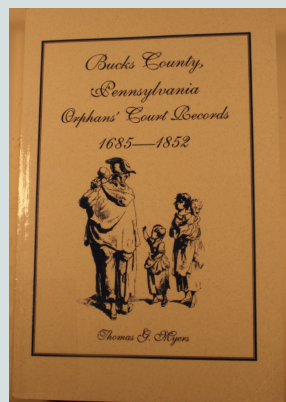
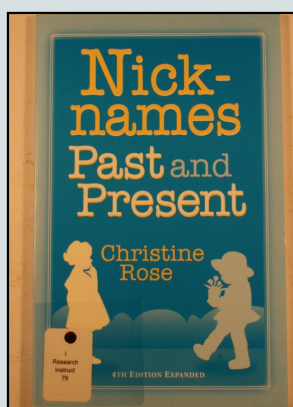
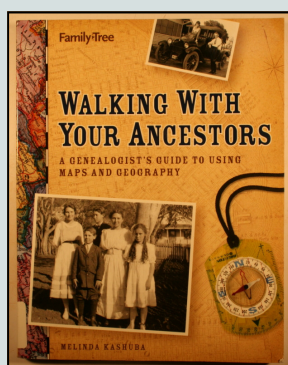
Nostalgia time now over, we are looking ahead to our Society's next 25 years. You may have guessed while reading Dick Bennett's article that part of the future will include new technologies and increasing use of the internet. Dick does not claim to be a technology guru or “Geek”; he simply describes himself as an avid computer user who likes to explore new technology in hopes that it will facilitate his research to improve the chance of breaking down brick walls. He stresses that he is no computer expert and is willing to refer technical questions to those who may be better qualified. But, that said, he can certainly help bring some of us “up to speed” on the emerging resources that may be helpful to the family historian; he will contribute further detail in future issues of the newsletter. If you have found a particularly useful technology tool (web-based or new hardware) please share that information with fellow members via our list serve or this newsletter.

But the internet isn't the only way to the future. We are looking forward to the expansion of the Research Center which was kicked off by the Jefferson County Historical Society earlier this year. A generous donation of \$350,000 granted through JCGS provided great seed money for this undertaking. Other grants have been received, but a significant amount of money still needs to be raised before ground-breaking can occur. Bev Brice and I have been part of the committee designing the layout of the new facility and are excited about both the public space and meeting room that are planned. A layout is available at the Research Center for anyone who is interested in reviewing it.

As Bev says in her article, “JCGS Library in 2023”, we will increasingly look to the computer and the internet for more and more information. But, as many of you have expressed, the camaraderie and sharing that can only happen with interchanges between our members will be critical to our joint and individual successes. JCGS will continue to offer both formal and informal opportunities for this sharing to occur. We will need your help and encouragement to join us in on-going or one-time events—please volunteer to assist your society!

JCGS will head into its next 25 years in good financial shape. A full report, for year end 2008, will be included in our March issue, but I'd like to thank Al Standish for all the extra effort he has put into ensuring that JCGS maximize its resources. He has sought out the highest return CDs in which we could place our “extra” cash, even if it meant extra work for him. Thank you Al for being so judicious with the Society's finances!

New Books



NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

The long list of new books to our library is due to the generosity of donors and the purchase from society funds. Special thanks to Dianne Duncan who made a major donation of resources in Louisiana, Alabama, and North Carolina. See the PERSI index on Heritage Quest for an index of the journals she has donated. Copies of articles from the *Index to North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal* can also be obtained through PERSI.

Area	Title	Comments
Alabama	Butler Co. Historical & Genealogical Society Quarterly	
Delaware	Land Records of Sussex Co. DE 1681-1725	Abstracts, very helpful
Louisiana	History of Bossier Parish	Includes early maps
	Bossier Parish Marriage Records 1848-1900	Index of records
	Bienville Parish Marriage Records 1848-1900	Index of records
	History of Bossier Parish 1843-1900	Good early period coverage
	Vernon Genealogist	Journal of society
	Kinfolks of SW Louisiana Gen Society	Journal of society
Massachusetts	Essex County Deeds 1639-1678	abstracts
Mid-Atlantic	Mid-Atlantic Genealogies 1340-1940	FTM CD of genealogies
Midwest	Atlases for Iowa, South Dakota, North Dakota	Includes section and township references to locate parcels of land for your families in these states
North Carolina	Index to NC Genealogical Society Journal	Surname index
	Richmond County Estate Records Vol. 1-3	Extractions from the records
	Richmond County, Our Native Health	Various unusual records 1779-1899
	Richmond County Journal of Society of Descendants	Indexed on PERSI
	Scotland County Genealogical Society newsletter	
	Scotland County Heritage	More recent history
	Scotland County Emerging 1750-1900	Early history
North Dakota	North Dakota Counties, Towns and People	Good feeling for the counties

50/50 BOOK PURCHASE

Suggest books or CDs you would like to see in our Library and , if approved by the committee, JCGS shares the cost of the book purchases with you. You get to use the book for 6 weeks; it is then added to the library collection. But remember, you can check it out for 2 weeks at any time after that. The following are a couple of suggestions for books which would be good additions to our collection—but your ideas are welcome as

Title	Author	Comment	Price
The Uncertainty of Everyday Life 1915-1945	Harvey Green	We have the other books in this series	\$16
Iowa, Kansas, and Nebraska Civil War Veterans: Compilation of Death Rolls of the Departments of Iowa, KS, NE, Grand Army of the Republic 1883-1948	Dennis Northcott	Hard to find anything on Nebraska!	\$34
Indiana Civil War Veterans: Transcription of the Death Rolls of the Department of Indiana, Grand Army of the Republic, 1882-1948		Contains personal information on the veterans	\$34
Illinois Civil War Veterans: Transcription of the Death Rolls Department of Illinois, Grand Army of the Republic, 1879-1947		Contains personal information of the veterans	\$34

JCGS LIBRARY IN 2023

By Bev Brice

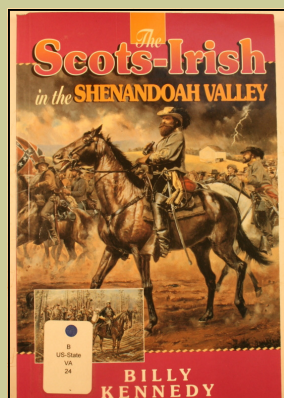
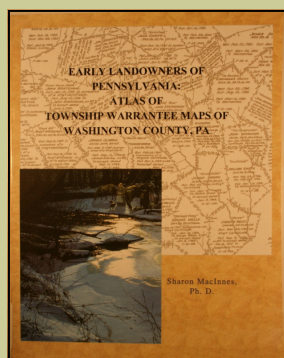
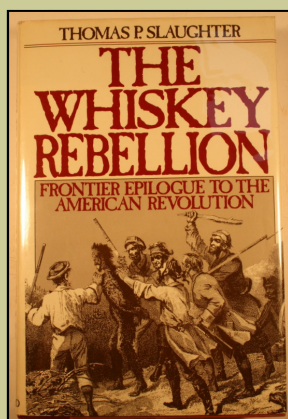
Looking in my crystal ball, I see many changes over the next 25 years in the world of genealogy (what a gift I have!!!). Let me start with what I think will remain the same.

- **Many of our members will continue to like holding books in their hands**
- **The explosion of records available on line will continue**
- **We will still need a refuge where others listen to our family stories without that glazed eye look**
- **Companies will continue to make money from genealogists so some websites will carry fees**

The above suggests to me that JCGS will be maintaining its library as the “home port” of the society. Emphasis on computer access to information has to increase, and the value of the society carrying expensive websites will remain. We will likely find new ways of providing computer-based information in the library. The book collection is bound to shift over the years. I would expect a greater emphasis on the reference collection which supports our ability to do quality research. There is probably an increased role for the histories and social histories as well. Much of this information will be found on the web, but there will still be a value to having it in a form that relates to your specific use, i.e. family history. I think the concept of “added value” is where we will fit in. How do we as a society support and supplement what is “out there”? I believe the value of educational activities offered by the society will greatly increase. Partly this would come from assisting seasoned researchers to understand the changing scene of where resources are available. Of equal importance will be learning the new ways to manipulate data—maybe it will finally be closer to a paperless age. The teaching of solid research skills for those beginning their journey and overwhelmed by the information possibilities will still be a cornerstone of an educational program. You always have to know what to do with all that data. The plans underway for an expanded Research Center would meet these demands nicely. We are trying to build in flexibility plus meeting and class space. Personally, I’m looking forward to it all.

NEW BOOKS (CONT)

New Books



Area	Title	Comments
Northern Ireland	Scotch-Irish Links 1575-1725	Dobson books documenting movement from Scotland to Northern Ireland
Pennsylvania	Births, Deaths, Marriages of Nottingham Quakers	Includes Chester, Cecil, and Lancaster Counties
	Berks County Early Landowners	Warrantee maps and listings with CD of maps
	Bucks County Orphan Court Records 1685-1852	Abstracts
	First Families of Chester County Volume 2	Genealogies of families listed in table of contents
	Lancaster County Early Land Owners	Warrantee maps and listings with CD of maps
	History of York Co. 1729-1834	General early history of county
	Chester County Land Records 1681-1930	abstracts
Reference	York County Church Records 18 th Century	Extracted records
	1775 Map of Pennsylvania	Shows topography—good for locating families
	Nicknames Past and Present	Males and females plus section of the Dutch
Scandinavia	Walking With Your Ancestors	Guide to using maps in research; gazetteers to GPS
	Scandinavian American Family Album	Generalized experiences of Scandinavian families in America
South	The Federal Road Through Georgia, the Creek Nation, and Alabama 1806-1830	Detailed description of a major migration path
	The Genie: AK, LA, TX Genealogical Society Journals	Good data from these areas
Virginia	Scots Irish in Shenandoah Valley	General tidbits, not great
Washington	Jefferson County Death Certificates 1907-1910	Copies of actual certificates
Wisconsin	Birth, Marriage, Death Index for Wisconsin from Family History Library	On fiche

BOOK REVIEW BY BARB LARSEN

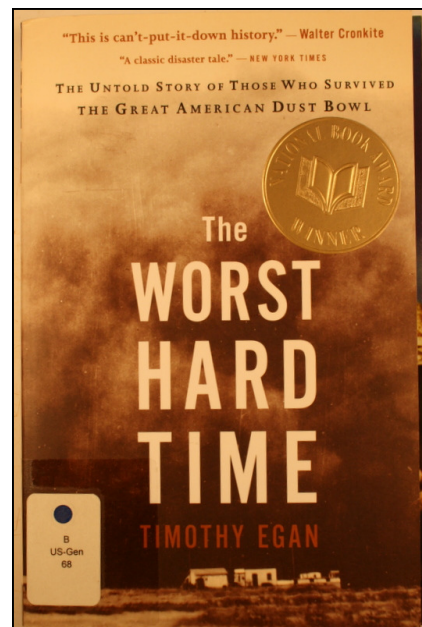
The Worst Hard Time

by Timothy Egan

I have heard it said, "You can not begin to understand your ancestors without understanding their history." *The Worst Hard Time* is a well written history of those who stayed and survived the Great American Dust Bowl in Middle America in the 1930s.

John Steinbeck's *The Grapes of Wrath* tells of those who fled the dust bowl. Timothy Egan wrote this story from interviews of survivors, now in their eighties and nineties. He quotes from diaries, newspaper articles and a long list of sources. Also causing hard times for our ancestors during this time was The Depression, 10 years of draught, high wind, a grasshopper invasion, jack rabbits and heat to 120 degrees.

The History Channel has a documentary about this same event produced by Timothy Egan called *Black Blizzard*. This book is a winner of the National Book award. It can be purchased for \$14.95 in paperback and is available in our own library.



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3rd Saturday
9:30 AM

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CONGRATULATIONS TO JOAN BUHLER AND LANDON KIMBROUGH!

Each year the Washington State Genealogical Society presents awards for service to each member genealogy society—one for efforts to preserve important records and one for exceptional support to the society. This year, **Joan Buhler** was the recipient of the WSGS award for record preservation. Since joining JCGS in 1988, Joan has been a consistent contributor to the Society, and in recent years has answered all of our research requests and proof-read our data entry, both critical to our ability to preserve and share information regarding Jefferson County citizens.

Landon Kimbrough received the award for exceptional support to JCGS. Landon totally re-designed our website and continues to maintain and update it. Without his help, we couldn't have a way to communicate with far-flung researchers.

THANKS VP EILEEN MARTIN AND WELCOME NEW VP BARB WAY

Several years ago Eileen Martin jumped in, as she has always been willing to do, to fill the role of our Society's Vice President. She had requested that her tenure be of a temporary nature, and we finally relented. Barb Way has graciously agreed to step into the position and become a member of the Executive Committee. We are looking forward to Barb's new ideas for JCGS and thank Eileen for her extraordinary service to us.