



Sno-Isle Genealogical Society

THE BEACON

May 2023

Officers 2022-2023

President: Corey Smith

Vice-President: Vacant

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Our Society



Society News

► Sno-Isle Genealogical Society office elections are happening now. Voting is online through 8:00am on May 3rd or you can join us at our monthly meeting and vote with a paper ballot from 7:00pm to 7:15pm.

► Long-time society member, local writer and historian, Betty Lou Gaeng passed away on Monday, April 17th. Betty was the author behind the "Looking Back" column in the My Neighborhood News Network family of publications. Betty was instrumental in chronicling the history of our local area, including many stories and features found within the Sno-Isle Genealogical Society. Our sincere condolences to Betty's family. [Read more about Betty Lou Gaeng.](#)



A Message from the President

► Time to Vote

The Sno-Isle Genealogical Society annual elections are being held both on-line and in-person.

Online Officer Voting through May 3, 2023

Online voting for Officers to serve the 2023/2024 year begins Monday, April 24, 2023 and runs through 8:00 AM (PT) on Wednesday, May 3, 2023. Members preferring a paper ballot may instead vote in-person during the first 15 minutes of the May General Meeting at the Wickers Building on May 3rd.

All members in good standing should have received an email from staff.snoislegen@gmail.com that will provide a link to the online ballot. Online and in-person votes will be tallied by the Nominating Committee at the May 3rd meeting and the results announced. The elected Officers will take their offices at the June General Meeting.

If you do not receive a ballot or if you have issues or questions about voting, please send an email to askus@snoislegenealogy.org.

Upcoming SIGS Events

Join other enthusiastic genealogy friends as we talk research techniques, genealogy wins, news in genealogy, and other interesting items.

Have you attended one of our new Genealogy events? Visit our [society homepage](#) for a list of the current events.

SIGS Monthly Meeting and Officer Elections

7:00pm to 9:00pm

In-person at the Wickers Building at Heritage Park and via [Facebook Live](#)

2 Journeys, 1 Proof; Presented by Corey Smith

When Corey Smith decided to document his grandfather's first marriage it seemed like a simple journey - get the marriage license and enter the information into the software. But the documents weren't definitive on their own and he struggled to weave the evidence into a cohesive narrative. That sent Corey on a second journey, to find a better way to do genealogy research and document his findings.

Join us for Sno-Isle Genealogical Society's (SIGS) May General Meeting when Corey will share his false starts, missteps and surprises on his way to a solid proof and a new set of research techniques.

The meeting will be May 3, 2023 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Wickers Building (19921 Poplar Way, Lynnwood 98036). The meeting is open to the general public and will be live streamed on the Society's Facebook channel <https://www.facebook.com/SnoIsleGenealogicalSociety>. Anyone joining us via the LiveStream will be able to ask questions and comment in real-time.

Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome (7:00 pm)
2. SIGS Elections
3. Announcements
4. Main Presentation: 2 Journeys, 1 Proof (approx. 7:20 pm)

Monday Morning Workshop

10:00am to 11:00am Pacific

Login Information

This informal event allows us to share our experience and provide assistance in furthering research.

NOTE: Click on the "Meeting Notes" on the description page to see the websites we have discussed. They may be of help in your research.

Saturday Beginning Genealogy Workshop

11:00 am to 3:00pm

Just starting your genealogy journey? Not sure what to do with all the information you have, or don't have? Join an experienced genealogy researcher as they give you some tips and tricks to begin your search. Call (425) 775-6267 to schedule an appointment, or visit during our open hours.

Brick Wall Session

Saturday, May 27th

Beginning at 10:00am

40 minute appointments

Sno-Isle Genealogical Society is offering researchers another opportunity to get help with their "brick wall" problems. To make a reservation call 425-775-6267 to leave a message. Your call will be returned later to confirm your appointment. Carroll Budny is an experienced researcher who can direct your research efforts. The free 40 min. session is an "in person" appointment.

Area Happenings

2023 Spring Seminar

Featured Speaker: Thomas W. Jones, PhD, CG

Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society

Saturday, April 29, 2023

8:00am to 3:00pm

Multiple topics. Emcee and Virtual Meeting Host: Cyndi Ingle, creator of Cyndi's List

Genetic Genealogy with Retired Detective, Jim Scharf

Wicker's Building, Heritage Park

Sunday, May 7 2023

1:00pm to 3:00pm

Detective Scharf will be discussing solving homicide cases using genetic genealogy. His focus will be on the 1972 Jody Loomis case. Doors open at 12:45pm.

Naming Patterns in Family History

[Shoreline Family History Center](#) - [Register](#)

Saturday, May 13, 2023

10:00am to 11:00am

An often-unappreciated source of for identifying ancestors is the use of naming patterns. This class will discuss how naming patterns can identify your ancestors, particularly for periods prior to the mid-1800's. The class will cover naming patterns in English-speaking countries, Spanish and Portuguese naming patterns, and the use of patronymics in Scandinavian countries.

An Introduction to Jewish Genealogy

Presented by: Lily Bogash Kohn

[Skagit Valley Genealogical Society](#)

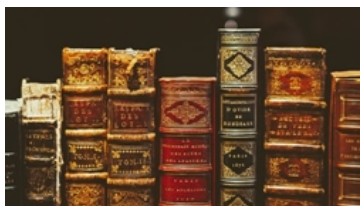
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1:00pm to 3:00pm

Join in-person at Burlington Public Library or email genealogy0715@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link. Let them know you are a patron of Sno-Isle Genealogical Society.

[Fiske Library Spring Education Classes](#)

Through May 31st



About the Library

**Humble House, Heritage Park,
19827 Poplar Way,
Lynnwood, WA 98036
(425) 775-6267**

Current Hours

Tuesday - Open by Appointment

Thursday and Saturday - 11:00am to
3:00pm

Membership News

Please consider joining or renewing your membership

Already a member? Have you visited our updated member site, featuring a new membership system. You can visit the <https://snoislegenealogy.org/>

In addition to supporting the Humble House Library and our programs, your membership will soon entitle you to access the exclusive Members Section of the website.

To join or renew, please go to <https://snoislegenealogy.org/>
Then click on the "Join or Renew" button.

Follow the instructions. Record the ID and password in a secure location.
These are for use only by you to access the Members Section.

If you prefer renewing your membership by regular mail, please print out the [membership application](#) and mail it along with your check to:

SIGS
19827 Poplar Way
Lynnwood, WA 98036

National Events

Deep Roots of a Nation

National Genealogical Society Family History Conference
May 31 - June 3, 2023
Richmond, VA

International German Genealogy Partnership Conference

June 9 - 11, 2023
Fort Wayne, IN

[Calendar of Events](#) | [National Archives](#)

Legacy Family Tree Webinars

The National Genealogical Society is offering a new Certificate Course: [Advanced Skills in Genealogy](#). This self-paced course consists of 19 modules that covers all major record and repository types, evidence analysis, methodology, DNA, and writing.

Find even more Genealogy events across the United States by visiting [ConferenceKeepers](#).

Genealogy Research Tools

Beyond Genealogy

If you haven't visited Heritage Park, the home of the Sno-Isle Genealogical Society, lately spring and summer are a great time to visit.

Heritage Park consists of several historical buildings and items, including the Wicker's Building, Humble House, Superintendent's Cottage, Water Tower, and Interurban Car 55. It's a wonderful place to explore and learn more about how Alderwood Manor used to be.

The Wicker's Building features the Northwest Veteran's Museum and Wicker's Museum, which includes 3 rooms recreated with vintage furniture replicating the life of the Wicker's family.

The Superintendent's Cottage is now the home of the Lynnwood-Alderwood Manor Heritage Association and Museum. This museum features rotating exhibits and photographs, including information about the 33-acre Demonstration Farm where the building was originally located.

Humble House, home of the Sno-Isle Genealogical Society, The original residence located at the park, Humble House was built in 1919 and originally featured only 2 rooms. Expanded after the Humble Family purchased it in 1934 it now houses genealogy resources from the local area, the United States, and various countries around the world.

The Water Tower is located behind Humble House and had renovations completed in 2022. Originally built on the Demonstration Farm to provide water to the farm and surrounding residences, the water tower was powered by an electric pump through an underground connection to the interurban trolley.

Interurban Car No. 55 is one of six interurban electric rail cars that provided service from Alderwood Manor to Seattle and Everett between 1910 and 1939.

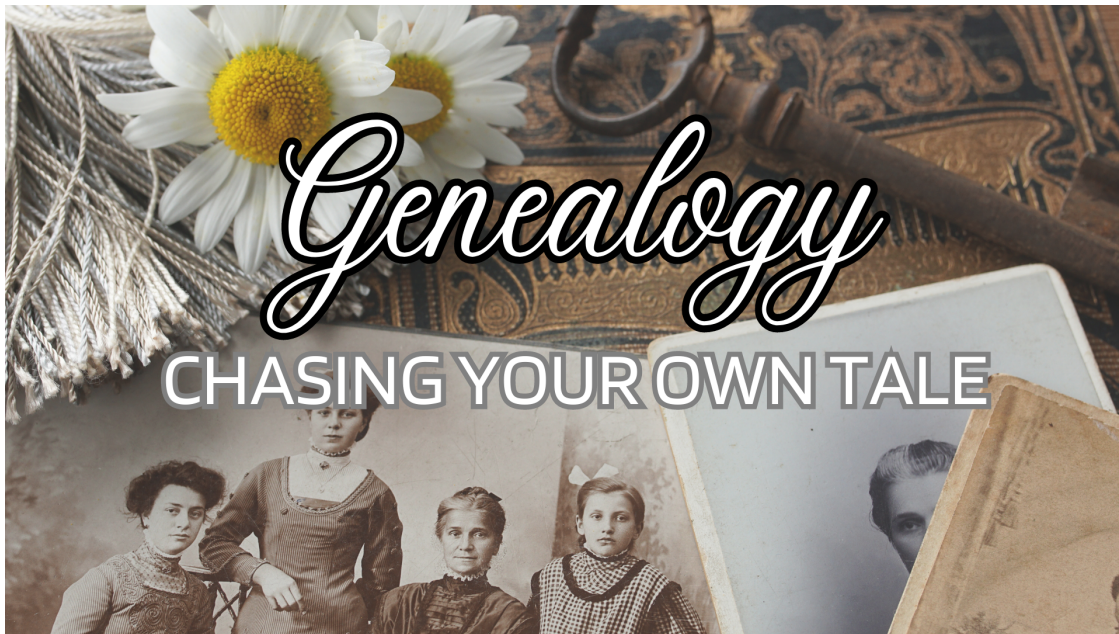
In addition to the historical buildings, the park features a play area and grassy lawns.

While many of these attractions have regular hours, like Humble House, the Water Tower and Trolley are usually accessible during special events such as the yearly History and Heritage Days. Mark your calendars for the 2023 History and Heritage Days.

- Saturday, June 10, 2023
- Saturday, July 8, 2023
- Saturday, August 12, 2023

All History and Heritage days take place from 10:00am to 2:00pm.

Visit the Sno-Isle Genealogical Society year round or enjoy the summer day during one of the Heritage and History events.



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Sno-Isle Genealogical Society, 19827 Poplar Way, Lynnwood, WA 98036

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