



Tri-City Genealogical Society

August 2009 – Monthly Update

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TCGS PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Beginners' mini-class precedes
each general meeting, 6:15pm-6:45pm
All are welcome!



FOCUS GROUPS

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Wednesday, TCGS meeting

**Sep 9th: Bruce Buzbee, creator
Genealogy Software**

6 - 7pm Beginning RootsMagic v.4
7:30 - 9pm Int/Adv RootsMagic v.4

Thursday, Gage Blvd FHC

**Sep 10th: Bruce Buzbee, creator
Genealogy Software**

10am: Personal Historian & FamilyAtlas
7pm: Making newFamilySearch Easy
w/RootsMagic4

Genie Potpourri Focus Group

11:30am, Friday, August 21st

Old Country Buffet (Columbia Center Mall)

Champion: Susan Faulkner

554-1050 or denmother4@hotmail.com

Colonial New England Focus Group

4pm, Tuesday, August 25th

Richland FHC

Champion: Carolyn Oster

946-8127 or coster@dslextreme.com

Great Britain Focus Group

7pm, Tuesday, Sep. 22nd

1pm Wednesday, Sep. 23rd

Richland FHC

Champion: Richard Allen

946-6020 or rp_allen@charter.net

Sep 16th: *Publications Meeting*
4pm, Richland FHC Basement

**Oct 14th: How Do You Access the Current
Genealogical News?**

Janis Littlefield

Mini-Lesson: TBD by Ray Baalman, TCGS Librarian

Oct 15th: *Publications Meeting*
4pm, Richland FHC Basement

**Nov 11th: TCGS Potluck, Annual Meeting &
Show and Tell**

No Mini-Lesson

PRESERVATION FOCUS GROUP

TBD

Richland FHC

Champion: Phyllis Andresen

371-0715 or pk618@charter.net

RootsMagic Users' Group

7pm, 4th Week of October

Richland FHC

Champion: Margie Beldin

627 6436 or mabeldin@gmail.com

Mid-Columbia Library
Volunteer Schedule

Kennewick Branch, 1620 S. Union
509-783-7878

Volunteers are available 10am - 1pm

Thursday, Aug 13th, Margie Beldin
Friday, Aug 21st, Nancy Gibbs
Friday, Sept 4th, Nancy Gibbs
Tuesday, Sept 8th, Sharon Vaughn

Richland Family History Center

HOURS

Mon, Fri, Sat: 9am to 5pm
Tues - Thurs: 9am to 9pm

Family History Center classes will resume in September 2009. Class list will be available beginning the week of August 17th. Please call Richard Allen at (509) 946-6020 if you have any questions about classes.

Gage Blvd Family History Center

The Gage Blvd FHC will be closed for renovations from Aug 14th to Sep 1st. Mariann Watson was released as the family history center director with a vote of thanks on August 2nd.

The new director will be Dee Ann Price of Kennewick. Dee Ann has been a family history director while living in North Carolina as well as president of their local genealogy society. She intends to carry on where Mariann left off, providing the community with excellent service and research possibilities.

Stay tuned for more news on the changes coming to this FHC.



NEWS FLASH!

FREE ACCESS TO
WORLDVITALRECORDS.COM

WorldVitalRecords.com has opened its site allowing for free public access to more than one billion family history records from August 11th to midnight August 13th!



Washington State's Annual Conference
is almost here!

2009 WSGS ANNUAL CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 11-13, SPOKANE

Featuring

MEGAN SMOLENYAK SMOLENYAK

Friday Evening Dinner

- ♣ Find That Obituary! Online Newspaper Research

Saturday

- ♣ Trace Your Roots with DNA
- ♣ Reverse Genealogy: Techniques for Finding Your Lost Loved Ones

Classes will be available all day Saturday by various other speakers in addition to Ms Smolenyak's presentations.

Sunday Morning Breakfast

- ♣ Beyond Y-DNA: Your Genetic Genealogy Options

For more information, log onto:

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waewgs/>
(Eastern Washington Genealogical Society website)

GOOGLE LABS & TIMELINES

Listen to Lisa Louise Cook of Genealogy Gems Podcasts to learn how to use the old newspapers on Google Labs to enhance your genealogy research timelines: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wrn1gt_CvN0 (or go to YouTube.com and type in "Using Google News Timeline for Genealogy & Family History.")