

# Tri-City Genealogical Society

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## **Awesome Educational Opportunities**

The first of four workshops titled "Finding Your Family Connections" will be held January 23 at the Kennewick Branch of the Mid-Columbia Library. Sharon Vaughn will give a presentation on how to begin your research. All you need to bring is the family information that you know. You can also bring a laptop computer to be used after the presentation. Several TCGS members will be available to give you one-on-one research guidance. You don't want to miss this opportunity.

Saturday, January 23 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

## **Classes Are Also Available at the Richland Family History Center**

**Beginning PAF** - Instruction in data entry, notes and sources, printing, multimedia, and other features of the Personal Ancestral File computer genealogy program.

Wednesday, January 20 at 7:00 pm

**Advanced PAF** - How to use import/export, match/merge, focus/design, and other advanced features of the Personal Ancestral File computer genealogy program.

Tuesday, February 2 at 7:00 pm

## **Upcoming Presentations**

**7:00 pm February 10<sup>th</sup>**

### **Filling In the Gaps**

Bev Spencer, TCGS member

**7:00 pm March 10<sup>th</sup>**

### **How to Find and Use Railroad Resources**

Mike Huntington, Secretary of the Washington State Railroad Historical Society and President of East Benton County Historical Society.

**7:00 pm April 14<sup>th</sup>**

### **Cemetery Sisters**

Pauline Dawes and Pat Ramsey

"Google" these names and get excited about what the Cemetery Sisters will share with us in April.



Thank you Parkview Estates for letting the TriCity Genealogical Society use your beautiful facility for our meeting.

Many many years ago when I was twenty three,  
I got married to a widow who was pretty as could be.  
This widow had a grown-up daughter  
Who had hair of red.  
My father fell in love with her,  
And soon the two were wed.

This made my dad my son-in-law  
And changed my very life.  
My daughter was my mother,  
For she was my father's wife.

To complicate the matters worse,  
Although it brought me joy,  
I soon became the father  
Of a bouncing baby boy.

My little baby then became  
A brother-in-law to dad.  
And so became my uncle,  
Though it made me mad.

For if he was my uncle,  
Then that also made him brother  
To the widow's grown-up daughter  
Who, of course, was my step-mother.

Father's wife then had a son,  
Who kept them on the run.  
And he became my grandson,  
For he was my daughter's son.

My wife is now my mother's mother  
And it makes me blue.  
Because, although she is my wife,  
She's my grandmother too.

If my wife is my grandmother,  
Then I am her grandchild.  
And every time I think of it,  
It simply drives me wild.

For now I have become  
The strangest case you ever saw.  
As the husband of my grandmother,  
I am my own grandpa

~ Author Unknown

## **Focus Groups**

### **Genie Potpourri Focus Group**

11:30 am, Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup>  
Old Country Buffet (Columbia Center  
Mall)  
Champion: Susan Faulkner  
554-1050 or  
[denmother4@hotmail.com](mailto:denmother4@hotmail.com)

### **Colonial New England Focus Group**

4:00 pm, Tuesday, January 26th  
Richland FHC  
Champion: Carolyn Oster  
946-8127 or [coster@dslextreme.com](mailto:coster@dslextreme.com)

### **Great Britain Focus Group**

7:00 pm, Tuesday, January 26th and  
1:00 pm, Wednesday, January 27th  
Champion: Richard Allen  
946-6020 or [rp\\_allen@charter.net](mailto:rp_allen@charter.net)

### **Preservation Focus Group**

For more information contact  
Champion: Phyllis Andresen  
371-0715 or [pk618@charter.net](mailto:pk618@charter.net)

## **2010 Dues are Due**

Do you have questions about your  
TriCity Genealogical Society  
membership? Want to know how much  
dues cost? Curious about what kind of  
memberships are available? Ask your  
TCGS Membership Chairperson, Sharon  
Vaughn. She will be standing guard at  
the front door of the meeting tonight.