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KENDRICK KIN CONNECTED: A SMALL WORLD STORY

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The Fiske Library is a crossroads. People come here to research their own family history and they overhear a conversation at the next table that has a direct bearing on one of the listener's collateral lines. They enter into the conversation and suddenly find a whole area of new information for their genealogical work.

The Library offers duplicate books for sale, both in the library on a special bookcase and on the website over the internet. Proceeds from these sales go to the book fund for future purchase of additional reference material in the Library.

Recently an e-mail query asked if a duplicate book offered on the website contained a reference to Captain John Kendrick, a Revolutionary War privateer. If he was mentioned in the book, "Cape Cod: Its People and Their History," then the correspondent wanted to purchase the book. In fact, the story about Captain Kendrick, as recounted in that book, is quite interesting.

Four years after the end of the Revolutionary War, some Boston merchants decided to get into the Pacific Northwest fur trade. Captain Kendrick, of Cape Cod, was selected to lead an expedition around Cape Horn, up the west coast of the America's to Nootka Sound on what would later be called Vancouver's Island, to load up on fur pelts and then cross the Pacific to China where the furs would be traded for silk, which would be brought back to Boston to the waiting merchants. Kendrick set sail from Boston in 1787, in command of an 83-foot ship called the Columbia, while his first lieutenant, Robert Gray of Boston, commanded the smaller ship, the sloop Lady Washington. Despite Cape Horn storms and troubles with scurvy, the two ships finally reached Nootka.

Captain Kendrick made a base camp on Vancouver Island and spent the winter in his cabin while Robert Gray cruised along the coast trading for fur pelts. The hold of the Columbia was filled by early summer, but Kendrick decided to stay in the Northwest. He turned his command of the Columbia over to Gray and he kept the smaller Lady Washington. Gray took the pelts to China, traded them for silk, and returned to Boston. It was a successful voyage, and the merchants agreed that he should make a repeat trip to the Northwest, now as the captain of the second venture.

When Gray returned to Nootka in 1792, after discovering the mouth of the Columbia River, which he named for his ship, he found Kendrick still on Vancouver Island, although Captain John had made a trip to China with a small load of furs and returned to Nootka. In 1794, Kendrick took the Lady Washington to the Hawaiian Islands, where he met a Captain Brown of the British Navy on Oahu. The two captains exchanged salutes, and Kendrick was killed when the British cannon was accidentally loaded with a live round.

I told that story to a group of friends, shortly after responding to the e-mail message described above, and one of them said, "But, I have Kendrick's in my family tree!" The e-mail correspondent agreed to be in touch with my long-time friend (we were in school together from kindergarten through high school) and Kendrick's Kin have been connected!

Genealogical research is full of interesting stories! I suspect that you are in the midst of some of them yourself!

Gary A. Zimmerman



ITINERARY FOR FISKE GENEALOGY RESEARCH TOUR TO IRELAND IN 2004

- Saturday, Sept. 25 Fly from Seattle to Dublin.
- Sunday, Sept. 26 Arrive Dublin. Orientation tour of Dublin before hotel check-in.
- Monday, Sept. 27 Research at the National Archives of Ireland on Bishop Street, 10am-5pm
Non-researchers can tour statue-lined O'Connell Street, Trinity College (its library holds the 8th century Book of Kells) and St. Patrick's Cathedral – with pub lunch, if desired.
- Tuesday, Sept. 28 More research at the National Archives, or at the National Library.

Non-researchers can take up Dublin tour where they left off on Monday, including Dublin Castle with its State Apartments and Chapel, as well as the Dublin Writer's Museum.
- Wednesday, Sept. 29 More research at the National Archives, or at The General Register Office, or at The Genealogical Office
Non-researchers can finish tour of Dublin, visiting the National Museum, National Gallery and/or Municipal Art Gallery; maybe a stroll through the Georgian streets to see St. Stephen's Green and Merrion Square; shopping on Nassau, Grafton, or Henry Streets.
- Thursday, Sept. 30 Depart Dublin. Drive South to scenic Enniskerry and through the Wicklow Mountains to Glendalough with its "Valley of the Two Lakes" and 6th century St. Kevin's monastic ruins. Continue on to Waterford, founded by the Vikings in 853 AD. Tour members may wish to visit the Waterford Crystal showrooms.
- Friday, Oct. 1 Side trip to Rock of Cashel, seat of the Kings of Ireland from 450-1100 AD, east of Tipperary. Genealogical visit to Ballingarry.
- Saturday, Oct. 2 Depart Waterford for Cork. In the Cork area, many of the ships which left for America departed from the Port of Cobh (the Bowman's Pub here is supposedly memorable). Just 5 miles NW of Cork is the famous Blarney Castle with its kissing stone, as well as the Blarney woolen mills. On to our hotel in Killarney.
- Sunday, Oct. 3 This morning, travel just outside Killarney to visit Muckross House, the finest mansion in Ireland. Then journey around the 69-mile famous Ring of Kerry and dramatic coastline of the Iveragh Peninsula, on the way back to Killarney. The scenery is spectacular, and the mountains are the highest in Ireland.
- Monday, Oct. 4 Killarney is home to "Mackens of Ireland", a prestigious craft store. Tour will then depart Killarney, traveling through Tralee and Dingle (300 people and 52 pubs live here, and Sleah Head Drive is the "most beautiful road in Ireland") and on to Adare, famous for its stone walls and thatched cottages. Tour will also take a ride on a vintage steam train to the 18th century Blennerville Windmill and an exhibition of "coffin ships" that carried emigrants as they left their homeland during the famine years. Tour will overnight in Bunnahatty.

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Irish Research Trip Deadline is Near!

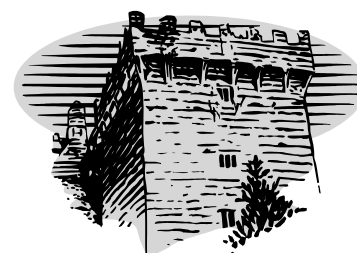
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- Tuesday, Oct. 5 Spend the morning at medieval Bunnratty Castle (1425) and Bunnratty Folk Park, with farm houses from different regions of Ireland. In the evening, head to the Bunnratty Folk Barn for a traditional Irish Ceili, wine and dinner in a village barn with the local folks and some country dancing.
- Wednesday, Oct. 6 Travel through Shannon to County Clare with its Cliffs of Moher (700' high), then cross the Burren (limestone hills) and on to Galway ("city of Tribes") on Galway Bay, including the Galway Cathedral. Continue through Connemara, a wild land of rocky mountains and rivers; there may be time for a tour of the Connemara Marble Factory in Moycullen. Overnight in Galway.
- Thursday, Oct. 7 Depart Galway and travel to County Sligo, passing en route the Ashford Castle in County Mayo.
Friday, Oct. 8 Tour County Sligo including Drumcliffe (William Butler Yeats' grave is in the churchyard), then travel to County Fermanagh – including the Belleek China Factory. Stay in Enniskillen for the night.
- Saturday, Oct. 9 Tour through the delightful market town of Enniskillen and on to Ballybay and Castleblayney, in County Monaghan. Continue on to Belfast for the night, capital of Northern Ireland.
- Sunday, Oct. 10 Visit Lisburn and savor the atmosphere of this unique city. Return to Belfast, where you have the remainder of the day to see Belfast at leisure.
- Monday, Oct. 11 Research at the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland (PRONI).
Non-researchers will take a day trip to Portrush (the "Coney Island" of Ulster province) on the North coast, and will travel through Giant's Causeway with its hexagonal columns formed over 60 million years ago by cooling lava in Northern Antrim, and then visit the Bushmill's Whiskey Distillery (1608) before returning to Belfast for the night.
- Tuesday, Oct. 12 More research at PRONI, or at the Ulster Historical Foundation
Non-researchers will spend the day at an Arts Festival at Ballymena.
- Wednesday, Oct. 13 More research at PRONI, or at the Presbyterian Historical Society of Ireland.
Non-researchers will tour the city of Belfast, including the City Hall, Queen's University, the Botanic Gardens and nearby Ulster Museum.
- Thursday, Oct. 14 Travel from Belfast to County Down, including the Down Cathedral at Downpatrick, burial place of St. Patrick who brought Christianity into Ireland in 432. Overnight in Newcastle.
- Friday, Oct. 15 Travel from County Down to Dublin. Enjoy a day at leisure in preparation for tomorrow's morning flight home to Seattle.
- Saturday, Oct. 16 Fly home to Seattle from Dublin.

Please see the Fiske website for additional information:

<http://www.fiske.lib.wa.us/>



ON-LINE DICTIONARY OF CANADIAN BIOGRAPHY

The National Library of Canada and the National Archives of Canada, in collaboration with the University of Toronto and Université Laval, have posted an on-line tool for family researchers.

In 1966, the first volume of this biographical series appeared in print, with researchers and writers from across Canada preparing succinct essays about key persons in Canadian history. These submissions were organized with a chronological time span assigned to each volume in the series, and the biographical pieces in a given volume reflect persons who died within the book's timeframe (or whose last known activity fell within those years).



The first volume covered persons who lived before 1700; volume II covered the period from 1701 through 1740, and volume III the period from 1741 through 1770. Over the span of 20 some years from 1966 through 1998, volumes I through XIV appeared in print and covered lives up through 1920. A fifteenth volume, for the period 1921-30 is currently in progress.

The on-line database covers those first fourteen volumes with page-by-page images. All of the entries are fully

searchable by keyword, nine of the volumes are searchable by identity, and eight are searchable by geographic region. As more indexing is completed, the search capabilities will be expanded on-line.

The biographical sketches tell pertinent details about the subject's own vital information, and include specifics of a person's work life, role in the community, and family life. Often the sketch will conclude with references to where portraits or photographs are held in museums or libraries, and specific references to background material in newspapers or other journals are included. A clean, printable format is available with a couple of keystrokes.

If you are following a Canadian line, look at the Dictionary of Canadian Biography at <http://www.biographi.ca/EN/index.html> (or <http://www.biographi.ca/FR/index.html> if you want to practice your French).

Gary A. Zimmerman

FISKE LIBRARY SUMMER PICNIC AT HOOD CANAL ON JULY 31, 2004

Betty Kay Anderson will again host the annual Fiske picnic the last Saturday in July, the 31st, in Union on Hood Canal. Come about 11 AM. There is a 9:30 ferry that will get you there on time.

Bring your favorite summer potluck dish to add to the fresh Hood Canal oysters and salmon, and prepare for a wonderful afternoon with other Fiske volunteers and Library users.

Betty Kay and Roy Anderson's address is:

East 10111
Highway 106,
Union, WA 98592.

NEW JERSEY ARCHIVES OFFERS MORE ON-LINE RESEARCH AIDS

In April, the New Jersey Archives posted over 400 additional “guides” to holdings in their collections. In some cases, this is nothing more than an easy way to find which specific reel of microfilm you should request for your research. In others, the guide will include collections of photographs or a listing of all the ministers in a given county who submitted marriage returns. Of course, you will still have to go to the archives in Trenton to look at the specific entries in those returns. You will find this new treasure trove at www.njarchives.org -- so do some exploring on your own.

If you look in the “what’s new” section of the website for April 2004, you will get a flavor of what might be helpful. Maybe it will be the fact that Bergen County has a half-reel full of records of the births of children of slaves, 1804-1846, and a record of manumissions of slaves within the county from 1804-1841. Maybe it will be the 173 reels of microfilm from the Bergen County surrogate’s office that cover “estate papers” from 1783 up to the 1900’s, arranged chronologically, and keyed to specific reels with specific dates. Reel #2-39 covers the estate papers filed between 1797 and 1802! Maybe you would like to look at the new guides on the periodic state censuses taken by New Jersey every ten years from 1855 through 1915 (and the reference guide is clear about which counties have holes in their records for some of this sequence.).

The same general website, under the heading of Reference Services, identifies broad areas of the collection which may be searched upon mail request and sets fees for the delivery of certain records via postal service to your home. Selected examples of what you can request by mail include birth, marriage and death records dated between May 1848 and May 1878 (\$10 for one search over a 5 year period); marriage bonds prior to 1795 (at

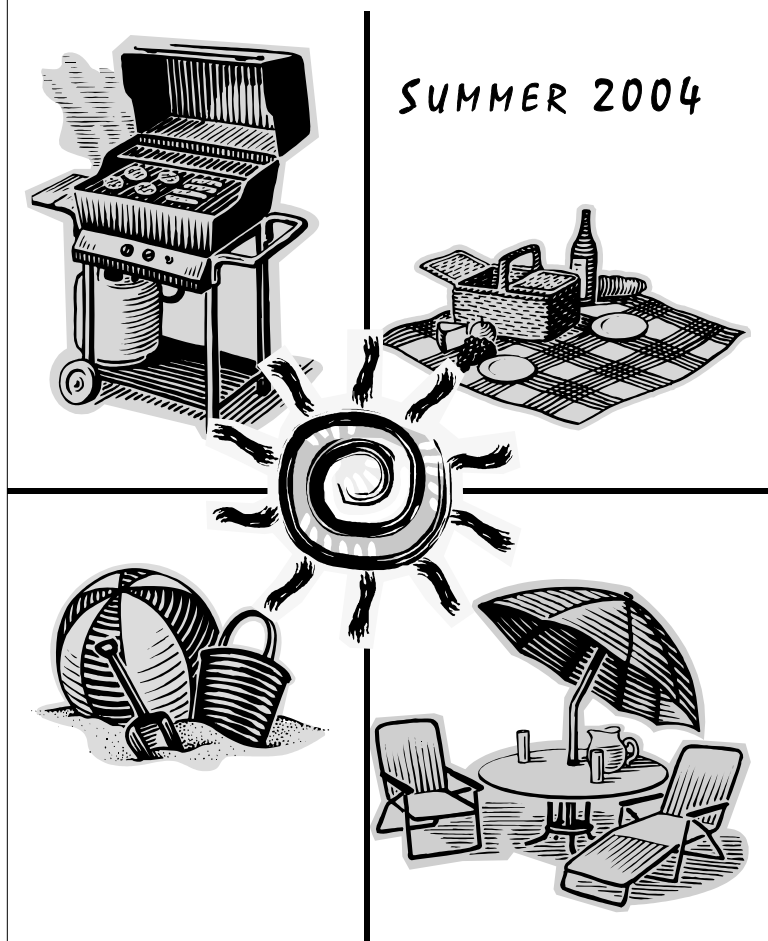
only \$1 per record for this group); will and estate inventories before 1952 (\$5 per packet of up to ten pages); or military service records for World War I for \$2 each. Some records will not be searched, but you can request that they be sent via inter-library loan to a public library near your home.

Gary A. Zimmerman

Example of the Images Available on-line at the New Jersey Archives: “View of Paterson, looking North from the Morris Canal”.



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FISKE LIBRARY HOURS

Monday	10:00 am to 3:00 pm
Wednesday	Noon to 8:00 pm
Thursday	3:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Friday	Reserved for research groups (greater than 8 persons) from outside the greater Seattle Area. Contact the Library to make reservations.
Saturday	10:00 am to 3:00 pm
2nd Sunday of Each Month	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

VOLUNTEER CARLDINE VAN ALLEN

Carldine Van Allen has been volunteering at the Fiske Genealogical Library on the first Saturday of each month as well as the second Sunday for several years. The Pioneer Building is open each second Sunday, so Carldine has the opportunity to meet many people who stop by to see the Daughters of the Pioneers Museum on the third floor. She has always loved history, a favorite subject in school, and she enjoys mysteries and puzzles. Genealogy is one big personal mystery story.

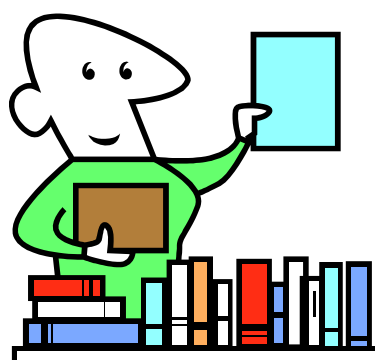
Carldine has been involved in serious research for about 15 years, and dabbled for some time earlier. Her ties to the Fiske Library are to this building because she became involved after the Fiske Library had moved to the Pioneer Building. Since, however, she has joined the Fiske Library tours to England, New England, the Midwest, and two years ago, to the Mid Atlantic States.

She was in the U.S. Army for four and a half years, and got out after her marriage in the 60's. She was then in the Army Reserves from 1974 to 1991 and retired in 1992 as

Master Sergeant. Since then, she has worked at the Veterans' Administration hospital, and plans to retire again, the day after her birthday on June 29.

Carldine has three children, and two step-children, four grandchildren and four step-grandchildren. She reminds readers to do "random acts of genealogical kindness" because it is fun to share information.

Carolyn Blount



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FISKE LIBRARY—NEW BOOK & PUBLICATION ACQUISITIONS

Midwest:

- Past and Present of Shelby Co., Iowa, Volumes 1 & 2
- Pioneer and the Prairie Lawyer (Boone and Lincoln families)
- Roadside History of Nebraska
- Jefferson Co., Ohio

Northeast:

- And This is Boston
- Everyday Life in the Mass. Bay Colony
- The story of Mount Desert Island (Maine)
- Excerpts from Pioneers of Maine Rivers
- The Story of Bar Harbor
- Third Supplement to Torrey
- In the Steps of the Pilgrims
- Golden Age of Homespun (NY)
- Colonial Days in Old New York

Northwest:

- Pallium (Blanchet Yearbook 1964)
- The Conquerers
- Homesteaders of Chelan Butte
- Tales of Richland, White Bluffs, and Hanford 1815-1943
- Washington History
- Outlaw Tales of Washington
- Gold Creeks and Ghost Towns of N.E. Washington

South:

- Acadian Miracle (LA)
- Population schedule of the U.S. Census of 1850 for Bledsoe Co., TN
- U.S. Census, Bledsoe Co., TN 1850
- U.S. Census, Grundy Co., TN 1850

- Marion Co. TN Cemetery Records
- Early Land Records, Marion Co. TN 1824-1830
- Tennessee Records of Marion Co., Deed book, Vol. 1, 1819-1830
- Marion Co. TN Deed Book A, 1819-1826
- Marion Co. TN Memories
- Sequatchie Co., TN marriages 1858-1881
- West Virginia Sources and Resources
- West Virginia Genealogy

Genealogies:

- A Genealogical Record of the Arms family in this Country
- Bean, Been, Beene
- The Burnett Family with Collateral Branches
- The Burnetts and Their Connections, Volumes 1, 2, & 3
- The Family of Burnett of Leys
- Biography of the Carter-Powers-Basset Family
- Ancestors and Descendants of Patty Blackburn Davis
- Thomas Dimmock
- Descendants of William and Nancy Hale
- Margaret Winthrop
- Work Family History

General:

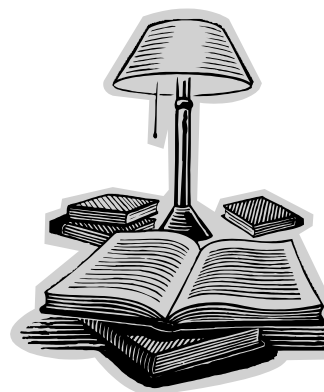
- Atlantic Bridge to Germany, Vol. 7
- Portrait of a Nation 1846
- The Perfect Life (Shakers in America)
- American's England
- Colonial Folkways
- Family Chronicle, Vols. 3, 4, 5, & 6

CONTINUED...NEW BOOK & PUBLICATION ACQUISITIONS

We are once again indebted to the generosity of friends for these donations. We thank the following:

- South King County Genealogical Society,
- Helen Waterman,
- Gary Zimmerman,
- Jack Seeley,
- Jackie Cedarholm, and Sunnie Gordon for their contributions.

Mary Stevenson, Librarian



Periodicals for Sale

Fiske Library staff has recently completed the filing of duplicate periodical publications. These are available for your purchase if you wish to obtain any of them.

Just check the copy which is on the library shelf, decide if you would like it, and ask the person on duty to obtain the extra copy which is available.

Many of these publications would be a worthwhile addition to your personal library.

- The Ohio Report,
- Mayflower Quarterly,
- Car-Del Scribe,
- Illinois Quarterly,
- Table Rock Sentinel,
- Pennsylvania Magazine,
- Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society,
- Caldwell Co. (NC Genealogical Society),
- Indiana Magazine of History,
- Hoosier Genealogy,
- New England Historic and Genealogical Register,
- Connecticut Nutmegger,
- Nexus,
- Hawkeye Heritage,
- Second Boat and the Dinghy.

FOOTPRINT GENEALOGY



Apparently, tracks are as distinctive as fingerprints. The Murrah memorizes a combination of more than 5,000 pressure-release points and it is this skill that allows them to identify the person responsible for the footprint months later (in some cases years). Murrah trackers are still in demand today. They help to decide cases of lineage, apprehend criminals, or find missing people.

Citing tracker Louis Liebenberg, the author states that trackers use the same intellectual and creative abilities as physicists and mathematicians. *“Tracking represents the origin of science itself and therefore the oldest continuous traditional knowledge practices of humans.”*

Carolyn Blount

There is an interesting article in the March/April 2004 edition of *Saudi AramcoWorld* by Peter Harrigan entitled *“Reading the Sands”* which describes the skills of Murrah trackers of the desert.

Harrigan notes *“Historically the Murrah are counted among the 20 leading Bedouin tribes of the Arabian Peninsula. They range with their camel herds over a territory of gravel plains and sand dunes that is larger than France, and that is also one of the least hospitable, most sparsely populated regions on Earth. Ceaselessly using the acute observation skills and faultless memory that survival requires, they have for centuries navigated their families and herds with pinpoint precision over nearly featureless terrain by day and night.”*

...“In addition, the Murrah’s skills go beyond tracking into the more distinctly human field known in Arabic as *firaasa*. This is an age-old skill by which lineage and blood relationships can be determined by scrutinizing feet and faces or, in some cases, by reading footprints. In old Arabia, the term *ka’if* was used to describe someone who could not only follow and interpret tracks on the ground but also establish kinship by likeness—primarily of the feet.”

The full article is available at:

<http://www.saudiaramcoworld.com/issue/200402/>



CLASSES FALL 2004 TO SPRING 2005

Next year's calendar of classes will be a little different. We project two breaks in the Fall; one for Thanksgiving, and one during the period September 25-October 16, 2004 (the timeframe of the Fiske trip to Ireland).

Since Easter is early in 2005, we will start the Winter Education Sessions on January 8, 2005. There will be no class Wednesday, January 26, 2005, when many members may be in Salt Lake for the Fiske Research trip.

We ask for your input into the classes you would like to have offered. Through the summer, a "needs" survey will be available at the Fiske library, or you can drop an e-mail with your course request to either the Fiske Web site or directly to Karl Kumm at k.kumm@comcast.net.

Karl Kumm, Education Coordinator

CREATING CONSISTENCY IN YOUR DOCUMENTS

Are you writing your family history book and long for an easy way of creating a consistent "look and feel" throughout?

If you use MS WORD, you're in luck! You can select from a variety of predefined WORD templates, then modify your selection to best "fit" your specific needs.

- Open a NEW WORD document and select **Templates**—then select **From My Computer** in the dialog box that shows on the right
- A dialog box will appear with a number of options, for example, under Publications you can select **MANUAL**
- Select the template you want then **SAVE AS** (a name meaningful to you)
- Print out the template and follow the tips for how to modify it to meet your specific needs

You will need to experiment and modify the predefined versions until you have a template that is exactly what you want, but the effort is well worth it.

By using a template, you can keep your paragraph spacing, headings, fonts and special characters consistent. For example, each template provides a specific font and spacing for various levels of headings. After keying a heading (such as Chapter One), go to the **Style** section of your Toolbar and click on the menu arrow, then select the heading format you want, i.e. Heading 1, Heading 2, etc. By following this method (rather than by manually formatting your document), you can also generate a Table of Contents, a real timesaver!

For specific information on using styles, themes and templates, refer to your WORD manual, and/or click the **Help** icon on your toolbar, then key "templates".

Don't hesitate to email me if you have any questions once you've tried this!

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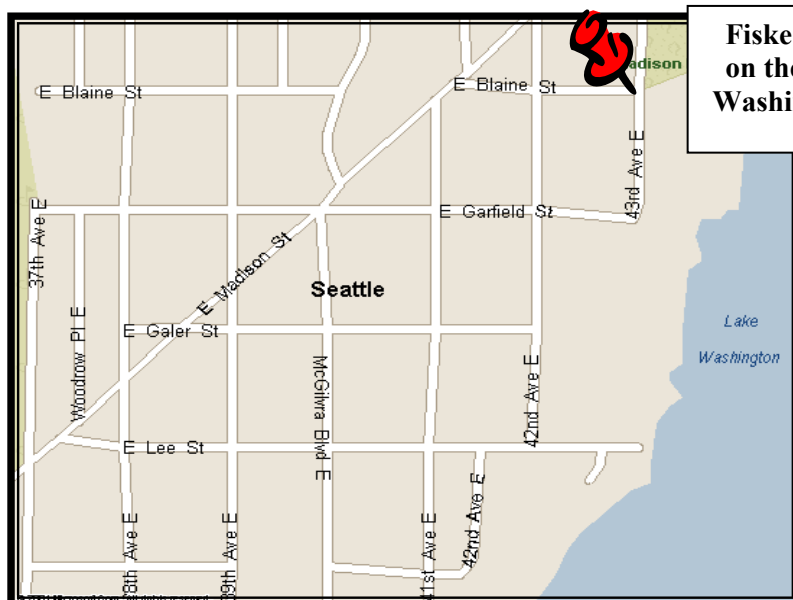


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HOW TO FIND US!



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Washington Pioneer Hall.**

- Drive east on East Madison Street until you see a Starbuck's Coffee shop to your left, and a one way street sign ahead.
- Ease to your right and follow East Blaine Street to the end of the street.
- The Washington Pioneer Hall faces onto 43rd Ave. East. The Fiske Genealogical Library is located on the lower level of the building.