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Treasures to be Found at Fiske Library Part I – “The Washington Historical Quarterly”

This article is hopefully the first in a series where I will talk about some of the treasures that can be found at the Fiske Library. ~Linda Blais

Even though we only have four of “The Washington Historical Quarterly,” on our shelves (two from 1931, one from 1932 and 1 from 1933), I was delighted when I came across them. As someone interested in the history of the State of Washington and the Pacific Northwest, this journal first published in 1906 provides a wealth of information about a myriad of topics.

While looking at the table of contents of the four issues in the library, some of the article titles that caught my attention included one called “Fraser River Gold Rush Adventures.” The article was a copy of a letter written by Robert Frost in 1901 about his adventures in the gold fields in 1858. I thought the letter might give me insight into my own 2nd Great Grandfather’s visit to the Montana gold fields in 1863.

Another article was “A Pioneer Professor’s Grave in China,” by Edmund S. Meany. This article is about the gravestone of Rev. F.P. Gilman, 1853-1918, found in Hainan, China by University of Washington Zoology professor, Robert C. Miller who discovered that Rev. F. P. Gilman had been a Professor of Science in the Territorial University of Seattle between 1880 and 1882. Both these articles are in the July 1931 issue.

A couple more interesting articles in the July 1933 issue were “Society in Caribou During the Gold Rush,” by Isabel M.L. Bescoby, a graduate student of history, University of British Columbia and “High Schools in Territorial Washington,” by Frederick E. Bolton, the former Dean of the School of Education, University of Washington.

After looking through our copies and doing a bit of research, I discovered the journal was published by The Washington University State Historical Society in Seattle with Edmond S. Meany as the Managing Editor. The first issue

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came out in October 1906 and the last issue was published in October 1935. Each issue has a list of Contributing Editors that includes names known in Seattle (like Clarence B. Bagley), as well as representatives from Tacoma, Walla Walla, Ellensburg, Spokane, Cheney and New Westminster, B.C. Each issue includes articles written by many well-known people of that time frame, reprints of articles and papers called "Documents," book reviews, news from the region and beyond and announcements about the writers of the different articles. So much information to check out.

If you can't make it down to the Fiske Library to check out our copies, (even though we would love to have you visit), you can find PDF's of all the available issues of the "Washington Historical Quarterly" at the University of Washington University Libraries website at <https://journals.lib.washington.edu/>. I have visited the site and plan on visiting it again and again to discover more treasures as well as reviewing the copies we have for information to better understand my Pacific Northwest family history.

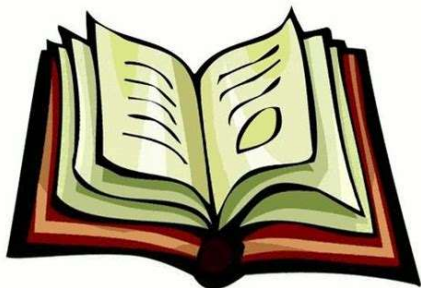
Next issue, we will explore what might be hidden in the map cabinet at the back of the library.

Surplus Books

Our Half Price Sale ended September 1, 2024. Thank you to all who took advantage of the sale and helped to both reduce our inventory and contribute to our revenue.

We still have an over supply of surplus books which are available at the listed price. I am reviewing the prices to make sure they are current and affordable.

Be sure to check your favorite categories often. The web page is <https://fiskelibrary.org/surplusbks.htm>



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UPDATE: New Books on Fiske Library Shelves

Fiske Genealogical Library volunteers continue to add book donations available for you to find in World Cat and on the shelves of the Fiske Library. See list below for some of the new books added to the Fiske Library Collection since June 2024. Come visit the library to see what other new books are available and how much easier it is becoming to find those treasures that the Fiske Library contains. ~ Linda Blais

Shelf Location	Title	Author
BX9211.C265 S74 1978	The History of Steele Creek Presbyterian church Mecklenburg County, Charlotte, NC	Douglas, John
CS432.N7 C36 1988	My Ancestors Came with the Conqueror Those Who Did and Some of Those Who Probably Did Not	Camp, Anthony J.
CS47.M335 1995	When Your Ox Is in the Ditch, Genealogical How-to Letters	McDowell, Vera
CS49.K67 1982	Polish Family Research-Revised Edition	Konrad, J.
CS61. H3 1991	Colonial Families of the Southern States of America	Hardy, Stella Pickett
CS71.A866 1997	An Aten Genealogy	Lamb, Alan J.
CS71.C8903 1997	The Cramer Family	Orr, Paul
CS71.D5 2013	The Migrants: Pennsylvania to Oregon	Brice, Beverly
CS71.H659 1993	Hinckleys of Maine, The ancestry and Descendants of Samuel Hinckley of Brunswick, Maine	Groves, Marlene Alma Hinkley
CS71.K38 1968	Genealogy of the Family of Nathaniel Kenyon	Herrington, Byron
CS71.M1718 1983, v 1 & v2	McPhersons of Genesee Country, Vol 1 & Vol 2	McPherson, Donald F.
CS71.P462 1975	Sylvester Perry and His Descendants 1773-1975	Richards, Nancy Ann
CS71.S54 2005	Seven Cow Tails, One Hair, a Genealogy of the Johan Sheely-Sheeley Family	Ingles, John C., Ward, Casey W., Weiser, Frederick S.
CS71.W755 2020	John Wians of Elizabethtown, Ancestor of American Revolution Patriots	Golemme, Donald

More New Books on Fiske Library Shelves

Shelf Location	Title	Author
CS923.C37 1989	Beginning Swedish Research	Carlberg, Nancy Ellen
CS983.S93 1978	Handy Guide to Swiss Genealogical Records	Suess, Jared H.
DA690.W76.M285 1983	Windsor Castle	Mackworth-Young, Robin
DA880.H76 G75 1973	Scottish Clans & Tartans	Grimble, Ian
DD21.U63 2000	Lands of the German Empire and Before	Uncapher, Wendy K.
DD801.B85 M56 2002	Braunschweig, Oldenburg, and Thuringia, Place Name Indexes: Identify Place Names Using Alphabetical and Reverse Alphabetical Indexes	Minert, Roger P.
E166.C5 1996	1846 Portrait of the Nation	Christman, Margaret C.S.
E184.G3 E17 1990	The Genealogist's Guide to Fraktur for Genealogists Researching German-American Families	Earnest, Corinne Pattie and Hoch, Beverly Repass
E184.H9 N38 2012 Suppl	Consolidated Update to the Register of Qualified Huguenot Ancestors of the National Huguenot Society, Fifth Edition 2012	Brennan, Nancy Wright and Kallai, Jeannine
E185.96 R25 1990	Black Americans in Congress, 1870-1989	Ragsdale, Bruce A. and Treese, Joel D.
E263.C5 M85 v1	Connecticut Town Meeting Records during the American Revolution Vol 1. Ashford-Milford	Mullen, Jolene Roberts
E263.C5.M85 v2	Connecticut Town Meeting Records during the American Revolution Vol 2 New Fairfield-Woodstock	Mullen, Jolene Roberts
F3 A544 2019	Puritan Pedigrees, The Deep Roots of the Great Migration to New England	Anderson, Robert Charles
F74.N53 G76 2008	A Brief History of Old Newbury From Settlement to Separation	Groff, Bethany
F93.G5 1991	Connecticut Genealogical Resources Including Selected Bibliographies	Giles, Barbara S. compiler for Fiske Genealogical Foundation

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Shelf Location	Title	Author
F119.E46 1967	A History of New York State; a Revision of Short History of New York State	Ellis, David M.
F122.1 E48	Dutch Village Communities on the Hudson River	Elting, Irving A.B.
F127.H8 2008	For the Village; The Story of Huguenot Street	Roth, Eric J.
F127.H8 B425 2014	The History of the Hudson River Valley, From Wilderness to the Civil War	Benjamin, Vernon
F129.C16 C46	Cemetery Records, The Town of Cambridge, Washington County, New York	Moore, Charles B. and Historical Data Services
F129.H276 C46 1996	Cemetery Records, the Township of Hartford, Washington County, New York	Moore, Charles B. and Historical Data Services
F129.N53 H295 1974	A Guide to Huguenot Street and Preservation Efforts of the Huguenot Historical Society, New Paltz, NY	Hasbrouck, Kenneth E.
F129.N54 H34s 1958	The Street of the Huguenots	Hasbrouck, Kenneth E.
F232.H4 W45 1985	Henrico County, Virginia Deeds 1737-1750	Weisiger, III, Benjamin B.
F232.H24 D26 1979	Hanover County, Virginia, Court Records 1733-1735; Deeds, Wills and Inventories	Davis, Rosalie Edith
F265.A1 P3 1976	Paths Toward Freedom, A Biographical History of Black and Indians in North Carolina by Blacks and Indians	Center for Urban Affairs, Huff, James and Ernestine
F580.H47 1998	Wisconsin Genealogical Research, Second Edition	Herrick, Linda M.
F891.W47 1992	West Pointers and Early Washington. The Contributions of U.S. Military Academy Graduates to the Development of the Washington Territory, from the Oregon Trail to the Civil War 1834-1862	Hemphill, John A. and Crumbow, Robert C.
NA7745.B3 1987	Over Castles & Stately Homes	Barrett, Frank and Aardvark Design Studio Ltd.

Newsletter Submissions

Have you discovered a particularly useful resource in your research, or broken through a brick wall? Would you be interested in submitting an article for the newsletter? Articles can be 1-2 pages long and may be subject to gentle editorial comment.

Our newsletter is published quarterly in September, December, March and June. Deadlines are the 20th of the month preceding publication. **Writers—articles are always needed and appreciated!** Please send queries or submissions to editor@fiskelibrary.org.



Legacy Family Tree User Group

Our Legacy Family Tree User Group Zoom meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month from 1-2 p.m. Our next meeting will be on September 19.

The topics we cover are quite varied. For example we recently discussed issues with One Drive and where Backups were being saved; issues with FamilySearch if one had not upgraded to Legacy 10, and Legacy Charting for X DNA.

We also welcome questions and topic suggestions. If you are interested in attending, please send a message to editor@fiskelibrary.org with your email contact information. We will need your email address to send out the Zoom invitation. If you use Legacy Family Tree, please join us.

Siri Nelson

FamilySearch SIG

Join the FamilySearch Special Interest Group.

Discover the many ways to use the FamilySearch website in your research.

Lou Daly leads a Zoom meeting the first Saturday of every month October through June, 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. sponsored by the Seattle Genealogical Society.

A different aspect of the website is featured at every meeting with time for Q & A. Want to join the mailing list? Email Lou: loudaly@nwlink.com

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed in order to have the library open more hours during the week. David Brazier will provide training in the basics needed to open/close the library and serve any visitors. All that is required is your presence. When not serving the public, you are free to do your own research. Call David to learn more, discuss hours you might be available, and begin training; call 206 687-5249.





Fall 2024 Education

All classes are scheduled from 10:00 A.M. until noon unless otherwise noted. Presentations are currently virtual. Please check the website for linking information ahead of the start time and any class notes. Check the home page frequently for announced schedule changes and updates to any dates listed as TBA.

2024	Topic	Instructor
Wednesday September 18	Using the Research Wiki to Start Foreign Research	Jenny Hansen
Wednesday September 25	Exploring Your Hispanic Roots	Beth Swartz
Wednesday October 2	Using Collateral Relatives	Claire Smith
Wednesday October 9	Hopping Down the Paper Trail	Sara Cochran
Wednesday October 16	Intuitive Genealogy: Ancestral Healing Practices and Your Family Tree	Joseph Anderson
Wednesday October 23	Show, Don't Tell: Creative Nonfiction Writing for Genealogists	Lisa Alzo
Wednesday October 30	New Frontiers in Genealogy	Lisa Alzo
Wednesday November 6	Missing: Reward! Locating Widows, Spinsters, and Bachelors	Sara Cochran
Wednesday November 13	Finding Treasures in NewspaperArchive	Mary Kircher Roddy
Wednesday November 20	MyMaps: Create a Map of Your Family's Migration West	Janet O'Connor Camarata

Fiske Library Hours

Monday	By appointment. Call David 206 687-5249
Wednesday	The Library is open from Noon to 3 P.M.
Thursday	By appointment. Call David 206 687-5249
Friday	Reserved for research groups from outside the greater Seattle Area. Contact David to make reservations. 206 687-5249
Saturday	By appointment. Call Larry 206 720-4719

Fiske Genealogical Foundation Information

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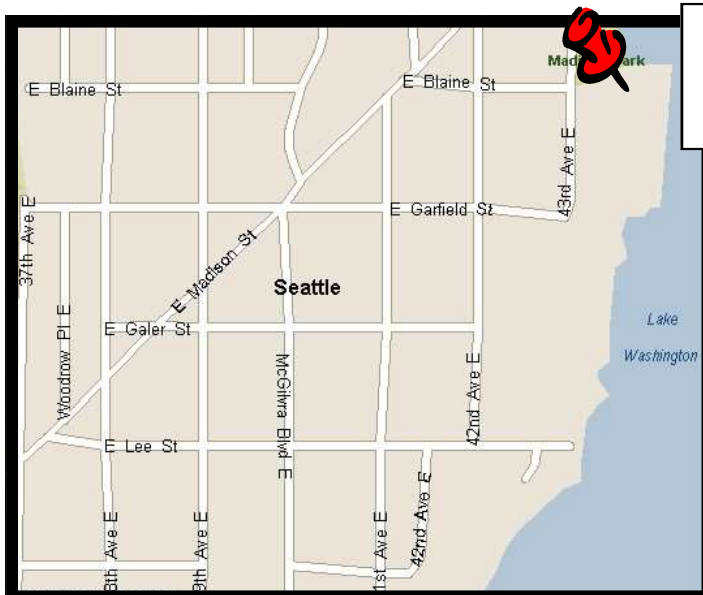
Daily Use Fee \$5.
 Annual Library Pass \$50.
 Annual Family Pass \$70.
 Wednesday Seminar Series
 (10 sessions) \$35.
 Annual Library Pass plus Full
 Year Seminar Series
 (30 sessions) \$85
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 \$6 for 4 Issues



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HOW TO FIND US!



Fiske Library is located on the lower level of the Washington Pioneer Hall.

- Drive east on E Madison Street to the third crosswalk after reduced speed zone of 25mph. The crosswalk has a yellow blinking light. A one-way street sign is on your right.
- Turn right and follow E Blaine Street to the end of the street.
- The Washington Pioneer Hall faces onto 43rd Ave. E.
- The Fiske Genealogical Library is located on the lower level of the building.