Washington State Genealogical Society recognizes Margaret J. (Florence) Dent

of Wenatchee, Washington

for outstanding efforts in the preservation of important records of genealogical value to the Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society and other researchers interested in the families of Washington State.



As Chairperson of Vital Records for Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society, Marge Dent has spent countless hours searching microfilms, copying, printing and organizing obituaries into easily accessible notebooks. She overseas other volunteers working on the obituary files and arranges the results for insertion into the notebooks. Through the perseverance of Marge and her volunteers, the Society's library now contains over 90,000 obituaries from as far back as 1895, ready for use by Society members and visitors. These files are also available for online ordering by those who cannot visit the library. Marge also has worked with other Society members copying cemetery records at the city hall and records from local churches, and has collected other data such as Apple Blossom Festival information. She volunteers additional time to help with the mailing of the Society's quarterly journal, *Appleland Bulletin*. Marge is meticulous; she always checks and double-checks her work. She is a faithful librarian and volunteers for the difficult-to-fill Saturday hours. Marge Dent is a wonderful asset to the Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society.

Given this <u>Sth</u> day of <u>April</u> in the year <u>2006</u>, at the annual meeting of Washington State Genealogical Society at Olympia, Washington.

Stephen Eric Baylor President

