

Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society Finding ancestors since 1971...

May 2023 President's Letter

A small but mighty contingent of WAGS members benefited greatly from our **Learning Session** on taxes on April 22. We watched small-to-medium-sized videos of three different speakers on our big screen. We got some repetition, which is never a bad thing, yet each



presenter had a slightly different take on what to emphasize. We will be doing more Learning Sessions this summer, taking advantage of our air conditioning. How about some videos on the different genealogy computer programs we're using? Stay tuned.



Cyndi Ingle

May program "Cyndi's List in Practice"

I can remember when Cyndi Ingle's *Cyndi's List* was the new kid on the block—it was March 1996. It was one of the first, if not the first "comprehensive, categorized & cross-referenced list of links that point you to genealogical research sites online." Since then, we've been distracted by many other shiny objects on our computers. Let's get reacquainted with this great resource that has only been getting better over the years.

Cyndi Ingle is one of our new WAGS members this spring, and surely the most well known. She will give us specific research

examples for beginners-to-advanced, showing how to make the most of the site's categories and links.

Monday, May 8 2:00 p.m.

"Cyndi's List in Practice"

via Zoom and In-Person at the Douglas County PUD Auditorium

1151 Valley Mall Parkway, East Wenatchee

Topic: WAGS Zoom Meeting

Time: May 8, 2023 02:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86981093558?pwd=THpYYzVhQ3BISE1xTUFud0hWR3MxUT09

Meeting ID: 869 8109 3558 Passcode: 98801

Slate of officers 2023-24 revealed at the May meeting . . .

Who will be on our slate of officers for 2023/24? The Nominating Committee, aka your board, will make its report at the business portion of our next meeting on **May 8**. The floor will then be open for your nominations until the close of the meeting. We will vote on the slate via email or snail mail before the June 12 meeting.

There's still time to join us.

Our board is made up of volunteer genealogists who donate a bit of their time to help keep WAGS a viable genealogical society. Some of our members have special skills to share with the team. The board works for the membership and we enjoy creating events for our members to learn about and work on their genealogy. We continue to improve the library and the website to help our members as well as genealogists across the globe. We have slowed down or dropped projects that added more work than value to our community.

If you'd like to join us, we have openings on our board for **Treasurer** and **Librarian**. Both of those positions can count on a lot of help from the existing board. You're also welcome to run for any other board position—President, Vice President, Secretaries (Recording and Corresponding) or Member at-Large. These positions, including "just" being a volunteer, are available for you to step in and help mold WAGS into something you might like even more! Without a board and volunteers, our organization will fail to function. Consider joining us today.

WAGS Annual Meeting

It sounds kind of high-falutin', but that's how our **June meeting** functions every year, with our election of officers and all.





Speaking of the June (hybrid) meeting . . .

Our special guest will be Matt Cade from the Greater Leavenworth Museum. Hear about their exhibits, events and plans for the future to preserve the Upper Valley heritage. This comes just

in time as we start thinking of activities to entertain our summer guests!



The WAGS Library will be closed for

We're

Apple Blossom on Saturday, May 6. We'll open again as usual on Tuesday, May 9.

We received a new book of local history from Bob and Barbara

Danielson. It's about **Martin Danielson** and his years as a state highway employee prior to 1930. It contains quite a few old pictures, and we look forward to putting it on our shelves.

The Danielsons are curious if anyone knows when **McMullan Road near Ohme Gardens** was named, who named it and which McMullan it was named for – if you know, send a note to <u>Library@wags-web.org</u> and we'll forward it to the Danielsons.



Thanks to our number crunchers . . .

Thank you, **Kris McGregor, Hazel Thornton,** and **John Peters** for being our Audit Committee this year!



We're happy to welcome **Victoria Owsley** of East Wenatchee; and welcome-back to **Melody Frans** and **Sydney Crollard Ranney**, both East Wenatchee. We're

glad you've joined/rejoined us, and wish you exciting discoveries.

See you on the 8th, Susan Rumble, WAGS President

