



# BAINBRIDGE ISLAND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

## Newsletter

### News from the Board

#### *We need your help!*

We need someone to complete this term as Program Chair/Vice President in light of Claire's departure. Please do not assume we are looking for a Claire clone; we are not. The work involves securing the monthly program speakers and making the necessary arrangements. You'll get lots of help. The 2016 program is in place as is much of the 2017 program. We need someone to step up and join our board, a great team of volunteers, to do this important work. Please [contact me](#) to learn more.

#### *Reminder -- temporary meeting location change*

Because the Bainbridge Island library will be undergoing remodeling that affects the large upstairs meeting room, we have secured alternative space to use. Our second and third Friday meetings and some SIGs will be held at the [LDS church on Bainbridge Island](#).



### Member's Corner

*by Aimee Mroz*

The fun of genealogical research are the surprises along the way while uncovering your family's history. Prior to last November, I could barely name my grandparents and had no idea of any other place my ancestors had ever lived before Seattle. BIGS taught me where to start my research, and since then I've obsessively logged around 400 hours of research this year. Every day seemed like one surprise after another.

One important discovery was the book *A Genealogy of the Quick Family in America (1625-1942) 317 years*. This book helped to break down a brick wall surrounding my 6th great grandparents that had hampered my research further back to the late 18th century in New Jersey.

My mom and I just returned from New York where we saw a [silver bowl at The Metropolitan Museum of Art](#) that had belonged to my 9th great grandparents. They lived in Manhattan.

## News from the Board cont.

The address is 8677 Madison Avenue, just north of Ordway School. The parking and entry closest to the meeting room is on the northwest corner. Watch for email announcements for each affected meeting.

### Great Britain Special Interest Group (SIG) coming in 2017

We are excited to report that BIGS member Brian Quick has offered to lead a special interest group focused on Great Britain (England, Wales, Scotland) research. Hold Friday January 13, a lucky day for you if you have ancestors from Great Britain, for the first meeting. Watch for email from Brian in November to kick off organizing efforts for this SIG.

Betty Wiese

President


### Tip of the Month

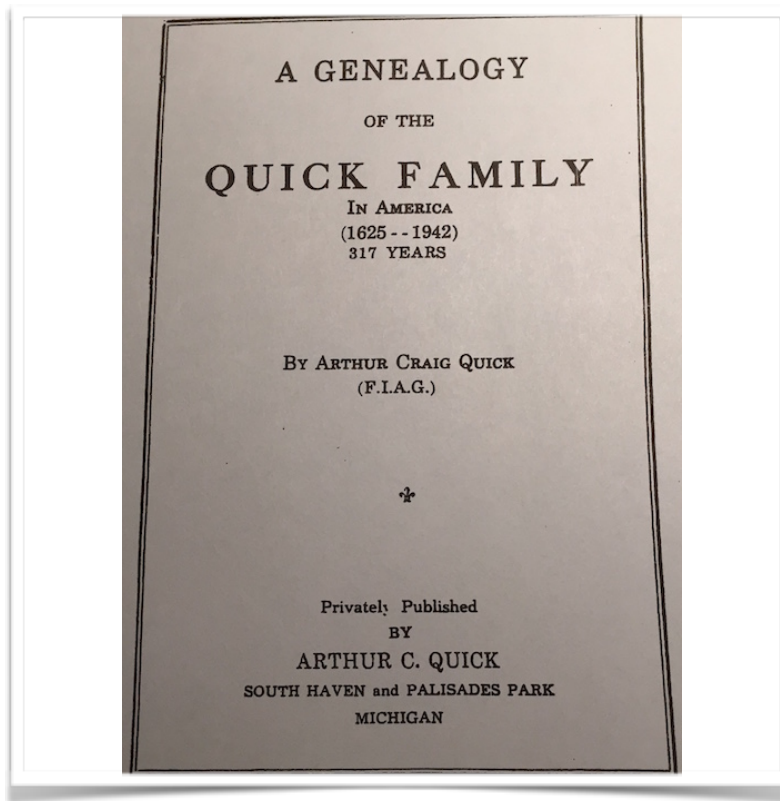
Have you looked at the library and historical society websites in the towns and counties where your ancestors lived? They may have valuable information like cemetery and vital records. You may even find someone researching the same family!

I originally found out about the bowl in the book about the Quick Family. FindAGrave has interesting information on them too.

*If you'd like to share your story in a future BIGS newsletter, please contact [Sue Hassenmiller](#).*



<p>Cornelius Kierstede (1674–ca. 1757)</p> <p>15. <b>Two-handed bowl</b></p> <p>New York City, 1700–1710</p> <p>Silver</p> <p>Samuel D. Lee Fund, 1938</p> <p>38.63</p> <p> 4516</p>	<p>Derived from Dutch, Scandinavian, and English sources, brandywine bowls were used on festive occasions such as the <i>kindermaal</i>, when women gathered to welcome a newborn child. Following Dutch custom, a bowl would be filled with brandy and raisins and passed from guest to guest. Here, boldly chased tulips create a sumptuous effect. The bowl belonged to Theunis Jacobsen Quick, a wealthy baker, and his wife, Vrutje Janse Haring.</p>
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## Meetings

*Our monthly meetings, until further notice, will be held at the LDS Church on Bainbridge Island.*

**September 16, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM** will be a special extended meeting with two speakers followed by coffee and snacks from 12:30 until 1:00 PM.

Our own **Paula Schmidt** will be presenting a ***Case Study of Epaphroditus Robinson***. Then, after a brief break, **Nuala Farrell-Griffin**, Consultant and Speaker on Irish family research, will be talking to us about ***Feast or Famine - Irish research in our digital world***.

**October 21, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

Features guest speaker Steven W. Morrison on ***Peopling the British Isles, Genetic Origins of Ireland, Wales, Scotland, and England***.

[The complete meeting schedule is on our website.](#)

For handouts from one of our guest speaker presentations, contact our historian, [Rebecca Pratt](#).

## Special Interest Groups

*Upcoming SIG meetings in chronological order. Go to [our website](#) for the complete schedule.*

**Skill Building**, *second Friday of the month*

Friday September 9, 10:00 AM - Noon, at the LDS Church, 8677 Madison Avenue NE

**Topic: Naturalization Records**

*Leader: Sue Hassenmiller*

**Northeast Mid-Atlantic**, *quarterly*

Wednesday September 14, 1:00 - 3:00 PM, at the Bainbridge Library, downstairs conference room

*Leader: Mary Ferm*

**Evening Discussion (EDG)**, *monthly*

Monday September 19, 7:00 - 9:00 PM, at the HomeStreet Bank community room

*Leaders: Mary Ferm & Sue Elfving*

**All Things DNA**, *every other month*

date and time to be announced, at the LDS Church, 8677 Madison Avenue NE

*Leader: Sue Hassenmiller*

**Irish**, *monthly*

Tuesday September 20, 1:00 - 3:00 PM, at the LDS Church, 8677 Madison Avenue NE

*Acting Leader: Sue Hassenmiller*

**Southern States**, *quarterly*

Thursday October 6, 1:00 - 3:00 PM, at the Bainbridge Library, downstairs conference room

*Leader: Paula Schmidt*

**Scandinavian**, *quarterly*

October, date and time to be announced

*Leaders: Sue Hassenmiller & Mary Ferm*

**Skill Building**, *second Friday of the month*

Friday November 11, 10:00 AM - Noon, at the LDS Church, 8677 Madison Avenue NE

**Topic: Tax Records**

*Leader: Sue Elfving*

## Genealogy News

With social networking and "one world tree" becoming a big part of the genealogy world, privacy for living people is more at risk. The National Genealogical Society has recently published a good [article on this topic](#) that's well worth reading in their UpFront blog.

One of our favorite guest speakers, Karen Sipe, just published a book about her ancestors, [The History of the Youtsey Family in America Starting in 1744](#). Congratulations Karen! You might want to read it to get some ideas about how to research or write about your ancestors.

Some of us got to hear Blaine Bettinger, "the genetic genealogist", speak at this month's Northwest Genealogy Conference in Arlington. Did you know that he has two new books - [Genetic Genealogy in Practice](#) and [The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy?](#)

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## Updates from Major Genealogy Websites

### Ancestry recently added and updated these collections

[Emigrants in Bondage, 1614-1775](#)

[California, Index to Census Roll of Indians, 1928-1933](#)

[Savannah, Georgia, Licenses and Bonds, 1837-1909](#)

[Hawaii, Special Rights of Citizenship Certificates, 1894-1895](#)

[New Jersey, Episcopal Diocese of Newark Church Records, 1809-1816, 1825-1970](#)

*Subscription required. Access the library edition for free at the Kitsap Regional Library or any Family History Center if you're not a subscriber.*

## Familysearch Historic Records Collections

Click on "Last Updated" to sort by date to view the latest records.

[United States Muster Rolls of the Marine Corps, 1798-1937](#)

[Georgia Marriages, 1808-1967](#)

[Iowa, Armed Forces Grave Registrations, ca. 1835-1998](#)

[Maine Vital Records, 1670-1907](#)

[Missouri State and Territorial Census Records, 1732-1933](#)

[North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979](#)

[North Carolina Marriages, 1759-1979](#)

[Ohio Births and Christenings, 1821-1962](#)

[Ohio Marriages, 1800-1958](#)

[Texas, County Marriage Index, 1837-1977](#)

[Texas, County Tax Rolls, 1837-1910](#)

[Texas Marriages, 1837-1973](#)

[France, Seine-Maritime, Rouen, Indexes to Church Records, 1680-1789](#)

[Norway, Probate Index Cards, 1640-1903](#)

## Findmypast - This month's additions include:

[Victoria Coastal Passenger Lists 1852-1924](#)

[England & Wales Non-Conformist Births and Baptisms](#)

[England & Wales Non-Conformist Marriages](#)

[England & Wales Non-Conformist Burials](#)

[Ireland, Outrage Reports 1836-1840](#)

[United States, Canadian Border Crossings](#)

[United States Marriages](#)

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## GenealogyBank

*You can access the library edition, America's GenealogyBank, for free from home with your Seattle Public Library card.*

*Kitsap County residents are eligible for free Seattle Public Library cards.*

*Click [here](#) to sign up for a card.*

**MyHeritage** - Subscription required.  
[Nordic Census](#)

## The New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS)

*Although a subscription is required to access many databases, there are quite a few that you can access free of charge.*

[Dutchess County, NY: Marriages, 1776-1805](#)

[Hampton County, MA: Probate File Papers, 1600-1858](#)

[Easton, MA: Marriages, 1720-1802](#)

[Jamaica, VT: Early Marriages, 1780-1821](#)

[North American Cemetery Transcriptions](#) from 1724 to 1986

[Family Registers by Richard Burton](#) family registers of Revolutionary War soldier

Vermont Vital Records with

[Pomfret 1778-1860](#)

[Putney 1740-1832](#)

[Shelburne 1743-1896](#)

[Westfield 1793-1859](#)

[Weybridge 1755-1920](#)

[Worcester 1817-1858](#)

## BIGS Website New Links

*Websites for genealogy research are listed on our [Links](#) page.*

*Here are this month's new links.*

*All new entries are tagged with \* on our website so it's easy to see what's new.*

[The Ancestor Hunt](#) has a fabulous collection of more than 17,500 links to free newspapers all organized by country and state. Go to Newspapers on our Links page.

[Autosomal DNA statistics](#) is a chart that helps you determine how you might be related to an autosomal DNA match. This is from the [International Society of Genetic Genealogy WIKI](#), a great resource for anyone using DNA to aid their genealogy research. You can find it on our Links page under Genetics & DNA > DNA > Reference.

[The Genetic Genealogist](#) is Blaine Bettinger's blog about using DNA to aid your genealogy research. You can find it on our Links page under Genetics & DNA > DNA > Reference.

[Kelly's Directory of Monmouthshire & South Wales](#) is a 1920 Directory. Find it under Places > Wales on our Links page. Thank you Sylvia Nelson for sharing this.

We talked about [Reclaim the Records](#), a group of not-for-profit genealogists, historians, researchers and others who are filing Freedom of Information requests to get public data back into the public domain in the May newsletter but I never added to our Links page. They've been busy, adding more New York, New Jersey and Missouri records. Thanks to Sue Hassenmiller for reminding me about this great site. You can find it under United States on our Links page.

[Unknown No Longer](#) is the Virginia Historical Society's Index to their collection of manuscripts relating to Virginians of African American descent. Thanks to Sue Elfving for finding this for us.



## Local Events

Fall classes at the [Fiske Library](#) in Seattle has been published. [Click here](#) for the current schedule.

**2nd Thursday of every month, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM** [Brick Wall Workshop](#), at the National Archives on Sandpoint Way in Seattle, FREE.

**Monday September 12, 2016, 2:30 - 4:30 PM** [Genealogy Databases: Ancestry Library Edition](#) at the Seattle Public Library, downtown. FREE.

**Monday September 12, 2016, 7:15 PM** [Janice Lovelace - topic TBD](#) at Jewish Genealogical Society of Washington State at the LDS Factoria Building. FREE.

**Saturday September 17, 2016, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM** [Timelines and Genealogies - A Seminar with Janet O'Camara](#) at Jefferson County Genealogical Society at the Tri-Community Center in Chimicum. \$10 suggested donation.

**Saturday September 24, 2016, 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM** [A Day of Discovery Thomas MacEntee](#) at Puget Sound Genealogical Society, Poulsbo Community Church, \$45 for non-members if registered by Sept. 15.

**Saturday October 8, 2016, [AutumnQuest](#)** HeritageQuest's annual seminar at the Emerald Queen Ballroom and Conference Center in Fife, \$60.

**Saturday October 29, 2016, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM** [Making Sense of the Science: Deciphering Your DNA Results](#) Victoria Genealogical Society Genealogy Seminar, \$90 Canadian, on or before Sept. 24, \$100 after.

## Members

Check out our [Members page](#) to find out what other BIGS members are researching. If you'd like to add or change your interests, just [let us know](#).

## Library

See our [Library page](#) if you'd like to borrow a book or CD from another BIGS member. If you're willing to loan or do lookups of your books or CDs, just [email us](#) to have them added to the list.

## Other BIGS Business

### **BIGS-net**

BIGS-net, is an email discussion group, where BIGS members communicate with other members, e.g., post a question, identify a resource, carpool to a class, meet informally. We often post about free access to premium websites and discounted genealogy subscription deals there too. Join the network by clicking the Network button on [our website](#) or [contact Sue Hassenmiller](#), the BIGS-net moderator, if you have questions.

### **Mentors**

Would you like a new perspective on your genealogy research? An annual consultation with a mentor is a benefit of BIGS membership. Contact [Betty](#) to find a mentor who can best help you.

### **Basics Class**

If you're a new BIGS member or would like to attend a Basics class, please contact [Mary Ferm](#). Basics classes are open to all members. Sometimes we all need a refresher.

### **Facebook**

Visit us on Facebook. Just scroll to the bottom of the page on [our website](#) and click on the Facebook logo!

**BIGS scholarships**

Any member in good standing can apply to the BIGS Scholarship Fund for funds to take a genealogy related class. Up to four individual scholarships may be awarded. There's a maximum of one scholarship per membership each year. Funds may be used for transportation, class materials and class fees. You can submit your [application](#) by email or in person to [Betty](#).

*Feedback and ideas from our members are always welcome. BIGS is your group so let us know what you'd like to see!*

*[Claire Smith](#)*

**Vice President & Newsletter Editor**

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