



## WAGS President's Letter January 2021

Welcome to a new year—we've all been waiting for a fresh start, and let's hope we'll be able to experience something closer to normal very soon!

Our Zoom meetings have turned out to be downright fun, with a high level of sharing and enthusiasm! It's especially pleasant to meet and interact with our new members virtually face-to-face, and to get to know some of our old-timers a little better.



*Thomas MacEntee*

### Our January meeting

On Monday, January 11 at 2:00 sharp, we'll Zoom with an old friend of WAGS, Thomas MacEntee. He will be presenting **“Genealogy Pit Stop: Research in 15-Minute Increments.”** Learn what race car teams already know: you can accomplish important, detail-oriented work in a short amount of time! No more procrastinating because you can't find a large empty spot in your schedule.

**FREE** to WAGS members (\$10 for non-members)! Register by going to the WAGS home page, or [WAGSLibrarian@gmail.com](mailto:WAGSLibrarian@gmail.com), and Diane will get you all set to receive the handout and Zoom address.

### And then in February . . .

we will make a new friend, Sara Cochran, who will give us **“Hopping Down the Paper Trail,”** a good basic lecture about research questions, plans, tracking progress, and the care and tending of hints. Sara lives in Moreno Valley, California, and maintains the [www.theskeletonwhisperer.com](http://www.theskeletonwhisperer.com) website. More information will be forthcoming.



*Sara Cochran*



### **Income**

Our third quarter rewards from Amazon Smile (\$35.65) and Fred Meyer (\$34.02) have been received. Thank you, shoppers! Our “No Work” fundraiser has netted \$3,215 from 44 donors, and we very much appreciate your generosity.

Back in November, we decided get on the list for the “GiveNCW” Community Foundation year-end fundraising campaign for local nonprofits, not expecting much reward, but thought it would be good to get some name recognition. We are astonished to see that we have received \$670! People do indeed recognize our name and the good things we do in the community!

### ***We've got the Audit Committee blues . . .***

In a normal year, we would have the Audit Committee formed, and all set to review our Treasurer's 2020 books in the very first week of January. But since in-person meetings are not yet possible with the Covid restrictions, our auditing is on hold until that changes.



However, the 2021 proposed budget will be right on schedule, presented to you at the January meeting, and you will vote on it at the February meeting.

A warm welcome to Christine Gobbato of Blaine, but soon to move to Wenatchee.

*Welcome*

Sincerely,  
Susan Rumble  
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