

# WAGS President's Letter January 2025

**2025** will be a

momentous year for WAGS! You've heard by now

that we'll be moving out of the museum while they do extensive remodeling for about two years. We were originally told to be out by June, but we've recently learned that we now have this entire year to find another place and move all our stuff.

♦ The Genealogical Society of North Central Washington has moved its research library back to the North Central Washington Museum after being temporarily housed in the Wenatchee Public Library during the museum annex's renovation.

Some of our more senior members should feel like this is deja-vous all over again! Kris found this clip in a 1984 Old News scrapbook.

I say, by golly, if we did it before, surely we can do it again!



Kate Penney Howard

### **Our January meeting**

Let's start the year with DNA! And brick walls! What can we do when traditional genealogical techniques don't give us an answer? DNA will give us opportunities to discover clues. Kate is a genetic genealogist, "specializing in brick wall work, HighROH (a DNA feature that indicates a higher level of similarity between DNA from a person's genetic parents than is typical), and endogamy (the practice of marrying within the same ethnic, cultural, social, religious or tribal group. In endogamous populations everyone will descend from the same small gene pool)." Come and learn more!

Monday, January 13 at 2:00 p.m.

## **Breaking Down Brick Walls with DNA**

In person at the FamilySearch Center, 667 10th Street NE, East Wenatchee and via Zoom:

### Topic: WAGS General Meeting Zoom LInk Time: Jan 13, 2025 02:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88156085836?pwd=IGcFc8082x8vkAslyxz9OxzjvCa0JF.1

Meeting ID: 881 5608 5836 Passcode: January

### Thank you for your support!

Our 2025 fundraiser, done in conjunction with the Community Foundation's Give NCW Campaign, has been very successful, raising over \$2,300 the last time I checked, and making us eligible for their Give-to-All funds. WAGS members are the best—thank you for your generous support.



#### The 2025 Budget

Speaking of money, many thanks to our Budget Committee of One— Diane Gundersen. She presented her proposal at the December board meeting, and the board has voted to recommend its passage. But the

final decision is up to you! We'll be sending out a copy very soon (giving you 10 days or more before the January 13 membership meeting) so that you can cast an informed yea or nay.

### Library news . . .

The library will be open on **Saturday, December 28** at 1:00 p.m. (but NOT open on New Year's Eve day). Then we'll resume our normal schedule on **Saturday, January 4.** We will continue to be



open every Tuesday and Saturday from 1 to 4 during 2025. If the weather should turn ugly on us, we won't risk an accident to open the doors. If the weather is questionable, please check the website or call before you come in.



### Books? We've got books!

Our "Name Your Price" Checkout List book sale has generated lots of interest, so we're extending it beyond Christmas. Click on "WAGS Books for You" in the blue banner on our home page to see a list of the books we're offering. Choose from this list and come in on a Tuesday or Saturday to "Name Your Price" and pick up your books. OR, just come in and browse.

### Membership renewal . . .

See if you need to **renew your membership** by logging in at wags-web.org and go to Members Only. Then click on Membership Account to discover your status and expiration date. You'll be able to renew from that page (or send a check to WAGS, 127 South Mission Street, Annex Bldg., Wenatchee 98801-3039). Thank you in advance for your support!

Wishing you a New Year of learning New things!
Susan Rumble, your president, and the board at WAGS



P.S.: January's **WAGS board meeting** will take place via Zoom on Wednesday, January 8 at 5:00 p.m. All members are welcome.

Topic: WAGS Board Zoom Meeting

Time: Jan 8, 2025 05:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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