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WVGS ACTIVITIES—SALEM

November 12th, Thursday 11:30 am to 1:00 pm
WVGS Executive Board Meeting. We will meet at the Broadway Commons in an upstairs room. The Broadway Commons is at 1300 Broadway Street NE, Salem. Board meetings are open to all members.

November 14, 2015

General Meeting—1 pm to 4 pm
Please note the location and time!

Life Source Community Room
Candalaria Terrace, 2661 Commercial St SE
Salem, Oregon 97302

Candalaria Terrace is between Culver and Candalaria Streets on Commercial St SE (just north of Aunt Bee's, use the center entrance)
Webmaster Dennis Hill has a map of the location on our website, www.wvgsor.org

1:30 pm to 2:15 pm—Program: Using the Internet to Research in Canada

Speaker: WVGS Member Mary Rains

While I was born in Ontario, Canada, we migrated West to my father's part of the country when I was very young and then on down to the U.S. My roots were in Eastern Canada, however, and, when I was 13 I was sent in search of my ancestry by my mother. She referred me to her cousin back in Ontario, Canada and said if anyone knew, it would be her. Little did I know that a simple letter would start a lifelong effort to find out about the people from whom I was descended.

The advent of the Internet provided me a new opportunity to gather detail about my family since I have usually been about 1500 to 3000 miles away from the sources!

My presentation, (Using the Internet to) Research in Canada, is a reflection of my experiences in hunting for my family. I discovered, to start with, that a

good number of my mother's family were in America for 200 years prior to migrating north to Ontario. Another branch were relative "newcomers" arriving from Ireland in the 1850s. Their stories never cease to amaze me, touch me and show me the strength of their determination.

Come join us to learn about researching Canadian resources for your Canadian ancestors and US ancestors who migrated to Canada. Our programs are open to the public. WVGS Business meeting will start at 2:15 pm and a book sale will begin at 3 pm in Suite 240.

Membership Dues

Our membership year is from January 1st to December 31st each year. Membership VP Sue Rempel is ready and waiting to take your renewals for 2016. You can pay at the meetings or mail your form and check. Dues are \$25 per year for a single member, \$35 for a family.

We appreciate our member support. It's been a difficult year with lots of changes and we wouldn't be in the good position that we are in without our wonderful members.

The membership form is on page 9 of this newsletter. Please include the form with your dues.

Officers for Next Year

It's that time again—we'll be electing officers for 2016 at the **November** meeting. Nominations can still be made from the floor. At this point, our current officers are willing to run for office again:

Nominations for Officers for 2016:

President: Elizabeth Tice

1st Vice-President (Program): John Cochran

2nd Vice-President (Membership): Suzan Rempel

Recording Secretary: Barbara Foster

Corresponding Secretary: Tony Hoff

Treasurer: Lauren Teubner



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MEMBERSHIP REPORT By Suzan Rempel
 Membership for September 2015 is 18 Life Members, 73 single memberships, 14 family memberships (28 individuals), and 3 Historical/ Genealogical Societies for a total of 122 members.
Welcome new members Jean Boice of Roseville, CA and Julie Davie of Silverton!

Meetings
Upcoming programs:
November 14th Mary Rains “Canadian Research”
 The November meeting will be at the Life Source Community Room in the Candalaria Terrace on South Commercial from 1 pm to 4 pm
December 12th Potluck, Installation of Officers, and Auction.

Newsletter
 We send newsletters to our members and exchange societies by email from our Yahoo email account (willvgs@yahoo.com).
 If any member would prefer a hard copy, please let me know. Or if we don't have your e-mail and you're willing to get your newsletter by e-mail, let me know your e-mail address. The same is true for our exchange societies and complimentary newsletters.

Parking at Salem Public Library
 The Library Parkade is metered parking at \$.75 an hour. Parking is free after 6 pm. The Pringle Parkade is free on week-ends and after 6pm. Otherwise you will have to find street parking in the residential areas.
Salem Public Library Hours:
Mon. Closed
Tues. - Thurs. 10:00 am - 9:00 pm
Fri. - Sat. 10:00 am - 6:00 pm
Sun. 1 pm to 4 pm

We also are emailing the Beaver Briefs to members. If you want a hard copy, the cost is still an additional \$6.50 for postage.

WVGS Meeting 2015 Dates

January 17	July 11
February 14	August 8
March 14	September 12
April 11	October 10
May 9	November 14
June 13	December 12

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society's DNA Project
 WVGS has a DNA Project for both men and women through www.familytreedna.com. If any of you have questions regarding DNA and which tests to order, please e-mail Emily Aulicino at: aulicino@hevanet.com. Emily is WVGS' Project Administrator.
 The DNA Project is open to anyone, not just WVGS members. You are not charged until you send in your test kit. You can do the DNA testing through WVGS and submit it to other groups.

WVGS Officers for 2015 Elected Officers
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Recording Secretary: Barbara Foster
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Treasurer: Lauren Teubner
Appointed Positions
Newsletter Editor: Elizabeth Tice
Beaver Brief Editor: Susan Bell
Librarians: Jim Willhite and Deanne Smith
Volunteer Coordinator: Craig Smith
Publicity: George Cropsey
Webmaster: Dennis Hill

NORPAC Label Redemption Program
 This money-making program is just to cut out the UPC code on FLAV-R-PAC, Santiam, and WESTPAC products and turn them in to WVGS. We then (as a nonprofit organization) mail them in once a year and receive 5 cents per label. Labels can be turned in at any Saturday WVGS meeting or mailed to WVGS.
Members decided to continue this program. Cut off the UPC label on these products and bring them in!



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Volunteers

Genealogy volunteers will be available at the following times at Salem Public Library:

- Tuesday: 11 am to 8 pm**
- Wednesday: 11 am to 5 pm**
- Thursday: 11 am to 5 pm, 6 pm to 8 pm**
- Friday: 11 am to 5 pm**
- Saturday: 11 am to 2 pm**
- Sunday: 1 pm to 4 pm**

We still need volunteers on Thursday and Saturday afternoons from 2 pm to 5 pm. If you are interested, Craig Smith is our volunteer coordinator. Our email for volunteers is wvgssalem@gmail.com. Our volunteers will be

- Tuesday: Craig and Deanne Smith
Linda Wisher and George Cropsey
Jerry Rodgers
- Wednesday: Barbara Hunter and Lou Nelson
Liz Tice and Charlien Tice
- Thursday: Tony and Sharon Hoff
Bill Blitz
- Friday: John Cochran and Lana Reilly
Barbara Foster and Doug Crosby
- Saturday: Dick Johnson and Lorraine Busch
Doug Crosby

Fred Meyer Community Rewards

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society has signed up with Fred Meyer Community Rewards as a non-profit. If you shop at Fred Meyer and use your Rewards Card, it also helps us.

- Sign up for the Community Rewards program by linking your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to Willamette Valley Genealogical Society at www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards. You can search for us by our name or by our non-profit number **82436**.
- Then, every time you shop and use your Rewards Card, you are helping WVGS earn a donation!

You still earn your Rewards Points, Fuel Points, and Rebates, just as you do today.



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Do you have questions about Autosomal DNA?

Denise Sproed, member of the Association of Professional Genealogists will be available to answer your questions about Autosomal DNA testing on the last Thursday of each month from 5 pm to 7 pm at the Genealogy Desk at Salem Public Library beginning again in January.

Denise has an interest in Autosomal DNA and is willing to answer your questions. Denise will share tips on how to use autosomal DNA for genealogy. She can be contacted at denisesproed@gmail.com

Although this is short notice, **Emily Aulicino**, our DNA program manager and a member of ISOGG (International Society of Genetic Genealogy) be speaking on

Oct 31, 2015 - Portland, Oregon - Genealogical Forum of Oregon DNA Interest Group. All three companies (Family Tree DNA, 23andMe and AncestryDNA) will be covered along with time to ask questions on any test at any company. 9:00 am to noon. Location: The GFO library in the basement at 2505 SE 11th Ave, Suite B-18, Portland, Oregon. For directions see: www.gfo.org

2016 Calendar

Good news—The City of Salem has agreed that WVGS can meet at Salem Public Library next year at no cost (we paid \$30 this year each time we met there). This will save us \$360 a year! We will meet in Anderson Room A or B if there are no conflicts with library events. Otherwise we will meet in another room. Here are the Saturday meeting dates for 2016, all in Anderson A/B except March and April:

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| January 9 | July 9 |
| February 13 | August 13 |
| March 12
(in the Heritage Room) | September 10 |
| April 9
(Heritage Room) | October 8 |
| May 14 | November 12 |
| June 11 | December 10 |



Beaver Briefs

Members and societies who have provided us with an email address receive our quarterly publication **Beaver Briefs** by email. All members, exchange societies and libraries can access our publications online also by contacting us.

To access **Beaver Briefs**:

- Go to the WVGS website: www.wvgsor.org
- Under **WVGS Document Resource PDFs** is *Members: to access the WVGS Beaver Briefs [Click Here.](#)
- Enter your password in the box and click on **Submit.**

Members should have received a postcard with their password on it. This is needed to access the "Members Only" section of our website. Only members and societies who have paid \$6.50 for postage for 2015 will receive issues in the mail.

Beaver Briefs Vol. 47, No.4 will be sent or mailed soon.

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New Books

Our collection still has not been added to the online catalog-however we are purchasing new books anyway!

The Great Migration Directory: Immigrants to New England, 1620–1640, by Robert Charles Anderson 2015. This complete survey lists the names of all known to have come to New England during the Great Migration period, 1620–1640. \$77.16



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Start on Your Genealogy

A partnership between
**Willamette Valley Genealogical Society
 And Senior Center 50+**

The Center 50+ will have a **Genealogy Class in the Computer Lab at the Center 50+ in partnership with the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society.**

When: Mondays, January 11 & 25, February 1, 8, & 22, 2016 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

**Where: Center 50+
 2615 Portland Rd NE
 Salem, OR 97301**

**Contact: Alvin Scott / 503-588-6303 /
ascott@cityofsalem.net**

Instructor: Elizabeth Tice, current President of Willamette Valley Genealogical Society and amateur genealogist for over 15 years

Cost: \$30
 Class is limited to 12 students plus 3 with their own laptops. Preregistration in the Computer Lab at the Center 50+ is required. Basic computer skills are needed. WVGS receives 60% of the fee.

The class will cover the basics of genealogy and how to get started, using a software program, and sources for records as we work backwards in time. You will have time to search online.

Help Needed

Would you like to help our society out but don't want to commit to being an officer? We need committee chairpersons and committee members for these projects to get going in 2016.

Constitution/Bylaws Revision

Our constitution is now out-of-date since we have moved from the Oregon State Library. We need to revise it to meet our current activities.

Periodicals

We still need a chairperson and other members to organize and keep track of our periodicals, both those stored at Candalaria and our current subscriptions and exchanges.

Book Repair

We have shelves of books in poor condition and in notebooks that are in desperate need of work!

Volunteer at the meeting or willvgs@yahoo.com



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October Program

Our October speaker was **Kerry Wymetalek**. Kerry talked about Meek's Cutoff and the Blue Bucket Mine. His great-great grandfather's brother came to Oregon in 1845 with Stephen Meek. Stephen Meek was a mountain man, brother of Joe Meek. Stephen convinced pioneers to follow him on an "easier" trail through the Blue Mountains of Oregon. They ended up in the high desert with no water or feed. Groups broke off trying to get through the desert.

One splinter group went to look for water, found shiny rocks that the children supposedly put in a blue bucket. They didn't know it was gold as water and feed was a necessity. Later they found out it was gold and tried to find it. The location of the Blue Bucket Mine has never been located exactly.

Kerry donated his books to the Society. These will be available later for members to check out and then will be put into our collection at Salem Public Library:

- *Surviving the Oregon Trail 1852*, by Weldon Willis Rau
- *Ghosts of the Pioneers* by Twain Braden
- *Barlow Road* by Clackamas and Wasco County Historical Societies
- *The Meek Cutoff* by Brooks Geer Ragen
- *The Oregon Trail* DVD as aired on Public Television

Thank you, Kerry, for a talk that reminded us of our Oregon heritage and for the donations!

November Meeting

Our November meeting will be at Life Source Community Center in the Candalaria Terrace from 1 pm to 4 pm. We will have our program speaker and general meeting first

Our last event will be a book sale in our office space on the second floor, Suite 240. We still have books that are duplicates or out of date. As Jim Willhite says, "Books Needing a Home". We are asking for a donation. The list follows in the next column and the following two pages.

We have stored our Family History Collection and periodicals at Candalaria. **The books are now labeled and available to members to check out. Boxes of periodicals can also be checked out by members.**

The list of family histories and periodicals is on our website, <http://www.wvgsor.org/> under Materials.

Also many of you may not know that all members used to fill our pedigree charts, along with index cards for each person on the chart (before we did our charts on computers!). The cards were put into a database and printed out. These member pedigree charts and notebooks of persons in the charts will also be displayed in our office for the November meeting. We also have WVGS tote bags and wall pedigree charts for sale.



WVGS Books for Sale

Reference:

How to Locate Anyone Who Is Or Has Been in the Military, Richard S. Johnson, 1990

The Handybook for Genealogists United States of America, George B. Everton, Jr, 1991

Finding Your Roots Online, Nancy Hendrickson, 2003

The Handwriting of American Records for a Period of 300 Years, E. Kay Kirkham, 1973

Map Guide to the U.S. Federal Censuses 1790-1920, Willia Thorndale and William Dollarhide, 1987

A Handy Guide to Record Searching in the Larger Cities of the United States, E.I Kay Kirkham, 1974

The National Yellow Book of Funeral Directors, 1999

California

Sonoma County (California) Death Records 1873-1905, Sonoma County Genealogical Society, Inc, 1985

Santa Rosa (California) Rural Cemetery, 1852-1980 A Listing of Burials in Fulkerson, Moke, Rural and Stanley Cemeteries, Sonoma County Genealogical Society, Inc, 1987

Georgia

A List of the Early Settlers of Georgia, E, Merton Coulter and Albert B. Save, 1983

40,000 Early Georgia Marriages, Joseph Maddox and Mar Carter, 1976

Indiana

Indiana Land Entries, Volume 2 Part I, Vicennes District, 1807-1877

Kentucky

Kentucky Marriage Records from the Register of the Kentucky Historical Society, 1983

Kentucky Court and Other Records Volume II, Mrs. William Breckenridge Ardery, 1972

Kentucky Records, Early Wills and Marriages, Old Bible Records and Tombstone Inscriptions, Mrs. William Breckenridge Ardery, 1969

Maine

Annual Report of the Adjutant General of the State of Maine for the Year Ending December 31, 1863, 1863

Maryland

To Maryland from Overseas, A Complete Digest of the Jacobite Loyalists Sold into White Slavery in Maryland and the British and Continental Background of Approximately 1400 Maryland Settlers from 1634 to the Early Federal Period with Source Documentation, Harry Wright Newman, 1986

Maryland Records, Colonial, Revolutionary, County and Church from Original Sources, Vol. I and II, Gaius Marcus Brumbaugh, 1975

Mississippi

Hinds County, Mississippi Marriage Records 1823-1848, Clara Wright Forrest, 1957

Missouri

History of Ray County, MO, Carefully Written and Compiled



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from the Most Authentic Official and Private Sources, including a History of the Townships, City, Towns and Villages, author unnamed

Montana

The Story of Maria's Pass, Grace Flandrau

New England

Genealogical Notes or Contributions to the Family History of Some of the First Settlers of Connecticut and Massachusetts, Nathaniel Goodwin, 1856

Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, Volume 3, George Soule, 1984

Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, Volume 1, George Soule, 1984

The Mayflower Descendant, Volume II, No. 4, October 1900

New York

Historical and Statistical Gazetteer of New York State, 1860, J. H. French, 1860

The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, Vol.102, 1971

North & South Carolina

North Carolina Taxpayers 1701-1786, 1964

North and South Carolina Marriage Records from the Earliest Colonial Days to the Civil War, William Montgomery Clemens, 1975

North Carolina Revolutionary Soldiers, Sailors, Patriots & Descendants, Volume I, Joseph Maddox and Mary Carter, about 1977

North Dakota

The People of Bottineau County, North Dakota, 1987

Ohio

Ohio Source Records from The Ohio Genealogical Quarterly, 1986

Ohio Area Key, A Study of Genealogical Record Sources of Ohio, Carol Wilsey Flavell and Florence Clint, 1977

Oregon

Oregon Pioneers, Vol. 1, Oregon Genealogical Society
Marriages Lincoln County Oregon 1893-1926, Evelyn Parry 1989

Malheur County Oregon Records (Marriages 1887-1900, Index of wills 1886-1895), Oregon Genealogical Society 1983

Cemeteries of Hood River County Oregon, County, Estella Pryor 1993

Records of Washington County Oregon, Vol. 3 Cemetery Records, GFO 1977

Tillamook Memories, Tillamook Pioneer Association 1972

Glimpses of Historic South Salem, David Duniway 1982

Mission to Oregon, Nancie Peacock Fadeley 1976

Oregon Ghost Towns, Lambert Florin 1970

Illustrated Historical Atlas Map of Marion and Linn Counties, Edgar Williams & Co 1976 reprint of 1878

Fairview Cemetery/King's Prairie Burying Ground 1883-1983, Cheryl Smith Copeland 1988



WVGS Surplus Books

The First United Methodist Church of Salem, Oregon, J. Orin and May C Oliphant 1974

Polk County Cemeteries, Vol Two The Southwest Fourth, Polk County Genealogical Society, 1988

Linn County, Oregon, Pioneer Settlers, Oregon Territory Donation Land Claim Families to 1855. Vol. 6, John Miles and Richard Millican, 1984

Polk County, Oregon Death Records 1903-1921, Polk County Genealogical Society, 1989

Oregon, Sherman County Marriages 1889-1906. Sherry Kaseberg, 1977

Oregon 1860 Multnomah County Census, Ruth Stoller, 1975

Oregon Mortality Schedules, 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880

Early Cemeteries of Gresham, Escobar, Gresham Pioneer, St. Joseph, and White Birch, Multnomah County, Oregon, Wava Stockton, 1999

Adoptions and Name Changes, State of Oregon, 1876-1919, D. Camden

Oregon Index to Early Settlers of Tayhill County, Oregon, Mrs. VanValin and Mrs. Paul, 1998

Jacksonville Newspapers, Extractions of Miscellaneous Jacksonville (OR) Newspapers, 1988

Index to Clackamas County, Oregon Birth Records, Vol. I 1907-1910, Mt. Hood Genealogical Forum

1878 Itemizer, Newspaper Extracts, Polk County, Oregon, Clara Foster and Justine Jones, 1990

Guide to Oregon Provisional and Territorial Government Records, Oregon State Archives, 1990

Historic Capitols of Oregon...An Illustrated Chronology, William Allen Bentson

Scholls Community Church First 100 Years 1893-1993

Marion County History, Vol. 3 1957, Vol. XI 1972-1976

Scandinavians in the Silverton Country, Their Arrival and Settlement, Gertrude Tingelstad, 1978

The First Hundred Years, 1834-1934 Willamette University from Jason Lee to Carl Doney, Wright Cowger

1988 Directory of Sellwood United Methodist Church

Pennsylvania

J.H. Bryson's Lancaster (PA) Directory for 1943, the Names of the Inhabitants, Their Occupations, Places of Business and Residences, Southwest Pennsylvania Genealogical Services

Research in Pennsylvania, Wendy L. Elliott, 1978

Rhode Island

Newportraits (RI), Newport Art Museum, 2000

Tennessee

Benton County, Tennessee Marriage Book #1 1846-1850, James L. Douthat, 1981

Tennessee Giles County Marriages 1818-1862, about 1987

Virginia

Early Virginia Immigrants 1623-1666, George Cabell Greer, 1960



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Virginia Wills and Administrations 1632-1800, An Index of the Wills Recorded in Local Courts of Virginia, 1632-1800, and of Administrations on Estates Shown by Inventories of the Estates of Intestates recorded in Will (and other) Books of Local Courts, 1632-1800, Clayton Torrence, about 1930
Marriages of Prince Edward County, Virginia 1754-1810, Catherine L. Knorr, 1950

Virginia, Dickenson County Marriages 1880-1900, Nancy Clark Baker, about 1986

Virginia Tax Records from the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, the William and Mary College Quarterly, And Tyler's Quarterly, 1983

Virginia Military Records, from the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, the William and Mary College Quarterly, and Tyler's Quarterly, 1983

Virginia Marriage Records, from the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, the William and Mary College Quarterly, and Tyler's Quarterly, 1984

Tidewater Virginia Families: A Magazine of History and Genealogy, Vol. 2 No. 1, May/June 1993

Washington

Washington Territory Donation Land Claims, An Abstract of information in the land claim papers of persons who settled In Washington Territory before 1856, Seattle Genealogical Society, 1980

Tombstone Inscriptiuons Adams County & Pend Oreille County, Washington, George Hays and Carrie Lartigue, 1976

Peninsula Cemeteries, Pacific County Washington, Pacific County Genealogical Society, 1988

Washington Territory Donation Land Claims, Seattle Genealogical Society, 1980

West Virginia

Cemeteries of Hampshire County, W. VA and Vicinity, Ralph L. Triplett, 1974

U.S. Immigrations

Bonded Passengers to America, Volume I History of Transportation: 1615-1773, Volume II Middlesex: 1617-1775, Peter Wilson Coldham, 1983

Bonded Passengers to American, Volume III London: 1656-1775, Volume IV Home Counties: 1665-1775, Peter Wilson Coldham, 1983

Bonded Passengers to America, Volumes V-IX, Western, Oxford, Norfolk, Northern, and Midland Circuits 1663-1775, Peter Wilson Coldham, 1983

German Immigrants, Lists of Passengers Bound from Bremen to New York, 1855-1862, Gary J. Zimmerman and Marion Wolfert, 1986

Passenger Arrivals at the Port of Baltimore 1820-1834, Michael H. Tepper, 1982

They Came in Ships, John Philip Colletta, 1989

U.S. Native American

Old Cherokee Families, Old Families and Their Genealogy with Index, Emmet Starr, about 1984

Cherokee Nation Marriages 1884-1901, Abstracted from Indian Chieftain Newspapers, Dixie Bogle and Dorothy Nix, 1980

The Road to Disappearance A History of the Creek Indians, Angie Debo, 1941

United Kingdom

Irish Names and Surnames, Patrick Woulfe, 1969

General Alphabetical Index to the Townlands and Towns, Parishes and Baronies of Ireland based on the Census of Ireland for the Year 1851, 1861

The Phillimore Atlas and Index of Parish Registers, Cecil R. Humphery-Smith, 1984

Falaise Roll, Recording Prominent Companions of William Duke of Normandy at the Conquest of England, M. Jackson Crispin and Leonce Macary, 1985

Canada

The French-Canadian Ancestors, Thomas J. Laforest, 1984

Family Histories

Lewis, Meriwethers and Their Kin, Lewis and Meriwethers with Their Tracings Through the Families Whose Records Are Herein Contained, Sarah Travers Lewis (Scott) Anderson, 1984

Some Historical Notes Henton Families, Rev. Wiley Logan Henton, 1974-75

Lucinda Stephens Halbert's The Stephens Family Journal, Theresa Taafe, 1993

Franz Toews : from Heubuden, West Prussia, to Mountain Lake, Minnesota, 1812-1898 and his descendants, Toevs, Toavs, Taves, Taevs, Luella Toews Wiese 1993

Genealogy at the Oregon Historical Society

The Research Library provides many resources, materials, and services for genealogists. Whether you are looking for an obituary, a photograph, a genealogy workshop, or the history behind an Oregon family, institution, building, or event, the library has something for you. Our library staff, including an onsite trained genealogist, is waiting to assist you.

The research library offers monthly genealogy workshops to help with many aspects of family history. These workshops are taught by our professional genealogist, as well as knowledgeable guest speakers. Workshops resume in January 2016.

Location: 1200 SW Park Ave, Portland, Oregon

Hours: 10 am to 5 pm, Monday-Saturday, Noon to 5 pm Sundays

Admission: \$11 for non-members

www.ohs.org



Searching Online

Family Search

Apart from a very significant addition to the [Italy Napoli Civil Registration \(State Archive\) 1809-1865](#) collection, the new additions are predominantly about new, free US marriages and passenger lists collections. Search marriage records from 11 states. Check out all of the new collections below. Most have had indexing added to an existing collection. Some have images added.

[Colorado County Marriages 1864-1995](#)

[Iowa County Marriages 1838-1934](#)

[Italy Napoli Civil Registration \(State Archive\) 1809-1865](#)

[Kentucky County Marriages 1797-1954](#)

[Louisiana New Orleans Passenger Lists 1820-1945](#)

[Louisiana Parish Marriages 1837-1957](#)

[New Hampshire Marriage Certificates 1948-1959](#)

[New York County Marriages 1847-1848; 1908-1936](#)

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

[Ohio County Marriages 1789-2013](#)

[Oklahoma County Marriages 1890-1995](#)

[Pennsylvania Civil Marriages 1677-1950](#)

[Russia Tatarstan Church Books 1721-1939](#)

[Tennessee County Marriages 1790-1950](#)

[United States Passport Applications 1795-1925](#)

[Vermont St. Albans Canadian Border Crossings 1895-1924](#)

[Washington, County Marriages 1855-2008](#)

Swedish Research

According to the MyHeritage blog at <http://goo.gl/842udE>:

We are happy to announce that we've added over 46 million Swedish records to *MyHeritage SuperSearch*. The high quality parish register records, spanning 1880 to 1920, are now available, indexed and searchable online for the first time. These records include information about births, deaths, marriages, addresses and changes in household composition. They provide a unique view into the lives of Swedish people living at that time, making this collection a fantastic family history resource for anyone with Swedish heritage.

The *Sweden Household Examination Books*, in addition to over 6 billion other global historical records, are available in *SuperSearch*, MyHeritage's search engine for historical records. Searching is free.

<http://www.myheritage.com/research>



Fold 3

WVGS subscribes to Fold 3 at the Salem Public Library Bounty-Land Warrants

If you've looked closely at Fold3's Revolutionary War Pensions and War of 1812 Pension Files, you may have noticed that some pension files include correspondence or claims regarding bounty land. And, of course, Fold3 also has the Bounty -Land Warrant Applications Index. But just what is bounty land?

Bounty land served as both an incentive and reward for military service. It was issued to eligible veterans or their heirs by the Continental Congress and federal government through congressional acts passed between 1776 and 1856. Most early federal bounty land was in military districts like Ohio and other parts of the former Northwest Territory. Later, land was set aside in the territories of Michigan, Illinois, and Louisiana. Post-1847, land anywhere in the public domain qualified.

Unlike military pensions, qualifying veterans didn't have to demonstrate financial need to apply for federal bounty land, but they (or their heirs) did need to file a claim. Some states also offered bounty land, but the collections on Fold3 contain information about federal bounty-land claims.

Early on, federal bounty land applications were handled by the War Department, but later they became the purview of the Pension Office and Department of the Interior. If a veteran's application for bounty land was approved, they would receive a bounty land warrant (sometimes abbreviated in the files as B.L.Wt.) for a certain number of acres. They could then either transfer or sell the warrant (which is what many did), or file it with a land office for a selected portion of land. They then received a land patent, which is what gave them ownership of the land.

The amount of bounty land granted changed over time through a series of acts of Congress. Most Revolutionary War veterans were originally offered 100 acres (with larger amounts offered to those of higher rank), but many veterans of the War of 1812 were eligible to receive at least 160 acres, which in some cases was later doubled. In 1855, the minimum acreage for surviving Revolutionary War veterans or their heirs was also raised to 160 acres; those who had already been granted a warrant for a lesser acreage could apply for the difference. Eventually, qualifying veterans of the Mexican-American War and Indian Wars also became eligible to apply for bounty land. Civil War veterans were not offered bounty land.

Programs for 2016

Do you have ideas for topics for a program? If you have suggestions, please let John Cochran or Liz Tice. If you know of a speaker, that's even better! What areas of genealogy, history, research, Oregon history and Marion County history would like us to feature for a program?



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 http://www.wvgsor.org

The **Willamette Valley Genealogical Society** was organized in December 1968, to create and foster the study of family history, to aid in the publication of local history, and to aid in the establishment of materials in local genealogical library collections. It is an Oregon Non-Profit corporation, and was determined by IRS to be a 501 (c) (3) organization. Your donations may be federal tax-deductible.

Membership Application

- Members will receive a monthly newsletter informing them of programs, activities, and genealogical news.
- Members receive online access to **Beaver Briefs**, a quarterly bulletin featuring Marion County genealogy and history.
- Members benefit from research assistance, monthly programs, and access to WVGS's books, periodicals and CDs.
- Help for beginners at the Beginner's classes.

WVGS MEMBERSHIP FORM Please if this is a NEW or RENEWAL membership

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone _____ **email:** _____

Amount enclosed -

\$ _____ for Annual Dues (\$25 individual or \$30 family membership), includes Beaver Briefs on-line

\$ _____ for postage to receive copies of Beaver Briefs in the mail (\$6.50)

\$ _____ for one-time payment for Life Membership Under age 70 (\$250) Age 70 or Over (\$200)

\$ _____ other (please identify) _____

\$ _____ **TOTAL ENCLOSED**

Additional Donations

- Patron \$100**
- Sustainer \$250**
- Benefactor \$500**
- Corporate/Trust \$1,000**

- See our website for information on Life Membership or pick up a Life Membership form from an officer.

- **Pro-rated** Amounts for new members who join after March 31st:

SINGLE	FAMILY
Apr-Jun: \$18.75	Apr-Jun: \$22.50
Jul-Sept: \$12.50	Jul-Sept: \$15.00
Oct-Dec: \$6.25	Oct-Dec: \$7.50

SIGNATURE _____ **Date** _____

NAME-ADDRESS-PHONE	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Woodburn LDS Family History Center 1000 Country Club Rd. [back- ring bell] Woodburn, OR 97071 / 503-981-4731	CLOSED		10 am— 2 pm	7 pm- 8:30 pm	4 pm - 8 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
Salem East LDS Family History Center 862 45th Ave NE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-371-0453	CLOSED		9 am— 4 pm	2 pm— 9 pm	CLOSED	9 am— 2 pm	CLOSED
Salem LDS Family History Center 4550 Lone Oak Rd SE Salem, OR 97302 / 503-378-0383 ext 7	4pm— 7pm	CLOSED	9am— 9pm	By Appt.	9 am— 9pm	CLOSED	9 am- 12 noon
Oregon State Archives 800 Summer St NE Salem, OR 97310 / 503-373-0701	CLOSED	8 am—12 am and 1 pm—4:45 pm (CLOSED State Holidays)					CLOSED
Salem Public Library 585 Liberty St SE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-588-6052	1 pm– 5 pm	CLOSED	10 am—9 pm (CLOSED City Holidays)			10 am—6 pm	
Willamette Heritage Center Research Library 1313 Mill St SE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-364-2128	CLOSED	CLOSED	12 pm—4 pm				



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