



## WILLAMETTE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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### WVGS ACTIVITIES—SALEM MEETINGS

#### Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting

We've been living with the new coronavirus for months, and the spread of COVID-19 is still going strong in many areas around the world, in the US and in Oregon. As the pandemic wears on, people are getting tired of taking coronavirus precautions. However masks, face shields and face coverings are currently required statewide for offices and indoor public spaces. WVGS qualifies as an "indoor social gathering" and we don't feel it would be safe to have a meeting. This means that our monthly general meeting for November has been cancelled by the Executive Board. **There will not be a General meeting on November 14th, 2020.**

The WVGS Executive Board **will** meet on November 12th, 2020 at the VFW Hall at 630 Hood St NE in Salem, Oregon at 11:30 am. We still have society business that needs to be taken care of and we have room to distance ourselves. Members are welcome to attend, masks required.

#### Membership for 2021

- ♦ Your WVGS Executive Board has decided that **all members who were members of WVGS on April 1, 2020 will have their membership extended to December 31, 2021.**
- ♦ So it is not necessary for current members to fill out a membership form for 2021, nor to send in any money for dues for 2021!
- ♦ This does not include the additional \$7.00 fee for a hard copy of Beaver Briefs. If you wish to receive Beaver Briefs through the US mail, you will still need to fill out the form on page 7

WVG has signed up for AmazonSmile. We shop there (admit it!) and this costs you nothing. You do have to start at smile. Amazon.com though and select Willamette Valley Genealogical Society from the list. You can also go directly to the link below for our account:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/93-0703189>

### Welcome to AmazonSmile!

Thank you for supporting  
Willamette Valley Genealogical Society.

Remember, always start at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)  
and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your  
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## WVGS Information

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT** By Suzan Rempel

Membership as of October 8, 2020 was 1 society, 20 Life Members, 43 single memberships, and 10 family memberships (20 individuals) for a total of 84 members.

### **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.

We also are emailing the **Beaver Briefs** to members. If you want a hard copy, the cost is still an additional \$7.00 for postage. **Beaver Briefs** can be accessed by members on our website under Member Page with a password. If you need your password, contact Liz Tice.

### **WVGS and Salem Public Library**

**Both of Salem Public Library's current physical branches, Salem Public Library at Broadway and the West Salem Branch Library, will be closed to the public until further notice**

Salem Public Library now offers contactless Curbside Service, by appointment only, to Salem Public Library cardholders. While our book drops remain closed, patrons with Curbside Service appointments can also return items.

STEP 1: To begin this process, you can visit your library account to place holds on items you wish to check out:

On the CCRLS website

With the CCRLS mobile app

Contact staff by email at [library@cityofsalem.net](mailto:library@cityofsalem.net)

Contact staff by phone at 503-588-6315 (leave a message; we will call you back during regular business hours)

### **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. You can do this on our website under **Help**.
- 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. Thank you
- WVGS's Fred Meyer Community Rewards number is **IW083**.

### **Meeting Dates for 2020 (if held)**

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

**Salem Public Library is closed do to COVID-19. You can check the online catalog at [https://catalog.ccrls.org/client/en\\_US/spl/](https://catalog.ccrls.org/client/en_US/spl/) . Our collection of genealogical materials is in storage. But, the Library is now able to offer contactless curbside pickup to their collection, by appointment only, to City of Salem resident cardholders.**

### **WVGS Officers for 2020**

#### **Elected Officers**

President: *Elizabeth Tice*

1st Vice-President (Program): *Doug Crosby*

2nd Vice-President (Membership): *Suzan Rempel*

Recording Secretary: *Sally Broadwater*

Corresponding Secretary: *Tony Hoff*

Treasurer: *Barbara Foster*

#### **Appointed Positions**

Newsletter Editor: *Elizabeth Tice*

Beaver Brief Editors: *Dennis Hill & Craig Smith*

Librarians: *Deanne Smith*

Volunteer Coordinator: *Craig Smith*

Publicity: *George Cropsey*

Webmaster: *Dennis Hill*

Periodicals: *Jerry Rodgers*



## WVGS News

### President's Report for October 10, 2020

The General Meeting scheduled for October 10th was cancelled due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic. Members were notified in the October newsletter that the meeting had been cancelled. The Executive Board did meet on September 10<sup>th</sup> and again on September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

1. Treasurer's report: Barbara Foster compiled a Treasurer's report for the month of September.  
Correction to last month's report: account balance was \$32,813.69, not \$32,813.60 (typo on report, not in Treasurer's bookkeeping). For September: Income for Operations was \$1,025.00 donations, \$7 payment from a member for print copies of Beaver Briefs in 2021, \$122.50 for research, and \$50 for a voided check for a program. We also sold publications for \$26, for a total income for of \$1,230.50. Expenses for operations were for rent at Candalaria \$344.21, newsletter stamps \$110. We also paid \$5.98 to mail a publication order. Total for expenses for the month \$460.19. BALANCE on September 30, 2020 was \$33,584.00. We decided to open a savings account with Pioneer Bank for the bulk of our money, keeping a minimum amount of funds in the checking account.
2. Membership Report from Sue Rempel: One Life Member, Dr. Charles Colman has passed away, we have 1 Society, 21 Life members, 10 families/20 members, and 44 singles for 76 memberships or 86 members.
3. Meeting and speaker were cancelled.
4. Salem Public Library is closed. Volunteers will not be at the desk. The State Library has contacted us about a family history book that was donated to them that they cannot keep. Deanne Smith will pick it up. We received six boxes of materials from member Sue Bell's estate. Deanne has gone through those and decided what we can add to our collection, especially periodicals at Candalaria.
5. Corresponding Secretary Tony Hoff reported "The research requests are decreasing. We only received 2 requests in September. One was for Ancestry pages, censuses. Mews articles, etc. on about 20 ancestors. The other was for a document in an Indian Historical Collection on Ancestry." Both requests were from incarcerated persons.
6. Craig Smith is working on the Fall issue of Beaver Briefs, Vol. 52, #4 which is due out on November 1st. The Summer Issue was sent out on August 1, 2020.
7. Dennis Hill has kept our website updated.
8. The WVGS Executive Board met on September 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at the VFW Hall (thank you Kerry Wymetalek) to conduct society business. We decided to extend membership to December 31, 2021 for all current members. We agreed to contact each member by phone, twice if necessary, then by email or by mailing a letter. We will be asking about services of WVGS that are most valuable and what we might do to provide more benefits. We are interested in member's feelings about have virtual programs. Results will be discussed in October and November. Thanks to WVGS Member Dave Bruey for the suggestion of personal contact.
9. We decided to sign up for Smile Amazon as a way to earn some money.

Liz Tice, President

### **WVGS Board Meeting**

The WVGS Board will meet on November 12th, 2020 from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at the VFW Marion Post at 630 Hood St NE in Salem. We have room to keep our social distance and wear masks. Thank you to Kerry Wymetalek for allowing us to meet there.

- \* For those members concerned about the effect of extending membership on our finances—one donation last month covered two-thirds of the lost income from membership dues.
- \* Contact Liz Tice at willvgs@yahoo.com for your password for the "Member Page" on our website.



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### **Ancestry.com at Salem Public Library**

If you have a library card for Salem Public Library, the Library is allowing access to Ancestry.com for library patrons. " During the closure, our virtual services are still available. These systems require a library card and PIN number for access. Don't have a library card? You can sign up online through our shared Chemeketa Cooperative Regional Library Service (CCRLS) catalog at: <http://bit.ly/CCRLSregister>."

Google Salem Public Library or <https://www.cityofsalem.net/library>.

Click on Virtual Services and then Online Services.

The Library Edition of Ancestry is a World Edition, but you cannot work on your own tree.

### **Elections of Officers for 2021**

- **In October**, our message was: If you would like to nominate yourself or anyone else, please contact the Society at [willvgs@yahoo.com](mailto:willvgs@yahoo.com) by October 10, 2020. If no other nominations are received, we will not have a vote as nominees are running unopposed. Election will be read into the record as "Unanimous". If we receive other nominations, we will have an election by mail. Ballots will be mailed out the week of October 19, 2020, to be returned by November 14, 2020.
- Surprise! No one contacted us to volunteer to run for an office. So at the Executive Board meeting on November 12th, 2020, it will be read into the record that WVGS officers for 2021 will be:

Liz Tice President

Doug Crosby 1st VP (Program)

Sue Rempel 2nd VP (Membership)

Barbara Foster Treasurer

Sally Broadwater Recording Secretary Tony Hoff Corresponding Secretary.

Thank you to the officers for volunteering their time again!

*WVGS Life Member Dr. Charles Colman*

Charles Kingsbury Colman, 91, died Aug 5, 2020 at home in Salem, Oregon. He was born May 14, 1929 in Nashua, NH to Charles and Lela (Bessey) Colman, and was older brother to Ann and David. Until her passing in 2003, he was married 52 yrs to Marjorie Bahe of Omaha, NE.

Charles was a veteran, serving with U.S. Air Force and U.S. Army till his military retirement as Chief Warrant Officer (CW2) in 1967. Though military service was a family tradition, education was his passion. After moving his family to Brevard County, FL, he returned to college to complete a Doctorate from Florida Atlantic University. Dr Colman was employed for many years at Satellite High School, serving as Dean of Students, guidance counselor, teacher, and golf coach. In 1982 he worked for Brevard Community College (now Eastern Florida State College) where he held senior administrative positions until retiring in 1994 as BCC President Emeritus. Upon the passing of his wife, Charles joined his daughter's family in Oregon.

Funeral Home: Forest Lawn Funeral Home and Cemetery

<http://funeralinnovations.com/obituary/493737/Charles-Colman/>





### Survey of Members

Our officers tried to contact all members in September, first by phone, then email and a few were sent a letter. We feel talking to members was a great experience. We also got suggestions for programs when we can meet again. Here are the results. We have not had time to make plans yet.

#### Member Survey 2020 Recommendations and Results

1. We should definitely ***contact every member on an annual basis.***
2. We need a procedure in place to ***make sure we have current contact information on Life Members,*** since they do not complete the yearly membership form.
3. We need to have ***current contact information on all members.*** We might want to consider distributing a questionnaire at a meeting once a year, to reduce the number of phone calls.
4. ***Place a notice in the Newsletter and on our website that we would be contacting members*** for suggestions and updates and list the questions. Then they would be more prepared, and we might get better responses.
5. Most ***members were happy*** to be contacted by an officer.
6. We need to keep in mind that ***some of our members do not use a computer or the internet.***

#### Responses for most useful benefit and number of responses:

Newsletter 20  
Sharing 14  
Beaver Briefs 14  
Programs 13  
Volunteering 9  
Getting help/helping others 6  
Library use of our books 4  
Access to ancestry.com & newspapers.com 3  
Classes 2



### Responses September 2020

Notices about free stuff & other societies 2  
Information about seminars & webinars 1  
Ancestry through library 1  
Publications on website 1

#### Responses for suggestions for more or new benefits:

Virtual programs 16  
Zoom 9  
No zoom 7  
Library access 3  
Ancestry 2  
Digital/PDF Family Tree Magazine 2  
More research help 1  
Classes online 1  
Classes in evenings 1  
Don't do Facebook 1  
Free webinars 1  
Publish list of family histories at Candalaria 1 (starts in next BB)  
Fold3 & newspapers.com for all members 2  
Communicate with other members directly by Zoom 2 couple  
Only interested in Welsh research/get in touch with society or researcher 1

#### Program suggestions:

How to organize websites on computer  
DNA 6  
How I succeeded (overcame roadblock)  
Cemetery research  
Virtual tour of our website  
Evernote  
German History  
Willamette Valley in the 1800s  
Collaborative seminar  
Seminar on African American Research

#### Website:

Beaver Briefs 4  
Need password 1  
Old issues 1  
Publications 1

***Doesn't currently do genealogy 7***  
***Doesn't use computer 4***



## Mayflower 400



## Mayflower 400



"In telling the historically accurate and culturally inclusive history, Plymouth 400 has initiated a partnership with [Mayflower 400 in the UK](#), [Leiden 2020 in the Netherlands](#), and Wampanoag Nation, encompassing the federally recognized tribes of [Aquinnah](#) and [Mashpee](#), to enhance the understanding of people, places and motivations that culminated in America's founding story. "

Our one-sided view of the arrival of the *Pilgrims* on the *Mayflower* in 1620 was shaped in the 19th century, leaving out the effect on Native Americans. That is changing! The 400th Celebration is a chance for all of the stories to be told. But nothing changes the fact that many Americans are descendants of those English men and women. There are an estimated 10 million living Americans and as many as 35 million people worldwide who descended from the Pilgrims, according to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants from only 102 passengers.

WVGS has a collection of the "Silver Books", genealogies through all fifth-generation descendants of the Mayflower passengers, with a complete index including: birth, marriage, death, and deeds for these descendants, their spouses, and children. We did not lock these books up with our other books in basement of Salem Public Library. They are stored in our office space at Candalaria. If you are interested in looking at one, please contact us at [willvgs@yahoo.com](mailto:willvgs@yahoo.com).

**JOHN ALDEN (Volume 16)**

Part 1: The first four generations of descendants, Part 2: Fifth generation through daughter Elizabeth, Part 3: Fifth generation through sons John, Joseph, and Jonathan, Part 4: Fifth generation through daughter Ruth

**ISAAC ALLERTON (Volume 17)**

**JOHN BILLINGTON (Volume 5 & 21);** Part 1: The first five generations; Part 2: Sixth generation through grandchildren Elizabeth, Joseph, Martha, Mary; Part 3: Sixth generation through grandchildren Isaac, Dorothy, and Mercy

**WILLIAM BRADFORD (Volume 22)****PETER BROWNE (Volume 7)**

**WILLIAM BREWSTER (Volume 24);** Part 1: The first four generations; Part 2: Fifth generation through son Jonathan. Part 3: Fifth generation through daughters Love, Patience, and Fear.

**JAMES CHILTON (Volume 2)****FRANCIS COOKE (Volume 12)**

**EDWARD DOTY (Volume 11);** Part 1: Five generations from children Edward and John; Part 2: Five generations from children Thomas, Samuel, Desire, Elizabeth; Part 3: Five generations from children Isaac, Joseph, and Mary

**FRANCIS EATON (Volume 1 & 9)****EDWARD FULLER (Volume 4)****SAMUEL FULLER (Volume 1 & 10)**

**STEPHEN HOPKINS (Volume 6);** his descendants for four generations

**JOHN HOWLAND (Volume 23);** Part 1: Four generations from children Lydia, Hannah, Joseph, Jabez, Ruth and Isaac; Part 2: Fifth generation for children Lydia and Hannah; Part 3: Fifth generation for Joseph and Jabez

**DEGORY PRIEST (Volume 8)**

**THOMAS ROGERS (Volume 19);** Part 1: The first five generations; Part 2: The sixth generation

**HENRY SAMSON (Volume 20);** Part 1: The first four generations; Part 2: The fifth generation for children James, Dorcas, unnamed daughter, Hannah, and Elizabeth; Part 3: The fifth generation for sons Stephen and Caleb

**GEORGE SOULE (Volume 3)****MYLES STANDISH (Volume 14)**

**RICHARD WARREN (Volume 18);** Part 1: The first four generations

**WILLIAM WHITE (Volume 1 & 13)** (new information in 2017 available)

**EDWARD WINSLOW (Volume 5)****RICHARD MORE (Volume 2)****THOMAS ROGERS (Volume 2)**



## Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Membership Application

Revised December 2019, previous versions obsolete

**Mailing Address:**

**Willamette Valley Genealogical Society**  
P. O. Box 2083  
Salem, OR 97308-2083  
Email: willvgs@yahoo.com  
**For more information:**  
**WVGS Web Site Address:**  
<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.

**WVGS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION** Please ☒ if this is a ☐ **NEW** or ☐ **RENEWAL** membership

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **email:** \_\_\_\_\_

May WVGS include the following in our Members Only membership roster? (please check each box if OK).

☐ **YOUR ADDRESS** ☐ **YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER** ☐ **YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Annual Dues for the calendar year are \$25 for an individual member or \$30 for a family membership. Membership includes the WVGS monthly newsletter and electronic copies of 4 issues of the quarterly bulletin *Beaver Briefs*.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Additional cost for *members only* for postage for 4 issues of hard copies of *Beaver Briefs* in the mail is \$7.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ A one-time payment for Life Membership is \$250 if under age 70 or \$200 if age 70 or over.  
See website for information on Life Membership or pick up a form from an officer.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Hard copies (4 issues) of *Beaver Briefs* only, received by mail, is \$20 for non-members only.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other (please identify) \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL ENCLOSED** Please make check payable to WVGS.

This information will be used to connect members through our website. Contact will be made through a third party. Your contact information will not be posted on the Members Page of our website.  
I am looking for help or need help with:

I can offer help with:

My 5 main surnames are:

Languages (other than English) that I can read are:

**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	1 pm— 8 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED	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	10 am- 1 pm
Oregon State Archives 800 Summer St NE Salem, OR 97310 / 503-373-0701	The Reference Room at the Oregon State Archives is closed to the public to limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). Reference requests may still be submitted using the online form.						
Salem Public Library 1400 Broadway NE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-588-6052	Both of Salem Public Library's current physical branches, Salem Public Library at Broadway and the West Salem Branch Library, will be closed to the public until further notice, in accordance with the Governor's policies designed to slow the spread of COVID-19.						
Willamette Heritage Center Research Library 1313 Mill St SE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-585-7012	Museum closed until further notice.						



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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