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Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting



We have had to cancel our General Meeting on August 14th from 10:30 to 1 pm. We are so disappointed as we would love to see some of our members in person but it seems we can't do it yet.

Our plan will now be for September 11th when

- We will have a short business meeting and then allow time for members to talk about what they have been doing during the last 18 months.**
- We will have a potluck beginning at 12 Noon. The Society will provide drinks and desert. Bring any other potluck dish. It's time to get re-acquainted. But this will have to wait!**

- There will be a Board meeting on Thursday August 12th, 2021 at 11:30 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 630 Hood St NE, Salem, Oregon. Members are welcome.**

Beaver Briefs, Volume 53, #3 will be sent out electronically to members on August 1st and by US Mail to those who have paid the postage cost (\$7). As usual Editors Craig Smith and Dennis Hill put together an outstanding publication!

Contents:

- ◆ Historic Homes in the Willamette Valley: Salmon Brown**
- ◆ Salmon Brown Genealogy**
- ◆ Hops in the Valley**
- ◆ WVGS Family History Collection, Part 4**
- ◆ Genealogy Toolbox—Unusual Places to find genealogy records, part 4**
- ◆ Surname Index**
- ◆ Letter from the Editor**

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WVGS Information

MEMBERSHIP REPORT By **Suzan Rempel**

Membership as of July 10, 2021 was 2 societies, 20 Life Members, 99 single memberships, and 13 family memberships (26 individuals) for a total of 147 members. We now have an online membership form. Welcome new member Douglas Henne of Lake Oswego.

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.

Meeting Dates for 2021 (if held)

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

WVGS Officers for 2021

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*

Familytree Magazine

WVGS now subscribes to FamilyTree Magazine for our members. You can go to our website, www.wvgsor.org, click on the Member Page tab, enter your password and you will find pdf versions of FamilyTree Magazine for 2020 and 2021. This is an excellent genealogy magazine with lots and lots of research resources.

Best Free Genealogy and Family History Websites

By David A. Fryxell

<https://www.familytreemagazine.com/websites/best-free-genealogy-websites/>

Finding your ancestors for free seems like an impossible task. Everywhere you turn, subscription-based access seems to be the only way to gain the family tree information you're desperately seeking. But before you take out that second mortgage, take some time to do research on some of these totally free genealogy websites. Each of them has been reviewed and selected by our experts, and at some point winning our annual coveted "Best Websites" award. The list is in the latest issue of FamilyTree Magazine, on our Member Page now.



WVGS News

President's Report July 10, 2021

The General Meeting scheduled for July 10th was cancelled due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic. Members were notified in the July newsletter that the meeting had been cancelled. The Executive Board did meet on July 8, 2021.

1. Treasurer's report: Barbara Foster compiled a Treasurer's report for the month of June

For June 2021: Income for Operations was from donations \$2, research \$197, publication sales \$90 for a total income for the month of \$289. Expenses for operations were rent at Candalaria \$344.21, stamps for newsletter \$110, printing Beaver Briefs \$50, postage for mailing Beaver Briefs \$49.40, card stock for covers for Beaver Briefs \$14.55, total expenses -\$568.16. BALANCE of checking and savings on June 30, 2021, was \$32,046.06.

We discussed Pay Pal again and decided to go ahead with Pay Pal on our site for membership, publication sales, research and donations. Pay Pal will be linked to our checking account. We also have a new email for Pay Pal, which officers can access. Webmaster Dennis Hill, Corresponding Secretary (Research) Tony Hoff and Treasurer Barbara Foster will be able to access the Pay Pal account along with President Liz Tice who is setting it up.

2. Membership Report from Sue Rempel: We have 2 Societies, 20 Life members, 13 families/26 members, and 99 singles for 134 memberships or 147 members. New member is Douglas Henney of Lake Oswego, OR.

3. General Meeting and speaker were cancelled. We planned a Zoom meeting on July 10th from 10:30 am to 12 noon, if anyone contacts Doug to participate. We will have an in-person general meeting on August 14th at the VFW Hall. Program will be to have members talk about their genealogical research during the pandemic. We will also have a potluck, with the society providing drinks and deserts.

4. Salem Public Library has re-opened at Broadway. Volunteers will not be at the desk. The Salem Public Library is tentatively scheduled to open September 1, 2021 at the remodeled library on Liberty St. WVGS will have to shelve our books that we boxed up. Deanne Smith will be in charge of organizing volunteers to help. We hope to have volunteers working at the desk later in September.

5. Corresponding Secretary Tony Hoff reported "We received 3 research requests in June, all to our society. There was a request for birth & death dates of a paternal grandmother and for information on her third husband, a request for 4 generations of ancestors and the last request was to update a family tree on Ancestry."

6. There will be a meeting for volunteers before we open up again at SPL.

7. Beaver Briefs #3 is due out August 1st. We are sending publications list to all members and exchange societies and libraries.

8. Dennis Hill has kept the website updated, as well as the password list for new members.

9. New Business- we had 500 business cards printed (thanks to Craig Smith for design and suggestion). We agreed to do a genealogy workshop at Salem Public Library in February for "Salem Reads".

Liz Tice, President

WVGS FUNDRAISERS

Help support our Genealogical Society when you shop!!



Earn a donation for WVGS from Fred Meyer every time you shop and they scan your Rewards card. Go online and link your Rewards card to Willamette Valley Genealogical Society in your Fred Meyer Rewards account. The donation does not affect the rewards that you earn.



AmazonSmile is exactly the same as shopping on the Amazon site. The added bonus is that Amazon donates 0.5% of qualified purchases to a charity of your choice. Please choose Willamette Valley Genealogical Society.

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Online Classes and Webinars



National Archives

This is just the beginning of the online classes for August offered by Family Search.org. Go to https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/img_auth.php/5/52/ for a complete list.



August 2021

Family History Library
35 North West Temple
Salt Lake City, UT 84150

Family History Library Class Calendar

Please note that all class and webinar times are given in MDT

DATE/TIME	CLASS	WEBINAR	ROOM
Mon, Aug 2, 10:00 AM MDT	Using the FamilySearch Catalog (Beginner)	Yes	Online Only
Tue, Aug 3, 10:00 AM MDT	Overview of FamilySearch (Beginner)	Yes	Online Only
Wed, Aug 4, 10:00 AM MDT	Jump-start your German research with Ortsfamilienbücher/Ortssippenbücher (Beginner)	Yes	Online Only

The National Archives USA "Behind Enemy Lines: WWII Escape and Evasion Reports" The National Archives USA recently released "Behind Enemy Lines: WWII Escape and Evasion Reports" which are accounts of survival from U.S. soldiers in Europe during World War II. To Search for a name, click on Advanced Search at the top. Enter name in Search Terms field and 498 in Record Group Number / Collection ID:field. Then click Search.

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SGT HAMELIN:

GRAFTON-UNDERWOOD I was engineer in the crew of which Lt PAULKINER was pilot (See E&E Rpt No. 172). We left GRAFTON-UNDERWOOD about 0630 on 6 September 1943 to bomb STUTTGART, made our rendezvous, and flew across northern France, following the course as briefed. I saw light flak all the way to the target but no fighter opposition. Our inter-phone worked badly almost from the time we hit the coast of France; it was out most of the time. At the target the weather was about nine-tenths, consequently we did not drop our bombs after making our bomb run as briefed, but circled three times and dropped our bombs on the way out. I could not see the results. I saw heavy flak. JU 88's and FW 190's attacked us. Our number four engine and numbers one and four fuel tanks were hit but I believe by flak. We also got many flak hits in the wings. As we went back, we were still in perfect formation, flying the return course as briefed. We met fighters all along the route.



California Research



Missouri Records

Spotlight: Santa Clara Historical and Genealogical Society, California

by Valerie Beaudrault

The city of Santa Clara is located in Santa Clara County, CA, near the southern end of San Francisco Bay. The society has made several resources available under the Online Indexes tab on its website. Among these is the Early Settler File, an every name index to files on individuals living in Santa Clara County before 1925. The files comprise "fact sheets from patrons, news clippings, obituaries and funeral notices, books, photos, and other materials." They are currently being scanned. The online resources also include indexes to the 1852 special state census, early vital records, records from two funeral homes and two cemeteries, and Los Altos obituaries, plus links to local histories.

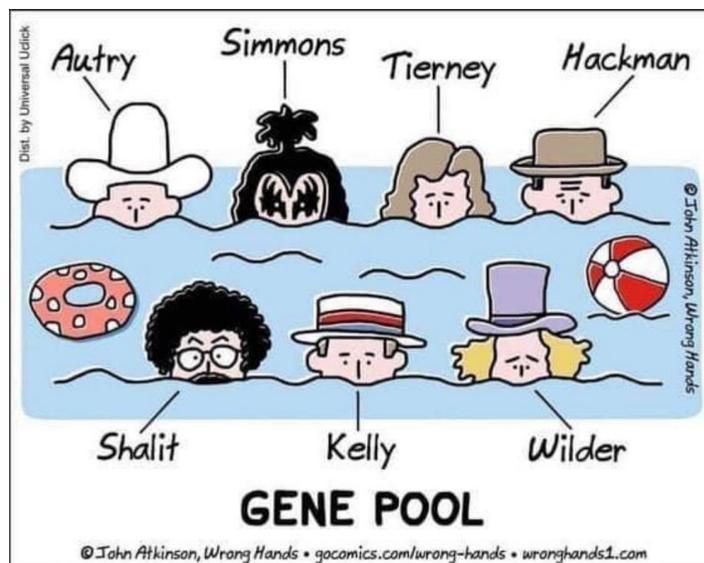
<https://www.scchgs.org/>

Independence, Missouri was the starting point for many wagons trains heading to Oregon. WVGS has a large collection of Missouri records, but for now they are in the basement of the Salem Public Library. Try this site: <https://shsmo.org/research>

The State Historical Society of Missouri has a substantial collection of digitized historic newspapers from throughout the state on its website. The collection is still growing, with 330,000 pages added recently. More than 400 titles cover most years from 1808 through 1994. Nearly all of the state's 114 counties are represented. The list of newspapers is sorted alphabetically, first by county and then by city/town. To begin your search, select and click a newspaper title link. This will open the search page. Next, enter your search terms to begin. Issues can also be browsed by date.

News From Salem Public Library

- ◆ Salem Public Library at Broadway location, 1400 Broadway St. NE, is open for browsing and other limited services from Tuesday, July 6 to Tuesday, August 17. Services are limited to browsing, checkout, holds pickup, limited public computer use and printing, WiFi access, and library cards.
- ◆ All Salem Public Library locations will be closed Wednesday, August 18-Tuesday, August 31 to complete the move back to the renovated Main Library, 585 Liberty St. SE. We're expecting the Main Library to re-open on Wednesday, September 1.





State Censuses



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(This series was started in 2018 up until May 2020, but not finished in the newsletters. The complete list was published in Beaver Briefs.)

NORTH CAROLINA State, territorial, and colonial censuses

North Carolina took a few censuses in the years before the first federal census was taken. The dates are listed below. These censuses may have columns that were different or more unusual than those found on federal censuses. The responses and years of coverage may give additional information on the family.

Family History Library:

1784-1787 State census: Book. 24 of the 50 counties then existing. This census took three years to complete. It shows heads of households, their residence, and the age categories of their household members. It is indexed.

Ancestry.com

North Carolina, State Census, 1784-1787

North Carolina, Compiled Census and Census Substitutes Index, 1790-1890: This collection contains the following indexes: 1790 Federal Census Index; 1800 Federal Census Index; 1810 Federal Census Index; 1812-14 Muster Rolls; 1820 Federal Census Index; 1830 Federal Census Index; 1840 Federal Census Index; 1840 Pensioners List; 1850 Federal Census Index; 1860 Federal Census Index; 1870 Federal Census Index; 1890 Veterans Schedule; Early Census Index.

Family History Microfilm images

Indian census rolls, Cherokee, 1898-1939

Catawba Indian records, 1849

Cherokee Nation, east, roll of 1835

Cherokees, east of MS river, 1835 index

Cherokee muster rolls, 1834, 1837, 1838

For more information see:

https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/North_Carolina_Census

Two of Family Tree Magazine's Best US Genealogy Websites of 2021

<https://www.blacksheepancestors.com>



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Boasting "the largest collection of free genealogy for your United States research," this site is strongest on Native American history. Its collections also include family and local histories, yearbooks and directories, and land records.



Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Membership Application
 Revised December 2020, valid through December 31, 2021

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For more information:
WVGS Web Site Address:
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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**

\$ **Free Membership** ~~Annual Dues for the calendar year are \$25 for an individual member or \$30 for a family membership.~~ **For 2021 only** 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.
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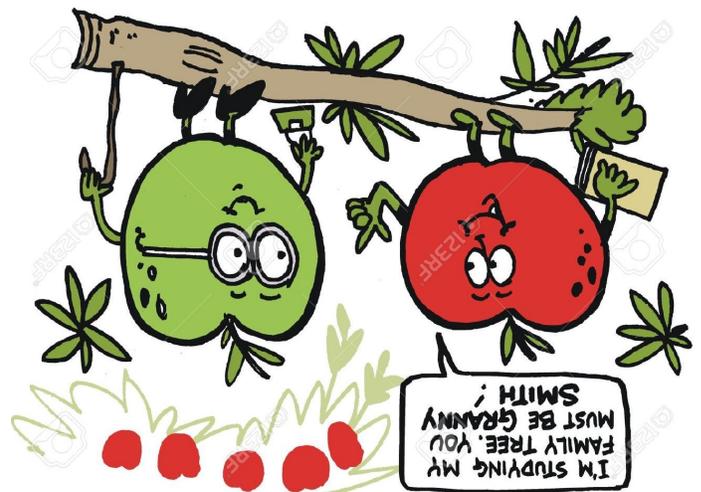
I can offer help with:

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
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	9 am-1pm Exc 1st&3rd
Salem LDS Family History Center 4550 Lone Oak Rd SE Salem, OR 97302 / 503-378-0383 ext 7	CLOSED	CLOSED	9am— 6 pm	By Appt.	9 am— 8 pm	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. https://sos.oregon.gov/archives/Pages/order.aspx						
Salem Public Library 1400 Broadway St NE Salem, Salem, OR 97301 / 503-588-6052	Both of Salem Public Library's current physical branches, Salem Public Library 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	The Research Library at the Willamette Heritage Center remains closed to the public in compliance with state guidelines set forth to reduce the spread of Covid-19. Reference requests may be submitted using the online form at https://www.willametteheritage.org/research/						



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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