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Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting Day!

- **Time:** June 11, 2022, 10:30 am to 1 pm
- **Place:** Salem Public Library, 585 Liberty St. SE, Salem, Oregon
Collaboration Space, Lower Level Opposite the stairs. Free 3-hour parking in the Library Parkade.
- **10:30 am – 11:45 am General Membership Meeting.**
A business meeting will be held to conduct society business.
- **12 noon – 1 pm Program: 1950 Census**
The 1950 Census is here! Our program will be a video presentation by Americanancestors.org, titled *Discover the 1950 U.S. Census*:

“With the release of the 1950 U.S. Federal Census, family historians of all levels are primed to uncover new-or to verify already-known— information about their ancestry. Using new machine learning and optical character recognition technology, this is the first time that a census will be searchable upon its release on the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) website. In this session, Vice President of Library and Research Services Lindsay Fulton will discuss what information is provided, how to search the indexed and non-indexed databases, and provide tips on how the 1950 census can be a springboard to other records.

WVGS programs are always open to the public – invite your friends.

There will be a Board meeting on Thursday June 9, 2022 at 11:30 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, 630 Hood St NE, Salem, Oregon. Members are welcome.

Salem Public Library <https://www.cityofsalem.net/library>
<https://www.facebook.com/spl.oregon>

Salem Public Library's catalog is online on the library's catalog at https://catalog.ccrls.org/client/en_US/spl/
Salem Public Library's Main Library, 585 Liberty ST SE, is open 10 am -7 pm Tuesday-Thursday
10 am–5 p.m. Friday & Saturday, and 1 pm–5 pm Sunday.

WVGS Genealogy Volunteers are back!!

Come visit our volunteers at the Genealogy Desk at Salem Public Library. We have volunteers from 11 am to 5 pm Tuesday to Saturday and 1 pm to 4 pm Sunday. Volunteers are there to help patrons for free with their genealogy questions. This includes members! Access to Ancestry.com, newspapers.com and other sites.

Membership for 2022

All members of WVGS as of December 31, 2021 had their membership extended to December 31, 2022. For 2022 only, new members can join at no cost!! Let your fellow genealogists know. Our online form for new members is at www.wvgsor.org Membership.

This does not include the additional \$10.00 fee (an increase due to increase in postage) 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 and send a check or cash to WVGS.



WVGS Information

MEMBERSHIP REPORT By Suzan Rempel

Membership as of May 20, 2022 was 3 societies, 21 Life Members, 150 single memberships, and 19 family memberships (38 individuals) for a total of 212 members. We now have an online membership form. Welcome all new 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 \$10.00 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 2022

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

WVGS Officers for 2022

Elected Officers

President: *Elizabeth Tice*
 1st Vice-President (Program): *Doug Crosby*
 2nd Vice-President (Membership): *Suzan Rempel*
 Recording Secretary: *Sally Broadwater*
 Corresponding Secretary: *Julianne Kennedy*
 Treasurer: *Barbara Foster*

Appointed Positions

Newsletter Editor: *Elizabeth Tice*
 Beaver Brief Editors: *Dennis Hill & Craig Smith*
 Librarians: *Deanne Smith*
 Volunteer Coordinator: *Craig Smith*
 Publicity:
 Webmaster: *Dennis Hill*
 Periodicals: *Jerry Rodgers*

Now that we have volunteers working again, we no longer give members access to our paid sites. Come into Salem Public Library or contact us at willvgs@yahoo.com for help with your research. WVGS subscribes to various websites and publications .



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. Use your Amazon login and password at AmazonSmile.





WVGS News

President's Report for June by Liz Tice, President

The June meeting will be at Salem Public Library. It is in a new smaller space in the lower level. When you walk down the stairs, the Collaboration room is opposite the stairs, or if using the elevator go straight ahead. The room has a sign on it. We will vote at the June meeting where to meet for the rest of the year, either the room at the library or the VFW Hall. There are now 3 hours of free parking at the Library.

We now have volunteers working Tuesday through Saturday, 11 am to 5 pm and Sunday from 1 pm to 4 pm. See page 1 for new library hours. We are still struggling to get our books catalogued as Salem Public Library does not have a cataloger. We are also going to review our insurance policy which covers our books, as they still are owned by WVGS, but housed at Salem Public Library.

I want to welcome new members Joan Lockwood, Christianna Nye, Joanne Bowman, Bill Gallagher, Jackie Haugen, and Leland Gilson all of Salem, Liz Carter of Eugene, Linda Freeman of Weed, CA, LaVerda Gallagher of Dallas, and Susan McGregor of Seaside.

Beaver Briefs was sent out May 1st. Craig Smith and Dennis produced an outstanding publication that we can be proud of and enjoy. Hopefully members read about our scholarship program. Basically we pay for a member to take a class. In exchange that member does a program for us. Take us up on it! We did not renew our subscription to *Findmypast* due to lack of use. The Board is working with the City of Salem on an updated agreement of use. And thanks to members for their donations!

We really need a Public Relations officer. We also will need a person to take over for Dave Bruey who has helped with the scholarship program and keeping members in touch with each other. Thank you so much, Dave! Please consider volunteering.

MEMBERS' SPACE

(I would like to have a space in the newsletter for members. If you have some information that you would like posted here, let me know at willvgs@yahoo.com)

Member Leland Gilson of Salem said:

My father refused any info about his family until in his 90's when he had some strokes. Left me a wrapped tin with photos and news/magazine bits he collected during his life. Probably illegitimate. Now looks probable raised by his father of his parent's close associates/friends. Dad said he lived over the garage of a house in Lake Forest and the street had something to do with deer. My brother went to Lake Forest and took photos of houses on East Deerpath. Dad picked out a house in 884 E Deerpath. House owned by Farwell (7/29/1825 to 8/30/1908). Have more about all of this.

The story is complex. Current clue is to look up the 1900 census to find John V farwell, born 1925 in either Chicago or Lake Forest as head of household. Check servants names, looking for Goodpasture steamship arrivals, New York summer of 1901 looking for Colin Campbell (rank captain or major at that time) if listed might show where he planned to stay/visit?

I am 80 and my brother is 89. would like to solve this mystery. Now know the highly probable grandmother from DNA and \$2000 spent on a researcher who made fundamentally wrong assumptions about my father and his father but did find DNA connection with the Goodpasture's living in Beulah CO at the right time for his birth. Have ancestry, GEDmatch, FamilyTree Maker. Have dna for me and brothers (full and half but maternal) and a sister.

Member Dave Obee of Victoria, BC said:

Looking for help with several family lines that touch Salem including the German Baptist community there I can offer help with Canadian research —

I run www.CanGenealogy.com, — see www.DaveObee.com

Surnames in Salem: Klempel, Lottis, Remland, Betker, Baker



State Censuses



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

UTAH State and colonial censuses

Utah took censuses in the years between the federal censuses. The dates are listed below. State census records 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.

1914-1960 For six censuses of members of the LDS Church in Utah and beyond see the LDS Census Wiki page.

1905 In this year, the State Constitution made provision for a decennial census, but no record was found of any census taken in accordance with the constitutional requirement.

1872 Kane, Rich, Tooele and Utah counties list names.

1856 State census. Caution: this census was padded. Most listings are correct, but some were repeated, and in a few cases deceased people were listed.

1852 So called "Bishops' Report" now available online. A transcript is available in the FamilySearch book collection. Images are available on the Church History website.

1851 Used as a substitute for the 1850 federal census. See federal censuses.

Family History Library

Microfilm images

1856 State Census

1852 -- Bishops Report book and microfilm

1850 -- Taken in 1851 book and microfilm

Ancestry.com

Utah, Compiled Census and Census Substitutes Index, 1850-1890. 1850 Federal Census Index; 1856 Statehood Census Index; 1859 Tax List; 1860 Federal Census Index; 1870 Federal Census Index; 1880 Federal Census Index; 1890 Veterans Schedule.

For more information see:

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

VERMONT State and colonial censuses

No state or colonial census was taken.

Family History Library book

Vermont 1771 Census. This source gives an alphabetical list showing name, year, residence, record type, and source. It also gives a reconstructed list of names compiled from records of first settlers, residents, petitioners, rioters, and landowners from 1761 to 1778.

For more information see:

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

1950 Census

Members only: you can access the Member Page on our website, www.wvgsor.org with your password to read the digital copy Family Tree Magazine. The May/June 2022 issue has an article on the 1950 Census, including tips for finding ancestors. And a reminder that Ancestry.com Library Edition is free at Salem Public Library.

**Books****Books**

From <https://www.thefamilyheart.com/>

Benefits of Digital Libraries

- Family history books from digital libraries have provided clues and information that you may never have found anywhere else. These books have been crucial not only for proving lineages or for personal research.
- Here are a few of the benefits of using digital libraries to find family history books:
 - Access to sources that you may not see in your everyday research. You might see a few digital books in your research at Ancestry, but probably not very many. Digital libraries will take you out of your “genealogy comfort zone” and into different sources.
 - Books can provide social context. Even if we find information about our ancestors that we don’t like or want to know, the stories in digital books can give social context to our ancestors’ lives. Genealogy isn’t just about names and dates; it’s about what happened “in the dash.”
 - Always open and no need to leave home to use them.

Some Places to find Books**FamilySearch Digital Library**

- The FamilySearch Digital Library contains more than 440,000 digitized genealogy and family history books and publications from the archives of family history libraries such as the Allen County Public Library, the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, and others.
- Included in the collection are family histories, county, and local histories, genealogy magazines and how-to books, gazetteers, medieval histories, and pedigrees. While some books are only viewable in a Family History Center, many can be viewed from – as well as downloaded to – your home computer.
- To access the FamilySearch Digital Library from within FamilySearch, click “Search” in the top menu, and select “Books” from the drop-down menu.

The Internet Archive

- The Internet Archive is a non-profit library containing millions of free books, movies, software, music, websites, and more. Today, the Internet Archive contains over 21 million downloadable books and texts, as well as 550,000 modern eBooks that may be borrowed by anyone with a free account.
- Look for family, county, and local histories, yearbooks, census records, newspapers, magazines, and even contemporary genealogy how-to books. Books on the Internet Archive are offered in many formats, including DAISY files for print disabled people.

HathiTrust Digital Library

- HathiTrust (pronounced “haw tea”) is a partnership of academic and research institutions offering a collection of over 17 million titles digitized from libraries around the world.
- Books that are either uncopyrightable (i.e., some government works) or in the public domain can be searched and viewed in their entirety. Books that are still in copyright are considered “limited,” and can be searched but not viewed, allowing you to decide whether or not to obtain a copy of the book from another source.

Google Books

- In 2015, Google Books claimed to have digitized over 25 million books. Sadly, the project slowed down at that point due to legal issues, and the current number of books is unknown.
- You can search for books on Google Books or from the Google.com search page. If you use the latter, be sure to narrow your results by selecting “Books” from the “More” menu.
- If a book is out of copyright or the publisher has given permission, you will be able to see a preview of the book, and in some cases the entire book. Some books are not viewable.



Scrapbooks



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Member Jan Walker asked this question:

How do I Remove Items Glued in a Scrapbook

Martha Stewart says:

It's probably best to leave the photos and clippings where they are. Only a conservator can tell what type of adhesive was used to attach the items and what kind of solvent will safely remove it. If you try to detach the pieces yourself, you'll likely cause them to tear. But even if freeing the pictures were a risk-free prospect, conservators would probably still advise against it. "An album is more than the sum of its parts," says Adrienne Lundgren, senior photograph conservator at the Library of Congress. "When you disassemble it, you lose the historical context, the sequence and format that the creator designed."

Other sites:

Step 1

- Examine the paper and glue quality. Glue that adheres to strong quality paper will be easier to remove. Old or antique paper may need special handling. Remove paper items from semi-wet glue by peeling them away from the surface. Wipe excess glue off with a sponge. Let the paper item dry face down before re-adhering. The paper will curl as it dries.

Step 2

- Heat the glue. Use a hair dryer or heat gun to warm up the attached paper items in the scrapbook. Keep settings on low to avoid burning the paper. Heat can soften the glue, making it easier to remove.

Step 3

- Use scissors or a credit card to remove glue. Delicately slide the credit card or scissors between the layers of paper. Pull the paper item up slowly away from the glued surface. Take care not to rip paper from the scrapbook. Re-heat the surface area to make the glue more malleable.

Step 4

- Apply a solvent or acetone with a cotton swab to break down the glue. Dab at the glue with the solvent carefully. If the paper structure attached to the glue gets too damp, allow to dry before trying again.

Or:

- Dunking the photo into hot water to get the backing off may be quick but is not a good idea. The hot water can damage not only the writing on the back but also the image itself.
- The better way is to take your time and be patient. To do this, you will need a pallet knife or a butter knife. Gently pry the photo off the black paper (it should come up fairly easily since the black paper is brittle) while keeping the photo flat. If you try to bend the photo back too much, you can crack the image layer or crease the photo which will leave lasting damage.
- Once the photo is off the page, place it face down on a clean, smooth surface gently, and I mean very gently, scrap the excess black paper off the back with an icing spatula or a butter knife that does not have any serrations. Don't scrape too far as you will damage the photo but you should be able to get down to being able to read the writing on the back.

For Magnetic Albums

- If the photos seem to be easily removed, you may do so carefully.
- However, if there is a bit of resistance, do not attempt any further. Try either of the following methods to remove the hard-to-detach photo.
- Chemical solutions – Choose adhesive removers that contain heptane, a chemical used for removing stickers and labels. With the use of a spatula or scraper, let the ample amount of chemical seep beneath the stuck photo. The chemicals can evaporate quickly, so there's no need to worry.
- Physical method – Slide a sufficient length of dental floss underneath the corners of the stuck photo. Carefully slide it in a sawing-like motion until the floss passes all throughout.
- Heat application – Try to heat the photo with a hairdryer. Make sure it is tolerable enough to lessen the chances of overheating the photo's surface.

There's lots of online advice, but be very, very careful. Scan if possible.



Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Membership Application

Revised September 2021, valid through December 31, 2022

Mailing Address:

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P. O. Box 2083, Salem, OR 97308-2083

Email: willvgs@yahoo.com

For more information:

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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 2021-22 only ~~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 \$10.

\$ _____ 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
Salem East LDS Family History Center 862 45th Ave NE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-371-0453	CLOSED	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	CLOSED	CLOSED	9 am- 4 pm	1 pm- 8 pm	By appt.	By appt	By appt.
Oregon State Archives 800 Summer St NE Salem, OR 97310 / 503-373-0701	The Oregon State Archives building is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Our reference room is available on an appointment-only basis as we implement building security improvements. Please contact us to schedule an appointment or request reference services remotely.						
Salem Public Library 585 Liberty St SE, Salem, OR 97301 (503) 588-6315	Salem Public Library's Main Library, 585 Liberty ST SE, Salem, Oregon 10 am -7 pm Tuesday-Thursday, 10 am—5 p.m. Friday & Saturday, and 1 pm—5 pm Sunday.						
Willamette Heritage Center Research Library 1313 Mill St SE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-585-7012	The Research Library and Archives is closed to drop-in researchers due to precautions over COVID-19. We are still open, but by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, get help with a research or reference question or order an historical photograph please contact the Center. To help protect our staff and volunteers, we are still requiring face masks in the library area at this time.						



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