

WILLAMETTE VALLEY
GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
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Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting Day!

- **Time:** July 9, 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: FamilySearch.org**

Christopher Rumbaugh, Salem Public Library Adult Services Manager, will be our speaker this month. Christopher spent some of his pandemic time working on his family genealogy, specifically familysearch.org. He is willing to give a program on what familysearch.org has to offer and how we can make the most of this free site.

“The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints provides FamilySearch free of charge to everyone, regardless of tradition, culture, or religious affiliation. FamilySearch resources help millions of people around the world discover their heritage and connect with family members. FamilySearch is dedicated to preserving important family records and making them freely accessible online. Our work is worldwide and has involved collaborations with more than 10,000 archives and partners in over 100 countries. “

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

There will be a Board meeting on Thursday July 7, 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 money order to WVGS.

**WVGS News****President's Report for July by Liz Tice, President**

The June meeting was held at Salem Public Library in the Collaboration Space on the lower level. Members present at the meeting voted to meet in that space for the remainder of the year, except in December which will require a larger room. So we have reserved space at Salem Public Library for the remainder of the year. Meetings in July through November will be in the Collaboration Space and the December meeting will be in Anderson A & B also on the lower level. Board meetings will continue to be at the VFW Hall on Hood St. NE

I want to welcome new members LaVerda Gallagher of Dallas, Leland Gilson of Salem, Linda Freeman of Weed, CA, Liz Carter of Eugene, Susan Olmstead of Dallas, Jan Landers of Keizer, and Carol Jarrett. We are temporarily having problems with our online membership form and online research request form so for now we should be contacted directly at willvgs@yahoo.com.

Member Barbara Hunter attended the National Genealogical Society Conference in California and gave us a very interesting report. Next year is in Virginia. We are still planning on having a series of genealogy classes at the Center 50+ in September and October—see page

We haven't resolved the issues concerning our agreement with the city yet, especially over liability and cataloging so that issue was tabled.

Looking ahead to next year, we will need a new recording secretary to replace Sally Broadwater. Sally has done a wonderful job. Thank you so much! Please consider volunteering. And don't forget we are still looking for a publicity chairperson.

Liz Tice

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)

New Member Linda Freeman said "Wow, I've already found important items! (in Beaver Briefs on our website). She has also asked about the State Library of Oregon and the Oregon State Archives. Linda is doing the correct thing—she is going to make a trip to Salem (she lives in Weed, California) and is going to research their collections, making an appointment before she leaves.

The process of researching your family tree will eventually lead you to a courthouse, library, archives or other repository of original documents and published sources. Be prepared!

1. Scout the Location
2. Who Has the Records?
3. Are the Records Available?
4. Create a Research Plan
5. Time Your Trip
6. Learn the Lay of the Land
7. Prepare for Your Visit
8. Be Courteous & Respectful
9. Take Good Notes & Make Plenty of Copies
10. Concentrate on the Unique

See the complete article on ThoughtCo.com "Genealogy Research at the Courthouse, Archives or Library: 10 Tips for Planning Your Visit & Maximizing Your Results".

<https://www.thoughtco.com/genealogy-research-courthouse-archives-or-library-1421683>



WVGS Information

MEMBERSHIP REPORT By Suzan Rempel

Membership as of June 21, 2022 was 3 societies, 21 Life Members, 153 single memberships, and 19 family memberships (38 individuals) for a total of 215 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.





State Censuses



State Censuses

(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.)

VIRGINIA State and colonial censuses

Virginia took censuses in the years before the first federal census was taken. 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.

All of the records in the table below are available on **Ancestry.com** and **Internet Archive (free)**

Virginia state and colonial censuses. No statewide state census was taken, but many county censuses were taken at different years from 1782 to 1786.

1786 County of Greenbrier.

1785 Counties of Albermarle, Amelia, Amherst, Fairfax, Greenbrier, Halifax, Harrison, Lancaster, New Kent, Norfolk, Orange, Pittsylvania, Prince Edward, Princess Anne, Shenandoah, and Stafford.

1784 Counties of Cumberland, Gloucester, Greenbrier, Hampshire, Nansemond, Northumberland, Rockingham, Surry, and Warwick.

1783 Counties of Amherst, Chesterfield, Essex, Gloucester, Greenbrier, Greenville, Lancaster, Middlesex, Nansemond, Powhatan, Prince Edward, Princess Anne, Richmond, and Shenandoah.

1782 Counties of Amelia, Charlotte, Cumberland, Fairfax, Fluvanna, Frederick, Halifax, Hampshire, Hanover, Isle of Wight, Mecklenburg, Monongalia, New Kent, Northumberland, Orange, Pittsylvania, Surry, Sussex, and Warwick AND, the City of Richmond and the City of Williamsburg.

Census substitutes

Not technically a census, the 1696 *Association Oath Rolls* serve as a census substitute. The original records are found in class C 213 at the National Archives, Kew, England. Gandy published abstracts of oath takers living in British plantations, including Virginia:

Gandy, Wallace. *The Association Oath Rolls of the British Plantations*. Digital version at Internet Archive

In addition to the federal censuses, lists of residents are available for some colonial years. The lists of 1624 and 1787 have been published and are available at FHL Collection. These censuses list only the heads of households.

Virginia in 1740: A Reconstructed Census. Family History Library book and film.

For more information see:

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



State Archives

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.





1950 Census



1950 Census

From Ancestry.com

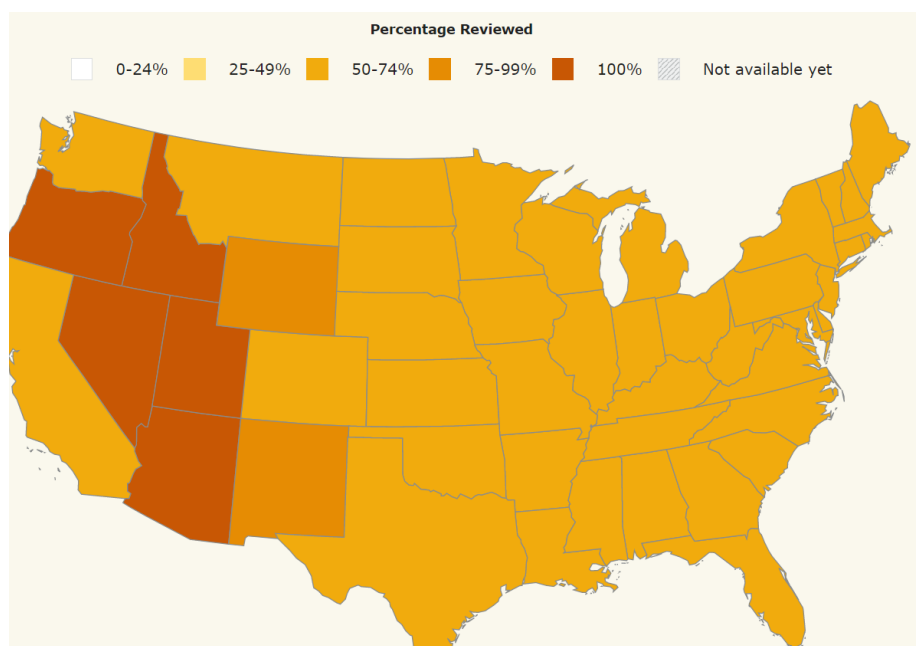
Below is a list of states and territories that are fully indexed and searchable.

Don't see your state? You should still try searching for your family anyway! Thanks to our proprietary AI technology, we've already completed an early index of the records with key fields for you to search. So, even though we can't mark it "done" yet, there's a good chance you can find your family, right now.

Alabama	✓ Guam	Massachusetts	North Carolina	Tennessee
✓ Alaska	✓ Hawaii	Michigan	North Dakota	Texas
✓ American Samoa	Idaho	✓ Midway Island	Ohio	Utah
Arizona	Illinois	Minnesota	Oklahoma	✓ Vermont
Arkansas	✓ Indian Reservation...	Mississippi	Oregon	✓ Virgin Islands (US)
California	Indiana	Missouri	✓ Panama Canal Zone	Virginia
✓ Canton Island	Iowa	Montana	Pennsylvania	✓ Wake Island
Colorado	✓ Johnston Atoll	Nebraska	✓ Puerto Rico	Washington
Connecticut	Kansas	✓ Nevada	✓ Rhode Island	West Virginia
✓ Delaware	Kentucky	✓ New Hampshire	South Carolina	Wisconsin
District of Columbia	Louisiana	New Jersey	✓ Swan Islands	✓ Wyoming
Florida	Maine	New Mexico	✓ South Dakota	
Georgia	Maryland	New York		

From FamilySearch.org

Indexed by computers, reviewed by people.





WVGS Genealogy Class

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society will have a series of genealogy classes on a variety of genealogy topics. You can sign up for each one separately-some or all of them. Each one will have a presentation and hand-out on the topic. You may bring your own laptop/tablet. \$10 each class.



You can register at the main desk in the Center 50+ or by calling 503-588-6303. You can also now register online for classes at <https://www.cityofsaalem.net/Pages/center50-clases.aspx>



**Class 6 Oct 17, 2022:
Googling and Free
Genealogy Sites**



Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Membership Application

Revised September 2021, valid through December 31, 2022

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> Facebook: www.facebook.com/wvgsor

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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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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