

# WILLAMETTE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY *NEWSLETTER*

Volume XLIV Number 8 Salem, Oregon August 2022 President: Elizabeth Tice-503-363-0880-email: eliztice@comcast.net Newsletter Editor: Elizabeth Tice—503-363-0880—email: willvqs@yahoo.com WVGS Web Site http://www.wvgsor.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/wvgsor \* \$ Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting Day! \* 2 Time: August 13, 2022, 10:30 am to 1 pm 2 \$ Place: Salem Public Library, 585 Liberty St. SE, Salem, Oregon \* \$ . \* \* Collaboration Space, Lower Level Opposite the elevator. Free parking in the Library Parkade. 2 \*\*\*\* 10:30 am – 11:45 am General Membership Meeting.  $\overset{\sim}{\sim}$ A short business meeting will be held to conduct society business, with time for members to 25 share information. \$ 12 noon – 1 pm Program: WVGS Member Barbara Hunter "Mining for Genealogical Gold in  $\overset{\sim}{\sim}$ \* California, and the 2022 National Genealogical Society Conference". X> X> X> \* **Barbara Hunter** gave us a short report on her trip to the National Genealogical Society \$ Conference in Sacramento, but now we will get the full report. She will talk about California 2 Research including the California State Library and State of California Archives. She also will \*\*\*\* 2 report on the National Genealogical Society Conference, which included Western migration and  $\overset{\wedge}{\searrow}$ 2 cultures, lands and maps. 2 This will be a very interesting program by Barbara, not only can you learn about the NGS, but 2 researching in California. \$ Plan on attending! There will be time to ask questions. \$ ☆ <del>\</del> \$ WVGS programs are always open to the public – invite your friends. \$ There will be a Board meeting on Thursday August 11, 2022 at 11:30 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars 2 \$ Hall, 630 Hood St NE, Salem, Oregon. Members are welcome. \$ 2 23

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.

Salem Public Library https://www.cityofsalem.net/library

Salem Public Library's catalog 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.

#### 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.

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# WVGS Information

#### MEMBERSHIP REPORT By Suzan Rempel

Membership as of July 3, 2022 was 3 societies, 21 Life Members, 154 single memberships, and 19 family memberships (38 individuals) for a total of 216 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.



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#### President's Report for August by Liz Tice, President

The July meeting was held at Salem Public Library in the Collaboration Space on the lower level. Barbara Hunter completed an audit of the treasurer's books for 2021. The result is that, as we know, Barbara Foster is doing an excellent job. Everything was in order. I want to welcome new member Marie Brough of Salem . 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.

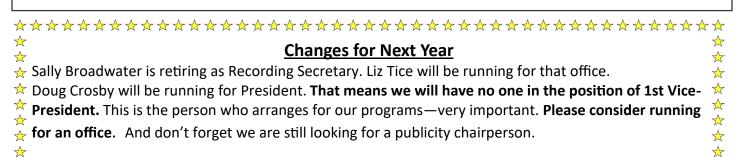
We will be trying to spend less time at our general meeting going through society business details that are already in the minutes and allowing more time for members to share questions and successes. All questions about society business are still welcome.

At the July meeting members voted to purchase a book scanner for \$300 in order to scan our publications so that we can offer them as pdfs. This means we will be looking for members to help with scanning!!

Research requests have been slow—Juli Kennedy only received 3 requests in June. Beaver Briefs, Issue #3, will be coming out on August 1st.

We have not signed an agreement with City of Salem/Salem Public Library yet. We still have questions about liability and theft. We were able to increase our insurance to \$40,000 coverage on our books at the Library and \$10,000 on our collection at Candalaria without increasing the premium. We are required to have liability insurance for the rental. We also will be looking for an appraiser for our collection at the Library in order to identify valuable books and have separate coverage on those items.

We are still planning on having a series of genealogy classes at the Center 50+ in September and October see below. Liz Tice



Genealogy Classes 2022

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society will have Six Genealogy Classes at the Senior Center 50+ . When: Mondays

Beginning September 12, 2022 Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 noon Cost: \$10 per class

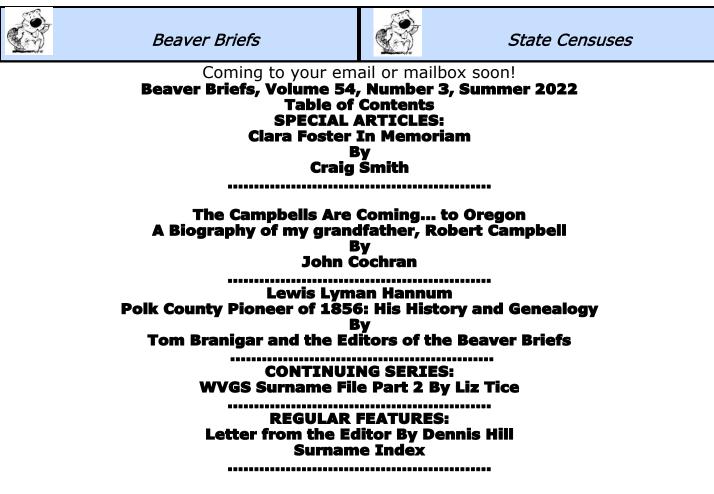
Where: Center 50+, 2615 Portland RD NE, Salem OR 97301

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.cityofsalem.net/Pages/center50-classes.aspx

Class 1 Sept. 12, 2022: How to Get Started Class 2 Sept. 19, 2022: Ancestry & Family Search Class 3 Sept. 26, 2022: Vital Records

Class 4 Oct. 3, 2022: Military Records & Land Records Class 5 Oct. 10, 2022: Immigration & Ethnic Sources Class 6 Oct. 17, 2022: Googling and Free Genealogy Sites Page 4—August 2022

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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.)

### WASHINGTON State and colonial censuses

- Washington took a territorial census at various times between 1857 and 1892. These censuses were enumerated by county officials and information collected varies slightly from county to county. Images of these censuses can be viewed in the following FamilySearch Catalog Collections.
- Washington Territorial Census Rolls, 1857-1892
- Washington, Census Records : Territorial Census, 1857-1892
- Washington, territorial census records, 1850-1889

Ancestry has a collection of state and territorial census records for Washington.

FamilySearch and the Washington State Archives have state and territorial census records organized by county.

For more information see

https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Washington\_Census

# WEST VIRGINIA State and colonial censuses

No record of a state or colonial census has been found. For more information see: https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/West\_Virginia\_Census

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#### Quebec Cemeteries



Webinars for August

#### Spotlight: Québec Cemeteries Inventory by Valerie Beaudrault

The Québec Cemeteries Inventory database lists over 3,500 cemeteries and other burial grounds across the Canadian province of Québec. Click "Find Cemeteries" to search the database. Search by towns/wards, counties, MCRs (County Regional Municipalities), regions, types/confessions (religious affiliations), maps, archeology/history, and ghost towns. Results include the cemetery name and location information, plus links to various geo-location websites. Other resources on this website include a number of celebrity obituaries, a list of cemetery vandalism reports.

#### http://www.leslabelle.com/Cimetieres/CimMain.asp?MP=E3

# Family History Like Salt Lake City, UT Salt City, C

Please note that all webinar times are given in MDT thru 11/6/2022						
DATE / TIME	WEBINAR TITLE (Level)	<b>REGISTRATION LINK</b>				
Mon, Aug 1, 10:00 AM MDT	Using the FamilySearch Catalog (Beginner)	Yes				
Tue, Aug 2, 10:00 AM MDT	FamilySearch Family Tree: Overview and Navigation (Beginner)	Yes				
Wed, Aug 3, 10:00 AM MDT	FamilySearch: Tips & Tricks (Beginner)	Yes				

#### For the complete list of monthly classes and webinars, please visit: https://bit.ly/ familysearchwebinars

Ancestry.com Learning Center: Most of us think of Ancestry as a paid resource, but they do offer a variety of helpful freebies, including a vast learning center. Some (but not all) of the webinars and resources place a focus on finding records on Ancestry.com, but are still very helpful for general research.

**UK National Archives Family History:** From army musters to medieval record research, the UK National Archives has many media offerings for genealogists–and they're all free and easy to access right on their website.

**National Genealogical Society:** If you're a member of the NGS you can take their courses at a reduced price. They used to offer a basic course for free to members, but this is no longer available. The annual fee is \$65 for an individual and includes many benefits. Page 6—August 2022

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Human Error



Repeated Human Error

- There is a lot of room for human error in genealogy research, and you are undoubtedly going to come across it, either in the work of others or through mistakes you make in your own work. Even the best genealogists will once in a while discover they got an entire line wrong based on one incorrect assumption, misinterpretation of a record, or by obtaining a faulty record.
- There is a lot of guesswork and uncertainty in genealogy. People in the past may have put the wrong information on old records, either from genuinely not knowing, or from having something they wanted to hide. Mistakes can be made in transcriptions of documents from one location to another; even tombstones are known to sometimes have mistakes on them from the stone cutter. Census takers make mistakes in the spellings of names (and even dates and places of birth of the householders they enumerate). Those who published family genealogies back in the 19th century, when this was a popular thing to do, often relied on legend, gossip, and the erroneous family stories other people gave them.
- We are lucky to be living with computers and the internet for our research. However, it also
  makes it <u>imperative</u> that genealogist question any fact and always <u>"dig deep"</u> for the original
  source.
- For example Dutch research in New Netherland is very difficult. Old sources are still used when new records have proved some of it wrong. For example from Familysearch.org Family Tree, these are the parents shown for Annetje Jellis. Yet on the same page under "Life Sketch" is contradicting information. No source for either set of parents is given. Annetje Jellis arrived by herself: *Passengers to New Netherland - 8 April 1662 - Sailed in DE HOOP (The Hope), Capt. Pieter Emilius - Annetje Gillis, farmer's servant girl, from Beest*."

Spouses and Children

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Parents and Siblings

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Jellis Douwesz Fonda 1614–1660 • MHDB-P7S Marriage: 10 Feb 1641 Noord-Holland, Netherlands Hester Douwse Jans

1616-1690 • KNDX-MXD

NOTE: she was NOT the daughter of Jellis Douwe Fonda and Hester--they were married in 1641 and had a son born in 1641, also their family emmigrated in 1644--long before Annatie did in 1662!

She was the daughter of Jellis Janssen (van Beest) and Mayken Jans, both of Bommel, Gelderland, Netherlands. Less

In a perfect world, we would all be able to easily find the original record for every piece of information we're looking for. But that's just not going to happen.

# Genealogical records

# Using early records

Scans of early records are increasingly becoming available online. Unfortunately, most of them are not indexed or transcribed. To use these scans of original records, you will need two skills:

- Ability to read 17th century handwriting.
- Ability to understand 17th century Dutch.





Name

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Membership Application Revised September 2021, valid through December 31, 2022

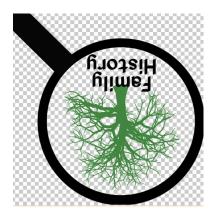
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The **Willamette Valley Genealogical Society** was organized in December 1968, to create and foster the study of family history, to aid in the publication of local history, and to aid in the establishment of materials in local genealogical library 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 taxdeductible.

# WVGS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION Please $\square$ if this is a $\square$ NEW or $\square$ RENEWAL membership

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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 build- ing security improvements. Please contact us to schedule an appointment or re- quest 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 precau- tions 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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