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WVGS ACTIVITIES—SALEM

November 12th Thursday: 11:30 am to 1:00 pm
WVGS Executive Committee Meeting.
Room 308 at Oregon State Library

November 14th, Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society will meet in the Oregon State Library Building, 250 Winter St. NE. Metered, on-street parking in the vicinity is *free* on Saturdays (and the underground Capitol Mall Parking Structure is closed). **Visitors are welcome at all events! Use the Winter St. entrance—the mall entrance is locked on Saturdays.** **Note—Name tags must be worn for security reasons. WVGS provides them for members and visitors on our meeting day. Please stop for yours in Room 103.**

Schedule of Events

10:00 am—11:00 am General Membership Meeting
Conference Room 103 (1st floor, opposite the elevator). Business meeting will be held to conduct society business.

11:00 am—12:00 pm Program

The October program will be presented by **Ruby Pantalone**, WVGS Vice President and local genealogist. Her topic will be “**Exploring Genealogy Programs Available on the Internet**”.

Ruby says “I have belonged to WVGS since 1981 when I first started doing Genealogy. I first started using the computer at work. My husband and I bought our first home computer when the VIC20 with the tape drive came out. I have upgraded gradually as the computers have been up-

graded. When the LDS first came out with their PAF program, a group of us got together and started a PAF user group. I used **PAF** for several years. I am not sure when I changed to **Family Tree Maker**, but it was more than 10 years ago. I haven't kept up with PAF, but I hope to be able to show people a little bit about the PAF program and how to get the program. Also, show some of what the Family Tree Maker program does. I also will try to answer any questions I can about doing “**GEDCOM**”. I taught a few courses of “Genealogy on Computer” for Chemeketa Community College several years ago.

This should be an informative program on genealogy programs. Plan on attending!

Beginners' Class

The Beginner's Class will be conducted by **Joan Kaiser** in Conference Room 103 on the first floor. Pre-registration is not required. There is no charge, but we suggest a donation of up to \$3.00 toward the cost of printed handouts.

Normally the class begins at 1pm, but Joan will need to leave early, so this time **only**, the Beginners' Class will start at approximately **12:15 pm (after the program is over)** and conclude at **1:45 pm**.

This will be **Class #3** in the series, “**Maps; Wills and Probate Records; Military Records**”. Joan will talk about using maps and land records in your research, what information you may find in wills and probate records, and military record information, including pension files.

The Oregon State Library Genealogy/Reference Room (north end of 2nd floor hall) will be open to the public on Saturday, November 14th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm for genealogical research. A volunteer will be available for assistance.
Use the Winter Street entrance.



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Oregon State Library

Call the Genealogy Volunteer at the Reference Desk by dialing the Volunteer phone number. Also patrons can leave a message at that number and the next volunteer will call back. The greeting will also be updated monthly with information about the upcoming meetings and programs. The number is (503) 378-5708.

This newsletter is available on the internet through our website at OSL in pdf format. In addition you can look at earlier issues as well as the current one. Remember you can find WVGS at <http://oregon.gov/osl>, then clicking on Genealogy on the right side of the screen. Also a research request form is there, as well as information on our DNA Project. Also on the website is a complete list of publications available from WVGS and an order form.

Ancestry.com and World Vital Records are available at the Library. Ancestry.com is available on all computers in the library, with 2 computers reserved specifically for genealogical research.

Upcoming Programs

November 14th: Ruby Pantalone, WVGS Vice President and local genealogist, "Doing Genealogy Research on the Computer"

December 12th: Annual Potluck and Auction

January 9th: Julie Starr Hook, "Organizing Your Personal Files"

If you plan on going to the State Library, State Archives, or City Library during the week, be sure you have lots of quarters for parking. Parking is metered at all the places and the staff does not make change. Be prepared! On street parking in the Capitol area is free on Saturdays

NORPAC Label Redemption Program

This money-making program is just to cut out the UPC code on FLAV-R-PAC, Santiam, and WESTPAC products and turn them in to WVGS. We then (as a nonprofit organization) mail them in once a year and receive 5 cents per label. Labels can be turned in at any Saturday WVGS meeting, mailed to WVGS, or left at the Reference Desk at OSL.

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Saturday Volunteers

Our agreement with Oregon State Library states that WVGS will provide Genealogy Volunteers whenever the library is open. This includes the Saturday that the Library is open for our meeting and to the public. It is important that our members help out or the library cannot be open for genealogy research. The following members have signed up to volunteer:

	<u>10 am—1 pm</u>	<u>1 pm—4 pm</u>
November 14th	Jim Willhite	Ruby Pantalone
December 12th	Linda Doran	Bob Baldwin

Meeting Dates for 2009

The meeting dates for 2009 have been set by the Oregon State Library and WVGS as follows:

January 10th	May 9th	September 12th
February 21st	June 13th	October 10th
March 14th	July 11th	November 14th
April 18th	August 8th	December 12th

Oregon State Library

Holiday and Closures for November 2009

The Oregon State Library will be closed in November 2009 on Wednesday November 11th, Veterans' Day, Thursday November 26th Thanksgiving, and Friday November 27th due to budget cuts.

WVGS Officers for 2009

Elected Officer

President: *George Cropsey*
 1st Vice-President (Program): *Bob Baldwin and Ruby Pantalone*
 2nd Vice-President (Membership): *Elizabeth Tice*
 Recording Secretary: *Marilynn O'Neill*
 Corresponding Secretary: *Linda Doran*
 Treasurer: *Joan Kaiser*

Appointed Positions

Newsletter Editor: *Elizabeth Tice*
 Beaver Brief Editor: *Sue Bell*
 Librarians: *Jim Willhite and Susie Niggli*
 Periodical Librarian: *Karen Farmer*
 Volunteer Coordinator: *Susie Niggli*
 Beginners' Class: *Joan Kaiser*
 Publicity: *George Cropsey*

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**Willamette Valley Genealogical Society's
DNA Project**

**WVGS has a DNA Project for both men and women.
To join under WVGS:**

1. Go to the State Library URL at: <http://oregon.gov/OSL/GRES/genealogy.shtml>
2. Click on Genealogy Research on the left.
3. Click on WVGS DNA Project.
4. Click on the Family Tree DNA icon in the middle of the page.
5. Scroll to the bottom of the next page and complete the form.
6. Click CONTINUE to complete the next screen.
7. Be sure to click only once when you are done so you order just one set.

You will receive a confirmation in your e-mail box that your order was taken. Remember: Only men can order the Y-DNA test, but both men and women can order the mtDNA. It is cheaper to order the Y-DNA 37 marker test as it will tell you that you have a common ancestor within genealogical time for persons you match. Lesser tests (12 markers) provide information on older ancestors prior to 600 years ago. However you may wish to start small and upgrade. For the mtDNA order both the HVR1 and HVR2 panels (mtDNA plus) as this will give you the best information on your ethnic origins. Again, you can start small and upgrade, if needed.

Questions?...

More information on Genetic Genealogy can be found at the following website by linking to its various pages (Click LEARN on the right side of the page):

www.familytreedna.com. If any of you have questions regarding DNA and which tests to order, please e-mail Emily Aulicino at: aulicino@hevanet.com.

Emily is WVGS' Project Administrator.

The DNA Project is open to anyone, not just WVGS members. You are not charged until you send in your test kit. You can do the DNA testing through WVGS and submit it to other groups.

WVGS Volunteers

Our agreement with the Oregon State Library relies on volunteers to allow WVGS to use the building. Each month this year there will be an article featuring one of the volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, contact **Susie Niggli**, the Volunteer Coordinator.

Bob Harrison

Bob Harrison is a new volunteer on Wednesday mornings. He took a leave of absence from his job to be a caregiver for his mother, who passed away in 2008. He is now helping his father out and has time to volunteer. He has been interested in genealogy since 1977 when he was 15 years old when his Grandmother Harrison got him interested by saying he was a direct descendant of both President Harrisons. That turned out not to be true, but over the years he has continued his interest in family history. He received an old family bible, pictures and a book that other relatives had put together. His German ancestor, surname Hutsell, was in the Revolutionary War, leading to Bob recently becoming a member of SAR.

Bob used to come to the Oregon State Library when the genealogy materials were all in the Microfilm Room. On his mother's side, through information from his grandmother and her sister, he has found his ancestor, John Graham, who founded Toledo, Oregon. The family goes back to Scotland. He recommends joining a genealogical society in the area your ancestors are from, especially if you've reached a brick wall. Five years ago he joined the society in Clallam County, Washington, and found information he had been search for on his gggrandparents. They were from Scotland, traveled around the world, had children in various places, and finally settled in Washington. He found another descendant through the genealogical society there.

Bob feels one of the best things about OSL is that a volunteer is available to help patrons. Sometimes all it takes is a little hint to break through. He's still barely scratching the surface of what available at the Library.

Attention All Waites

A good Samaritan from Kirkland, Washington—Shelley Cardiel, whose hobby is finding old pictures and reuniting them with family members—has sent us a "carte de visits" from the Sperry Studio here in Salem purportedly of **Lena Waite** as a youngster. **Myra Sperry** operated her photographic studio from 1889 to 1899 so the portrait was taken during that ten-year span.

After calling all the Waites listed in the Salem Directory with no response, we turn to our readers in order to reunite this picture with Lena's family. All that Shelley asks in return is her expense in obtaining and sending the portrait, \$9.00. If Lena belongs in your lineage, please let us know! Email: willvg@yahoo.com

WVGS News**2010 WVGS Nominations for Office**

The Nominating Committee will present the following nominees for officers for 2010 at the November General Meeting. Nominations from the floor will be taken and then election will take place. Officers will be installed at the December meeting.

President: *Liz Tice*

1st Vice President (Program): *Bob Baldwin* and
Ruby Pantalone

2nd Vice President (Membership): *Sue Rempel*

Recording Secretary: *Marilynn O'Neill*

Corresponding Secretary: *Linda Doran*

Treasurer: *Joan Kaiser*

October Program

The planned speaker for October, Stephenie Flora, was unable to make her presentation. So our speaker was **Betty Chapman Plude**. She is a freelance writer, teacher and speaker and her topic was **"Turning Your Life Stories into Published Articles and Family Lifetime Treasures"**. She talked about writing, with hints for getting started, recommended books and magazines and ideas and encouragement.

For genealogists, it's about preserving our family history and trying to collect as much past history as we can to preserve it. Betty's hand-out included lists of questions to ask yourself or family members. She says we need to write our own life story so our family doesn't have to try to figure it out after we're gone!

Some of her suggestions were to carry a spiral notebook with you to jot down briefly notes as you think of an event/topic/person/question. Use trigger words. You don't have to start with "I was born....". Write essays of events or memories as they occur to you. You can keep a notebook with dividers such as 0 to 5 years of age, 5 to 10 years, etc, and then sort your essay into the appropriate time frame. She also uses old postcards to enhance stories.

Betty presented an excellent program. The hand-out from her program is available from the Volunteer at the Reference Desk on the 2nd floor of the Oregon State Library.

Other Societies**Sweet Home Genealogy Society**

The Sweet Home Genealogy Society is planning their 30th Annual Workshop for March 19th & 20th 2010. Joanne Haugen will be the speaker on Friday and Gerald and Connie Lentzen on Saturday. Pre-registration by November 1st includes help from professional genealogist, Ron Bremer, to help you through your brick walls. Contact SWGS at **shgs@centurytel.net** or pick up a copy of the Brochure at the Reference Desk at the Oregon State Library.

Linn County Historical Museum Trust, Inc.

The Linn County Historical Museum Trust in Brownsville, OR will be selling engraved bricks for \$100 each, etched with the names of families who came to the Willamette Valley by 1950. The Museum will be creating a "Heritage Courtyard". Contact the Linn County Historical Museum Trust, P. O. Box 563, Brownsville, Oregon 97327. Brochure available at the OSL Reference Desk.

Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy

The Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy presents five days with some of the best genealogists in the country. Choose one of eleven courses of study. January 11-15, 2010 in Salt Lake City at the Radisson Hotel. Get more information at **www.infouga.org** or see the brochure at the OSL Reference Desk.

Mission Mill Fall Lecture Series
Immigrant Experiences in a Multi-Ethnic Oregon**November 7th, 2 pm "Jewish Oregonians"**

By **Ellen Eisenberg**: explores who they were, why they came, and the reception they found here.

November 14th, 2 pm "The Japanese in Oregon"

With **June Schumann**: gives us an overview of early Japanese settlements and touches on one of the important chapters in American (and Oregon) history.

November 21st, 2pm "Swedes in Oregon"

With **Lars Nordström**: by 1910 Swedes were the second-largest foreign-language immigrant group in the state.

Cost is \$5 for non-members of the museum. Mission Mill Museum 1313 Mill St SE Salem, OR 97301 (503) 585-7012 www.missionmill.org



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By Jim Willhite

Genealogy Periodicals

WVGS is each month bringing a few issues of OSL's Genealogical and Historical Periodicals from the stacks for your review. OSL has a complete list by state. If you find something of interest, check to see if the Library has additional issues. We started with the "A's". The following will be on the shelves just inside the door in the Microfilm Room until after the November meeting and for the rest of the month:

Genealogy Periodicals List
November 2009

- Chesapeake Cousins / Upper Shore Genealogical Society of Maryland (Easton, MD), various issues (1976 – 2008)
- Chicago Genealogist (Chicago, IL), v.31 n.1 – v.41 n.3 (1998 – 2009)
- Circuit Rider / Sangamon County Illinois Genealogical Society (Springfield, IL), v.16 n.1 – v.17 n.4 (1984 – 1985)
- Clackamas Legacy (Oregon City, OR), v.3 n.1 – v.8 n.2 (1990 – 1995)
- Clatsop County Historical Society Newsletter (Astoria, OR), various issues (1983 – 1991)
- The Clinton Chronicle (Wilmington, OH), v.5 n.1 – v.11 n.1 (1994 – 2000)
- CLUES / American Historical Society of Germans from Russia (Lincoln, NB), 1975 – 2001
- Columbia: The Magazine of Northwest History (Tacoma, WA), 1997 – 2009
- Columbia County Historical Society Quarterly (OR), v.1 n.1 – v.3 n.2 (1984 – 1986)
- Connecticut Genealogy News (Glastonbury, CT), v.1 n.1 – v.2 n.2 (2008 – 2009)



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Periodicals Received During October

By Karen Farmer

- CA (Fresno), "The Jotted Line", Fresno County Genealogical Society, Oct 09
- CO, "Piñon Whispers", Southeastern Colorado Genealogical Society, V 30 No 3, Fall 09
- GA (Coweta, Old Campbell), "The Coweta Courier", Coweta County Genealogical Society, V 29 No 1, Fall 09
- IL (Effingham), "Crossroads Trails", Effingham County Genealogical & Historical Society, V 30 No 3, Sep 09
- IL, "Chicago Genealogist", Chicago Genealogical Society, V 42 No 1, Fall 09
- IL, "Newsletter", The Genealogical Society of Southern Illinois, V 37 No 9, Oct 09
- KY, "Kentucky Explorer", V 24 No 5, Oct 09
- LA, "The Genie", Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association, V 43 No 3, 3rd Quarter 09
- MI (Calhoun), "Generations", Calhoun County Genealogical Society, V 21 No 6, Jul-Aug 09
- MI, "Magazine", Detroit Society for Genealogical Research, V 73 No 1, Fall 09
- MO, "Missouri Historical Review", State Historical Society of Missouri, V 101 No 4, July 07
- NC, "NCGS News", North Carolina Genealogical Society, V 33 No 4, Fall 09
- NY, "Record", New York Genealogical & Biographical Society, V 140 No 4, Oct 09
- NY, "The New York Researcher", V 20 No 2 & 3, Summer/Fall 09
- OH, "Quarterly", Ohio Genealogical Society, V 49 No 3, Fall 09
- OK (LeFlore), "The LeFlore County Heritage", Poteau Valley Genealogical Society V 29 No 2, Apr 09
- OR (Benton), "NewsLetter", Benton County Genealogical Society, V 24 No 8, Oct 09
- OR (Crook), "Newsletter", Crook County Genealogical Society, Oct-Dec 09
- OR (Deschutes), "The Homesteader", Deschutes County Historical Society, V 35 No 10, Oct 09



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- OR (Lane), "Quarterly", Oregon Genealogical Society, V 47 No 4, Fall 09
- OR (Linn), "Newsletter", Lebanon Genealogy Society, V 5, Oct 09
- OR (Linn), "The Heritage Newsletter", Linn Genealogical Society, V 23 No 10, Oct 09
- OR (Linn), "Distant Trails", Sweet Home Genealogical Society, Oct 09
- OR (Wasco), "Tales & Trails", Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society, V 23 No 4, Oct 09
- OR (Washington), "The Genea-Log", Genealogical Society of Washington Co, OR, V 18 No 4, Oct 09
- PA, "The Pennsylvania Magazine of History & Biography", Historical Society of Pennsylvania, 133 No 4, Oct 09
- PA (Erie), "Keystone Kuzzins", Erie Society for Genealogical Research, V 37 No 3, Aug 09
- TN (Blount), "The Blount Journal", Fall 09
- WA (Clark), "Newsletter", Clark County Genealogical Society, V 37 No 2, Oct 09
- WA (Grant), "Big Bend Register", Grant County Genealogical Society, V 30 No 3, Sep 09
- WA (Kitsap, N Mason), "The Backtracker", Puget Sound Genealogical Society V 34 No 3, Sep 09
- WA (Snohomish, Island), "The Beacon", Sno-Isle Genealogical Society, Oct 09
- "2009 MFH Index", Mennonite Family History
- "Mennonite Family History", V 28 No 4, Oct 09

PURCHASES AND DONATIONS

The following purchases and donated material to OS� may not be immediately available. The books and microfilm have to be cataloged and put into the OS� system and the CD's installed on the hard drive before they are available for use. Books, Tapes, & Videos from the WVGS collection will be available for check out at the next meeting.



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BOOK DONATED TO OREGON STATE LIBRARY in Memory of Marge Akin, by Carl and Sue Woodford Beals

- Oregon State Prison Superintendents, the Shepherds of State Street 1864-2009

BOOKS DONATED TO OREGON STATE LIBRARY By Frances Eddy

- The Barbour collection of Connecticut town vital records – Waterbury 1686-1853
- The New England Historical and Genealogical Register, Vol's V, XVI, & XXIX
- Blount County, Tennessee, Deeds, Deed Book 1, 1795- 1819
- Rock County, WI, Births thru 1875, Book 4
- Tishomingo County Mississippi Marriage Bonds and Ministers' Returns 1842 – 1861
- Blount County History of Tennessee
- Roane County History of Tennessee
- U. S. Catholic Sources, A Diocesan Research Guide For Family Historians
- Prairie Farmers Reliable Directory of Farmers and Breeders Green County, Wisconsin
- Mecklenburg County, North Carolina Cemetery Records

BOOKS DONATED FOR SALE TABLE OR OTHER SOCIETY by Frances Eddy

- The Barbour Collection of Connecticut Town Vital Records – Wethersfield 1634-1868
- Polk County Pioneers: A Study of the Inhabitants Listed in the 1850 Federal Census of Polk Co., OR
- Directory of Family Associations
- Genealogical Research in the National Archives
- International Vital Records Handbook, 3rd Edition
- Every Name Index to Book of Remembrance of Marion County, Oregon, Pioneers, 1840-1860



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- **Linn County, Oregon Pioneer Settlers : Oregon Territory Donation Land Claim Families to 1855**
- **The Genealogy On-Ramp**

PERIODICAL DONATED TO OSL SURNAME FILES by Cliff Butler

- **Journal of the Butler Society, Vol 4, No. 3**

SUGGESTED PURCHASES - DONATIONS WANTED

Donors pay half and, WVGS's book fund pays the remaining half. Donations are tax deductible in accordance with section 501(c)(3) of the US Tax Code. The books go into our collection for use of our members, with donor's getting first use. When the books are no longer being checked out they are donated to the Oregon State Library for use of the public.

BOOKS – Suggestions Please

CD's - Suggestions Please

West Virginia

The state of West Virginia has about 4,000 Civil War medals looking for a good home. When the war ended, the state commissioned some 26,000 medals, but many got waylaid in the postwar shuffle. A web site (www.wvculture.org/history/medals.html) lists the soldiers who never got their prizes, as well as instructions on how to claim the medals. If you have a West Virginia Civil War ancestor, you might look into this!

New Jersey

The New Jersey State Archives recently launched a new Civil War Database on their website. Produced in conjunction with the New Jersey Civil War Heritage Association, the Civil War Treasury Vouchers, 1861–1865, includes almost 16,000 payment receipts for military expenditures and wartime purchases made by the State of New Jersey for the war effort. Remember that your ancestor need not have lived in New Jersey to have been paid for services. Check out the website of the New Jersey Division of Archives and Records Management at www.state.nj.us/state/darm/links/archives.html.

Stories from the Past

Our October speaker Betty Plude talked about recording your stories. Here is one from one of our volunteers.

Neighborhood Thief

In my early years we lived in a small coal mining town where daily living was tolerable but certainly not what one would call living in high society. The houses that we lived in, as well as everything else, belonged to the owner of the coal mine and while the houses were at least satisfactory, they were certainly not in the mansion class.

One of the things that I remember about those houses is that none of the houses had screen doors and during the summer, without air conditioning, the regular doors were always left open which invited entry by dogs, cats, and any other critter that happened by. One of these critters happened to be an obnoxious dog belonging to a neighbor across the street. This dog named JIMMY was not only obnoxious, he was also a thief, quite adept at entering your house and stealing food from your table. On one occasion, he sneaked into our house and stole a pork chop from the dining table. An inconsequential incident perhaps, but money was scarce during those years and a pork chop was a valuable commodity that we could rarely afford.

The loss of that pork chop was never forgotten. Jimmy was so obnoxious that the neighbors took turns trying to run over the critter and one did succeed in hitting him, but he survived. He limped for awhile, but survived. Eventually, much to the delight of the whole neighborhood, the family moved and took Jimmy with them!

An anonymous volunteer on Tuesday!

Maps of Scotland

Do you have Scottish ancestors? The National Library of Scotland (NLS) has one of the largest cartographic collections in the world, with around two million maps and related items. The NLS has been working to provide greater access to their materials through cataloging and scanning. You can visit the maps section, and access the rest of the site, from www.nls.uk/maps.

WVGS Constitution	Proposed Changes
<p><u>WVGS Constitution and Standing Rules Review</u> The last issues to review are the appointed officers and committees. Since some committees are not functioning as required by the Constitution and By-Laws, we are proposing some changes to fit current practice.</p> <p>Current Constitution language:</p> <p>Article V <u>APPOINTED OFFICERS</u> Section 2 The appointed officers shall be: A. Librarian(s) B. Editor of the quarterly publication C. Editor of the monthly newsletter D. Publications and Records Committee Chair E. Pedigree Charts Committee Chair F. Forms Committee Chair G. Historian H. Hospitality Committee Chair I. State Library Volunteer Committee Chair J. Representative to the Genealogical Council of Oregon K. State Library Liaison Committee Chair L. Genealogy Class Coordinator M. Others as determined by the Executive Board</p> <p>ARTICLE VI <u>COMMITTEES</u> Section 3 The standing committees of the Society may be: A. Program Committee B. Nominating Committee C. Publications and Records Committee D. Pedigree Charts Committee F. State library Volunteers Committee G. State Library Liaison Committee H. Genealogy Class Committee</p> <p>The Board is recommending that the Pedigree Charts Committee Chair and Forms Committee Chair be combined into one position, Charts and Forms Coordinator, that the Pedigree Charts Committee be eliminated, the State Library Liaison Committee be eliminated and that the Representative to the Genealogical Council of Oregon be revised also as they are not functioning as they originally were.</p> <p>Proposed:</p> <p>Article V <u>APPOINTED OFFICERS</u> Section 2 The appointed officers shall be: A. Librarian(s) B. Editor of the quarterly publication C. Editor of the monthly newsletter D. Publications and Records Committee Chair E. Charts and Forms Coordinator F. Historian G. Hospitality Committee Chair H. State Library Volunteer Committee Chair I. State Library Liaison J. Genealogy Class Coordinator K. Others as determined by the Executive Board</p> <p>ARTICLE VI <u>COMMITTEES</u> Section 3 The standing committees of the Society may be: A. Program Committee</p>	<p>B. Nominating Committee C. Publications and Records Committee D. Hospitality Committee E. State Library Volunteers Committee F. Genealogy Class Committee</p> <p>Under Standing Rules: the responsibilities of Pedigree Chair and Forms Chair will be combined, the committee eliminated. Current Standing Rules:</p> <p>ARTICLE II <u>APPOINTED OFFICERS</u> Section 5 The Pedigree Chair shall oversee the duties of the Pedigree Committee as described in Article IV, Standing Committees, following.</p> <p>ARTICLE IV <u>STANDING COMMITTEES</u> Section 5 The <u>Pedigree Charts Committee</u> shall obtain and maintain pedigree charts from Society members (and other people wishing to prepare them), and keep an alphabetical file of an names contained on charts, together with the names of the preparers, under the following guidelines: A. Members shall be encouraged either to purchase a Nine-Generation Pedigree Chart and complete it, submitting it to the Pedigree Chart Committee for binding into the Society's Pedigree Charts binders, or to submit computer-generated charts and surname information. Members shall also be furnished a set of surname file cards to be completed and submitted with the chart. Members shall be encouraged to update their charts and cards as additional research is completed. B. The Pedigree Charts Committee shall check the charts and keep them in good repair. C. The Committee shall display the charts and surname information at all Society meetings to allow members to research for similar names and researchers, and shall make them available for display at regional genealogical events.</p> <p>Section 11 The Forms Chair shall maintain a supply of printed genealogical forms for sale to both members and non-members, and shall have them available for purchase at all Society meetings.</p> <p>Proposed: Section 5 The Charts and Forms Coordinator shall maintain a supply of printed genealogical forms for sale to both members and non-members, and shall have them available for purchase at all Society meetings. The Charts and Forms Coordinator shall maintain pedigree charts already submitted from Society members and maintain the alphabetical file of names contained on charts, together with the names of the preparers. New pedigree charts can be submitted under the following guidelines: A. Members shall be encouraged to purchase a Nine-Generation Pedigree Chart.</p>

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<p>B. New Pedigree Charts are encouraged be computer-generated with indexes. Members shall also be furnished a set of surname file cards to be completed and submitted with the chart. Members shall be encouraged to update their charts and cards as additional research is completed.</p> <p>C. The Charts and Forms Coordinator will check the charts and put them into the Society's Pedigree binders. The Coordinator will keep binders in good repair.</p> <p>D. The Coordinator may display the charts and surname information at Society meetings to allow members to research for similar names and researchers, and may make them available for display at regional genealogical events.</p> <p>Re-number the remaining Sections of Article II.</p> <p>Hospitality Committee Chair and Hospitality Committee</p> <p>ARTICLE IV <u>STANDING COMMITTEES</u></p> <p>Current: Section 6 <u>Hospitality Committee</u> A. The Chair of the Committee shall recruit a committee of <u>not less than</u> three (3) persons, with the concurrence of the President and the Executive Board.</p> <p>Proposed: A. The Chair of the Committee may recruit a committee of up to three (3)....</p> <p>Representative to the Genealogical Council of Oregon:</p> <p>Proposed - Eliminate a representative as a required appointed officer.</p> <p>State Library Liaison Committee and Chair</p> <p>Current Standing Rules:</p> <p>ARTICLE II <u>APPOINTED OFFICERS</u></p> <p>Section 12 The Chair of the State Library Liaison Committee shall oversee the duties of the Committee as described in Article IV, Standing Committees, and shall serve as the primary liaison between the Society and the State Library staff and Library Board of Trustees in matters regarding cooperative agreements between the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society and the Oregon State Library.</p> <p>ARTICLE IV <u>STANDING COMMITTEES</u></p> <p>Section 7 <u>Oregon State Library Liaison Committee</u> A. The Chair of the Committee shall recruit a committee of not less than two (2) additional members, with the concurrence of the President and the Executive Board. B. The principal duties of the committee shall be to: 1. Maintain the Society's cooperative agreement with the Oregon State Library</p>	<p>2. Monitor the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society-Oregon State Library agreement, negotiating any necessary adjustments proposed by the Society, by the State Library staff, or the Oregon State Library Board of Trustees</p> <p>3. Inform the members of the Society about the objectives and goals of the Oregon State Library Board of Trustees as those concern the genealogical community</p> <p>4. Maintain an awareness of pending legislation that would affect both the Oregon State Library and the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society.</p> <p>Proposed: eliminate the Committee, duties are now done by the President and the Board.</p> <p>ARTICLE II <u>APPOINTED OFFICERS</u></p> <p>Section 12 The President and Board of Directors of WVGS shall act as the State Library Liaison, the primary liaison between the Society and the State Library staff and Library Board of Trustees in matters regarding cooperative agreements between the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society and the Oregon State Library. The principal responsibility of the President as Liaison shall be to:</p> <p>1. Maintain the Society's cooperative agreement with the Oregon State Library.</p> <p>2. Monitor the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society-Oregon State Library agreement, negotiating any necessary adjustments proposed by the Society, by the State Library staff, or the Oregon State Library Board of Trustees.</p> <p>3. Inform the members of the Society about the objectives and goals of the Oregon State Library Board of Trustees as those concern the genealogical community.</p> <p>4. Maintain an awareness of pending legislation that would affect both the Oregon State Library and the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society.</p> <p>Genealogy Class Coordinator and Committee</p> <p>Current:</p> <p>ARTICLE IV <u>STANDING COMMITTEES</u></p> <p>Section 8 <u>Genealogy Class Committee</u> A. The Coordinator shall recruit a committee of <u>not less than three (3) members</u>, change to <u>as needed</u> with the concurrence of the President and the Executive Board. 4. Beginners' classes will consist of a series of <u>four sessions (eight hours total)</u> change to <u>at least four</u></p> <p>These changes will be discussed at the November meeting. The completed revised Constitution and Standing Rules will be available at the January meeting, to be voted upon at the February meeting.</p>



WILLAMETTE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, INC. RESEARCH POLICY AND APPLICATION FORM

We should be pleased to assist you with your research. Our fee schedule is shown below. Please check the searches you want us to perform, and enclose a letter telling us what you already know about your person(s) of interest (and any other information which might help us). Return this form, your letter, a check payable to "WVGS" for the total amount for the searches requested, and a SASE, to:

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society
Att: Corresponding Secretary
PO Box 2083
Salem, OR 97308-2083

CATEGORY I

_____ The following **MARION COUNTY, OREGON** published references will be checked for a **fee of \$10.00** for the *entire collection*. Includes copies or extracts of findings.

Probate Records Vols. 1-4, First 2500 Probates in Marion County

Marriage Records Vols. I—IX, 1849-1900

Federal Censuses for 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930

County Census for 1895 and 1905, City of Salem

Cemetery records

Other, as appropriate

_____ For each Oregon county **OTHER THAN MARION**, we will search all published references held by the Oregon State Library and by WVGS for that county for a **fee of \$10.00 per county**. Includes copies or extracts of findings. County of interest: _____

_____ A search of all volumes of **WVGS' s quarterly, *Beaver Briefs*** for a **fee of \$10.00**.

CATEGORY 2

_____ The following **OREGON** state-wide searches are **\$5.00 each**, and include copies or extracts of findings. ***Please check each search you want.***

_____ **Oregon Death Index, begins 1903; includes copy of death certificate (if available from Oregon State Archives)**

_____ **Obituaries, from Salem *Capital Journal*, *Oregon Statesman*, *Statesman Journal*, *Portland Oregonian*, and other Oregon newspapers as available**
BARGAIN: 3 FOR \$10.00

_____ **Biographical and historical volumes, as appropriate to the request**

CATEGORY 3

_____ The fee for ***all other research projects is \$10.00 per hour or fraction thereof.*** For further information, please write and let us know what you hope to discover. Don't forget to include a SASE!

PLEASE NOTE!

Because of the nature of genealogical research, the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society, Inc. cannot guarantee results. The fees apply, in any event, and are not refundable. Our researcher(s) will use the same care as though the research were for their own use, but neither they nor the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society, Inc., can be held liable for any errors which may be made.

Beaver Briefs

We will continue to have discussions at the General Meetings about Beaver Briefs being on-line and/or charging an additional \$6 for the cost of mailing a hard copy. The next Beaver Briefs will have another survey. Please send return it! We will be making a decision at the November meeting! The increasing cost of postage is of concern. We will explain how the on-line version will work. This will be the way you will receive the Beaver Briefs, with notification through the newsletter, **unless you sign up for receiving a mailed copy by paying an additional \$6.**

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

By Elizabeth Tice

Membership for 2009, we have 17 Life Members, 79 single memberships, 16 family memberships (32 individuals), and 5 Historical/Genealogical Societies for a total of 133 members.

Newsletters

WVGS currently exchanges periodicals with 45 societies. We also mail to 10 libraries and mailed 24 complimentary copies this month.

Welcome new member Sandy Graham of Salem!

ANNUAL DUES for the calendar year 2009 are \$20 for a single membership, \$25 to include spouse/family. **LIFE MEMBERSHIP** fees are \$250 for those under 70 years of age, \$200 for those 70 or over. Membership brings you the quarterly **BEAVER BRIEFS** and the monthly **NEWSLETTER**, and for Willamette Valley residents, the opportunity to check out books from the Society library. Send your check and the form below to WVGS, PO Box 2083, Salem, OR 97308-2083, enclosing a SASA if you would like a membership card and receipt mailed to you. *Please notify us of address changes or corrections—the Post Office will not forward BEAVER BRIEFS or NEWSLETTERS.* Members' address labels show dues expiration date following EXP. Dues received after labels are printed will be reflected in the following months' labels.

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP

Pro-rated Amounts for new members only who join:

**Jan-Mar: \$20 Apr-Jun: \$15
Jul-Sept: \$10 Oct-Dec: \$5**

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

Pro-rated Amounts for new members only who join:

**Jan-Mar: \$25 Apr-Jun: \$18.75
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WVGS MEMBERSHIP FORM Please if this is a NEW or RENEWAL membership

NAME	MAIDEN NAME
MAILING ADDRESS: STREET:	SPOUSE'S NAME
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE:	TEL. AREA CODE & NO.

COUNTIES OF INTEREST - _____ INCLUDING STATE ABBR.

May WVGS include the following in our published membership rosters (please each item):

YOUR MAILING ADDRESS: YES NO YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER: YES NO YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS: YES NO

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Salem East LDS Family History Center 862 45th Ave NE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-371-0453	CLOSED		9 am— 4 pm	2 pm— 9 pm	CLOSED	9 am— 2 pm	9 am— 1 pm
Salem LDS Family History Center 4550 Lone Oak Rd SE Salem, OR 97302 / 503-378-0383 ext 7	4 pm— 7 pm	CLOSED	9 am— 9 pm	6 pm - 9 pm	9 am— 9 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
Oregon State Library 250 Winter St NE Salem, OR 97301-3950 / 503-378-5013	CLOSED	Genealogy/Reference Room, 2nd Floor 10 am—5 pm (CLOSED State Holidays) Closed Friday, October 16th					November 14th ONLY 10am—4pm
Oregon State Archives 800 Summer St NE Salem, OR 97310 / 503-373-0701	CLOSED	8 am—12 am and 1 pm—4:45 pm (CLOSED State Holidays)					CLOSED
Salem City Library 585 Liberty St SE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-588-6315	Open 1 pm- 5 pm Sept-May	CLOSED	10 am—9 pm (CLOSED City Holidays)			10 am—6 pm	

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