



WVGS News

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 is available on all computers in the library, with 2 computers reserved specifically for genealogical research.

*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***

Upcoming Programs

June 11: Tom Branigar and OSL Staff, Archival Theory and Using OSL Biographies as a Resource

July 9: Gwen Carr of "Oregon Northwest Black Pioneers"

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> |
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| May 14 | Joan Kaiser | Bob Baldwin |
| June 11 | Jim Willhite | George Cropsy |
| July 9th | Joan Kaiser | Bob Baldwin |

Adrienne Sexton

Adrienne Sexton, wife of Ken Sexton, passed away in Salem on March 27, 2011. Adrienne was a past member of WVGS and a past 2nd Vice-President for Membership and Ken is a past Treasurer. She will be missed and WVGS will purchase a genealogy book in her memory, to be donated to the Oregon State Library.

WVGS Meeting 2011 Dates

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| January 8 | May 14 | September 10 |
| February 12 | June 11 | October 8 |
| March 12 | July 9 | November 19 |
| April 9 | August 13 | December 10 |

WVGS Officers for 2011

Elected Officer

President: *Elizabeth Tice*
 1st Vice-President (Program): *Bob Baldwin*
 2nd Vice-President (Membership): *Suzan Rempel*
 Recording Secretary: *Barbara Foster*
 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: *Lorraine Busch*
 Volunteer Coordinator: *Susie Niggli*
 Beginners' Class: *Joan Kaiser*
 Publicity: *George Cropsey*



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Upcoming Seminars

**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.

Ancestry.com

The Ancestry Institution Edition, installed on the computers in the Reference Room, has been recently updated. You now can search in the same way you do on a home edition. Free to the public!

**Tacoma, Washington
Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society**

Saturday, May 7, 2011

Location: La Quinta Inns & Suites
1425 East 27th Street
Tacoma, Washington

Featured Speaker:

Laura G. Prescott

Lectures:

Turning Fiction into Fact

Treasures Within the Ivory Tower

Timelines

The Rest of the Story

Contact:

jane_irish_nelson@yahoo.com

Bend, Oregon

Bend Genealogical Society

Spring Seminar

Saturday, May 14, 2011

From 9 AM to 4 PM

At the Bend Golf & Country Club

61045 Country Club Dr, Bend, OR

Featuring **Henry Z "Hank" Jones, Jr**

4 sessions by Hank

www.orgenweb.org/deschutes/bend-gs

Or see the flyer at the Reference Desk

at the Oregon State Library

Richland, Washington

Washington State Genealogical Society

2011 Annual Conference

September 16-17, 2011

"Building Ancestral Bridges"

Featured Speaker: Patricia Walls Stamm

"Social Networking for Genealogists"

"Death Has Many Faces"

"Elements of a Useful Research Road Map"

"Discovering Our Ancestor's Neighborhood"

For details: www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasgs

Spokane, Washington

October 1, 2011

Eastern Washington Genealogical Society

The Eastern Washington Genealogical Society will host

Dr. George Schweitzer. His topic will be "Civil War".

Contact Donna Potter Phillips for more info

Donna243@gmail.com

Or **www.ewgsi.org**

WVGS News**April Program**

Tom O'Brien was our speaker for the April program, talking about FamilySearch.org. Tom covered both the New FamilySearch and the old site.

Tom recommends not using the first search page until you know what you are searching for. You can search historical records or browse and select a database first. You can also search Family Trees, Ancestral Files from LDS members. You can also search the Library Catalog, order films and look at books that have been digitized.

Under the Learn Tab, Tom highly recommends the Research Wiki and Research Courses. You can find articles by subject or by country. Courses include videos and cover subjects such as Reading Handwritten Records or Researching Polish Records.

You can select "Go to the Previous Site" and search records there, as well as find Research Helps and search the Library Catalog. You can still download free PAF Software. Eventually the New Family Search will have all the data and the goal of the LDS Church is to digitize all their millions of rolls of microfilm and make it available for free.

Tom was an excellent speaker, informative, knowledgeable and interesting too. Thanks, Tom!

Oregon State Library Digitizing Project

Janine Hunter will be speaking about her project for our May program. This is a description from the library staff to the Oregon Library Association:

The Oregon State Library has a number of rare or unique resources of interest to genealogists, including a card index to biographical information from newspaper articles, and directories published by various state agencies. OSL is partnering with Ancestry.com to digitize these important resources. This combines Ancestry's expertise in digitization with OSL's commitment to access to government information. Ancestry gains additional content for its products, and OSL gains digitized, indexed images of high-value collections. This partnership took careful planning and negotiation and will result in greatly improved access to rare and unique materials for anyone with an internet connection.

WVGS News**Obituary Index**

This notice was sent to Genealogy Volunteers by **Alice LaViolette** from the Oregon State Library: Today I found another index that you might find very useful when looking for obituaries that may have appeared in Lake Oswego/Oregon City area. It covers these papers:

- Lake Oswego Review 11/3/1960 - present
- Oswego Review 6/12/1929 - 11/3/1960
- Oswego Times 3/30/1916 - 3/8/1918
- Clackamas County Banner 3/15/1918 - 6/13/1919
- Lake Oswego Daily Report 7/29/1968 - 4/21/1969
- Oregon City Enterprise (Weekly) 10/27/1688 - 6/14/1929
- Oregon City Spectator 2/5/1846 - 3/10/1855
- Oswego Honk 9/29/1942 - 9/22/1945
- Oswego Iron Worker 1893, 1894
- Western Clackamas Review 12/11/1925 - 4/25/1929

You can search by keyword or by subject: obituary
<http://www.ci.oswego.or.us/tools/Review/>

Library of Congress

This information was sent in by WVGS member **Tom Branigar** in January:

The Library of Congress has been digitizing old newspapers from around the country. These are pre-1923 papers (probably for copyright reasons). The images are keyword searchable so you can look for articles on specific individuals. This will help WVGS because a few weeks ago they added the Capital Journal of Salem from 1888 to 1909. Each time the paper changed its name it was considered a new paper, so there are five different series that cover this period: Evening Capital Journal (1888-93), Capital Journal (1893-95), Daily Capital Journal (1896-99), Daily Journal (1899-1903) and Daily Capital Journal (1903-09).

The website address is:

<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>

The menu on the left side of the home page will get you to the papers. The entry "See All Available Newspapers" is a list of the digitized newspapers, listed by state. The entry "Search Newspaper Pages" will take you to the search engine.



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FOR MAY 2011 NEWSLETTER

By Jim Willhite

PERIODICALS

Featured 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". For most of the periodicals we have additional issues in the stacks, so ask at the Reference Desk if you would like to see any of the periodicals.

List prepared by
Eugene Newbill, OSL

- Pitt County Genealogical Quarterly (Greenville, NC), v.3 n.1 – v.4 n.4 (1996 – 1997)
- Pinon Whispers / Southwestern Colorado Genealogical Society (Pueblo, CO), v.14 n.2 – v.28 n.4 (1993 – 2007)
- Platte County Missouri Historical & Genealogical Society Bulletin (Platte City, MO), various issues (1988 – 1996)
- POINTERS, Pursuing Our Italian Names Together (Palos Verdes, CA), v.7 (1993)
- Polk County Genealogical Society Newsletter (Dallas, OR), v.1 n.1 (1987)
- The Prairie Gleaner , West Central Missouri Genealogical Society (Warrensburg, MO), v.1 n.1 – v.23 n.4 (1969 – 1992)
- Prairie Roots (Peoria, IL), v.1 n.1 – v.13 n.4 (1974 – 1986)
- Prince George's County Genealogical Society Bulletin (Bowie, MD), v.10 n.1 – v.17 n.3; v.33 n.1 – v.38 n.2 (1978 – 1985; 2001 – 2006)
- Quarterly / Jacksonville Area Genealogical and Historical Society (Jacksonville, IL), v.23 n.1 – v.30 n.1 (1995 – 2002)



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- Quarterly / Olympia Genealogical Society (Olympia, WA), v.12 n.1 – v.34 n.3 (1986 – 2008)

April 2011 Periodicals Received at
The Oregon State Library
 Prepared by Lorraine Busch

- Ark-LA-Tex, "The Genie", Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association, V1 No1, First Quarter 2011
- CA (Fresno), "Ash Tree Echo", Fresno County Genealogical Society, V46 No1, March 11
- CA (Fresno), "The Jotted Line", March 11
- CA (Fresno), "The Jotted Line", April 11
- CT, "Connecticut Genealogy News" Connecticut Society of Genealogists, V 4 No1, Spring 11
- CT, "The Connecticut Nutmeg", Connecticut Society of Genealogists, V43 No 4, March 11
- IA (Des Moines), "Quarterly", Des Moines Genealogical Society, V36 No1 , Feb 11
- IL, "Quarterly", Illinois State Genealogical Society, V 43 No1, Spring 11
- IL (DeKalb), "Cornsilk", DeKalb County Historical Genealogical Society, V30 No1, Spring 11
- IL (Effingham), "Crossroad Trails", Effingham County Genealogical and Historical Society, V32 No1, March 11
- IL, "Chicago Genealogist", Chicago Genealogical Society, V43 No2, Winter 10-11
- IL, "Newsletter of the Chicago Genealogical Society", V43 No8, March 11
- IL, "Newsletter of the Chicago Genealogical Society", V43 No9, April 11
- IL, "The Saga of Southern Illinois", Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois, V39 No1, Jan-March 11
- IL, "Newsletter", Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois, V39 No4, April 11
- KY, "Kentucky Explorer" V25, No10, April 11
- MI, "Michgana", Western Michigan Genealogical Society, V57 No Jan-Feb-March 2011
- NY, "Journal", Western New York Genealogical Society, V37 No4, March 11
- OH, "Ohio Genealogy News", Ohio Genealogy News, V42, No1, Spring 11
- OK, "Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly", V55 No4, 10

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- OK (LeFlore), “The LeFlore County Heritage”, Poteau Valley Genealogical Society, V 31 No1, Jan 11
- OR, “Beaver Briefs”, Willamette Valley Genealogical Society V43 No2, Spring 11
- OR, “The Bulletin”, Genealogical Forum of Oregon, V60, No3, March 11
- OR (Crook) “Newsletter”, Crook County Genealogy Society, April-May-June 11
- OR, “The Forum Insider”, Genealogical Forum of Oregon, V22 No6, April 11
- OR, “Between Us Diggers”, Rogue Valley Genealogical Society, V12 No4, Nov 10
- OR, “Trees from the Grove”, Cottage Grove Genealogical Society, V23 Nos3 & 4
- OR (Clackamas), “Clackamas Legacy,” Clackamas County Family History Society, V24 No, Jan-Feb-Mar 11
- OR (Deschutes), “The Homesteader”, Deschutes County Historical Society Newsletter, V 37 No4, April 11
- OR (Linn), “The Heritage Newsletter”, Linn Genealogical Society, V25 No4, April 11
- OR (Yamhill), “The West Side”, Yamhill County Historical Society, V43 No4, April 11
- OR (Washington), “GeneaLog” Genealogical Society of Washington County, April 11
- MI, “The Detroit Society for Genealogical Research” V74, No3, Spring 11
- NY, “The New York Researcher”, New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, V 22, No1, Spring 11
- PA (Erie) “Keystone Kuzzins”, Keystone Society for Genealogical Research, V38, No4/ V 39 No1, Nov 10/ Feb 11 (one publication)
- PA, “Penn in Hand”, Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania, V28 No2, Winter 11
- WA (Clark), “Newsletter”, Clark County Genealogical Society, V38 No8, April 11
- WA (Grant), “Big Bend Register”, Grant County Genealogical Society, V32, No1 March 11
- WA, “The Beacon”, Sno-Isle Genealogical Society, April 11
- WA, “Tri City Genealogical Society Online Bulletin”, V51 No1, March 11
- WA, “Stillaguamish Star”, Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society, V24 No1, Jan-Mar 11



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- WV (Fayette /Raleigh), “News Notes”, Fayette and Raleigh Counties Genealogical Society. V28 No, Spring 11
- “FGS Voice”, Federation of Genealogical Societies, Feb-March 11
- “The Highlander” March-April 11
- “The Highlander” April 11
- “The Mayflower Quarterly” The general Society of Mayflower Descendants, V77 No1, March 11
- “Mennonite Family History” V30 No2 April 11

Exchange societies' newsletters received by email or online only:

- OR, “Benton County Genealogical Society Newsletter”, Benton County Genealogical Society, Philomath, OR
- OR, “Tails and Trails Newsletter”, Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society, The Dalles, OR
- OR, “Heritage Herald”, Independence Heritage Museum, Independence, OR
- OR, “Klamath Basin Genealogy Society Newsletter”, Klamath Basin Genealogical Society, Klamath Falls, OR
- OR, “The Rogue Digger”, Rogue Valley Genealogical Society, Phoenix, OR
- PA, “The Heritage”, Northeastern Pennsylvania Genealogical Society, Shavertown, PA
- WA, “Bulletin” and “Newsletter”, Seattle Genealogical Society, Seattle, WA
- WA, “The Beacon”, Sno-Isle Genealogical Society, Lynnwood, WA

PURCHASES AND DONATIONS

The following purchases and donated material to OSL may not be immediately available. The books and microfilm have to be cataloged and put into the OSL 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.

BOOKS ORDERED FOR WVGS COLLECTION

- Poole Funeral Home Records Springfield Area, June 11, 1927 to July 30 1941, in two Volumes
\$42.00 + 4.00 S&H Total = \$46.00



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BOOKS DONATED TO OREGON STATE LIBRARY BY FRANCES EDDY

- Vermont Warnings Out, Volume 2: Southern Vermont
- Medieval English Ancestors of Certain Americans
- Genealogy in America, Volume 1, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Maine
- Sketches of Western North Carolina, Historical and Biographical
- Kerrville (Texas), Mountain Sun and Kerrville Advance, Obituary and Death Notice Index 1898-1965
- Death Notices in The Cleveland Banner (Tennessee) 1865-1883
- Descendants of Peter Mill of Windsor, Connecticut By Helen Schatvet Ullmann
- LaSalle County, Illinois 1860 Federal Census VOL. 1 & 2
- LaSalle County, Illinois 1870 Federal Census 1870 Vol 1
- 1891-1911-Souvenir Edition of the LaSalle Tribune
- Marshall County WV - 1900 Cameron District
- Marshall County WV - 1900 Clay District
- 1860 Census of Gilmer County WV
- Wirt County WV 1900 Census
- Wirt County WV 1910 Census
- Wirt County WV 1920 Census
- Wood County WV 1870 Census
- Belmont County Ohio 1850 Census
- Wood County WV 1860 Census
- Census Gilmer County WV 1850-1860-1870
- 1850 Census of Washington County Ohio
- 1810-1840 US census-Ohio County (West Virginia)
- Calhoun County WV-1900 Census
- Harrison County WV 1850 Census
- Washington County Ohio 1900 Census-Marietta Township and City of Marietta
- Washington County Ohio 1900-Adams, Aurelius, Barlow, Belpre and Decatur Twps
- Washington County, Ohio 1900 Census-Dunham, Fairfield, Fearing, Grandview, Independence and Lawrence Townships
- Washington County, Ohio 1860 Census
- Washington County, Ohio 1870 Census
- Washington County, Ohio 1880 Census



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- Belmont County Ohio 1860 Census
- Monroe County Ohio 1860 Census
- History of LaSalle County Illinois, The Past and Present
- LaSalle County Illinois-1879 Federal Census Vol 2
- Gravestones of Dutchess County NY
- The Livingston Family in America and its Scottish Origins
- Book of the Wilders
- Directory - LaSalle County, Illinois 1858-1859
- The Hills family in America, Parts I & II
- A Genealogical Register of the Early Families of Shoreham Vermont
- Hale, House and Related Families -Mainly of the Connecticut River Valley
- Family Record of the Henderson and Whiddon Families and Their Descendants with a Muster Roll of Georgia Regiments
- History of the Welles Family in England and Normandy
- History of the Tillon Family in America Vol 1
- Genealogy of the Stevens Family from 1635 to 1891
- Jacksonville, a Living Legend by Ruth Goldschmidt
- The Amazing Pennsylvania Canals
- Genealogy of the Descendants of John Morrison and Prudence Gwyn.
- Records of Some of the Descendants of George and Maturin Ricker
- Marriages and Deaths in the Newspapers of Frederick and Montgomery Counties Maryland. 1820-1830
- Twenty-Six Great Migration Colonialists To New England & Their Origins
- Book of The Wilders, a Contribution to the History of the Wilders
- Genealogical History of John and Mary Andrews Who Settled in Farmington, Connecticut 1640
- Blount County Tennessee Marriage Records 1911 -1919
- Proprietors' Records of the Town of Waterbury Connecticut 1677-1761
- History of the Origin of Clinton Massachusetts 1653 - 1865



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BOOKS DONATED TO OSL BY FRANCES EDDY FOR OTHER SOCIETY

- The Scotch Irish-an account of a Presbyterian migration 1720-1853
- A Handy Guide To The Genealogical Library and Church Historical Department
- Poland-Prussia - How to Locate Vital Records of Former Prussian Areas of Poland in the LDS Library
- 1860 Census Yamhill County
- 1860 Census Umpqua County
- 1860 Census Coos and Curry Counties
- 1860 Census Washington County
- 1860 Census Lane County
- 1870 Census Lane County
- Early Linn County Wills
- Comstock Cemetery
- Lee Mission Cemetery, Salem, Marion County Oregon 1842-1996
- Oregon Donation Land Claims Linn County
- Index to Obituaries Published in the Albany Democrat Herald and Lebanon Express
- Witchcraft Trials of Connecticut

PERIODICALS DONATED TO OREGON STATE LIBRARY BY FRANCES EDDY

- Family Trails, Periodical Michigan Department of Education, Volumes 1, 2 & 3

PERIODICALS DONATED BY FRANCES EDDY FOR SALE TABLE OR OTHER SOCIETY

- American Genealogist, Volumes 37 - 40

CD'S DONATED BY MAX KLOTZ FOR OSL COLLECTION

- Military Records: War of 1812 Muster Rolls
- SKU 2356 1790 U.S. Federal Census Index
- CD 156 Family History: Mid - Atlantic Genealogies 1340 -1940
- Württemberg Emigration Index, Volumes 1 - 7
- CD 802 Family Archives World Family Tree European Origins, Volume E1
- CD 803 Family Archives World Family Tree Vol. L1
- CD 352 Immigrants To America, 1600s-1800s, Immigration Records
- SKU 2397 1850 U.S. Federal Census Index AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV



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- SKU 2362 AIS Census Index, Pre-1790
- WORLD FAMILY TREE CD's - WFT-129 – WFT - 159

CD'S DONATED BY MAX KLOTZ FOR Other Society

- CD'S 12-1 & 12-2 - FAMILY PEDIGREES: EVERTON'S COMPUTERIZED FAMILY FILE,
- VOL. 1, 1400'S - PRESENT.
- CD'S 13-1, 13-2, 13-3 & 13-4 - FAMILY PEDIGREES: EVERTON'S COMPUTERIZED FAMILY FILE, VOLS. 2 & 3, 1400'S - PRESENT.
- CD'S 14-1, 14-2, & 14-3 - FAMILY PEDIGREES: EVERTON'S COMPUTERIZED FAMILY FILE, VOLUME 4, 1400S - PRESENT.
- CD 110 Social Security Death Index 1937 - 1997
- CD 17 BIRTH RECORDS: UNITED STATES/EUROPE; 900 - 1880
- CD 449 LOCAL AND FAMILY HISTORIES: NEW ENGLAND, 1600s-1900s
- CD 403 MARRIAGE RECORDS: SELECTED U.S./INTERNATIIONAL 1560-1900
- CD 524 GENEALOGICAL RECORDS: EARLY NORTH CAROLINA SETTLERS, 1700s-1900s
- CD 354 PASSENGER AND IMMIGRATION LISTS INDEX, 1500'S-1900'S (2002 EDIT two copies)
- CD 398 FAMILY TREE MAKER MARRIAGE INDEX TEXAS, 1635-1860
- CD 511 EARLY TENNESSEE SETTLERS, 1700's-1900's
- CD 1790 U.S. Federal Census Index
- CD 4 MARRIAGE RECORDS: MARYLAND, VIRGINIA, NORTH CAROLINA
- CD 146 VOLUNTEER U.S. SOLDIERS FROM 1784-1811
- CD 276 SCOTCH-IRISH SETTLERS IN AMERICA, 1500s-1800s, IMMIGRATION RECORDS
- CD 403 MARRIAGE RECORDS: SELECTED U.S./INTERNATIIONAL 1560-1900
- WORLD FAMILY TREE CD's - WFT-1 - WFT-101 & WFT-104 - WFT-129



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Research

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

Irish Research

By Judith E. Wright

Like most genealogy projects, civil registration records of birth, marriage, and death, church records, census returns, and land and probate records are critical to Irish research. Unfortunately, some of these key resources were destroyed in 1922 during the Irish Civil War. Thus, researchers need to be a little more creative in researching their Irish ancestors.

Census returns and probate records suffered the biggest loss. Most of the pre-1901 government censuses were destroyed making census substitutes all the more important in Irish research. Many census substitutes are found in estate records (e.g. rent rolls and surveys of tenants). Ministers visited their parishioners and wrote down information based on the visits. Many Catholic parishes compiled a census of their members circa 1834. And the list goes on. While the information may not always be as complete as details found in the government censuses, these records are an essential component of any Irish research strategy.

Approximately two thirds of the Church of Ireland parish registers were destroyed. Records of other churches were not affected nor were the Church of Ireland vestry minutes. Churches in Ireland also kept other records such as membership lists, Sunday School rolls, financial accounts, and published parish histories.

Irish research from home has become much easier thanks to the Internet. Abstracted information from the Irish civil registration indexes (1845-1958) and abstracted details from limited Irish birth, marriage and death records can be found on **FamilySearch**. The National Archives has placed a full name index and scanned images from the 1901 and 1911 censuses on-line. The Clare Library is the vanguard of Irish libraries in placing genealogical data on-line. Abstracted information from the 1864-1901 County Waterford death records is available through the Library Services link on. And the list goes on.

Thank goodness the excuse that "all the records were destroyed" does not apply to Irish research!

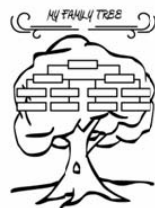
Living Poor in Great Britain

Great Britain's National Archives has recently completed an extensive effort to digitize and index poor law records from the Ministry of Health. These records, which cover the period from 1834 to 1871, are from letters, memoranda, reports, and other correspondence between the Poor Law Commission, the Poor Law Board, and the Local Government Board with Poor Law Unions and local officials. Twenty-one poor law unions from almost twenty counties in England and Wales are represented in the papers. Of immense interest to historians, genealogists will also find a great deal of information in these records. Many documents involve cases submitted from local authorities to the Poor Law Board. Not every record is directly about people on the poor rolls. For example, some reports contains lists of people from whom poor law rates could not be collected. These people themselves were likely on poor, but not so destitute as to need government assistance. Such reports can be used to document residence in a particular parish for a certain timeframe.

The eighteen-month project to digitize these records involved more than 200 volunteers from across the country. The database is keyword searchable, and images of the original records can be downloaded from the TNA website. Thanks to the efforts of these volunteers, TNA can make the database available free of charge. For more information, visit www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/livingthepoorlife.

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Genealogy Class
A partnership between
Willamette Valley Genealogical Society
and
Senior Center 50+

The Center 50+ will have a Beginning Genealogy Class in the Computer Lab at the Center 50+ in partnership with the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society.

When: Mondays, June 6 to July 15, 2011
from 9:30am – 11:30am

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

Contact: Ethan Young / 503-588-6303 /
eyoung@cityofsalem.net

Instructor: Elizabeth Tice, current President of Willamette Valley Genealogical Society and amateur genealogist for over 15 years

Cost: \$25

Classes cover the basics of genealogy, all using a computer and the internet.

Classes:

Class 1: Organizing at home and online

- a. Supplies
- b. Recordkeeping
- c. Charts
- d. Genealogy programs

We will be using My Heritage (free)

Bring a flash drive if you wish to save your work.

Class 2: Basics of Genealogy

- a. Where to start
- b. Basics of genealogy research
- c. Importance of sources

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d. Historical and genealogical societies

Class 3: Information sources on the web

- a. Books
- b. National Archives
- c. Oregon and Washington
- d. Oregon State Library
- e. Native American

Class 4: Ancestry.com

- a. Costs and free access
- b. Censuses
- c. Searching from the Home Page
- d. Searching by county/state/country
- e. Using the Card Catalog

Class 5: Roots Web, Family Search and Googling

- a. Roots Web: World Connect, state/county links, archived records
- b. Family Search: new site, family trees, databases, library/microfilm
- c. Google searching

You Know You're Addicted to Genealogy When ...

Submitted by Maryan Roe
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- **You brake for libraries.**
- **You get locked in a library overnight and you never even notice.**
- **You hyperventilate at the sight of an old cemetery.**
- **You'd rather browse in a cemetery than a shopping mall.**
- **You think every home should have a microfilm reader.**
- **You'd rather read census schedules than a good book.**
- **You know every town clerk in your state by name.**
- **Town clerks lock the doors when they see you coming.**
- **Your are more interested in what happened in 1895 than 1995.**
- **You store your clothes under the bed and your closet is carefully stacked with notebooks and journals.**
- **Mitchell, Davis and Tenney are household names, but you can't remember what you call your dog.**
- **You can pinpoint Harrietsham, Hawkhurst and Kent on a map of England, but can locate Topeka, Kansas.**
- **All your correspondence begins "Dear Cousin".**
- **You've traced every one of your ancestral lines back to Adam and Eve, have it fully documented and still don't want to quit.**

Welcome new members Betty Kutschinske of Salem and new Life Member Randi Megorden of Santa Rosa, CA and returning member Iris Gibson of Salem.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT By Suzan Rempel

In April, membership for 2011 was 19 Life Members, 79 single memberships, 12 family memberships (24 individuals), and 4 Historical/ Genealogical Societies for a total of 126 members.

ANNUAL DUES for the calendar year 2011 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. BEAVER BRIEFS is available to members on the WVGS website or at a cost of \$6.00 to cover the postage for 4 annual issues mailed to a member. Send your check and the form below to WVGS, PO Box 2083, Salem, OR 97308-2083, enclosing a SASE 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.

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

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Pro-rated Amounts for new members only who join:

Jan-Mar: \$25 Apr-Jun: \$18.75
Jul-Sept: \$12.50 Oct-Dec: \$6.25

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CITY, STATE,
ZIP CODE:

TEL. AREA CODE & NO.

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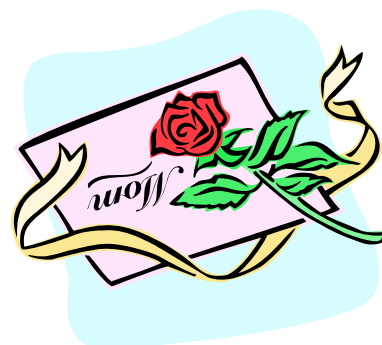
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