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WVGS ACTIVITIES—SALEM

February 12th, Thursday 11:30 am to 1:00 pm
WVGS Executive Board Meeting. We will meet at the Broadway Commons in an upstairs room. The Broadway Commons is at 1300 Broadway Street NE, Salem. Board meetings are open to all members.

February 13, 2016 Saturday
Salem Public Library Central Library
585 Liberty St SE Salem, OR 97301
Anderson Room A (Lower Level)

10:30 am – 11:30 am General Membership Meeting. A business meeting will be held to conduct society business.

11:45 am to 12:45 pm
Program: "Genealogy and Health History"
Speaker: Charlien Tice,
Registered Nurse, Retired after 44 years of Hospital Nursing

I grew up knowing basic genealogy about both sides of my family, just enough to wonder about more. I actually started doing genealogy research in 1980s when my mother couldn't answer some of my questions about the Tices. Eventually I realized we had missed our opportunities to question the family members who had already passed away. I then dragged both my mom and sister Liz into a search of the Greeks since there were some still alive, (my mother and her sisters). The rest is history as they say.

We often check death certificates and other death records on our ancestors for dates and other information.. Consider looking for cause of death as well.

I Be aware many of the medical terms used in old documents for various conditions are not what we are using today.

II Some diseases and conditions do reoccur in

families. Awareness of those diseases can be minimized or prevent health problems.

III Common disease that reoccur in families:

- 1 High blood pressure, high cholesterol, food allergies
- 2 Auto immune diseases
- 3 Certain types of cancer
- 4 some have a known genetic component

IV Examples

V Manage your own health

- 1 Regular check-ups
- 2 Exercise
- 3 Weight management
- 4 Take medication as prescribed.

As always, our regular meetings and program are open to the public.

Upcoming Programs

March 12th - Thomas Branigar "First Murder Mystery in Polk County"

April 9th - Helen Wand, author "Where Eagles Nest", a historical novel about immigrants to Oregon

May 14th - "Using genealogy software programs, Legacy and Roots Magic", Doug Crosby and Christopher Rumbaugh

June 11th - Kerry Wymatalek "A Trip to Ireland"

July 9th - Fritz Juengling "German Research"

Questions about Autosomal DNA?

Denise Sproed, member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, will be available to answer your questions about Autosomal DNA testing on **February 25th from 5 pm to 7 pm at the Genealogy Desk at Salem Public Library.**

Membership Dues

Our membership year is from January 1st to December 31st each year. We send the newsletter to members through March of the following year. You can pay at the meetings or mail your form and check. Dues are \$25 per year for a single member, \$30 for a family.



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MEMBERSHIP REPORT By Suzan Rempel
Membership for January 2016 is 18 Life Members, 79 single memberships, 15 family memberships (30 individuals), and 3 Historical/Genealogical Societies for a total of 130 members.

Welcome new members Claudine Shaw, George Dyer and Sandra Hartle, all of Salem.

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 \$6.50 for postage.

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

WVGS has a DNA Project for both men and women through **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.

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 or mailed to WVGS.**

Members decided to continue this program. Cut off the UPC label on these products and bring them in!

WVGS and Salem Public Library

The Willamette Valley Genealogical Society collection of books, CDs and microfilm/microfiche is online through the Chemeketa Cooperative Regional Library Service. The catalog for Salem Public Library can be searched at https://catalog.ccrls.org/client/en_US/spl/?dt=list

Parking at Salem Public Library

The Library Parkade is metered parking at \$.75 an hour. Parking is free after 6 pm. The Pringle Parkade is free on week-ends and after 6 pm. Otherwise you will have to find street parking in the residential areas.

Salem Public Library Hours:

Mon. Closed

Tues. - Thurs. 10:00 am - 9:00 pm

Fri. - Sat. 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Sun. 1 pm to 4 pm

A volunteer is available to help patrons:

Tuesday-Saturday 11 am to 5 pm

Sunday 1 pm to 4 pm and Tuesday 5 pm to 8 pm

2016 Meeting Dates

All in Anderson A/B at Salem Public Library except March and April:

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

WVGS Officers for 2016**Elected Officers**

President: *Elizabeth Tice*

1st Vice-President (Program): *John Cochran*

2nd Vice-President (Membership): *Suzan Rempel*

Recording Secretary: *Barbara Foster*

Corresponding Secretary: *Tony Hoff*

Treasurer: *Lauren Teubner*

Appointed Positions

Newsletter Editor: *Elizabeth Tice*

Beaver Brief Editor: *Susan Bell*

Librarians: *Jim Willhite and Deanne Smith*

Volunteer Coordinator: *Craig Smith*

Publicity: *George Cropsey*

Webmaster: *Dennis Hill*

Periodicals: *Dee Iltis*



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2016 Committees

We have a full schedule of work to be done in 2016.

Constitution and Bylaws Revision:

Our first committee to start working is revising our constitution and bylaws. Committee members so far are Jim Willhite, Sue Bell, Doug Crosby, Barbara Foster, Deanne Smith and Liz Tice. If you're interested in helping, let an officer know.

Book Repair Committee:

We also have a committee to go through our books that need repair, re-binding or materials in notebooks that need to be evaluated. Dee Iltis, Jim Johnson, John Cochran and Tony and Sharon Hoff are working on this. Again if you are interested, let an officer know.

Family History Day and Art Fair

We are planning a Family History Day with Salem Public Library. Genealogy activities for children of all ages and adults will be needed. We are also considering having a Children's Booth at the Salem Art Fair.

If you have any ideas for activities for these events or would like to help, don't hesitate to volunteer!

Fred Meyer Community Rewards

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society has signed up with Fred Meyer Community Rewards as a non-profit. If you shop at Fred Meyer and use your Rewards Card, it also helps us.

- Sign up for the Community Rewards program by linking your Fred Meyer Rewards Card to Willamette Valley Genealogical Society at www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards. You can search for us by our name or by our non-profit number **82436**.
- Then, every time you shop and use your Rewards Card, you are helping WVGS earn a donation!

You still earn your Rewards Points, Fuel Points, and Rebates, just as you do today.

Thank you!

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Beaver Briefs

Thank you to Sue Bell

Sue Bell, Editor of Beaver Briefs, is retiring from this job after more than 20 years. Sue has done a remarkable job of researching and writing articles for *Beaver Briefs* by herself with only help from Sherrill Hochspeier for typing and production. We have been so lucky and cannot thank the two of them enough.

Sherrill hasn't said if she'll take over for Sue, but Sue is leaving us with 5 years' worth of material. We will be looking for a new editor. Thank you Sue for all your work!

Beaver Briefs

Members and societies who have provided us with an email address receive our quarterly publication *Beaver Briefs* by email or can access our publications online also by contacting us.

To access *Beaver Briefs*:

- Go to the WVGS website: www.wvgsor.org
- Current and past issues of *Beaver Briefs* are under the **Member Page**.
- Enter your password in the box and click on **Submit**. The password is only needed to access the "Members Page" of our website.
- Only members and societies who have paid \$6.50 for postage for 2016 will receive issues in the mail. *Beaver Briefs* Vol. 48, No.1 will be sent by email or mailed soon.

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**WVGS News****March Genealogy Workshops**

The next genealogy classes will begin in March. We are changing the format to five individual classes. No advance sign up is necessary and you do not need to take all of the classes. WVGS member Creta Lenzke will be teaching the classes at the **Senior 50+ Center**.

2615 Portland Rd NE, Salem, OR 97301

For information contact: Alvin Scott / 503-588-6303 / ascott@cityofsalem.net

Monday March 7, 2016 10am to 11am \$5
Start on Your Genealogy Part 1

Learn how to get started and keep organized. What forms will help you? Start with yourself, go online, and use a software program.

Monday March 14, 2016 10am to 11am \$5
Start on Your Genealogy using the Internet

FamilySearch and *Find A Grave* are free sites that will provide you will information on your family. Censuses and death records also give you information on your family.

Monday March 21, 2016 10am to 11am \$5
Vital Records needed for Genealogy

Birth, marriage and death records are primary sources for information on your family. Where can you find these?

Monday March 28, 2016 10am to 11am \$5
Military Records for Genealogy

Learn about finding and using military records for your ancestors: WWII, WWI, Civil War, Revolutionary War.

Monday April 4, 2016 10am to 11am \$5
Immigration and Naturalization Records

Ancestry.com, *FamilySearch*, Ellis Island, Castle Garden and Oregon State Archives all have immigration records.

The instructor will be available in the Computer Lab after each workshop from 11am to 12 noon for help on genealogy searches.

**Genealogy Seminars****Summer Genealogy Fest**

July 30, 2016

Lane Community College,

4000 East 30th Avenue, Eugene, Oregon 97405

Hosts: Genealogical Council of Oregon (GCO) and
OR APG

9:00am-4:00pm

Registration and Vendor Room: opens at 8am,
Opening Remarks begin at 9am.

Check us out at: www.gcoconference.com

Cost: 65.00 with lunch, if paid by June 30th or
75.00 with lunch, if paid between July 1 and 15th.

See registration page for details.

Western Institute of Genealogy 2016

July 28 & 29

(Two-day track - Intermediate/Advanced)

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

Hosts: Genealogical Council of Oregon and OR APG

Lane Community College

4000 East 30th Avenue, Eugene, Oregon 97405

Class Registration is on a first come, first paid,
basis 25 spaces available

Registration starts at 8:30am

Classes: 9:00- 2:30pm, Room 220

Questions: Please contact, Kristin Lowe-Bartell
at gcoconference@gmail.com

Syllabus provided at registration

Pre-Homework: Send a 500-word sample writing
to Dr. Jones at:

Tom@JonesResearchServices.com

Please indicate: "GCO Sample Writing" in the
subject line of your email submission.

\$130.00 (includes luncheon buffets, coffee, tea,
water, and snacks. Cancellation Policy: Refunds
available, if we have an attendee waiting to take
your place.

Check out our website at: www.gcoconference.com



Harney County

Harney County Library

With Harney County, Oregon in the news recently, here's genealogical research information from the Harney County Library in Burns.

<http://www.harneycountylibrary.org/western-history-room/genealogical-research>

Genealogical Research

Collections of oral histories, individual and family histories, cemetery records, birth-death-marriage indexes, photo indexes. Indexes are searchable online.

Individual & Family Histories

A collection of individual and family histories including diaries, journals, personal life stories, news articles, and genealogical information about residents of Harney County, past and present

Oral History Index

Alphabetical listing of people interviewed for Harney County Oral Histories, with year interviewed and transcript number. Transcripts are available in the file cabinets in front of the Western History Room door. Original recordings are available inside the Western History Room. Digital copies of transcripts are also available. Contact staff of the Western History Room for more information.

Death and Obituary Index

Alphabetical listing of deaths and obituaries of individuals as they appeared in the various Harney County newspapers from 1887-present. This is not a completely comprehensive list. There are many death listings which have not yet been included on this index. Most obituaries can be looked up in person on microfilm at the Claire McGill Luce Western History Room. Click on the names in bold text to view obituaries which currently have digital files available. Underlined names have obituaries on file, not yet uploaded to this site. Some names have more than one news item or an obituary in multiple pages associated with them. Visit the Western History Room or contact staff for copies of obituaries not yet uploaded to this site or to inquire about a name



Harney County

not on the index. These indexes are currently being updated so check back often for new information.

Birth Index

Alphabetical listing of births appearing in the Harney County newspapers. Original birth announcements may be viewed on microfilm in the Western History Room. Currently available online through 1954. Full index from 1887 through 2000 is available in hard copy in the Claire McGill Luce Western History Room. More listings will be added to this site as they are computerized.

Marriage Index

Alphabetical listings of marriages that appeared in local Harney County newspapers. Currently available online from 1887-1925. Additional listings will be posted on this site as soon as they are computerized. Hard copy listings of marriage announcements from 1887-2000 are available in the Western History Room. Original news items may be viewed or copied from microfilm.

Photo Index

Alphabetical listing of people and places and subjects identified in photographs currently indexed in the archives of the Western History Room. Additional photographs within the collection are not currently indexed or are unidentified. If you are looking for a subject that is not listed on this site, please contact the staff of the Western History Room or visit the archives in person to view the entire collection.

Harney County Historical Society and Museum

The Harney County Historical Society Museum is located in the high desert of southeastern Oregon. Our mission is to preserve the past for future generations. Our mission is to preserve the past for future generations. Our Museum is located at 18 West D Street in Burns, Oregon. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 8:00 am to 4: pm.



Research

Quaker Genealogy Books in WVGS Collection

Quakers kept records from their earliest days. Monthly meeting records are where you'll find most of the details about your Quaker ancestors. The records of the Society of Friends, also known as Quakers, include births, deaths, marriages, migration certificates, and detailed monthly meeting minutes. Many of these records have been indexed or microfilmed.

- **Encyclopedia of American Quaker genealogy.** [Compiled by Thomas W. Marshall] v.1-7 by Hinshaw, William Wade
- **Genealogical records [electronic resource] : the encyclopedia of Quaker, 1750-1930** Genealogical Publishing Company
- **Our Quaker ancestors : finding them in Quaker records** by Berry, Ellen T
- **The history of Ballyhagan and Richhill meetings : 1654-1793-2004 (Quakers, Northern Ireland)** by Chapman, George R
- **Quaker records of southern Maryland : births, deaths, marriages, and abstracts from the minutes, 1658-1800** by Peden, Henry C.
- **Quaker marriage certificates : Pasquotak, Perquimans, Piney Woods, and Suttons Creek : monthly meetings, North Carolina, 1677-1800** by Bjorkman, Gwen Boyer
- **100 years at Warrington : York County, Pennsylvania Quakers marriages, removals, births & deaths : Newberry, Warrington, Menallen, Huntington, and York meetings** by Walmer, Margaret
- **A Retrospect of early Quakerism : being extracts from the records of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and the meetings composing it : to which is prefixed an account of their first establishment** by Michener, Ezra
- **Quaker arrivals at Philadelphia 1682-1750; being a list of certificates of removal received at Philadelphia monthly meeting of friends** by Myers, Albert Cook
- **Births, deaths, and marriages of the Nottingham Quakers, 1680-1889 (Pennsylvania & Maryland)** by Beard, Alice L
- **Quaker records of northern Maryland : births, deaths, marriages, and abstracts from the minutes, 1716-1800** by Peden, Henry C.
- **Michigan Quakers : abstracts of fifteen meetings of the Society of Friends, 1831-1960** by Burton, Ann (Ann Mullin)
- **Early Quaker records in Virginia** by White, Miles Jr



Research

Google tips to help you navigate genealogy database websites

Start broad and narrow your search.

- Start with a general, broad search. Based on what you receive in search results, then use the search logic associated with the particular website search engine to narrow your search.

Starting with a name.

- The search engine will first look for an exact name match, followed by common variants, misspellings, and nicknames. For example, a search for Bill Smith might return "William Smith," "Wm Smith," "Bill Smith," and "B. Smith."

Filling in the blanks.

- When you are entering the data for your search, you must have at least the last name. The other fields can be blank. You don't have to fill in all the fields of your query.

Be careful with abbreviations.

- Search engines find only exact matches. If you have used abbreviations, retype your search string using alternatives—for example, PA, then Penn, then Pennsylvania. Avoid abbreviations for descriptive terms (such as Sgt., Co., Reg't., Dr., or Jr.). Do not enter titles (like Dr., Earl, or Queen) or suffixes (3rd, III, or Jr.). Just search for the name without the title and then check the results for the ones you want.

Use of quotation marks " ".

- Quotation marks are used in searches to denote that you are specifically looking for these words in this order. For example, you are looking for John Lee in Florida, then in your query you would enter John Lee Florida. Chances are, you would receive all the Johns in Lee County, Florida. By using quotations, you are able to make the search more targeted and avoid a lot of unwanted search results. The query now becomes "John Lee" Florida. The search will include results that include both John Lee and Florida.
- By using quotation marks, you tell the search engine that you want the words surrounded in quotations to be in exactly the order you have them.



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The **Willamette Valley Genealogical Society** was organized in December 1968, to create and foster the study of family history, to aid in the publication of local history, and to aid in the establishment of materials in local genealogical library collections. It is an Oregon Non-Profit corporation, and was determined by IRS to be a 501 (c) (3) organization. Your donations may be federal tax-deductible.

Membership Application

- Members will receive a monthly newsletter informing them of programs, activities, and genealogical news.
- Members receive online access to **Beaver Briefs**, a quarterly bulletin featuring Marion County genealogy and history.
- Members benefit from research assistance and monthly programs
- Members have access to WVGS's family histories, books, periodicals and CDs which may be checked out.

WVGS MEMBERSHIP FORM Please ☒ if this is a ☐NEW or ☐RENEWAL membership

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone _____ **email:** _____

Amount enclosed -

\$ _____ for Annual Dues (\$25 individual or \$30 family membership), includes Beaver Briefs on-line

\$ _____ for postage to receive copies of Beaver Briefs in the mail (\$6.50)

\$ _____ for one-time payment for Life Membership ☐ Under age 70 (\$250) ☐ Age 70 or Over (\$200)

\$ _____ other (please identify) _____

\$ _____ **TOTAL ENCLOSED** Please make checks payable to WVGS.

Additional Donations

- ☐ **Patron \$100**
- ☐ **Sustainer \$250**
- ☐ **Benefactor \$500**
- ☐ **Corporate/Trust \$1,000**

- See our website for information on Life Membership or pick up a Life Membership form from an officer.

- **Pro-rated** Amounts for new members who join after March 31st:

SINGLE	FAMILY
Apr-Jun: \$18.75	Apr-Jun: \$22.50
Jul-Sept: \$12.50	Jul-Sept: \$15.00
Oct-Dec: \$6.25	Oct-Dec: \$7.50

SIGNATURE _____ **Date** _____

NAME-ADDRESS-PHONE	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Woodburn LDS Family History Center 1000 Country Club Rd. [back- ring bell] Woodburn, OR 97071 / 503-981-4731	CLOSED		10 am— 2 pm	7 pm- 8:30 pm	4 pm - 8 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
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	CLOSED
Salem LDS Family History Center 4550 Lone Oak Rd SE Salem, OR 97302 / 503-378-0383 ext 7	4pm— 7pm	CLOSED	9am— 9pm	By Appt.	9 am— 9pm	CLOSED	9 am- 12 noon
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 Public Library 585 Liberty St SE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-588-6052	1 pm– 5 pm	CLOSED	10 am—9 pm (CLOSED City Holidays)			10 am—6 pm	
Willamette Heritage Center Research Library 1313 Mill St SE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-364-2128	CLOSED	CLOSED	12 pm—4 pm				



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