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WVGS ACTIVITIES—SALEM MEETINGS

**Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting
July 13th, 2019, 10:30 am to 1 pm
Salem Public Library Central Library 585 Liberty St SE Salem, OR 97301
Anderson Room A, Lower Level**

**10:30 am – 11:45 am General Membership Meeting.
A business meeting will be held to conduct society business.**

**12 noon – 1 pm Program:
“Group Workshop – Approaches to Solving a Brick Wall”**

Our May program began a three-part methodology series. This will be part three of the series. Doug Crosby will present a genealogy “brick wall” this month.

We will be looking for each of the attendees to participate in bringing the May and June information and YOUR Expertise together for everyone’s benefit. Divided into several workgroups, we will all be looking for the answer to the same question. Each team will prepare a research plan and work toward the answer in a brief time of actual research. Then we’ll discuss what we tried – what worked, what didn’t-- and why. And suggestions of where to go now.

WVGS programs are always open to the public.

Upcoming Programs for 2019

July – Group workshop– Approaches to Solving a Brickwall
August—Bill Leach “Oregon Covered Bridges”
September—Jim Johnson “Land Records”
October—Patrick Harris “Aurora Colony”
November— VFW Collections, meeting & program
To be held at the VFW Hall on Hood St
December—Annual potluck and auction, meeting and potluck to be held at VFW Hall

Suggestions for programs for 2020 are welcome!

**July 11th, Thursday 11:30 am to 1:30 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.**

2019 Meeting Dates

In Anderson A at Salem Public Library:
June 8, July 13, August 10, October 12
At LDS Church on Lone Oak:
September 14
At VFW Hall on Hood St NE:
November 9 and December 14



WVGS Information

MEMBERSHIP REPORT By Suzan Rempel

Membership as of June 8, 2019 was 22 Life Members, 60 single memberships, and 13 family memberships (26 individuals) for a total of 108 members.

Newsletter

We send newsletters to our members and exchange societies **by email** from our Yahoo email account (willvgs@yahoo.com).

If any member would prefer a hard copy, please let me know. Or if we don't have your e-mail and you're willing to get your newsletter by e-mail, let me know your e-mail address. The same is true for our exchange societies and complimentary newsletters.

We also are emailing the **Beaver Briefs** to members. If you want a hard copy, the cost is still an additional \$7.00 for postage. **Beaver Briefs** can be accessed by members on our website under Member Page with a password. If you need your password, contact Liz Tice.

WVGS and Salem Public Library

The Willamette Valley Genealogical Society collection of books, CDs and microfilm/microfiche is housed at Salem Public Library, **585 Liberty St SE Salem, Oregon**. Our collection is online through the Chemeketa Cooperative Regional Library Service. The catalog for Salem Public Library can be searched at https://catalog.crls.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 and on Sunday. The Pringle Parkade is free on week-ends and after 6 pm. Otherwise you will have to find street parking in the residential areas.

Volunteer Hours at Salem Public Library:

Monday	Closed
Tuesday - Saturday	11:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday	1 pm to 4 pm
DNA Help	By appointment from our website

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. You can do this on our website under **Help**.
- 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
- WVGS's Fred Meyer Community Rewards number is **IW083**.

Questions about Autosomal DNA?

Denise Sproed, member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, is available to answer your questions about Autosomal DNA testing after 5pm. Contact her on our web page, <http://wvgsor.org/Research.htm>, to make an appointment.

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. Labels can be turned in at any Saturday WVGS meeting or mailed to WVGS.

WVGS Officers for 2019

Elected Officers

President: *Elizabeth Tice*
1st Vice-President (Program): *Doug Crosby*
2nd Vice-President (Membership): *Suzan Rempel*
Recording Secretary: *Sally Broadwater*
Corresponding Secretary: *Tony Hoff*
Treasurer: *Barbara Foster*

Appointed Positions

Newsletter Editor: *Elizabeth Tice*
Beaver Brief Editors: *Dennis Hill & Craig Smith*
Librarians: *Deanne Smith*
Volunteer Coordinator: *Craig Smith*
Publicity: *George Cropsey*
Webmaster: *Dennis Hill*
Periodicals: *Jerry Rodgers*



WVGS News

Genealogical Scholarship Information

WVGS member **Dave Bruey** has created a wonderful program that will benefit all members of the society.

WVGS will offer scholarships for members to take genealogy courses.

- WVGS will pay for online courses offered online by the National Institute for Genealogical Studies (NIGS).
- After course completion, the recipient will be responsible to present a program to the WVGS membership at a meeting.
- Members can view the many course offerings at <https://www.genealogicalstudies.com/>.
- If you wish to submit a proposal for consideration of a scholarship, please complete the form on the second page of the form. Transmit your proposal to WVGS member David Bruey for coordination. Contact David Bruey at dbruey@hotmail.com
- The proposals without the authors' identities will be presented at a monthly meeting of the WVGS for a selection vote by the members present.
- Complete information and the applications are on our website under "Member Page".

Don't let the requirement of presenting a program discourage you—you won't have to do it alone!

Candalaria Connection

By Jerry Rodgers July, 2019

The **Kansas State Historical Society** (KSHS) was founded in 1875 and has produced a number of publications since their founding. All are available on their website under the research tab, using the articles link. Their current history publication "Kansas History: A Journal of the Central Plains" was first published in 1978. It focuses on articles that contribute to an understanding of the history and cultural heritage of Kansas and the Central Plains.

The website also has a useful index feature for Kansas genealogical research. Searches can be made by name, place, newspaper, county and military records. Click on the research tab to find the genealogical indexes link. <https://www.kshs.org/>

WVGS Collection at Candalaria:

The nearly complete collection starts with Volume 1, (1978) through Volume 32 (2009).

Indexes:

- The WVGS has a Cumulative Index for the first 10 Volumes at Candalaria.
- The KSHS website has an index for each volume.
- PERSI (PERiodical Source Index). PERSI is a consolidated index to the records of over 8000 genealogical and historical publications from all over the world.

<https://www.findmypast.com/persi>

Recent Periodicals

WVGS subscribes to *Family Tree Magazine* and *the Mayflower Quarterly Magazine*.

Recent issue of *Family Tree Magazine*:

- *Find your Revolutionary Roots*
- *Uncover Hidden Details in Vital Records*
- *9 Maps of German History*
- *DNA Testing 101*
- *Information on activities celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the Mayflower Voyage*
- *Priscilla Mullins Alden*
- *Healers on Burial Hill: Medicine in Colonial Plymouth*

On the shelf behind the Volunteer Desk.

Also on the shelf at Salem Public Library.



Kansas

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Family Tree Magazine's Guide to Kansas

RESEARCH TIPS

The Kansas State Historical Society has an extensive collection of newspapers you can borrow through interlibrary loan. See <http://www.kshs.org> for titles. ATLAS, the Associated Topeka Libraries Automated System <http://topekalibraries.info>, is an online catalog covering the holdings of seven libraries, including the Kansas State Historical Society. It contains maps, directories, county and family histories and organizational papers.

CENSUS RECORDS

- Federal censuses: 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930
- Territory/state censuses: 1865, 1875, 1885, 1895, 1905, 1915, 1925
- Mortality schedules: 1860, 1870, 1880

WEBSITES

- **Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery**
<http://www.interment.net/data/us/ks/leavenworth/fortleavnat/>
- **THE HISTORY GATEWAY AT KANSAS**
<http://www.vlib.us/history/>
- **The Kansas Collection**
<https://www.kancoll.org/>
- **Kansas GenWeb Project**
<http://www.ksgenweb.org/>
- **Kansas Heritage Group**
<http://www.kansasheritage.org/>
- **Kansas Historical Quarterly**
www.kshs.org/p/kansas-history-a-journal-of-the-central-plains/
- **Kansas Memory**
<https://www.kansasmemory.org/>
- **Kansas Native American Genealogy**
<http://www.ksgenweb.org/nativeam/>
- **BLM Land Patents**
<https://glorerecords.blm.gov/>

ARCHIVES & ORGANIZATIONS

- **Kansas Genealogical Society**
“They have the best set of family folders and genealogical periodicals in Kansas”
The Kansas Genealogical Society & Online Library
<http://www.kgs-genlibrary.com/>
- **Kansas State Historical Society**
Many of the Kansas Historical Society's collections are available online. The Historical Society offers several digital portals, and also partners with others in presenting digital content.
www.kshs.org/p/online-collections/
- **Midwest Historical and Genealogical Library**
“We have an extensive collection of genealogy and history materials about Sedgwick County, Kansas, and the United States. Search the catalog. Our website contains resources including searchable indexes, transcriptions, and research guides: Search our obituary indexes, view our other online Resources, read our research guides.
<http://mhgswichita.org/wp/>
- **National Archives at Kansas City**
Most Requested from Kansas City
Alien Case Files (A-Files)
Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary Inmate Case Files
Naturalization Records
Bankruptcy Records
<https://www.archives.gov/kansas-city/research>
- **Wichita State University, Special Collections**
Special Collections and University Archives is the unit within Wichita State University Libraries that acquires, arranges, preserves, and makes available to the public rare and unique books, manuscripts, university records, photographs and other images, and Kansas maps and atlases. Special Collections' materials are available for on-site use only
Over 140 digital collections showcase the breadth and depth of the holdings in Special Collections and University Archives.
<https://libraries.wichita.edu/sc/home>
- **Territorial Kansas, Online 1854-1861**
“A Virtual Repository for Territorial Kansas History”
Topics:
Territorial Politics & Government
Border Warfare
Immigration & Early Settlement
Personalities
National Debate About Kansas
Keyword/Author Search, Searchable County Map



WVGS News

Uncatalogued Books

Our agreement with the City of Salem states that WVGS can have five books catalogued each month, and added to our collection. This finally started in January 2019 and the Library staff is cataloguing five books each month. We haven't updated our online list or our printed lists, but the Library's online catalog includes these books.

- The Family Tree Cemetery Guide: how to find, record, & preserve your ancestors graves
- The Family Tree Guide to DNA Testing and Genetic Genealogy
- Finding your father's war : a practical guide to researching and understanding service in the World War II US Army
- The Family Tree historical newspapers guide: how to find your ancestors in archives newspapers
- The Great Migration Directory: immigrants to New England, 1620-1640, a concise compendium
- German Census records, 1816-1916: the when, where, and how of a valuable genealogical resource
- Trace your German roots online



News

- The German research companion
- Genetic Genealogy in Practice
- Fostering family history services
- The Best of Reclaiming Kin: helpful tips on researching your roots
- The Oskaloosa Company: last wagon train to Skinner's in 1847: a history of the southern road to Oregon
- Early Mount Angel: its people and events
- Lee Mission Cemetery, Salem, Marion County, Oregon
- Oregon, Marion County Cloverdale Cemetery
- Civil war soldiers of Madison County, Missouri (and surrounding counties)
- Scots in the Mid-Atlantic Colonies, 1635-1783
- The first fifty: an almanac record of Saint Mark Lutheran Church, 1927-1977
- Oregon State Prison Superintendents: the Shepherds of State Street, 1864-2009
- Your guide to the federal census for genealogists, researchers, and family historians

Salem Public Library Seismic and Safety Upgrade Project

At this time, no plans have been revealed. The Salem Public Library page still says:

- Temporary Library Relocation. This project will require us to temporarily relocate the Library to a during construction. We're looking now for the best location, considering input from our community.
- Construction. Work is scheduled to begin in early 2020 with the Library set to reopen in the summer of 2021.

The Lower Level of the Library will be used for staging. Anderson Rooms A and B will be closed to meetings beginning November 1, 2019. Our November and December meetings will be held at the VFW Hall on Hood St. NE.

Family Search

WVGS agreed to allow volunteers from Family Search to film our materials. The book portion of that project has been put on hold. However, Staci and Richard Conger are filming some of our microfiche. That is a smaller project and should take one to two months to complete. New equipment was required though.

FamilySearch added over 1 million new, New York Passenger Arrival records (1944-1948), and more from American Samoa, Belgium, Germany, Peru, South Africa, and the United States, including Kansas, Ohio, North Dakota, and Georgia.

The Popularity of Your Last Name Dick Eastman · June 11, 2019 ·

The U.S. Census Bureau counts the number of Americans every ten years. The same government agency also asks a lot of questions of those people, such as how many bathrooms are in their house and whether or not the family owns a computer. The Census Bureau even counts how many people have the same first or last names. There were 6.3 million surnames documented in the 2010 census.

The 15 most common surnames in America were:

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| 1. Smith | 9. Rodriguez |
| 2. Johnson | 10. Martinez |
| 3. Williams | 11. Hernandez |
| 4. Brown | 12. Lopez |
| 5. Jones | 13. Gonzalez |
| 6. Garcia | 14. Wilson |
| 7. Miller | 15. Anderson |
| 8. Davis | |

You can find the 1,000 most popular surnames at:
https://www2.census.gov/topics/genealogy/2010surnames/Names_2010Census_Top1000.xlsx.



State Census Information

IDAHO State, territorial, and colonial censuses

Idaho itself did not take any state or territorial censuses of its residents.

Family History Library Book:

1856 *Malad County (part of the 1856 Utah Territory census)*

The 1856 territorial census of Utah included the former "Malad County" whose boundaries are now partly in Idaho, and the former "Green River County" now part of Wyoming. Caution: this census was padded. Most listings are correct, but some were repeated, and in a few cases deceased people were listed.

The area that is now Idaho was for some years included in the federal censuses under the name of other territories:

1870 *and later in Idaho Territory or State*

1860 *Washington Territory (for Idaho residents, if any, see the Spokane County, Washington census)*

1850 *Oregon Territory (no known white residents in what is now Idaho)*

Also, in 1860 and 1870 a few households on thin slices of far southern Idaho were included in the federal censuses of Cache County, and possibly Box Elder County, Utah. Also, the 1856 territorial census of Utah included residents in "Malad County" and the northern part of Cache County who lived on the south edge of Idaho.

Ancestry.com:

Utah, Compiled Census and Census Substitutes Index, 1850-1890

Familysearch.org Microfilm images

Northern Idaho Indian census, 1938-1939

Colville Indian census, 1885-1939

Coeur d'Alene Agency, census, 1919-1933

Fort Hall Indian census, 1885-1939

Coeur d'Alene Indian census, 1906, 1910-1937

Lemhi Agency Indian census, 1885-1906

Fort Lapwai Indian census, 1902-1933

Nisqually and Skokomish census, 1885-1887

Nez Perce' Indian census, 1890-1901

Microfilm Available from the Family History Library

Colville Indian census, 1885-1939

1933 Fort Hall Indian census, 1885-1939

Lemhi Agency Indian census, 1885-1906

Nisqually and Skokomish census, 1885-1887

For more information see:

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

ILLINOIS State, territorial, and colonial censuses

Illinois took censuses in different years than the federal censuses. These censuses may have data different from those found in federal censuses. Check these censuses for more information on a family.

State, territorial, and colonial censuses of Illinois

1865 *Missing Gallatin, Madison, and Monroe counties.*

Partially indexed at Illinois State Archives

1810-1855 *Illinois State Archives has an index of state and federal censuses for these years*

1855 *Missing Franklin, Henry, Stark, Will and Woodford counties, no names for Carroll, Champaign Gallatin, Jefferson, and Lake*

1855 *Deaf, dumb, blind, and insane. Not available for all counties. Not indexed*

1845 *State census for Cass, Madison, Montgomery,*



State Census Information

Putnam and Tazewell counties

1840 *State census. No heads of families listed for counties of Alexander, Brown, Carroll, De Kalb, DeWitt, Clay, Greene, Hancock, Henry, Iroquois, Jefferson, Jersey, Lee, Scott, Shelby, Tazewell, Wabash, Warren, Washington, Wayne, Will, and Winnebago. See also the Illinois 1840 federal census.*

1835 *State census for Fayette, Fulton, Jasper, Morgan, Putnam, and Union counties*

1830 *State census for Morgan county. See also the Illinois 1830 federal census.*

1825 *State census for Edwards, Fulton, and Randolph counties*

1820 *State census for Alexander, Bond, Clark, Crawford, Franklin, Gallatin, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Madison, Monroe, Pope, Randolph, St. Clair, Union, Washington, Wayne, and White counties See also the Illinois 1820 federal census.*

1818 *State census*

1810 *Randolph County only exists as part of Indiana Territory 1810 federal census*

1807 *Randolph and St. Clair counties as part of Indiana Territory – FHK Book: Census of Indiana Territory for 1807*

1787 *American census of French settlers of Kaskaskia, and Prairie du Rocher – FHL Book: Kaskaskia Records, 1778-1790*

1752 *A French colonial census of Kaskaskia – FHL Book: Kaskaskia Under the French Regime*

1732 *French colonial census of Louisiana Territory, including Illinois – FHL Book: Census Tables for the French Colony of Louisiana from 1699 Through 1732*

1726 *French colonial census of Louisiana Territory, including Illinois – FHL Book: Census Tables for the French Colony of Louisiana from 1699 Through 1732 For 1840, 1830, and 1820, Illinois has both a federal and a state census.)*

1810-1855 *Index Territorial, state, and federal censuses have been indexed in one alphabetical sequence along with county election returns and other records. Records for the 1825, 1835, and 1845 state censuses of many counties are missing or incomplete. The Illinois State Archives has the original card index complete through 1855.*

Ancestry.com:

1825 State partial, indexes and images

1818 State indexes

1807 Territorial partial indexes

Indiana, Compiled Census and Census Substitutes Index, 1790-1890

Family History Library Microfilm:

Name index to early Illinois records: This material indexes the state and federal censuses of 1810, 1818, 1820, 1825, 1830, 1835, 1840, 1845, 1850, 1855, among others.

1855 state census of Illinois

Family History Library Book:

Illinois 1835 state census index

Illinois 1825 state census index

Illinois 1818

Census of Indiana Territory for 1807

For more information see:

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



Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Membership Application

Revised December 2018, previous versions obsolete

Mailing Address:
 Willamette Valley Genealogical Society
 P. O. Box 2083
 Salem, OR 97308-2083
 Email: willvgs@yahoo.com
For more information:
WVGS Web Site Address:
<http://www.wvgsor.org>

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

WVGS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION Please if this is a **NEW** or **RENEWAL** membership

Name _____

Address _____

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

Phone _____ **email:** _____

May WVGS include the following in our Members Only membership roster? (please check each box if OK).

YOUR ADDRESS **YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER** **YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS**

\$ _____ **Annual Dues (\$25 individual or \$30 family membership), includes newsletter and electronic copy of 4 issues of Beaver Briefs**

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

SINGLE Apr-Jun: \$18.75 Jul-Sept: \$12.50 Oct-Dec: \$6.25

FAMILY Apr-Jun: \$22.50 Jul-Sept: \$15.00 Oct-Dec: \$7.50

\$ _____ **Additional cost for postage of hard copy of Beaver Briefs in the mail (\$7) for members only, 4 issues**

\$ _____ **One-time payment for Life Membership q Under age 70 (\$250) q Age 70 or Over (\$200)**
 See website for information on Life Membership or pick up a form from an officer.

\$ _____ **Hard copy of Beaver Briefs only (\$20) by mail, non-member only, 4 issues**

\$ _____ **Other (please identify)** _____

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

This information will be used to connect members through our website. Contact will be made through a third party. Your contact information will not be posted on the Members Page of our website.

I am looking for help or need help with:

I can offer help with:

My 5 main surnames are:

Languages (other than English) that I can read are:

SIGNATURE _____ **Date** _____

NAME-ADDRESS-PHONE	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
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	1 pm— 8 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
Salem LDS Family History Center 4550 Lone Oak Rd SE Salem, OR 97302 / 503-378-0383 ext 7	4pm— 7pm	CLOSED	9am— 9pm	By Appt.	9 am— 9pm	CLOSED	10 am- 1 pm
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 / 503-585-7012	CLOSED	CLOSED	12 pm—4 pm				CLOSED



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