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WVGS ACTIVITIES—SALEM MEETINGS

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting
December 14, 2019, 10:30 am to 1 pm
Veterans of Foreign Wars Building, 630 Hood St NE, Salem, Oregon
Park in the parking lot across the street on Hood Street.
The entrance has stairs, but there is a ramp on the west side.

10:30 am – 11:00 am General Membership Meeting.

A short business meeting will be held to conduct society business. Officers for 2020 will be installed.

11:00 am to 1 pm Potluck, Auction, Book Sale

Our annual Christmas get-together, potluck, auction and surplus book sale will be held instead of a program and speaker.

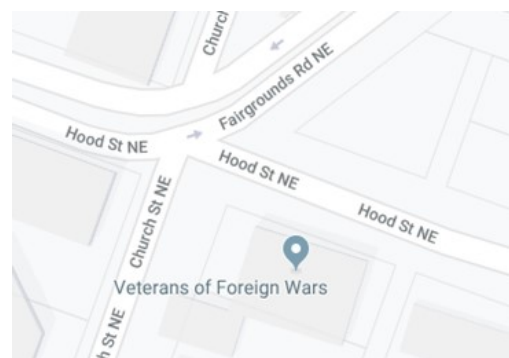
Potluck: Bring your favorite finger food (beverages will be provided) for our potluck. WVGS will provide utensils, plates, and napkins.

Auction: Christmas goodies are always popular! Bring a white elephant, book, Christmas items or baked goods for the auction (plus plenty of cash or your checkbook for you're sure to find just the item you've been searching for or a perfect Christmas gift for a friend) and be prepared for a fun time at this last meeting of the year!

Book Sale: We will also have a sale of our surplus books and periodicals. A list is on pages 4-5 in this December newsletter.

Bring a friend or spouse too! This is an informal meeting and a good way for a family member or friend who might be interested in joining to meet our group.

WVGS programs are always open to the public.



Upcoming Programs for 2020

January 11— Dave Bruey "Creating a Family Story"

February 8—Members Sharing Stories & Heirlooms

December 12th, 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.



WVGS Information

MEMBERSHIP REPORT By Suzan Rempel

Membership as of November 9, 2019 was 1 society, 20 Life Members, 60 single memberships, and 13 family memberships (26 individuals) for a total of 107 members. **Welcome new members Midwest Genealogy Center in Independence, Missouri and Mary Dobson of Mililani, Hawaii.**

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.ccrils.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.

Meeting Dates for 2020

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

WVGS Officers for 2020

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!

From the November meeting

- Officers elected for 2020 were:

President: <i>Elizabeth Tice</i>	Recording Secretary: <i>Sally Broadwater</i>
1st Vice-President (Program): <i>Doug Crosby</i>	Corresponding Secretary: <i>Tony Hoff</i>
2nd Vice-President (Membership): <i>Suzan Rempel</i>	Treasurer: <i>Barbara Foster</i>
- Members voted to have meetings at the Veterans of Foreign Wars hall for the 2 years (at least) that Salem Public Library will be at the temporary building. Thanks to Kerry Wymetalek for allowing us to use the space.
- Members approved removing pro-rated dues. The amended constitution is posted on our "Member Page" on our website, www.wvgsor.org.
- New membership form is on page 7 of this newsletter and on our website.
- We've renewed our lease at Candalaria Terrace which we use for storage of our family histories and periodicals, as well as for meeting space.
- The FamilySearch volunteers finished filming all of our microfiche! The equipment has been sent back to Salt Lake City. We will receive a hard drive with copies of everything that was filmed. Thank you to Richard and Stacey Conger.
- We will be purchasing books in memory of Jim Willhite and Susan Bell. Suggestions are welcome.
- The Cemetery Project for Chemawa Cemetery and Shaw /St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery is making progress.

2020 Membership— Time to Renew!

It's that time of year again-Time to renew your membership-

Sue Rempel, our Membership VP, is ready to process membership renewals. Officers and members in September decided there was no need to increase dues as we are in good financial shape.

Annual Dues remain at \$25 for individual membership or \$30 for family membership, includes 4 issues of Beaver Briefs on-line, 12 monthly newsletters and reduced rates on research. An additional \$7.00 is needed to pay for postage to receive copies of Beaver Briefs in the mail. Use the form on page 7.

You can mail your completed membership form to our address: WVGS, P.O. Box 2083, Salem, Oregon, 97308-2083.

**Books for Sale!****Books for Sale!****December 2019 Book Sale**

This list of books is also on our website at www.wvgsor.org. No pre-sales, members have first choice. Books not sold will be available to those not at the meeting, whether members or not.

California

Mt. Shasta, California Sketchbook. 2003
 Scott Valley, California Sketchbook. 1995
 Sand, Sage & Surprise, from St. Jo to Surprise Valley, California. 1993
 Sierra Trailblazers: First Pioneer Wagons Over the Sierra Nevada. 1995
 Moses Schallenberger at Truckey's Lake, California, 1844-45.
 Who Were the Murphys: California's Irish First Family. 1992
 Across The Plains in the Donner Party. 1995
 Irish Californians. 1998

Illinois

Places and People in Decatur, Illinois 1900-1929. 1976
 We Remember People of Our Past, Vol IX, N-0, Winnebago Co, ILL. 1998
 We Remember People of Our Past, Vol XII, S-Sh, Winnebago Co, ILL. 2001

Indiana

Also Great: stories of the famous and not-so-famous of Hancock Count, Indiana. 2000
 Images of America: Hancock County, Indiana. 1998
 Hancock County, Indiana: A pictorial history. 1993
 Hancock County, Indiana Early Marriage Records 1828-1847. 1976
 Family Maps of Posey County, Indiana. 2006
 To Save the Union: Indiana Regiments in the Civil War. 1985
 Sources for Genealogical Searching in Indiana. 1969
 Indiana Magazine of History, Vol XCI No. 4, Dec 1995
 Indiana Genealogical Research. 1996
 Indiana Source Book VII. 1994

Kansas

A History of the 1871 Pennsylvania Colony of Osborne County, Kansas. 1998

Kentucky

Pioneer Families of Eastern and southeastern Kentucky. 1980
 Kentucky Families. 1993
 The Founding of Lexington 1775-1776. 1975
 Lexington 1779, Pioneer Kentucky. 1979
 Mason County, Kentucky
 Kentucky's Active Militia 1786. 1965
 Kentucky in Retrospect: Noteworthy Personages and Events in Kentucky History 1792-1967. 1942
 Scott's Papers: Kentucky Court and other Records. 1953
 Kentucky Pioneer Genealogy and Records, volumes 1 through 4 (1979-1982)
 Kentucky Genealogical Research. 1983
 Sources for Genealogical Searching in Kentucky. 1969

Massachusetts

Records of ye Towne Meetings of Lyn, Massachusetts. 7 volumes 1691-1783
 The NEHG Register. 2 volumes, Spring and Winter 2018
 All the Royal Families in Europe (495 to 1932) and Mayflower Descendants. 1932

The Mayflower Quarterly, Mar 2004, June 2005
 Roger Clap's Memoirs of the "Mary and John" in 1630.
 Witchcraft, Magic, and Religion in 17th-century Massachusetts

Missouri

Missouri Historical Review, 3 volumes 1970 and 1971

Montana

Montana: the magazine of Western History, 13 volumes 1978-1996

North Carolina

The History of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina from 1740-1900. 1902

Journal of North Carolina Genealogy, 1956-1966

Ohio

Ohio Valley Genealogies. 1900
 Pioneer Ohio Newspapers, 1793-1810. 1986
 Ohio Federal Court Orders, 1803-1807.
 Ohio Genealogical Society Quarterly, 2012-2017

Oregon

Oregon Soldiers During the Civil War. 1961
 Genealogical Forum of Oregon Bulletin 2015-2017
 Clackamas County, Oregon 1870 Census
 Douglas County, Oregon 1860, 1870 and 1880 Census
 Grant County, Oregon Marriages 1865-1900
 Jackson County, Oregon 1860, 1870, 1880 Census
 Josephine County, Oregon 1870 Census
 Historical Landscape Overview of the Upper Klamath River Canyon. 2006
 Klamath Basin Cemeteries, Linkville Cemetery. 1983
 Klamath Echoes, 1969-1977
 The 1900s: A century of News in the Klamath Basin. 1999
 Linn County, Oregon 1870 Census
 History of Linn County, Oregon. 1982
 Linn County, Oregon Pioneer Settlers, Vol 2,5,6, 7,9
 100th Anniversary First Presbyterian Church, Salem, Oregon 1869-1969
 Statesman Journal, Salem, Oregon 150 Years
 Marion County, Oregon 1860, 1870, 1880 Census
 Jefferson Cemetery, Marion County, Oregon. 1990
 Lee Mission Cemetery, Salem, Marion County, Oregon. 1996
 An History of the Spring Valley Church at Zena, Oregon, 1858-1958

City of Portland, Oregon 1870 Census
 Multnomah County, Oregon 1870 Census
 Wasco County, Oregon 1880 Census
 Washington County, Oregon 1880 Census
 Yamhill County, Oregon 1860, 1870, 1880 Census

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Research Guide
 Guide to Pennsylvania State Archives

Tennessee

History of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church
 James Polk Inaugural Address, Home, Campaign Biography

Virginia

Russell County, Virginia Records. 1973
 Rockbridge County, Virginia Marriages 1778-1850. 1985
 The Lost Colonist and their Fortune and Probable Fate. 1985
 The Virginia Germans. 1969

West Virginia

West Virginia Picture Book. 1978

U.S. and General Topics

War of 1812 Genealogy. 1983



Books for Sale!/Salem Public Library

Military Service Records. 1985

What did they mean by that? A dictionary of historical terms for Genealogists. 1994

Zip Code finder 1993

Tracing your Civil War Ancestors. 1973

Ancestral Roots of Sixty Colonists. 1985

A Bibliography of American County Histories. 1985

National Genealogical Society Quarterly, 2005-2016

Genealogies and Family Histories

Long Island Genealogies related to Thomas Powell of Bethpage, Long Island 1688.

What We Had, a memoir by James Chace. 1990

The Mering, Harley & McClung Family.

Memoirs of an Old-timer James r. Moffat

It's time for my life to flash before your eyes-Jack Hande

Lonely Pedestrian-Frances Marion Streamer

Indiana Stonecarver-the story of Thomas R. Reding

Polk's Folly-An American Family History

Loyalties, A son's Memoir – Carl Bernstein

Europe

Czech-English, English-Czech Dictionary

The Magna Charta Sureties

Handy Guide to English Genealogical Records

English Family Research

Roots in Rhineland

Tracing Your Irish Family History

Irish Clans

The Low County – History of Northern and Southern Netherlands

Dutch Language

Your Clan Heritage-Macmillan

Your Clan Heritage-Campbell

Scottish Highlanders

Tracing Your Scottish Ancestry

History of the Scandinavians and successful Scandinavians in the US (old book 1900)



President's Message

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We have made it through our 51st year! We are a small society, but we are lucky to have a supporting membership. We have improved our quarterly bulletin *Beaver Briefs*, provide interesting programs for the public, have classes for the public at the Senior Center, do research for others, and generally meet our stated purpose to "create, encourage and foster a popular interest in genealogy". We are lucky to have welcoming staff at Salem Public Library and officers that work well together.

It was also a sad year as we lost two long-time hard-working Life Members, Jim Willhite and Sue Bell.

However, we once again are facing a challenge. We will be moving with Salem Public Library to temporary space on Broadway St. NE. We have a great group of volunteers who help make happy patrons at the library with free genealogy research. This is our public face. We are unsure the effect of the move will have on our desk at Salem Public Library.

We also have had to move our meetings and program to a different place. Also in the next 2 years we will need to make a decision on what to do with our collection of family histories and periodicals, currently being stored and not being used. Rental space and insurance uses up more than \$4,500 of our budget each year.

I believe we will weather this move and continue to meet our purpose. I hope that all our members stick with us and that local members can attend some of our meetings and programs through out the year.

And if you are looking for a non-profit to make a year-end donation to, we're here!

Liz Tice,
President

GENEALOGIST
—♦—
Proving once and for
all that insanity
is hereditary.

Salem Public Library Temporary Re-location

<https://www.cityofsalem.net/Pages/salem-public-library-seismic-and-safety-upgrade-project.aspx>

- **Temporary Library Relocation.** This project will require us to temporarily relocate the Library during construction. The Salem Public Library Main Branch will close February 3, 2020, and won't reopen until after construction is completed. The former Capital Press building at the northeast corner of Hood and Broadway NE has been selected as the temporary location for 18 to 24 months and will open February 18, 2020 under the name Salem Public Library at Broadway.
- **Construction.** Work is scheduled to begin in early 2020 with the Library set to reopen in the summer of 2021.
- WVGS will continue to have a genealogy desk with volunteers to help patrons for free with their genealogy. Our books will not be available however.



Genealogy Class/Beaver Briefs

Genealogy Classes 2020

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society will have a series of genealogy classes on a variety of genealogy topics. You sign up for each one separately-some or all of them. Each one will have a presentation and hand-out on the topic. Then after a break you will get individual help on computers. You may bring your own laptop/tablet or use the computers in the Tech Room. \$10 each class

- ♦ **Class 1 January 27, 2020. Ancestry.com and Family Search**
- ♦ **Class 2 February 3, 2020. Vital Records**
- ♦ **Class 3 February 10, 2020. Military Records**
- ♦ **Class 4 February 24, 2020. Immigration & Naturalization**
- ♦ **Class 5 March 2, 2020. Googling and Free Genealogy Sites**
- ♦ **Class 6 March 9, 2020. New England, including Mayflower**

Instructor: Liz Tice, WVGS

Time: Each class is 10 am to 1 pm, Mondays January 27-March 9

Cost: \$10 for each 3 hour class

Where: Center 50+

**2615 Portland Rd NE
Salem, OR 97301**

Contact: Senior Center 503-588-6303

**Or Register online at [https://
egov.cityofsalem.net/center50Plus/](https://egov.cityofsalem.net/center50Plus/)**



Family Search Records

Microfilmed Records

Thanks to Doug Crosby for this information. He was looking at a Virtual National Archives Free Seminar. One session related to our Special Cemetery Project, "Discovering and Researching Bureau of Indian Affairs School Records".

One of the cemeteries in our project is the Chemawa Cemetery in Keizer, Oregon. In 1993-94 our society published information on the burials in the cemetery. In 1960 the cemetery was in such a state of disrepair that it was totally wiped out, headstones and all. Students at the Chemawa School made bronze plaques (often with errors) for the students buried there, but other records seemed to have disappeared.

In 1992 WVGS members found obituaries, school records at the NARA in Seattle, and Oregon death certificates. We are creating a database for our website with their information and any new records that we can find. Many Indian children were buried there as they were students at the school. Influenza and TB took their toll.

FamilySearch comes into play as they have the microfilm on their website. It is not indexed and takes searching, but it is there.

What Doug found was that going to "Catalog" on FamilySearch.org, you can enter "Chemawa". Films that show up are "Chemeawa Indian School : register of students admitted, 1880-1928; descriptive statements of students, 1890-1914; and graduating class rolls, 1885-1921; NARA, RG 75, P2008" and "Vital statistics and student records, 1883-1947". Select one and film results will show up but don't just look at the top of the page. Scrolling down to the bottom of the page will show a camera.

This means you can look at the film. Yes, it will be similar to scrolling the film on a microfilm reader, but you can see students attendance (with many notes of "ran away") as well as tribe and family information.

This is true for many of their films that have been added to the website, but are not yet indexed. Most can be looked at. You can also find them by selecting the state or country on the search records page. Don't stop there, look at the film, look for an index. Going through these image-only collections can admittedly be quite time-consuming, since it requires going page-by-page through large books. But, the greatest rewards come as a result of hard work and persistence. Give records like this a try

The Fall Issue, Volume 51, No. 4, 2019 of Beaver Briefs is ready! Co-Editors Craig Smith and Dennis Hill worked together to produce an updated publication. We sent a pdf version to members and exchange societies. Members can also access the quarterly on our webpage under "Member Page". If you need your password for the "Member Page" please contact us at willvgs@yahoo.com.

Also don't forget that we are always soliciting articles for Beaver Briefs from our members. We all have stories and maybe unusual research. Let's share!



Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Membership Application

Revised December 2019, 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 for the calendar year are \$25 for an individual member or \$30 for a family membership. Membership includes the WVGS monthly newsletter and electronic copies of 4 issues of the quarterly bulletin *Beaver Briefs*.

\$ _____ Additional cost for *members only* for postage for 4 issues of hard copies of *Beaver Briefs* in the mail is \$7.

\$ _____ A one-time payment for Life Membership is \$250 if under age 70 or \$200 if age 70 or over.
See website for information on Life Membership or pick up a form from an officer.

\$ _____ Hard copies (4 issues) of *Beaver Briefs* only, received by mail, is \$20 for non-members only.

\$ _____ 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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