

## WILLAMETTE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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### WVGS ACTIVITIES—SALEM MEETINGS

#### Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting

We've been living with the coronavirus for months, and the spread of COVID-19 is still going strong in many areas around the world, in the US and in Oregon. Marion County is still in the Extreme Risk category. This means that General Meeting for February 13th, 2021 has been cancelled by the Executive Board. **There will be a Board meeting on February 11th, 2021 at 11:30 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 630 Hood St NE, Salem, Oregon. Members are welcome.**

The WVGS Executive Board is planning on having a social meeting for our first meeting back together some time in 2021. We will be so happy to see each other and have much to discuss about how to keep the society functioning, that we feel we need to have our belated potluck and savor the social time together. We just don't know when that will be. Meanwhile, we hope that you stay with us.

#### Beaver Briefs Volume 53, Number 1 Winter 2021

The Winter Issue, Volume 53, No. 1, of Beaver Briefs is getting ready! Co-Editors Craig Smith and Dennis Hill have worked together to produce an updated publication. We will send a pdf version to members and exchange societies. Members can also access the quarterly on our webpage under "Member Page". The version on our web page has color pictures. Members who have paid \$7.00 to cover postage for 4 issues for 2021 will receive a copy by USPS mail (sorry—no color).

If you need your password for the "Member Page" please contact us at [willvgs@yahoo.com](mailto:willvgs@yahoo.com). The Scheduled Articles for Beaver Briefs Volume 53 #1 are:

1. **Saga of the Lowly Dandelion by Sue Bell**
2. **Genealogy Toolbox: Unusual Places to Find Genealogy Records Part 2**
3. **WVGS Family History Collection Part 2**
4. **Veterans' Service Records via the National Archives. By Linda Thompson**
5. **Eola Acres Gift Shop and the Schucking Family. By Kaylyn F. Mabey**
6. **Early Oregon Statesman Extracts, continued**

#### 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.

WVGS has also signed up for **AmazonSmile**. Shop there and this costs you nothing extra. **You do have to start at smile. Amazon.com** though and select **Willamette Valley Genealogical Society** from the list. You can also go directly to the link below for our account: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/93-0703189>





## WVGS Information

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT** By Suzan Rempel

Membership as of January 1, 2021 was 1 society, 20 Life Members, 43 single memberships, and 10 family memberships (20 individuals) for a total of 84 members. There has been no change except for the members who have passed away in 2020.

### **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.

### **Meeting Dates for 2021 (if held)**

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

### **WVGS Officers for 2021**

#### **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 and Salem Public Library**

**Salem Public Library is pleased to announce a limited return of contactless Curbside Service beginning Tuesday, January 19.** This service offers patrons a chance to pick up holds and return library materials by appointment only.

While Marion and Polk counties continue to be classified in the "Extreme Risk" category by the Oregon Health Authority, Salem Public Library staff has worked with the advice of public health and emergency operations officials to scale back and modify workflows inside the library to make limited Curbside Service possible. Under the current plan, the library will offer appointments on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. We will continue to monitor the state's risk categories and plan for additional access to Curbside Service when the risk category changes for Marion and Polk counties. Arranging for Curbside Service will be the same three-part process for patrons:

- Request items, online or by phone
- Get pickup notice, then set an appointment
- Pick up holds/return materials

Please note that wait times may be longer than in the past as fewer appointments are available. Appointments are released one week in advance and continue to be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

We would also appreciate patrons reviewing their holds list and cancelling any items that are no longer needed.

Need help? Library staff is here for you!

Phone: 503-588-6315 (leave a message; we'll call you back)

Email: [library@cityofsalem.net](mailto:library@cityofsalem.net)

Live Chat: <https://bit.ly/ChatSPL>



## WVGS News

**President's Report for January 9, 2021**

The General Meeting scheduled for January 9th was cancelled due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic. Members were notified in the January newsletter that the meeting had been cancelled. The Executive Board did not meet on January 7th, 2021.

1. Treasurer's report: Barbara Foster compiled a Treasurer's report for the month of December. For December: Income for Operations was \$40 Beaver Briefs Subscribers, \$625.00 donations, \$98.90 for research, \$2.77 interest for a total income for the month of \$766.67. Expenses for operations were \$168 post office box rental for 2021, \$50 newsletter copy card, rent at Candalaria \$344.21, total -\$562.21. We paid for a subscription to digital Family Tree Magazine for \$32 for a total expense in Research Resources of -\$32. Total expenses were -\$594.21. BALANCE on December 31, 2021 was \$33,389.65.
2. Membership Report from Sue Rempel: Membership has not changed. We have 1 Society, 20 Life members, 10 families/20 members, and 43 singles for 74 memberships or 84 members.
3. Meetings and speaker were cancelled.
4. Salem Public Library is closed. Volunteers will not be at the desk.
5. Corresponding Secretary Tony Hoff reported "We had 4 requests for research in December: 3 to our society and 1 to the OSL. They consisted of requests for 4 obituaries, 1 death certificate and 1 to locate a birth father. Let us hope 2021 brings an improvement in all areas."
6. Craig Smith- working on the first issue of Beaver Briefs for 2021.
7. Dennis Hill has kept our website updated.
8. Old Business –
9. New business – we will be renewing our lease for the office space at Candalaria Terrace.

**Liz Tice, President**

### Membership for 2021

- ♦ Your WVGS Executive Board has decided that **all members who were members of WVGS on April 1, 2020 will have their membership extended to December 31, 2021.**
- ♦ So it is not necessary for current members to fill out a membership form for 2021, nor to send in any money for dues for 2021!
- ♦ This does not include the additional \$7.00 fee for a hard copy of Beaver Briefs. If you wish to receive Beaver Briefs through the US mail, you will still need to fill out the form on page 7 and send a check or cash to WVGS.
- ♦ **For 2021 only, new members can join at no cost!! Let your fellow genealogists know.**
- ♦ **Welcome new members: Cora Clark, Julianne Kennedy, Lynn Marshall, Ellen Puglisi-Babe and Jenyoseph Quixote, Carla Moyer, Virginia Garrison, Kelley Anne Morehouse and Wisconsin Genealogical Society.**



#### **Olive Tree Genealogy website and other FREE genealogy records**

<http://olivetreegenealogy.blogspot.com/2020/12/check-out-my-new-revised-site-for.html>

"I am excited to announce that I have finally completed my newly revised and re-designed site NaturalizationRecords.com "

"I created a simplified design and navigation system that will hopefully allow visitors to find their ancestors in these records much more quickly.

I have links, original documents, and my transcribed indexes of names for Naturalization Records, Passports, Alien Registrations and much more. "



## State Censuses

(This series was started in 2018 up until May 2020, but not finished in the newsletters. The complete list was published in Beaver Briefs.)

### **NEBRASKA State, territorial, and colonial censuses**

Nebraska often took censuses in the years between the federal censuses, the dates are listed below. State census records may have columns that were different or more unusual than those found on federal censuses. The responses and years of coverage may give additional information on the family.

**Nebraska State Historical Society,**  
**<http://www.nebraskahistory.org>**

1917 Counties: Cass  
1898 Counties: Gage  
1885 Counties: Extant for all counties except Blaine and Chase.  
1884 Counties: Madison  
1882 Counties: Cass  
1881 Counties: Cass  
1880 Counties: Cass, Lancaster  
1879 Counties: Cass, Lancaster  
1878 counties: Cass, Lancaster  
1877 Counties: Cass  
1876 Counties: Cass, Frontier, Sarpy (Richardson Precinct)  
1875 Counties: Lancaster  
1874 Counties: Jefferson, Kearney, Lancaster  
1872 Counties: Dawson  
1870 Counties: Lancaster  
1869 Counties: Butler, Stanton  
1865 Counties: Butler, Cumings, Lancaster (Saltillo and Lancaster Precincts), Otoe  
1864 Counties: Cedar  
1858 Counties: Otoe (Nebraska City)  
1856 Counties: Burt, Cass, Clay, Cumings, Dakota, Dodge (Northern and Southern Districts), Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Platte, Richardson, Washington  
1855 Counties: Cass (census and index), Dodge, Douglas, Franklin (records and index), Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Richardson  
1854 all 6 districts  
1885 The Federal Government took a special census of Nebraska, which is on 56 microfilms at the Family History Library and at the Nebraska State Historical Society. The society also has the state Gazetteer and Business Directory for 1886 and a card index made from the directory that provides a partial index to the census. The



## State Censuses

Family History Library does not have the directory or the card index.

### **Family History Library:**

The 1854, 1855, and 1856 Nebraska territorial censuses have been transcribed, indexed, and published in: Cox, Eunice Evelyn. 1854, 1855, 1856 Nebraska Territory Censuses. Ellensburg, Washington: Cox, 1977. (Family History Library book and film)

1854, 1855, 1856, 1865, and 1869 Territorial and state censuses exist for parts of Nebraska. The county enumerations of several eastern Nebraska counties were published in: "The Nebraska and Midwest Genealogical Record, vols. 13-22, 1932-44" (Family History Library). The State Archives at the Nebraska State Historical Society has a card index for the 1865 and 1869 censuses. The existing records are at the Nebraska State Historical Society.

1913-1914 A detailed census of German immigrants from Russia living in Lincoln was taken for Nebraska. The information is similar to that found in the 1900 census, but the town or colony of birth is also given. It is arranged by street. (Family History Library film)

### **Family History Library Microfilm images:**

Indian census rolls, Winnebago, 1904-1939

Indian census rolls, Yankton, 1885-1931

Indian census rolls, Santee, 1885-1917

Census records, Winnebago, 1869-1929

### **Ancestry.com**

Nebraska, State Census Collection, 1860-

1885 contains 1860: Lancaster, 1865:

Lancaster, 1870: Cass, Lancaster, 1874:

Lancaster, 1875: Lancaster, 1876: Cass,

1877: Cass, Lancaster, 1878: Cass, Lan-

caster, Saunders, 1879: Cass, Lancaster,

1880: Cass, Lancaster, 1881: Cass, 1882:

Cass, 1883: Cass, 1884: Cass, 1885: All

counties that existed at the time, except for Blaine County\* (Blaine County was created in 1885 and may have been formed after the census was taken).

### **FamilySearch**

Nebraska State Census, 1885

For more information see:

[https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Nebraska\\_Census](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Nebraska_Census)





## FamilySearch



## Oregon Historical Society

### Family Search Online Classes

Here is a link to Family Search Online Classes:

[https://churchofjesuschrist.zoom.us/webinar/register/1016056279794/WN\\_Io0EzSiDQNqc0uUzoDwNqA](https://churchofjesuschrist.zoom.us/webinar/register/1016056279794/WN_Io0EzSiDQNqc0uUzoDwNqA)

Please note that all class and webinar times are given in MST.

| DATE/TIME                | CLASS  | WEBINAR             | ROOM        |
|--------------------------|--|---------------------|-------------|
| Mon, Feb 1, 10:00 AM MST | Using the FamilySearch Catalog (Beginner)  | <a href="#">Yes</a> | Online Only |
| Tue, Feb 2, 10:00 AM MST | Overview of FamilySearch (Beginner)  | <a href="#">Yes</a> | Online Only |
| Thu, Feb 4, 10:00 AM MST | The Tired, the Poor, and the Huddled Masses: U.S. Immigration 1820-1954 (Beginner) | <a href="#">Yes</a> | Online Only |

The Oregon Historical Society  
 "At <https://www.ohs.org/>

"In accordance with the statewide freeze issued by Governor Kate Brown on Friday, November 13, 2020, the Oregon Historical Society's museum and store are closed until further notice, in an effort to help slow the spread of COVID-19 within our community. Read for ways to "visit" the Oregon Historical Society online, historical perspective on today's pandemic, and for links to the latest public health resources."

### Digital History Resources Provide Historical Perspective on Today's Pandemic

We encourage you to continue using OHS resources to learn history while you and your loved ones are social distancing at home. Historians are well positioned to echo the warnings of today's public health officials, especially when analyzing the 1918 influenza pandemic (which occurred during World War I) and Oregon's response to COVID-19. Here are a few blog posts, virtual programs, and Oregon Encyclopedia articles which show how lessons from history can continue to inform us as we work together to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

- From Whence Did it Come and to Where Did it Go?: The 1918 Influenza Pandemic in Oregon
- Esther Clayson Pohl Lovejoy (1869-1967)
- What We Can Learn from the Influenza Pandemic of 1918 – 1919

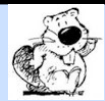


- Further Lessons from the Influenza Pandemic of 1918–1919

You can also see more of Oregon Historical Society on Facebook. Sign up for the free newsletter Oregon Historical Society e-Digest

Or the OHS blog at <https://www.ohs.org/blog/>

All have fascinating articles about Oregon.



## Newspapers



## National Archives

The repository for newspapers in the state of Oregon is at the University of Oregon.  
<https://oregonnews.uoregon.edu/>



## Welcome

Welcome to Historic Oregon Newspapers. On this site you can search and access complete content for historic Oregon newspapers that have been digitized as part of the Oregon Digital Newspaper Program (ODNP). This full-text searchable database contains almost 1,400,000 pages from Oregon newspapers dated 1846 - 2020, and we are continually adding new titles.

- To see all titles on this site, check out the [Titles](#) page.
- You can also browse titles by city in the [Map](#) and [Locations](#) sections.
- To search the text of the newspapers, use the search box or [Advanced Search](#) option.
- For more help on using the site, visit our [Help](#) section.

### *State by State Newspaper Overview*

<https://sites.google.com/site/annesfamilyhistoryresources/newspapers/regional-newspaper-collections>

Remember: to find what EXISTS (what papers were published in a given county or town). You can use Chronicling America's Directory of newspapers published in the U.S. since 1690

<https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/search/titles/>

Search U.S. Newspaper Directory, 1690-Present

This directory of newspapers published in the United States since 1690 can help identify what titles exist for a specific place and time, and how to access them. Use the options below to select a particular place and time, using keywords to locate specific titles. Titles currently listed: 156,720.

### Free Webinars!

<https://familytreewebinars.com/upcoming-webinars-multireg.php>

Legacy Family Tree offers many free webinars. WVGS Corresponding Secretary Tony Hoff says "You can sign up for all the free classes in 2021 at the same time and just enter your contact info. once. It's really easy and I signed up for 15 classes over the year". A sample:

|                                     |   |                                      |                          |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Tue Feb 02 2021,<br>Wed Feb 03 2021 | Nurturing Your Family Trees: Online or On Your Device (or Both)?                                | Cyndi Ingle                          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Wed Feb 03 2021                     | Me and My 1000+ DNA Cousins   | Diahan Southard                      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Fri Feb 05 2021                     | Finding Indian Ancestors in African American Families   | Angela Walton-Raji                   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Tue Feb 09 2021                     | Making the most of MyHeritage resources with the Help Center, Knowledge Base, and site settings | Daniel Horowitz, MyHeritage Webinars | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Wed Feb 10 2021                     | Chinese American Research: Challenges and Discoveries   | Grant Din                            | <input type="checkbox"/> |



## Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Membership Application

Revised December 2020, valid through December 31, 2021

### Mailing Address:

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Salem, OR 97308-2083  
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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

\$ **Free Membership** ~~Annual Dues for the calendar year are \$25 for an individual member or \$30 for a family membership.~~ For 2021 only ~~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<br>1000 Country Club Rd. [back— ring bell]<br>Woodburn, OR 97071 / 503-981-4731 | CLOSED   |        | 10 am—<br>2 pm | 7 pm-<br>8:30 pm | 4 pm -<br>8 pm | CLOSED | CLOSED         |
| Salem East LDS Family History Center<br>862 45th Ave NE<br>Salem, OR 97301 / 503-371-0453                          | CLOSED   |        | 9 am—<br>4 pm  | 1 pm—<br>8 pm    | CLOSED         | CLOSED | CLOSED         |
| Salem LDS Family History Center<br>4550 Lone Oak Rd SE<br>Salem, OR 97302 / 503-378-0383 ext 7                     | 4pm—<br>7pm  | CLOSED | 9am—<br>9pm    | By<br>Appt.      | 9 am—<br>9pm   | CLOSED | 10 am-<br>1 pm |
| Oregon State Archives<br>800 Summer St NE<br>Salem, OR 97310 / 503-373-0701  | The Reference Room at the Oregon State Archives is closed to the public to limit the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). Reference requests may still be submitted using the online form. <a href="https://sos.oregon.gov/archives/Pages/order.aspx">https://sos.oregon.gov/archives/Pages/order.aspx</a>                              |        |                |                  |                |        |                |
| Salem Public Library<br>1400 Broadway NE<br>Salem, OR 97301 / 503-588-6052   | Both of Salem Public Library's current physical branches, Salem Public Library at Broadway and the West Salem Branch Library, will be closed to the public until further notice, in accordance with the Governor's policies designed to slow the spread of COVID-19.   |        |                |                  |                |        |                |
| Willamette Heritage Center<br>Research Library<br>1313 Mill St SE<br>Salem, OR 97301 / 503-585-7012                | The Research Library at the Willamette Heritage Center remains closed to the public in compliance with state guidelines set forth to reduce the spread of Covid-19. Reference requests may be submitted using the online form at <a href="https://www.willametteheritage.org/research/">https://www.willametteheritage.org/research/</a> |        |                |                  |                |        |                |



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