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GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
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Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting

- The General Meeting for May 8th, 2021 has been cancelled by the Executive Board.
- There will be a Board meeting on May 6th, 2021 at 11:30 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 630 Hood St NE, Salem, Oregon. Members are welcome.

In looking to get meetings going again after a year of not having meetings, we have decided to conduct Zoom meetings! Our meetings so far have mostly been a discussion amongst the participants on what we have done genealogically during the pandemic and greeting each other after a year away. Join us on May 8, 2021. Pick our members' brains for help with your brick walls. Maybe someone can help you!

Saturday May 8, 2021 at 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Please join us for a WVGS Genealogy Chat on Zoom

If you would like to attend this Zoom meeting virtually, contact Doug Crosby, our WVGS Program VP at dhcrosby@frontier.com or contact the Society at willvgs@yahoo.com for the link to the Zoom meeting on April 10th. It is best to have signed up for Zoom in advance. It's free! <https://zoom.us/join>

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: Alice LaViotte, Jan Hassen, Dave Hegeman, Sara Belousek, James Norman, Christopher Rumbaugh, Julie Davie of Silverton, Teresa Anderson of Aumsville, and Janice Wilkins and Trudi Barr of Campbell River, BC.**

Familytree magazine

WVGS now subscribes to FamilyTree Magazine for our members. You can go to our website, www.wvgsor.org, click on the Member Page tab, enter your password and you will find pdf versions of FamilyTree Magazine for 2020 and 2021. This is an excellent genealogy magazine with lots and lots of research resources.



WVGS Information

MEMBERSHIP REPORT By Suzan Rempel

Membership as of April 8, 2021 was 2 societies, 20 Life Members, 76 single memberships, and 12 family memberships (24 individuals) for a total of 122 members. We have had 11 new memberships.

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*



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SOCIETY

We now subscribe to ***New York Genealogical and Biographical Society***

- ♦ a non-profit genealogical society dedicated to preserving, documenting, and sharing the stories of NY State families, helping New Yorkers learn more about their family history for over 150 years.
- ♦ continually digitizing family history records that have never been online before, and adding them to Online Records .
- ♦ Kinship Books has been in continuous operation for more than 50 years
- ♦ Access to over 50 exclusive digital record sets covering the entire state of New York, including the fully searchable archives of The Record.

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WVGS News

President's Report for April 10, 2021

The General Meeting scheduled for April 10th was cancelled due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic. Members were notified in the April newsletter that the meeting had been cancelled. The Executive Board did meet on April 8, 2021.

1. Treasurer's report: Barbara Foster compiled a Treasurer's report for the month of March. For March 2021: Income for Operations was from donations \$40, research \$97.60, Postage to mail Beaver Briefs \$7 and \$2.86 interest for a total income for the month of \$147.46. Expenses for operations were rent at Candalaria \$344.21, newsletter copy card \$50, postage to mail Vol 53 #1 of Beaver Briefs \$46.80, Oregon tax filing fee \$20, total \$461.01. BALANCE of checking and savings on February 28, 2021 was \$32,196.95. Thank you to Claudine Shaw and Thomas Branigar for donations!
2. Membership Report from Sue Rempel: We have 2 Societies, 20 Life members, 12 families/24 members, and 76 singles for 110 memberships or 122 members. New members included Alice LaViotte, Jan Hassen, Dave Hegeman, Sara Belousek, James Norman, Christopher Rumbaugh, Julie Davie of Silverton, Teresa Anderson of Aumsville, and Janice Wilkins and Trudi Barr of Campbell River, BC.
3. Meetings and speaker were cancelled. We scheduled a Zoom meeting, hosted by Doug on April 10, which was to be an open discussion and plan another on May 8th. The Genealogy Treasure Hunt will be from April 16, 2021 to June 1, 2021. Rules and Questions will be posted on the website as well as sent by email to members.
4. Salem Public Library is closed. Volunteers will not be at the desk. The Library is scheduled to start moving back to the Library building in May. Opening depends on the pandemic.
5. Deanne Smith has been working on an index to issues 40-49 for Beaver Briefs. We will only print 2 copies.
6. Corresponding Secretary Tony Hoff reported "We had 7 research requests in March, and they were all sent to our society. There were requests for 10 obituaries, a passenger list, a descendant chart and to update a family tree.
7. Dennis Hill—kept the website updated, as well as the password list for new members.
8. New Business- The Board approved an online membership form (thank you Dennis) and approved setting up Pay Pal so that next year members can fill out the form and pay. Forms from the website will go to our yahoo email.

Liz Tice, President

WVGS FUNDRAISERS

Help support our Genealogical Society when you shop!!



Earn a donation for WVGS from Fred Meyer every time you shop and they scan your Rewards card. Go online and link your Rewards card to Willamette Valley Genealogical Society in your Fred Meyer Rewards account. The donation does not affect the rewards that you earn.



AmazonSmile is exactly the same as shopping on the Amazon site. The added bonus is that Amazon donates 0.5% of qualified purchases to a charity of your choice. Please choose Willamette Valley Genealogical Society. Use your Amazon login and password at AmazonSmile. You can change your charity of choice any time in AmazonSmile in the Your Account dropdown menu once logged in.

We are never finished! (from NYG&B Spring 2021)

Finding a family member on *Find a Grave* is just a start:

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| 1. Review the content closely. | 4. Locate a Death Record |
| 2. Look for cemetery records and burial register. | 5. Reach out to the memorial contributor. |
| 3. Widen your obituary research. | 6. Search for more relatives in that cemetery. |



Genealogy Treasure Hunt



Genealogy Treasure Hunt

! WVGS Genealogical Treasure Hunt !

Hundreds of Dollars in Prizes

Clues Available April 16

Entries Accepted thru June 1, 2021

Prizes:

One 1st Prize – winner's Choice – A one-year all access gift subscription to Ancestry.com® [*see terms summarized in the rules*] (value \$389)
OR selections from the second prize list totaling not more than the same value.

One 2nd Prize – winner's choice – one or more of the following, combined estimated value not to exceed \$150

A six month's world Explorer gift subscription to Ancestry.com® [*see terms summarized in the rules*] (\$149)

A subscription to another organization(?)

Family Tree Maker® Software (DVD \$90)

Roots Magic® Software (Download only \$30)

Legacy® Software (Deluxe Download Bundle \$80)

Legacy Family Tree webinar 1 year membership gift card (\$50)

DNA Test(s) (?)

Up to Ten – 3rd Prizes – One additional year of WVGS Membership each.

The number of third prizes to be awarded will be determined by the number of entries received. One for each 15 entries, up to a maximum of 10 if 150 or more entries are received. If a WVGS Life Member is 3rd Prize winner an alternate prize of similar value will be awarded.

No Cash Prizes will be awarded. winners are responsible for any Taxes incurred.

Check the full rules, Solve the clues ! ... and

Enter to Win !!!

Questions were emailed to members on April 16,2021

From American Ancestors Winter 2021 (Summary):

In 1929 *Good Housekeeping Magazine* ran an article entitled "Abraham Lincoln Was a Lee". The claim has been accepted and repeated by others as if it were a proven fact! Now comes DNA:

Lincoln's Lee family line is haplogroup R1b, while General Lee's family line is 11a. Not only did the haplotypes between the two Lee families not match, neither did the broader haplogroups. Since the two Lee families belong to different haplogroups, at a minimum any common ancestor would have lived thousands of years ago. Both documentary and DNA evidence has proved that President Abraham Lincoln's ancestor William Lee, husband of Dorothy, was not a grandson of General Robert E. Lee's ancestor Col. Richard Lee. In this case, as in many others, when documentary evidence is lacking, DNA evidence can often fill in the gaps and bring the truth to light. **Richard Hall**





1950 Census



1950 Census

FamilySearch Blog:

<https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/1950-us-census-release-date/>

1950 United States Census—Release Date

The date 1 April 2022 can't come fast enough! Why? Because that is the date of the release of the 1950 United States census. As you wait for the release of the census, learn more about what you can expect from the 1950 census and what records you can search in the meantime!

When and How Will the 1950 Census Be Released?

The National Archives releases a census to the public only 72 years after the day the census was taken. Because census day in 1950 was 1 April, the 1950 census will be released to the public on the same date in 2022.

In 2012, the National Archives provided digital images of the 1940 census to FamilySearch. Then FamilySearch uploaded those digital images to their website. Those who had a free FamilySearch account were able to see the digital images right away. However, the records were not indexed and so had to be searched page-by-page by location. We expect the same thing to happen for the 1950 census.

Details of the Release of the 1950 United States Census

The 1950 census population questionnaire asked fewer questions than its predecessor; the full population was asked only 20 questions :

Population

1. Name of street, avenue or road where the household is located
2. Home or apartment number
3. Serial number of dwelling unit
4. Is this house on a farm (or ranch)?
5. If no, is this house on a place of three or more acres?
6. Corresponding agriculture questionnaire number
7. Name
8. Relationship to head
9. Race
10. Sex
11. How old was this person on his last birthday?
12. Is this person now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or never married?
Enumerators were to enter "Mar" for married, "Wd" for widowed, "D" for divorced, "Sep" for separated, or "Nev" for never married
13. What State or country was the person born in?
14. If foreign born, is the person naturalized?

For persons 14 years of age and over

15. What was this person doing most of last week - working, keeping house, or something else?
Enumerators were to record "Wk" for working, "H" for keeping house, "U" for unable to work, or "Ot" for other
16. If the person was "keeping house" or "something else" in question 15, did the person do any work at all last week, not counting work around the house? (Including work-for-pay, in his own business, working on a farm or unpaid family work)
17. If the person answered "no" to question 16, was he looking for work?
18. If the person answered "no" to question 17, even if he didn't work last week, does he have a job or business?
19. If the person was working, how many hours did he or she work in the last week?
20. a. What kind of work does the person do? b.. What kind of business or industry is the person in?
c Class of worker the person is. Enumerators were to mark "P" for private employment, "G" for government employment, "O" for own business, or "NP" for working without pay.

Image United States Census Bureau



State Censuses



State Census

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

NEW JERSEY State, territorial, and colonial censuses

New Jersey 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.

The original records and microfilm copies of state censuses are at the New Jersey State Archives. Copies of the 1905 and 1915 censuses are also at the New Jersey Department of Health. The Newark Public Library, New Jersey State Library, Rutgers University Library, and Family History Library have microfilm copies of all New Jersey state censuses. State censuses were taken beginning in 1855. Some records are missing, as indicated below:

1885, 1895, 1905, 1915 - All counties are available.

1875 - Only Sussex and Essex counties are available.

1865 - Missing Cape May, Mercer, Morris, Ocean, Somerset, and Warren counties and incomplete for the others.

1855 - Missing Burlington, Cape May, Mercer, Middlesex, Ocean, and Salem counties and incomplete for the others.

*1693 - A special census was taken of Swedes who were associated with the Swedish Lutheran Church and who were living in Pennsylvania, Delaware, west New Jersey, and Cecil County, Maryland. The census and an index to it are in Craig, Peter Stebbins. *The 1693 Census of the Swedes on the Delaware*. (Family History Library book)*

1671 - New Castle County, Delaware; Philadelphia and Delaware counties in Pennsylvania; and Burlington County, New Jersey.

Ancestry.com:

New Jersey, Compiled Census and Census Substitutes Index, 1643-1890. This collection contains the following indexes: 1772-1822 Tax Lists Index; 1800 Cumberland County Federal Census Index; 1824-1832 Bergen County - Paterson City; 1830 Federal Census Index; 1840 Federal Census Index; 1840 Pensioners List; 1850 Federal Census Index; 1850 Slave Schedule; 1860 Federal Census Index; 1870 Federal Census Index; 1890 Veterans Schedule; Early Census Index.

New Jersey, State Census, 1855, index and images

New Jersey, State Census, 1865, index and images

New Jersey, State Census, 1875, index and images

New Jersey, State Census, 1885, index and images

New Jersey, State Census, 1895, index and images

New Jersey, State Census, 1905, index and images

New Jersey, State Census, 1915, index and images

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New Jersey, State Census, 1855 — index and images

New Jersey, State Census, 1865 — images

New Jersey, State Census, 1885 Index and Images.

New Jersey State Census, 1895 — index and images

New Jersey, State Census, 1905 Index and Images.

New Jersey State Census, 1915 — index and images

For more information see:

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



Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Membership Application

Revised December 2020, valid through December 31, 2021

Mailing Address:

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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:

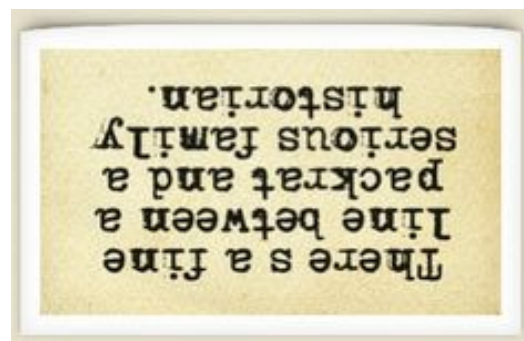
I can offer help with:

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 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	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. https://sos.oregon.gov/archives/Pages/order.aspx						
Salem Public Library 1400 Broadway NE 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 Research Library 1313 Mill St SE 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 https://www.willametteheritage.org/research/						



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