

# NewsLetter

# Benton County Genealogical Society

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#### 10 November Program

**Benton County Museum Resourses** - Mary Gallagher, Curator of History and Research/Registrar. Mary will talk about resources available at the Benton County Historical Museum and show how the use of a computer and databases can help in obtaining genealogical information. Two of our speakers Marlene McDonald and James Baker (Camp Adair) stated they were able to complete their books mostly with Mary's help and were astonished by the amount of material Mary was able to make available.

#### \*\* Please note change in program site\*\*

The BCGS business meeting will be held in the College United Methodist Church Social Hall from 10-11 a.m. and then we will go next door to the Museum for the program from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

## Genesis, or In the Beginning

#### By Richard Cobb

The South really suffered. Grandma was left with 7 children and the war not too far off. Mother was 13 then. Grandma spent night after night just walking the yard in grief. Finally, she decided to go south before her girls were attacked. Raiders had taken all her livestock except her mare, mule and a cow. So the boys got permission from the Officers to come home and help her get ready to go south. The boys had to wait after dark to come out, they hid all the household goods in the heavy forest under bushes, as Mo. was mostly forest during those years. They loaded a covered wagon pulled by her mare and mule with the cow tied on behind. No one bothered them, but the boys followed in the timber with their guns to help them thru and by hunting wild game.

They went down into Tennessee and found that almost everyone had suffered more from bushwhackers than Grandma had, but they stayed on and kept out of sight as much as possible. Soon General Lee surrendered and the soldiers were given horses and provisions to go home and begin again to till their soil.

Grandma and her family came back to her log cabin, found the flue torn down and inside of house damaged but they quickly repaired everything. They found their belongings out in the timber had not been discovered by prowlers.

It was believed that these bushwhackers did the damage to the Turnbough family, because Grandpa Turnbough was very well off. In the greed of these people they tried to take the land by forcing the Turnboughs out of the country, but to no avail. Then many honest people came to their aid.

Grandma Rachel Turnbough was a strong determined and intelligent lady. There were no doctors or nurses in their part of MO. during that period and not many in St. Louis, so twas, "to each his own" during sicknesses, births and deaths.

Grandma with a physician's instinct and a knowledge of herb's, which were varied and plentiful out in the timber, made her own medicines. She was a "legend" called "Granny Turnbough". She neither refused nor tired of helping others.

A person of strong religious beliefs, she was considered "Truly Wonderful".

Not many babies in that area were delivered and lived without her help. Not many deaths occurred without her lovely consoling words of encouragement. She was what is called today "Martian" for that time of history and helped all till the ordeals were over. Would you believe it? She, helped me and, all my brothers and sister, to be born and live. Many of you are their sons or daughters.

I was one of the latest ones born where she had a Doctor to help her. He was Jess Mincher, Aunt Liz's Uncle.

Grandma Turnbough had a mare which she rode side saddle. She wore a riding habit and could outride almost any man. She never refused help to any person day or night, good weather or bad.

Spared from illness all her life she lived to be 94 years old. It seems that God spared her for those services she rendered.

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# Program Review By David Kribs, Program Chairman

13 October 2007 - **Marlene McDonald**, Philomath Local Historian. Marlene a long time English teacher at Philomath High School is as avid about Philomath's history as we often times are about our own family's history. Her books *Early Schools* of Benton County, *Land of Their Own* (NW Benton County, Blodgett, Summit, Devitt), *Philomath* and *The Marys River Settlement* are available from Marlene or at the Benton County Museum Book Store.

Thank you Marlene-

#### **NEW OFFICERS**

It's the Society's new officer time again. Anyone interested in anything—contact our totally inept nominating committee chairman David Kribs or our totally competent President Bill Gleaves. Last year we came up with the concept of having co-officers. This has worked well as you have a chance to initially get the feel of things (especially some of our extensive genealogy resources) without the total responsibilities of office. Election of new officers will be at the November Meeting.

Please help, we need you!

#### Websites

The U.S. Surgeon General's Family History Initiative include software to record your family medical history for use by your family doctor. For information, see: http://www.hhs.gov/familyhistory/

# Special Thanks

A very *special thank you* is extended to our Society members Leila Crawford, Bill Gleaves, and Dave Kribs for giving their time and energy to paint the Museum Annex hallway and living room last month. Their hard work is deeply appreciated!

Books published by Benton County Genealogical Society are always available for purchase at the society library after each meeting, and every Tuesday afternoon from 12:30 until 3:00 PM. They are also available at the Benton County Historical Museum, during their normal hours.

# $oldsymbol{v}_{oldsymbol{pcoming}}$ Programs

8 December 2007- Christmas Party and fund-raiser Auction 12 January 2008 - Creative Memories

# Membership

#### Renewals

Pat Coolican Ray & Bobbie Glass Nancy Basque Adele Middleton Mary Hardenbrook

# The Village Genealogy Bookshoppe



### **Danell Aukerman**

228 NE Azalea Dr Adair Village, OR 97330

# News From the Library

## Sandra Potter, co-Librarian

The CD's have been put in numerical order and there is a list, by category, posted next to the CD file. It is hoped this will make it easier to locate a CD you may be interested in.

We have received seven new books, ordered by the Book Committee:

Number	Category	Author	Title
2469	GER	Smith	From Bremen to America in 1850; 14 rare emigrant ship lists; Blue PB
2470	SCO-IRE	Dobson	Scots-Irish Links 1575-1725, Part 4; White PB
2471	SCO-IRE	Dobson	Scots-Irish Links 1575-1725, Part 5; White PB
2472	VA	Crozier	Virginia County Records, Part VIII; Cream PB
2473	HISP**	Ryskamp	Finding Your Hispanic Roots; Blue PB
2474	GA	DeLamar & Rothstein	The Reconstructed 1790 Census of Georgia; Red HB
2475	IRE	Grenham	Tracing Your Irish Ancestors; Brown PB

<sup>\*\*</sup>Please note that this is a new category, "HISP," for information related to Mexican and Hispanic genealogy.

# This and That

The paving is complete and the fence around the Annex has been removed, so access will be through the front door again. The curtains have been taken down and will be replaced by mini-blinds. Apparently the gas connection has been restored so there will be heat again. HOORAY! Now all that is needed is to replace the windows with thermals. I wonder if we should offer to put up plastic window covers since it is unlikely that new windows are in the budget.

#### **FTDNA Gift Certificates**

#### FTDNA has announced their Holiday Gift

Family Tree DNA is bringing back their traditional Holiday Gift Certificates.

Each Project's General Fund will receive the following:

two \$30 Y-DNA37 2007 Gift Certificate

two \$15 Y-DNA25 2007 Gift Certificate

two \$15 mtDNA 2007 Gift Certificate

The certificates are for NEW testers only.

To use the certificate, the Administrator must place the kit order via INVOICE PAYMENT. The test price will be adjusted to reflect the gift certificate discount. CREDIT CARDS WITH THIS

PROMOTION AS THE CARD WILL BE CHARGED THE FULL AMOUNT.

The Order must be placed and paid for between **November 6, 2007** and **December 31, 2007**.

These gift certificates are **NOT** redeemable for cash, with any other offers or for existing kit upgrades. If you know anyone you would liked tested, please email me with the name, address, phone number, email addr and the particular test you wish. I will then order your kit via INVOICE and you will receive it in the mail. The invoice will reflect the discounted gift certificate. When you submit your DNA sample, you send a check for the amount stated.

If you have any questions, please email me.

This is a first come; first served basis. I will try to get extra certificates, if possible and will let you know if I can. SO...lets scramble and find some live bodies to test!

Best wishes,

**Emily Aulicino** 

# **Benton County Genealogical Society's Books for Sale**

Benton County Marriage Records						
Marriage Records - Volume 1 - 1850 - 1924	\$25.00					
Marriage Records - Volume 2 - 1925 - 1945	\$25.00					
WPA Historical Records						
Benton County Interviews	\$35.0					
Bible Records and Cemetery Records	\$10.00					
WPA Commissioner Journals: Probate Court A & B, 1850 - 1856	\$20.00					
Benton County Church Records (398 pages + All name index)	\$35.00					
Benton County Cemeteries						
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 1	\$25.00					
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 2	\$25.00					
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 3	\$25.00					
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 4	\$25.00					
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 5	\$25.00					
Combined Index to Volumes 1 through 5	\$25.00					
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 6 (not indexed)	\$10.00					

Add Shipping Charges \$3.00 for 1st book, \$1.50 each additional

#### Queries

I am researching Jews in Oregon outside Multnomah County between 1850 - 1900 for a book I'm writing on early Jewish settlers in Oregon. If anyone can share information about Jewish history in Oregon, please let me know.

I would greatly appreciate any information about **Edward Fox** and his family. In particular, I wondered if anyone knows the relationship between Edward Fox and the two men living with his family in Benton County in 1870, **Ignatz Fox** and **Edward Fox**.

You may Google "Polina Olsen" for more information about me and my writing. Send response to: Polina Olsen ptuna@comcast.net

#### **GIRTON/HENCKEL GENEALOGY:**

#### **HENCKEL**

This is a page from \*The Henckel Genealogy, 1500-1900\*. You can access this book on the internet through \*Heritage Quest Online, \*provided your local library has access to it. If your library doesn't have Heritage Quest, you can ask them to get it. You will need your library card to access the site. This site has many books on genealogy, history, census, etcetera. Please pass the word about this site to your fellow genealogists.

Milly Gowdy <mgowdy@ptd.net>

PS......I am from Danville, PA. There were many Girtons in this area.

The next page shows a page from a book that was accessed through Heritage Quest online.

(See Henckel next page)

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Now I'll explain about the initials engraved on Grandpa's saddle and saddle bags.

One Sunday Grandma and all her family including my mother (15 at the time) went to church meeting at the log school house. The preacher rode horses to the church. Uncle Hi and Uncle Ivory saw the saddle bags on a horse ridden by one of the ministers. Mother said, "they turned pale" so Grandma examined the saddle and found S.T. engraved.

They waited, but when they went in and discovered one of the preachers had disappeared, the two boys quietly headed for the door in the back. They discovered that the horse with Grandpa's riding equipment and the preacher were gone. The boys were gone many days searching, but when they returned, they reported that no sign of him was ever found. However, mother always doubted their word. No more discussion of the incident ever rose from that time on.

My Dad, as a young man worked in Mo. in timber and big saw mills. He split rails, posts, and all kinds of lumber. Missouri used to have every type of timber, almost too numerous to mention. Following the war he was employed in Saw Mills.

One day, two years later, he rode by the Turnbough farm and saw a beautiful young 15 year old girl. She had black eyes and long black hair in big braids around her head framing a face of cream colored skin. She was hoeing in the garden, whereupon he immediately became thirsty and stopped to let his horse drink in their water though. He asked for a dipper, and she gave him a gourd. They talked till it was late, so her brother asked him to stay over for the night. Dad said he was inwardly praying they would so he gladly accepted.

He and the brother went hunting for turkey and other game. By the time he was ready to leave he asked Grandma for Jane's hand and Grandma replied, "Oh, No! Eighteen is plenty young". So they became engaged and he was gone, mind you, 3 years. Mother says "Jim was a handsome man with big grayish blue eyes and light brown hair and was one the best dancers in Missouri, Ha!".

She said three years was a long time, but one lovely May day, three years later, a horseback rider leading a horse and a new side saddle came into view. It was "Jim". In the meantime quilts were quilted, corn and fruits dried and plenty of everything was ready even if he had never came back, it could have been used by her family.

On May 17, 1870 Jim and Jane were happily married by a minister called Rev. Jacobs at Flat River Missouri. People came from far and wide with useful figs, cured hams, and several hens and roosters. Everything for those times they got. Dad was embarrassed just bringing a horse and saddle, but he did buy these from his salary. Grandma gave them a wagon, and following the wedding they rode on the horse toward the Timber Camp. Grandma Turnbough and Uncle Hi followed with their wagon load of provisions.

Dad had fixed up the big cabin with knotty-pine walls, some knotty pine tables, and benches and a stone fireplace. Mother said it had very pretty floors, they were almost white made of new lumber. Her mother was very pleased and they were Happy. That's the beginning of all of your parents and me. I was a long time getting here. I was last, but hope not the least.

Written by Aunt Cora Meakins (Wisdom)

1974

#### Assistance for Project of Oregon's 150th Anniversary

As part of Oregon's 150th birthday celebration, the state is putting together a book recounting the working lives of Oregon pioneers in the generations from the 1850's to today. The authors are looking for families to include in the book called "Oregon at Work: 1859-2009". They will gather stories following one person per generation and focusing on those at work in the years1859, 1909, 1959, and today. They are especially interested in those families that have photos and/or journals or diaries that detail a little about what work was like for their ancestors.

Please contact Tom Fuller of the State Employment Department at: **Thomas.e.fuller@state.or.us** or call **503-947-1301** or **1-800-237-3710**, ext. **71301**.

#### Small Town Newspapers Accessible

#### http://www.smalltownpapers.com

Some of the best family history information awaits discovery in America's small town papers. SmallTownPapers gives everyone free access to hundreds of newspaper titles from small towns across the USA. Researchers can read search and browse newspapers which are displayed exactly as they were printed from their scanned newspaper archive...from 1865 to last Wednesday. SmallTownPapers is

digitizing the complete archives of more than three hundred newspapers for small towns across the country.

# Upcoming Events

• November 10, 2007—The Oregon Genealogical Society Fall Seminar. It will be held at Invitrogen, Building J, 298542 Willow Creek Road, Eugene, OR, from 9 am to 4 pm. Call 541-686-1421 or 541-343-0399 for information.

Topics for the seminar include:

**Church Records for Genealogists** 

**Exploring Your Roots: In American Land Records Exploring Your Roots: In the U.S. Court House** 

Just the Facts, But Where Did You Get Them? Cite Your Sources

Speakers are Connie Lenzen and Gerald S. Lenzen

Registration is \$40, including lunch & handouts.

**Book Fund** 

March 22, 2008—Logan, UT. The Logan Regional Family History Center and My Ancestors Found will host "Logan, Utah Genealogy and Family History Jamboree." For info. see: Http://www.myancestorsfound.com, or phone 801-829-3295.

#### 2008 MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Contributions to the Book Fund are tax deductible and a receipt for that purpose will be mailed to you.

Board Meetings are usually two Mondays before the second Saturday [our regular meeting time]. Dates of the upcoming **Board** meetings are: **26 November** for the **8 December** meeting. **Cookies—Betty Brummett** 

#### **Membership Information**

# Contact information removed for security reasons.

Dues are \$12.00 single and \$15.00 family per calendar year. Dues paid after September 1st are credited to next year. Web page URL http://www.rootsweb.com/~orbentgs/ Board minutes are posted here.

#### More Member Info.

Our meetings are held on the **second Saturday**, **September through June**, in the NE Dining Hall of the College United Methodist Church, on the east side of the parking lot, in the 1100 block of Philomath Blvd. Business meeting is at 10:00 AM with the program at 11:00 AM. **Our Library, in the museum annex, will be open every Tuesday afternoon from 12:30 until 3:00 PM and after meetings on Saturdays.** Members may check out up to five books and return books any time the library is open.

#### **Canadian Interest Group**

The Canadian Interest Group will not meet on a regular basis until further notice. If you have specific questions about research in Canada, or if you would like to look through my resources, please contact me at: 752-2243; e-mail: sprawlinson@proaxis.com. Thank You. **Pat Rawlinson** 

#### **Odds and Ends**

Our number at the OSU Thrift Shop on Second Street in Corvallis is 492. Please keep your Santiam and Flav-R-Pak labels coming in to the Library. There is a plastic sack in the library to keep them in. Leila Crawford is in charge of the label program. All you need is the UPC Symbol from the label. Be sure that you leave some area around the label when you tear it off.

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