

# NewsLetter

## Benton County Genealogical Society

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### 14 June Program

#### *Genealogy Methods 2008*—followed by Potluck Picnic

In the years since many of us began doing genealogy new genealogical sources of information have become available. Besides what is still #1. Family and relatives; other sources are now available, #2. Libraries, #3. Family History Centers, and #4. Computers. The program will be a show and tell with the idea in producing an up to date how-to Genealogy outline including many useful computer tips and ideas.

It is planned to have a show and tell session with helpful web sites, books, and methods. The idea being to present a BCGS handout *Genealogy Methods 2008*, a draft will be passed out with the idea we can expand and improve on it. Help—get your ideas together. Some members have already brought in their lists of good useable web sites.

Bring a dish of your choice for the Potluck. Coffee, tea, punch, paper plates, plastic spoons, etc. will be available.

#### BCGS Board Meeting Change

**Due to the Labor Day holiday, the next BCGS Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 at Damaris Reynolds house.**

#### **DNA TESTING FOR GENEALOGY NOW AVAILABLE:**

We are proud to announce that our locally family owned DNA Services of America Eugene Service Center is now scheduling appointments for Genealogy DNA testing. DNA Services of America has partnered with the leader in Genealogy testing Family Tree DNA. We can provide in office, mobile, or phone appointment collection service. In the very near future we will provide seminars for DNA testing for Genealogy. We offer the same test pricing as Family Tree DNA however we provide our expertise for the DNA collection process as well as serving as a local resource for Genealogy testing. For more information please call, E-mail or write to our contact information below.

Tom Cross

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I have a copy of the "indenture" paper signed by my great-great-grandfather, Herman A. Klenck, in 1859. His father, Johan George Klenck, who immigrated from Germany in 1823, had died about 2 ½ years earlier. We surmise his mother felt this was a good way for him to learn a trade. The paper has an interesting list of promises made by both parties.

Submitted by **Sandra Potter**

The document begins:

## **THIS INDENTURE**

**Witnesseth** that *Herman A Klenck*, with the consent of *his mother Christiana Klenck his father being dead* hath put himself, and by these presents and for other good reasons doth voluntarily and of his own free will and accord put himself apprentice to *Randolph Peters* to learn the art, trade, and mystery of *watch case making* and, after the manner of the apprentice, to serve said *Randolph Peters* from the day of the date thereof, until he shall be twenty-one years of age (if he should so long live) which will be the *24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1861* next ensuing.

During all which time the said apprentice doth covenant and promise, that he will serve his Master faithfully, keep his secrets, and obey his commands – that he will do him no damage himself, nor see it done by others, without giving him notice thereof – that he will not waste his goods, nor lend them unlawfully – that he will not contract matrimony within said term – that he will not play at cards, dice or any unlawful game, whereby his Master might be injured – that he will neither buy or sell with his own goods nor the goods of others, without license from his Master – that he will not absent himself day or night from his Master's service, without his leave – nor haunt ale-houses, taverns, engine-houses nor play-houses; but in all things behave himself as a faithful apprentice ought to do, during said term. And said Master on his part, doth covenant, and promise that he will use the utmost of his endeavours to teach or cause to be taught or instructed, the said apprentice in the art, trade, or mystery of *watch case making and will give him in lieu of boarding, lodging, washing, wearing apparel, and every other thing three dollars a week during said term payable weekly.*

**And** for the true performance of all and singular the covenants and agreements aforesaid, the said parties bind themselves unto each other, firmly, by these presents.

**In witness Whereof**, the said parties have interchangeably set their hands and seal hereunto.

Dated the *9<sup>th</sup> day of June* Anno Domini *1859*

Sealed, delivered and acknowledged before me the subscriber: *MM Kerney, Alderman*

(SIGNED) *Herman A. Klenck*

(SIGNED) *Christiana Klenck*

(SIGNED) *Randolph Peters*

(The words in italics were hand-written in the document.)

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.

## *The Village Genealogy Bookshoppe*



### *Membership*

#### Renewals

Daniel Froelich

#### New

Susan Hayes

**Danell Aukerman**

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Adair Village, OR 97330

[danell@genealogybookshoppe.com](mailto:danell@genealogybookshoppe.com)

## *News From the Library*

*Sandra Potter, co-Librarian*

Inventory of the library holdings is the big event for June. There will be three shifts: Tuesday, June 24, from 9-12 and 1-4 and Wednesday, June 25 from 9-12. Please contact Sandy Potter if you are able to help any of those times.(call 753-2709 or email to: [sanjohn@proaxis.com](mailto:sanjohn@proaxis.com))

No new books have been added to the library this month.

The plea for report binders brought results, so that some of the large three-ring notebooks have been replaced with smaller - size binders. A few more would be helpful, if you have any extras you can spare.

Mary Dean Snelling has completed an inventory of family names in the vertical file and has made an alphabetical list for the library.

### Summer Break

BCGS does not meet during the months of July and August. Our next General meeting and program will be on Saturday, September 13, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. and the program at 11:00 a.m.

**Our BCGS Library will be open all summer every Tuesday from 12:30-3 p.m.**

### *Photo Program*

I know we all found the presentation on Photo Restoration by Ian Mowry at last month's meeting very informative. I sure did. For those of us who do not have the talent, time, or inclination; however, an article in the May/June 2008, issue of *Ancestry* may be helpful. Luebking, coeditor of *The Source: a Guidebook to American Genealogy*, reviews "two different types of preservation/restoration services . . . Hollywood Fotofix and ScanCafe." Before and after photos from both services are shown: impressive. Hollywood Fotofix has drop-off service; however, more difficult restoration projects are sent off after being scanned. ScanCafe is an online service. I know, my first thought: "Do I trust anyone else with my originals?" She addresses this as well. Luebking provides the answer to another pressing question: "What do I get for how much?" Check it out. Margaret Fox *Margaret "It is what it is."*

### OGS Book Sale

: **Oregon Genealogical Society** is holding a **book sale June 28th** in the OGS Library, **10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** The library is located at **955 Oak Alley, Eugene**. Oak Alley runs North off 10th Street between Willamette and Oak. Both books and periodicals, which are duplicates of those already in the library, will be available. Most are in excellent condition but a few show some usage. Part of the books are from a bequest that the society received. The price will be right. Come and fill out your personal library or your society's library. **Phone number is 541-345-0399. NO credit cards.** There is **free parking** in the OverPark on Saturday's.

### *Upcoming Programs*

- **September 13, 2008 - Show 'N' Tell**

## GCO Hosts Biennial Genealogy Online & Onsite Conference

The Genealogical Council of Oregon (GCO) will hold its Oregon Statewide Biennial Genealogy Online & Onsite Conference on Saturday, July 19th, 2008 at Eugene, Oregon.

Genealogy is one of the most popular hobbies in the United States. Yet, it can be one of the most difficult to accomplish. It seems as if that one elusive document that we know will provide conclusive proof of kinship is hidden somewhere.

In the pre-Internet days, the pace of doing genealogy was slow. Genealogists wrote a letter and waited weeks for a reply. They took notes by hand because there were no copy machines.

With the advent of the Internet, the pace picked up, but there was still the question of where was that elusive record.

Attend this conference and learn how to go online and onsite to find the documents that your ancestors generated. Learn what to do with the documents when you have found them. Cyndi Howells, noted for her web site, her 25+ years of experience in genealogical work and as author of numerous books on the subject, is the keynote speaker and will make three presentations during this one day conference.

Topics by other speakers include: Researching Military Records; Finding Death Data on the Net; Consider the Source: Cite Your Sources; Going There, Walking their Ground...Doing On-site Research; What if You Can't Afford to Do Onsite Research?; Accessing Library Collections without Leaving Home; and Using Online Resources to Find the Death Date and Obit of Mercer Girl Annie, A Case Study.

- Free *Ancestry.com* access during the conference.
- Sit down for a one-on-one consultation with an archivist from the Pacific-Alaska branch of the National Archives.
- One-on-one consultations with DAR registrars will be available.
- Talk to a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists - Oregon Chapter about your brick wall problems.
- Hear about *FamilySearchIndexing* and how you or your society may participate.
- Browse the vendor room for new books, CDs, and other genealogy products
- And much more!

Registrations that are postmarked by June 25th are \$45 (GCO members) and \$50 (non-members of GCO), luncheon buffet \$15, GCO membership \$10, Extra syllabus (one included with registration) \$10. Registrations made after June 25th are \$5 more. Send Registration Check made out to GCO to: GCO Conference, 1349 Parkway Dr NW, Salem OR 97304

A copy of the registration form with full details about all sessions and fees is available at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orgco2/conf2008/index.html> or contact the Conference Chair:

Connie Lenzen at [gco2008conference@yahoo.com](mailto:gco2008conference@yahoo.com)

## ***Program Review*** ***By David Kriba, Program Chairman***

10 May 2008 - *Photo restoration* Ian Mowry, a mostly retired photo expert from Sweet Home demonstrated and spoke on **Photograph Restoration and Preservation**. The program included a variety of different subjects on photo restoration, repair, the preservation and long term storage of old family photos, what can and cannot be repaired and how it's done using various computer programs. He also answered questions people had—like what kind of digital camera should I buy, how many mega pixels should it be, rechargeable batteries or not? Should I buy special ink for my printer so my pictures will last? The length of Ian's presentation could have been unlimited by the questions that we had.

## ***Family Tree DNA — Genome Research***

Recently, researchers led by Dr. Hammer published the newly updated Y chromosome haplogroup tree in [Genome Research](#). On Monday, May 5th, Family Tree DNA will update its haplogroup nomenclature to match that recommended by this publication, as well as all pages that contain haplogroups. This includes your project's public website if you use Family Tree DNA's cookie cutter website tool, your GAP/Generate results pages, and each of your participants' haplogroup pages. While the name of the haplogroup a person belongs to may change, and will continue to change as more haplogroup branches are discovered and published, their actual DNA testing results and interpretation remain the same. The next issue of our newsletter, Facts and Genes, will discuss these changes in more depth and should help your participants better understand the changes to the Y-DNA haplogroup tree.

The Family Tree DNA website will be temporarily offline on Monday, May 5th, at 5 am CDT to facilitate this update in nomenclature and other maintenance. Service will be restored no later than 7 am CDT that day. Ysearch.org, our free publicly accessible website, will be offline and updated simultaneously.

If you would like more information about why the haplogroup nomenclature is changing and what this means to you, please visit the FAQ site below:

Y-DNA Haplogroup Nomenclature FAQ

Family Tree DNA

## ***Upcoming Genealogical Events***

- **Septembr 3-6, 2008 - Philadelphia, PA. The 2008 FGS Conference “Footprints of Family History.”**  
[www.fgs.org/2008conference/index.php](http://www.fgs.org/2008conference/index.php) Hosted by FGS and a number of local genealogical and historical societies in the Philadelphia area, this conference will have something something to offer for every level of genealogist or family +historian. More. And registration is available at the Society's website [www.fgs.org](http://www.fgs.org) **\_OR FGS Forum, Winter 2008.**
- **October 6-10, 2008 - Salt Lake City, UT. The International Society for British Genealogy and Family History.**  
Information at [www.isbgfh.org](http://www.isbgfh.org) ***OR* FGS Forum, Winter 2008.**

## **Other Societies E-mail and Web Address Changes**

- **Linn Genealogical Society**  
**Business:** [linngensociety@lgsoregon.org](mailto:linngensociety@lgsoregon.org)  
**Queries:** [query4lgs@lgsoregon.org](mailto:query4lgs@lgsoregon.org)

- **Bend Genealogical Society**  
“For many years the BGS web page has been located on the RootsWeb server, along with the Deschutes County GenWeb page and many of the other Oregon County GenWeb pages. RootsWeb has been purchased by Ancestry.com and sites had been informed that the Ancestry ad banners will eventually be required. There was also concern among many county webmasters about how long the sites on RootsWeb would remain free. Facing uncertainty, the Deschutes County site and many of the other Oregon County sites decided to move to a different server. The association of the BGS page with the Deschutes County GenWeb page is advantageous so the BGS Board decided to move its page too, and remain with Deschutes.

The new BGS website address is:

**<http://www.oregonweb.org/deschutes/bend-gs>**

Since it will take a little while to update web links and direct users to the new address, the BGS page will not disappear immediately from RootsWeb. The page at the old RootsWeb address will not be maintained though, and it will eventually disappear.”

*Reprinted from the Bend Genealogical Society, Inc., Distant Voices Newsletter, Vol. 15. No. 5, May 2008.*

## Websites

- A website with a lot of info: re the treatment and recording of the poor: **Poorhouse.com**  
-- Submitted by Billee Wilson Hoornbeek [billeeh@gmail.com](mailto:billeeh@gmail.com)
- **www.oregonencyclopedia.org** is a project of Portland State University and the Oregon Historical Society, an online feast of facts about the significant people, places, institutions and events that have shaped who, where and what Oregonians are.  
*Reprinted from WVGS Newsletter, Vol. XXX, No. 4, April 2008*
- **NARA Posts Free Passenger Indexes Online**  
The National Archives and Records Administration has added passenger lists of Russian, German and Italian immigrants to its free Access to Archival Databases (AAD). Each collection consists mostly of immigrants who identified their nationality as Russian, German or Italian and arrived at the ports of New York, Boston, Baltimore, New Orleans or Philadelphia during the 19th century. **<http://aad.archives.gov/aad/>**  
*Reprinted from WVGS Newsletter, Vol. XXX, No. 4, April 2008*
- **Vital Research Records Project, West Virginia Division of Culture and History**  
**[www.wvculture.org/vrr/vrrhandout.html](http://www.wvculture.org/vrr/vrrhandout.html)**  
The Vital Research Records Project is a collective project involving The West Virginia State Archives and the Genealogical Society of Utah (GSU). The project goal is to create a searchable database of West Virginia County birth, marriage and death records, and statewide death records that still reside on the West Virginia Archives and History website. The database can be found at: **[www.wvculture.org](http://www.wvculture.org)**  
*Reprinted from WVGS Newsletter, Vol. XXX, No. 6, June 2008*
- **The South Dakota Historical Society** has created a database of cemetery records. It includes records that were catalogued as part of the WPA cemetery project (pre-1940's) plus cemetery updates that have been added that SDHS is aware of. It is not a complete listing of all the burials in South Dakota. Here is a link to the search page:  
**<http://apps.sd.gov/applications/DT58Cemetery/>**  
*Reprinted from WVGS Newsletter, Vol. XXX, No. 6, June 2008*
- **<http://www.oldnewsbios.co.nz>** This site contains birth, marriage and death notices from newspapers in New Zealand, England and Australia with over 13,000 names in the database.  
*Reprinted from the California Genealogical Society Newsletter, Volume XXXIX, Number 2, March 2008*

## Civil War Veterans — Compilations of Death Rolls Books

A new book titled *Iowa, Kansas, and Nebraska Civil War Veterans: Compilation of the Death Rolls of the Departments of Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska Grand Army of the Republic 1883-1948* contains death records of more than 36,000 members of the Grand Army of the Republic (G.A.R.), which was the largest association of Civil War Union veterans. This book is the third in my series of compilations of G.A.R. death rolls. The first two books are titled *Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Illinois: Transcription of the Death Rolls, 1879-1947* and *Indiana Civil War Veterans: Transcription of the Death Rolls of the Department of Indiana Grand Army of the Republic, 1882-1948*. To see if your ancestor is listed in one of these books, visit **[www.ngpublications.com](http://www.ngpublications.com)** If you would like to order any of the books, send \$30 for each book plus \$4 shipping for the first book and \$1 for each additional book and mail to: Dennis Northcott, P.O. Box 11801, St. Louis, MO 63105. Make checks payable to Dennis Northcott **OR** you can print an order form from the website: **[www.ngpublications.com](http://www.ngpublications.com)**

**\*\*Order forms will be available at the meeting and the BCGS library.**

In a cemetery in England. Remember man, as you walk by. As you are now, so once was I. As I am now, so shall you be. Remember this and follow me. To which someone replied by writing on the tombstone: To follow you I'll not consent. Until I know which way you went.

*Source Unknown*

## THE YEAR WITHOUT SUMMER

For most of the world, the summer of 1816 was more like winter.

It was so cold that year it drove some normally rugged New Englanders to abandon their frozen crops and migrate to the relatively balmy Midwest. No one suspected that what they called "Eighteen hundred and froze to death" was the caused by the deadliest volcanic eruption in history.

Why should anyone connect the two events? Mount Tambora had erupted more than a year before, on the other side of the world in the Dutch East Indies. The first explosion was heard 1,000 miles away. For the next few days, the mountain belched smoke. Five days later, three columns of fire rose from the crater and combined into one huge flame. Hurricanes of ash blasted through nearby towns, blowing away houses and uprooting trees. The lava engulfed two towns and 8,000 islanders. Thousands of survivors fled to neighboring towns.

The huge, gray clouds drifted west and covered the downwind islands with a blanket of ash two feet thick, killing all vegetation. In total, some 82,000 people died of starvation and epidemics in the months after the eruption. The fallout-over a million and a half tons of dust and debris-took one year to spread globally.

In 1816 Europe, temperatures plummeted. It rained or snowed almost daily. Crops were ruined. Hunger was widespread and riots broke out in Britain, France and Switzerland. In Ireland, a cold rain fell 142 out of 153 days and 65,000 people died of hunger and from an ensuing typhus epidemic.

Scientists in the 1970's measured Tambora's humongous crater and estimated that the volcano must have exploded with the force of a billion tons of TNT, or 60,000 times the force of the bomb dropped on Hiroshima.

The Dust Veil Index (DV(I) measures the climatic impact of volcanic eruptions. Tambora scored 1,500. Contrast to that the 1980 eruption of Mt. St. Helens which scored a 1.

--excerpted & condensed from "The Year Without Summer " in "Uncle John's Bathroom Reader Plunges Into the Universe."  
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## Bush Signs Anti-discrimination Bill

As you may recall, I put out a plea for all of you to join the fight for GINA (Genetic Information and Non-discrimination Act) a few months ago. I again posted to you when the bill was finally passed in the Senate. At last Pres. Bush has signed it, and I wanted all of you to know. This law protects all of us from discrimination by insurance companies and employers when we acquire (or our doctors acquire) knowledge of harmful mutations in our DNA which can give us the LIKELIHOOD of a disease. Remember, just because we have the marker for the disease doesn't mean we get it.

I also wanted to thank those of you who participated in sending emails to your Senators and to Tom Coburn and Harry Reid. There is no way of knowing if and how we made an impact, but it is very possible we did as Senators do want to get responses from the public. Frankly, it doesn't matter as long as the bill has been signed into law. You can take pride in knowing you were involved!

A special thanks to Katherine Borges, the director of ISOGG (International Society of Genetic Genealogists) who created the GINA Contest to get us involved! Kudos, K.!!!!

Congrats everyone....all of us are winners in this!

Emily Aulicino

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~orgco2/speaker/EmilyAulicino.html>

<http://genealem-geneticgenealogy.blogspot.com/>

Northwest Regional Coordinator and Speaker for ISOGG (<http://www.isogg.org/>)

Administrator for ten FTDNA DNA Projects

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Google News Alert for: **DNA**

Bush signs anti-discrimination bill

The Associated Press -

Broadly embraced in Congress, the anti-discrimination measure aims to ensure that advances in **DNA** testing won't end up being used against people. ...

See all stories on this topic

Board Meetings are usually two Mondays before the second Saturday [our regular meeting time]. Dates of the upcoming **Board** meetings are:  
**2 Sept. for the 13 September meeting. Cookies — Leila Crawford**  
**29 September for the 11 October meeting. Cookies — Gene Newcomb**

### Membership Information

Names, email and phone numbers have been 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 [www.bcgs-oregon.org](http://www.bcgs-oregon.org)**

### 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](mailto:sprawlinson@proaxis.com). Thank You. **Pat Rawlinson**

### Odds and Ends

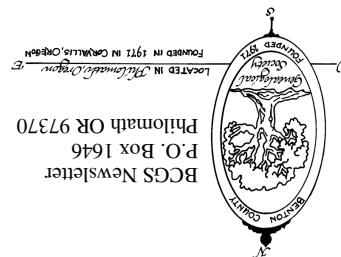
Our number at the OSU Thrift Shop on Second Street in Corvallis is **492**. Please keep your Santiam and Flav-R-Pak labels coming in to the Library. There is a plastic sack in the library to keep them in. Leila Crawford is in charge of the label program. All you need is the UPC Symbol from the label.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

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