

BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Oregon

Purpose

- ❖ To assist each other in genealogical research through association, inspiration, and mutual exchange and interaction.
- ❖ To encourage and provide for genealogical education.
- ❖ To cooperate with the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library and the Benton County Historical Society in matters pertaining to genealogical research.
- ❖ To advocate for accurate research and careful documentation.
- ❖ To encourage the study of family history through mutual support and the exchange of information.
- ❖ To accumulate resource materials for the Society library.
- ❖ To assist in the preservation and publication of local history.

Contact Us

Names, email and phone numbers have been removed for security reasons.

BCGS

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Program News

March: Everyone enjoyed the Beth Lambright's presentation, as you can see.



April: Emily D. Aulicino, retired teacher and genealogy researcher with over 40 years of experience, will speak on "The Gene in Genealogy." Ms. Aulicino is a well-known member of the "genetic" genealogical community and author of "Memoing My Memories: A simple technique for writing your family stories."

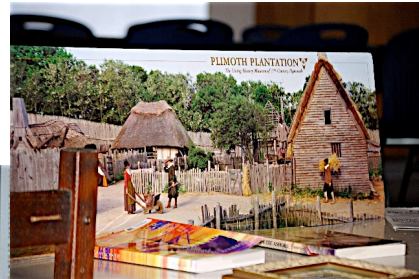


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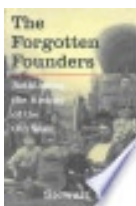
Library News

Check these out....

◆ [The History of Linn County Missouri : An encyclopedia of useful Information of, and a compendium of actual facts](#)

Birdsall & Dean, 1882

“A condensed history of the state of Missouri and its chief cities—St. Louis, Kansas City, & St. Joseph; a reliable history of Linn County—its pioneer record, war history, resources, biographical sketches, and portraits of prominent citizens; general and local statistics of great value, and a large amount of miscellaneous matter, incidents, etc., etc.”



◆ [The Forgotten Founders: Rethinking the History of the Old West](#)

Stewart L Udall

Island Press, 2002

“Udall’s book...is a gem that encompasses virtually every aspect of the development of our region” Rocky Mountain News



◆ [Oregon 1859 A Snapshot in Time](#)

Janice Marschner

Timber Press, 2008

The time-traveler’s guide to the first year of statehood

-- Nancy D.

Speaking of Library Books...

Last month Ellen brought several books from our library to the general meeting for our perusal. One such book was [American Wills & Administrations in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 1610-1857](#). Since I have an ancestor who might fit the bill, I took a look. There he was! Someone suggested I take a look at the UK archives online. I did. I googled “UK Archives,” selected “documents online,” and there I was. I did a search on the court’s link and there he was! For just 3.5£ (\$5+), I was able to immediately download a digital copy of the original will. Of course, it took days to transcribe, and I was cross-eyed when I finished, but I am a happy genealogist : ?)

--Margaret

Some of the **shelves** in our **newly acquired room** upstairs are ready for books. We have our recent acquisitions, including [Trace your Roots with DNA](#), [Hey America Your Roots](#), and [Terrible Trail: The Meek Cutoff, 1845](#), ready for check out. Hurrahs for Earl as he has been working on the shelves almost everyday.

--Grace

Publication News

BCGS exchanges newsletters with other Oregon genealogical societies

Our society exchanges newsletters with other societies around the state. Some arrive as paper copies and a few are digital. If you are interested in reading any of the following newsletters, they are available at our library. Just come on over, make a cup of tea or coffee, sit back and relax and read.

- ◆ Linn Genealogical Society
- ◆ Grant County Genealogical Society
- ◆ Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers Newsletter
- ◆ Bend Genealogical Society
- ◆ Willamette Valley Genealogical Society
- ◆ Sweet Home Genealogical Society
- ◆ Bend Genealogical Society

--Margaret

NORPAK Label News

The 700 Santiam and Flav-R-Pak UPC labels which our members had so diligently saved and brought to the annex have been counted, bundled and sent off to the Redemption Center. We should get a check for \$35 some time in the future. That should buy at least half a book, I should think. Time to start saving for the next redemption in 2013. Please though, do not save Campbell's soup and other 'Labels for Education' labels for us. I had to throw several away. Give them to your local school.

Thank you for participating in this fundraiser for BCGS.

-- Gene

Other Genealogy News & Events

Genealogical Council of Oregon

Summer Genealogy Fest

28 July 2012

Lane Community College

400 East 30th Ave, Eugene OR

“John Philip Colletta lectures on how to write a family history that the family will read. Thomas MacEntee lectures via Skype on technology and social media. Regional specialists present tracks on repositories, methodology, and social and historical aspects. Vendor area will offer books, charts, genealogy software, regional societies, and more.”

Program & registration available at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orgco2/>

-- GCO flyer

“Join the 1940 U.S. Census Community Project

The **Oregon State Archives** is pleased to announce and help promote the 1940 U.S. Census Community Project to help index the 1940 U.S. Federal Census. Indexing records from our state, will be an essential part of this monumental grass-roots effort that will put one of the richest genealogical data sets in the world online, complete and free of charge forever.



On April 2, 2012 images of the 1940 U.S. Federal Census will be released for the first time. Unlike previous census years, images of this census will be made available as free digital images.

Upon its release, the 1940 U.S. Census Community Project, a joint initiative between Archives.com, FamilySearch, findmypast.com, and other genealogy societies, archives and organizations, will coordinate efforts to provide quick access to these digital images and immediately start indexing these records to make them searchable online with free and open access.

Interest in the 1940 US Census is both significant and sentimental because it documents what is often referred to as “The Greatest Generation” of U.S. citizens. As a group, these are individuals who

- Survived the Great Depression
- Fought in the Second World War
- Innovated technology (TV, Microwave)

There are many people still alive today who will be able to find themselves in the 1940 U.S. Federal Census. Others will be able to readily connect with relatives they knew personally or through family stories.

If you would like to volunteer to index go to www.the1940census.com/archives and register to participate. You may choose to participate under the partnership of one of several genealogical/historical societies in the state that are participating in this effort. Go to <https://the1940census.com/participatingsocieties/> to see what organizations in Oregon are partnering in this community effort.*

Knowing the enthusiasm of this group for all things genealogical I am sure a number of you are already planning to participate in this effort. We look forward to the impact this resource will

have for researchers of our state and so many others.

Warm regards,
Layne Sawyer ...
Oregon State Archives”

--or-roots mail list

***Benton County Genealogy Society** has registered to partner in this community effort. Margaret has agreed to be group leader and point of contact for the project. To get started go to <https://the1940census.com/getting-started/>

Can't wait until 1940 Census has been indexed? The National Archives has digital images as well as other helpful information including

- General Information
- How to Start you 1940 Census Research
- Finding Aids
- Video
- Articles and Online Data

Go to <http://www.archives.gov/research/census/1940/>

--Margaret

Carriage Me Back to 1887 in Brownsville, Oregon

“May 5th from 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
May 6th from 12:00 – 4:00 p.m.

“A sometimes historical, often hysterical reenactment of life in Brownsville, including a carriage ride around town. Carriages depart every half hour from the Linn Co. Historic Museum, 101 Park Ave., Brownsville, OR.

...

For ticket reservations and information call (541) 466-3390. We accept **CASH** and **CHECKS ONLY**. No Credit Cards”

--CMB Flyer

Spring Seminar 2012

The **Genealogical Forum of Oregon** welcomes

J. Mark Lowe, CG, FUGA

Saturday, 21 April 2012, 9AM-4PM
Milwaukie Elks, Milwaukie OR

Topics:

- ◆Finding Your Landless Ancestors
- ◆Smith vs. Jones, et al., A Closer Look at Court Records
- ◆Dower, Dowry, and Detinue: Women and Their Men's Property
- ◆Is It Really Online?

Details & Registration for available online.

--GFO flyer

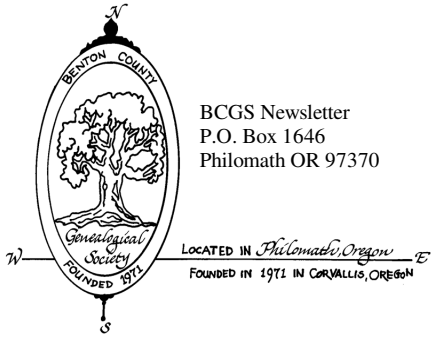
Meetings

Board Meetings are held prior to the General meetings in the Annex, 1104 Main St., Philomath, OR. All members are welcome.
Board: 9:00 AM - 9:45AM

General Meetings are held on the second Saturday, September through June, in the Social Hall of the College United Methodist Church, 1123 Main St., Philomath, OR. Everyone is welcome.
Business: 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM
Program : 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM



When you search for ancestors, you find great friends!



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