

Benton County Genealogical Society

Newsletter

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From the Desk of the President

What a month! National Genealogical Society Conference, Historic Preservation Month, and yard work!

The National Genealogical Conference in Charleston, SC was well-attended - 2000 Genies all in one place :) Lots to do, see and hear. I choose to participate in the pre-conference trip to the SC Archives in Columbia. Imagine 200 people all trying to use the research room. Fortunately, they were well prepared for us and all went smoothly, except for the 45 minutes 25 of us, including me, spent in the freight elevator : (The conference was four days. Of course, numerous choices were available for the various sessions: eight tracks at least four times a day. Somewhere around Friday, I reached overload and snuck away to downtown Charleston for a bit of research at the South Carolina Historical Society. Charleston, by the way, still looks pretty much like it did the last time I was there in the late 60's and probably much like it has for the last 150 years. It's beautiful.

Historic Preservation Month has come and gone. I managed to miss a few events but did make the tour of the 100 year old Lewisburg Grange [aka St. Anne Orthodox Church] and the Annual Preservation Awards Ceremony. Awards are given to "...acknowledge those leaders and stewards, who demonstrate outstanding commitment to maintaining, protecting, and celebration our shared heritage." This year, as you have probably heard, our very own **Earle Greig** was recognized. The theme this year was Celebrating America's Treasures, and Earl has certainly been making his contribution in the form of family histories, photographs, archives and artifacts.

Another event I attended was the Camp Adair events with **Faye Abraham** as our hostess. These events, including a Camp Adair Interpretive Display, Camp Adair WWII Barracks, and the Camp Adair's Firehouse #5, were well-attended. Perhaps a dozen of our Society members were in attendance as well. Lt. Col (Ret) **William Gleaves** told about his time as a Communications Officer at Adair AFS. **Denny Haney**, Fire Marshal for Adair, made sure all were safe and provided a bit of history on Firehouse #5.

I think I'll skip the part about yard work except to say my grass had grown about a foot while I was gone.

And finally, the June general meeting should be a really good one. Food and conversation....what more could you want? Be sure to bring information on your road block or brick wall, whichever it has become. Bringing a favorite dish to share. After a short business meeting, we'll break into small groups. Following a brief "here's where I am stuck" from a "needy genie," the group hopefully will have ideas/suggestions to help him/her move forward. Then comes the food :)

Hope to see you all there.

Margaret

Library Committee

The library inventory will be held on Tuesday, 7 June. Your help would be appreciated. Please contact Grace Maddux at gracie@peak.org if you have a couple of hours to donate any time between 9:00 – 3:00 pm.



Earle Greig holding his award and **Margaret Fox**, BCGS president



Membership

Benefits of being a member of BCGS include: Library use during open hours, book checkout privileges, newsletter as published and voting rights at business meeting. Membership dues will be \$15 if you receive your newsletter by e-mail. If you receive your newsletter by the US Post Office, dues will be \$20. New member packets are available at the BCGS library or they will be available at our next general meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Jo Miner at 541-753-4828.

Program News

11 June Program - Potluck Picnic

This year we will have our regular business meeting and an informal discussion about “breaking down brick walls” with member participation encouraged. Our annual Potluck Picnic will be held at the annex after the discussion. Bring a dish of your choice for the potluck. Coffee, tea, punch, paper plates, plastic spoons, etc. will be available.

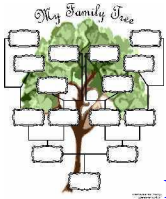
Upcoming Programs

Summer Break - No programs in July and August

September – Show ‘n Tell

Genealogy News & Events

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2011 Annual Conference September 16 – 17, 2011

Hosted by the *TRI CITY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY* at Richland Baptist Church, 1632 George Washington Way, Richland, WA. Fri., 5:00 – 9 p.m.; Sat., 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 pm; Check-In at 7:30 a.m.

“Social Networking for Genealogists”;

“Death Has Many Faces”;

“Elements of a Useful Research Road Map”; and

“Discovering Our Ancestor’s Neighborhood.”

FEATURED SPEAKER, 4 TOPICS:

PATRICIA WALLS STAMM, CG, CGL,

& NGS’s Education Manager

For current info go to Washington State Genealogical Society’s website at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasgs> for a direct link to TCGS’s Conference website <http://www.tricitygenealogicalsociety.org/wsgs2011/index.htm>

Cyndi's List

Cyndi Howells is reaching out to ask for your help in supporting **Cyndi's List** (<http://www.CyndisList.com>).

Why Donate Money to Cyndi's List?

- Cyndi's List has been online since March 4, 1996.
- In the beginning there were 1,025 links. Today there are more than 290,000.
- This site continues to be one of the top research spots online for genealogy.
- Cyndi's List has always been free for everyone to use.
- To date, Cyndi's List has been supported solely by advertisements.
- This site is in the process of a major upgrade, the first since 1998.
- Goals for upgrading would include easier use for both the administrator and site visitors, making adding and updating links a quicker process for everyone. Improved navigation and other features are also on the to-do list.
- Cyndi's List is a one-woman business. Upgrading is very expensive. Your donations would help the site to grow and expand, thus making your searching much easier and more productive.

Donations: www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_sxclick&hosted_button_id=AVHEW94ZTDTBJ

Queries

Rebecca from Eureka Cemetery is looking for a cemetery that has a Case & Baileys addition. Someone brought her deeds with those names on them.

Also, has anyone seen the name Anton Resch in their cemeteries? He was a citizen from this area and his son Anton drowned in the bay and was washed out to sea and his body not found. We would like to know where Anton Sr is buried.

Thank you

If anyone has any information, please contact Carolyn Russell.

cknuth@charter.net

Historian for Taft Cemetery

Membership Information

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

Board meetings are held in the Philomath Public Library conference room at 1050 Applegate, Philomath, Oregon. Our next board meeting date is **Monday, 29 August 2011** from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

General meetings are held on the second Saturday, September through June, in the social hall of the College United Methodist Church, to the east of the Benton County Historical Museum, in the 1100 block of Main Street, Philomath, Oregon. Our business meeting is at 10:00 a.m. with the program starting at 11:00 a.m. Our next meeting will be Saturday, 11 June 2011.



Happy Summer

May it be sunny, warm and fun

Our library will be open during the summer –
Tuesdays from 1:00 to 3:30 pm

