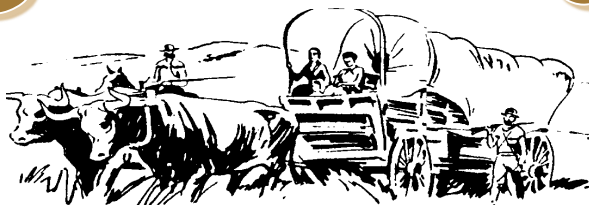


Distant Trails



"A Quest To Find Our Roots"

January, February and March Newsletter for 2018

Note from the President:

Can you believe it - 2017 is over! I am so excited, for Christmas my husband got me a book about preparing for a Salt Lake City visit. That is one of my goals for 2018, road trip to Salt Lake City! Hopefully I will be able to break down the brick wall I'm up against.

This year I did some investigating on a couple of leads of the possibility of being related to some famous people. As it turns out, President Grover Cleveland is my 6th cousin 5x removed and John Pierpont Morgan is my 4th cousin 5x removed. So keep digging, you too may have famous people in your tree as well. If you do, let us know.

Our Christmas Luncheon was a great success, 23 people attended. I had mentioned about having some goals for the society - please let me know if you have thought of any. We have several new people who want to volunteer therefore we might be able to be open more days. There are several projects we have been working on - We are at the point of needing people to enter the data collected from the New Era. If you would like to help with that please speak up.

Librarian News

2018 is shaping up to be another busy year; our Society has been getting in a lot of new books, donations and newspapers.

Velma Cook and Carla Healy are continuing to work on the donations from Mona Waibel's family. This was a large donation of not only full file cabinets, but added documents, newspapers and photographs Mona had collected over the years to write several books

The Mona Waibel books we have for sale are \$10.00 each and include Sweet Home's Good Old Days Volumes I-V

Christmas Bazaar, Bake Sale and Granny's Attic a Success

The Christmas Bazaar, bake sale and Granny's attic is one of our annual fundraisers. During this event we also make raffle baskets.

The totals for these events were: Bazaar \$1063.65, which includes: Bake sale 200.75; Granny's attic 300.90; Raffle 424.00; Table rentals 110.00; and we sold 2 books 28.00.

Luncheon

In December, instead of having the luncheon at the Skyline, we had it at the Genealogical Society. The luncheon was wonderful and we gave away many door prizes and raffled off our baskets.

Our lucky raffle basket winners were: Loretta Mabe, Deanna McKay, Diane Golden, Gerry Thompson, Karen Brown (2 baskets), Debbie Thompson, Vivian Chelstand, Gladys Seifert, Dave and Sandi Larsen, Jody Fletcher and Terri Lanini (2 baskets).

Membership

It's that time of year to renew your membership - or even recruit new members!

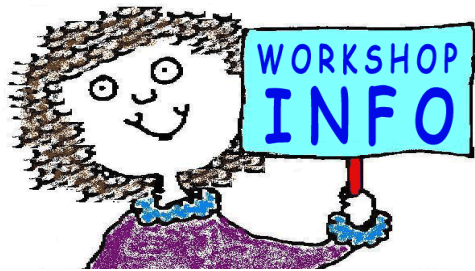
We have enclosed a Membership form with this newsletter, but if you should lose it, You can get a membership form on our website at shgenealogy.com - you can find it by clicking "About Us" on the left side of the screen, then membership application. Or email Angela at SHGSMembership.com and I will send it to your email address.

Some family trees have beautiful leaves, and some have just a bunch of nuts. Remember, it is the nuts that make the tree worth shaking."

- Author unknown

Sweet Home Genealogical Society Newsletter

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Annual Workshop

Once again, the workshop is in its final stages of planning. You will find the schedule and registration form inserted. There are many opportunities for you to help prepare for our workshop - assembling packets, registration, set up and clean up are a few ways to help. Packets need to be completed by Wednesday March 7, set up on Thursday, March 8, registration both days and tear down the afternoon of March 10. If you are available to help please contact Angela Thoma at (541) 409-2093 to sign up or email angthoma@comcast.net

Our committee meets on Thursday of each week at 3:00 p.m. at the Genealogical Society. Please drop in and help when you can, give us your input or just stay and join us for some great conversations and some joyful laughter.

Volunteer Opportunities!

Our organization is run entirely by volunteers which means there are many opportunities to volunteer - projects, yardwork, cleaning, staffing the library, etc.

STAFFING: We have an immediate need of staffing the library. In the best interest in our volunteers, we require two people per shift. If we can get two people for a Friday or Saturday, we can be open one extra day a week! Four Volunteers and we could be open both Friday and Saturday.

NEW ERA: Our biggest project is indexing The New Era. We could use help data gathering, review and possibly data entry. This is an amazing project and I am deeply impressed by the hard work our Volunteers are doing each week. Please come by and volunteer some time to help out in this substantial but amazing project. You will find yourself immersed in the news and someday, you end up finding some of your own family listed in the news...a plus which you get to add to your tree.

FUNDRAISER COMMITTEE: We are a non-profit which means we need funds to run our Genealogical Society. We are looking for a fundraiser committee - this group would work together gathering ideas, organizing and conducting fundraisers. The chairperson would also report to the new Project Chair, Laura Mather and the board with status updates. Interested in this position but can't make a board meeting, drop an email to Teresa Riper and teresa.riper@gmail.com

SIGN-UP: We have two sign-up sheets at the library, one to bring snacks for our general meeting and one "chore" sheet - various things that need to be done around the library on a monthly basis. There are plenty of spaces left that you could sign up for!

If you have an extra few hours a day, week or month please let us know! We'd love to have you come volunteer!

Contact Information

We may not have your correct contact information - please take a look at the membership list on our website to make sure your contact information is correct. If it needs to be corrected please contact Angela Thoma at SHGSMembership@comcast.net

The main way of communicating within the society is through email. Many folks haven't provided an email address - please consider doing so, you might be missing out on important information or announcements.

The contact information is only visible to fellow members.

We have a NEW PROJECT CHAIR Person

Laura Mather will be heading up as Project Chair for all our ongoing projects. Please check in with Laura and let her know how your project is going and if there is anything else you need. She will present the information at the monthly board meeting. Thank you Laura!

Sweet Home Genealogical Society

Application for Membership – New or Renewal

As a member of the Sweet Home Genealogical Society you will receive our quarterly publication of The Distant Trails, discounted rate on workshops and computer use. You will also receive a 10% discount on selected items in our "store".

Our membership is from January 1 to December 31. Becoming a member aids in the success of the SHGS and running the library.

Date _____

Name _____ Member # _____

Name _____ Member # _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

E-Mail Address _____ Publish on website: Yes No

Note: If you choose "no" your email address will only be visible to our website editors, you will receive society notifications and communication emails.

Membership New Renewal Returning
 Individual \$20 Family \$30 Computer Card \$10 Total enclosed: \$ _____

Note: Family is a two person household.

Volunteering Opportunities:

Our Society is solely ran with volunteers, without them we would not exist. There are many areas where we could use help from our volunteers. Please select what areas you would like to help:

Coordinator	Research	Publicity	Workshops
<input type="checkbox"/> Research	<input type="checkbox"/> General research	<input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper	<input type="checkbox"/> Planning
<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising	<input type="checkbox"/> Obituary lookup	<input type="checkbox"/> Fliers	<input type="checkbox"/> Registration
<input type="checkbox"/> Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Record lookup	<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter	<input type="checkbox"/> Food
Membership	Projects	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Calendars	<input type="checkbox"/> Set Up
<input type="checkbox"/> New member packet	<input type="checkbox"/> Data entry	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Take Down
<input type="checkbox"/> Orientation to library	<input type="checkbox"/> Indexing	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fundraising	Staffing Library	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Housekeeping
<input type="checkbox"/> Garage Sale	<input type="checkbox"/> Days/hours available:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yard work
<input type="checkbox"/> Bazaar		<input type="checkbox"/>	

Please return this form with payment to SHGS – PO Box 279 – Sweet Home, Oregon 97386 or drop it off at our library located at 1223 Kalmia – Sweet Home, Oregon 97386. Make checks payable to SHGS. Thank You

For official use only: Date Received _____ Cash Check # _____ Total amount enclosed: _____
 Member card given _____ Added to membership list _____

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FOND MEMORIES...by Angela L Thoma

As I sit here thinking about writing this newsletter, a dear and loving memory of my dad comes to mind. My father used to make doughnuts. It didn't matter the day, or how tired he was; it was a whim which he loved and enjoyed up to his 90th year. I don't have any of his doughnut recipes now, in fact, I don't think he ever wrote one down.

I remember as a young child the sweet aroma of doughnuts would send a spool of glee and excited chatter between my brothers, sisters and me. Fondly, as the youngest of seven, dad would ask me to roll them in the cinnamon sugar or powdered sugar, leaving a few without just for him. The doughnuts were always delicious...just thinking about it brings back the sweet scent, the joyous feeling, the excitement in the air.

So, with my dad in mind, and dusty powdered sugar memories, I picked up one of our Sweet Home Past and Present Recipe Books and began searching through it for a doughnut recipe that I might like to try. I pay for the cookbook and begin reading.

Here's one from page 82 titled Doughnuts contributed by Gladys Seifert. She writes: *This is an old favorite. These were made by my Great-Grandmother, Pauline Friederich Miller. My mother, Lillian Fetter Kleinschmit did a lot of her baking in the later years as she was blind by then.* Having asked her permission, I would love to share this recipe with you.

2 Cups flour
2 Teaspoons baking powder
½ Teaspoon salt
¼ Teaspoon cinnamon
1 Tablespoon butter
½ Cup Sugar
1 egg
½ Cup milk



Combine in the order given. Roll out and fry in fat. Makes 1 dozen. While still warm, roll in sugar and cinnamon that have been mixed well.

Do you have a favorite family recipe? What kind of memories does it bring back to you?

The cookbooks are available at the Genealogical Society for \$5.00 each.

You know you're a genealogist if your email contact list contains more distant cousins than immediate family.

The State Rights Democrat

October 14, 1887

The Lost is Found

Many of our readers will remember Peter Hensley, the man who settled the ranch at Lower Soda Springs, and afterwards sold it and settled the McKinnon ranch still further up the South Santiam, from which he disappeared in a mysterious way several years ago. The public, and especially his friends who were quite numerous, after making diligent inquiries as to his whereabouts, finally settled down to the conviction that "Pete" had been made the victim of foul play. Well a few days ago "Pete" took his pen in hand and wrote a letter to John Shea, of Sweet Home informing that the gentleman that he was still an inhabitant of this mundane sphere living in Wasco county where he has a good ranch and prospering. "Pete's" many friends will be glad to hear that the lost has been found.

Here is an excellent blog for a family researcher to visit and sign-up for by Amy Johnson Crow. Check it out at: <https://www.amyjohnsoncrow.com>



"So far I've discovered I was in a litter of eight and my mother's name was Fluffy!"

Blast from the Past - from the Sweet Home New Era January 8, 1947



Crawfordsville Woman Has Narrow Escape When Bridge Collapses

Mrs. William Vitek, who lives on the Brush Creek road 1½ miles south of Crawfordsville had a narrow escape this morning (Thursday) when the bridge in front of their home collapsed into the swollen creek as she was crossing the structure in a pickup. Her husband, who was standing in the yard, ran for a length of rope. At this time Vern Knopf, a Sweet Home realtor, was proceeding northward on the road, and Mr. Vitek signaled him to stop. Knopf stopped in the driveway and the husband threw the rope over the partly submerged car to him. Knopf threw the rope to Mrs. Vitek who proceeded to get out of the pickup. With the help of the rope and the remains of the bridge railing she was able to climb to safety on the opposite bank.

A load of eggs in the rear of the pickup were considerably dampened by the sudden accident.

LOST & FOUND

REWARD for return of ladies Bulova wrist watch, lost at VFW New Year's dance. Phone 744

FOUND - 2 bundles brick siding corner, bundle of Firtex. Just across bridge to Pleasant Valley, on left hand side, first sharp turn.

FOUND - A good dog. Call 723 and identify.

LOST OR STRAYED - 3 cows, roan, white face and yellow and their calves. Clayton Wolfer, Box 344

LOST - One black and tan hound dog. Scar on one side, reward. Wm. C. Allison or Hank Keeney, Cascadia

COUPLE PAYS HOSPITAL WITH SPECIAL BANK FUNDS

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Goodwin of Sweet Home believe in saving for the "stork." After their new son was born in Lebanon General hospital December 28, the couple paid the expenses in dimes, nickels and pennies from a bank created for that purpose. Raymond Lee's weight was 8-pounds 10-ounces while the coin receptacle tipped the scales at ten pound even. This is the second reserve fund created by the Goodwins for this special occasion.

MOTHER, MOTHER, I'VE BEEN THINKING OF THAT CAKE YOU BAKED TODAY; SO TASTY AND SO LIGHT AND FLUFFY, TELL ME HOW TO BAKE THAT WAY.

BAKE THE CLABBER GIRL WAY, MY DEAR, WITH CLABBER GIRL BAKING POWDER

Ask Mother, She Knows . . . Clabber Girl is the baking powder with the *balanced* double action . . . Right, in the mixing bowl; Light from the oven.

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"NORTHWEST OUTPOST"
Nelson Eddy — Ilona Massey

★ SUNDAY ONLY ★
"FIESTA"
Esther Williams — Ricardo Montalban

★ MONDAY & TUESDAY ★
"SHOW BUSINESS"
Eddie Cantor — George Murphy

★ WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY ★
"TARZAN AND THE HUNTRESS"
Johnny Weissmuller — Brenda Joyce

"HIGHWAY BY NIGHT"
Robert Lowery — Phyllis Brooks

★ FRIDAY ONLY ★
"PHILO VANCE'S GAMBLE"
Alan Curtis — Iola Bicell

"STARS OVER TEXAS"
Eddie Dean

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Services We Offer

Keeping Your Memories Alive Project

Our Keeping Memories Alive project is a new addition to our S.H. Genealogical Society. This is a photo and negative scanning service that began in late 2017. Although we are not doing restorations, we are offering a preservation for those boxes and bags of negatives and photographs.

Our scans provide you with amazing results with sharper images, giving them new life. We have trained volunteers that will cherish your photos as much as you do! This volunteer helping you will treat your photos with respect and all persons using this service are given strict confidentiality.

Once you sign up, a volunteer will be assigned to your Memories Project. This will be the person will be your main contact during the scanning project.

The cost and duration of scanning depends greatly on how large the order is. All scans are saved to a DVD or thumb drive for your convenience, to print as you wish and share with your family members.

Are you more interested in having some photos or negatives printed out? We do that too!

Make an appointment today! Ask to be assigned to a volunteer for your project and let's begin preserving your photos and negatives!

Researching Your Ancestors

Those brick walls that stump us and get in our way are a real nuisance!

- Don't know where to begins?
- At a dead end or brick wall?
- Looking for history and information in certain areas?
- Need an Obituary or Looking for a certain Surname?

Come on in during open hours or give us a call. We are more than happy to help you!

We do charge a small fee for this service.

Volunteering and Visiting Hours

Logging our hours is important to capture for various reasons. If you are volunteering at the library or doing any projects please be sure to log your hours on the calendar behind the front desk or you can email them to Teresa Riper (teresa.riper@gmail.com)

We need to have our visitors sign in as well - this includes our members who use the library for research. The visitor log is located on the front desk.

Meetings	Workshop Committee	Board	General
January 2018	Thursday's 3:00 p.m.	9 th – 11:00	20 th – 10:00
February 2018	Thursday's 3:00 p.m.	12 th – 11:00	17 th – 10:00
March 2018	Thursday's 3:00 p.m.	12 th – 11:00	17 th – 10:00
April 2018		9 th – 11:00	21 st – 10:00

Note: All meetings are held at the Society Library

Events	Date	Time	Location
2018 Workshop	Mar 9 - 10	8:30-4:30	Society Library

- The **Lebanon Genealogical Society** has monthly programs at 12:30 on the first Friday of the month at the Lebanon Public Library meeting room.
- The **Linn Genealogical Society** has monthly programs at 1:00 pm on the first Saturday of the month at the Albany Public Library meeting room.

Sweet Home Genealogical Society

38th Annual Workshop

March 9 – 10, 2018

1223 Kalmia St., Sweet Home, OR 97386

This will be an exciting and well-rounded workshop with all the topics and speakers we are offering this year. Please mail your registration form and payment to: Sweet Home Genealogical Society – PO Box 279 – Sweet Home, OR 97386

Friday, March 9, 2018

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 10:30 Tom O'Brien Old Newspapers Are Getting a New Life

10:30 – 10:45 **Break** Coffee, Tea and Snack Items Available

10:45 – 11:45 Chris Meinicke Sons and Daughters of the Oregon Pioneers

11:45 – 1:00 **Lunch** On your own; bring a lunch or local restaurant

1:00 – 2:30 Tom O'Brien Using Family Search Records that Were Previously Microfilmed

2:30 – 2:45 **Break** Coffee, Tea and Snack Items Available

2:45 – 4:15 Pam Vestal Beyond Names and Places: Filling in the Stories of Our Female Ancestors

Saturday March 10th, 2018

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 10:00 Susan LeBlanc German Research: Understanding Culture, Places and Time Frames

10:00 – 10:15 **Break** Coffee, Tea and Snack Items Available

10:15 – 11:45 Patricia Oberndorf Major U.S. Libraries and Archives

11:45 – 1:00 **Lunch** On your own; bring a lunch or local restaurant

1:00 – 2:00 Joann Skelton Adventures in Writing a Genealogy Blog Every Day

2:00 – 2:15 **Break** Coffee, Tea and Snack Items Available

2:15 – 3:15 Susan LeBlanc Religious Affiliations and their Records

3:15 – 3:30 **Break** Coffee, Tea and Snack Items Available

3:30 – 4:30 Patricia Oberndorf Using Civil War Pension Records

For unforeseen reasons, Presentation are subject to change at the last minute

Early bird Register before March 1, 2018

Both days \$25 for SHGS members \$30 for non-members \$5.00 for students (12-18)

One day \$12.50 for SHGS members \$15.00 for non-members

Registration after March 1, 2018

Both days \$30 for SHGS members \$35 for non-members \$5.00 for students (12-18)

One day \$15 for SHGS members \$17.50 for non-members

Name _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Days attending: Both days _____ Fri. only _____ Sat. only _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____

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Thursday 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Temp, closed on Fridays- hope to be open soon!
Closed Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

For appointment during closed hours contact
Terri at 541-543-5455 or Carla at 541-367-5646
or Angela Thoma at 541-409-2093.

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