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DISTANT VOICES

Newsletter of the Bend Genealogical Society

Our mission is to provide essential resources for researching, teaching, exchanging, and preserving the records of family history.

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Join us on Tuesday, January 15, at 10:00 a.m. for a morning of genealogy. Williamson Hall—2200 NE Hwy 20—Bend (behind Jake's Diner) Vanessa Ivey presents: "Deeds, Patents & Townships, OH MY-Researching Land Records"



Spread the Joy of Genealogy

ver the holidays I found myself at my husband's photography club holiday celebration. I knew several people, some better than others, but not being a professional photographer, I couldn't talk about cameras or what settings I used for photographing a stream. At another holiday party, I didn't know anyone other than saying, "hello," at two prior meetings.



By Susan Aqli

Susan Aqli President

I wanted to interact with people at both gatherings, so I decided to talk about genealogy as a conversation starter. After exchanging

pleasantries, I asked people if they had researched their family history. Sometimes, they gave me a puzzled look, so I followed up by saying I belonged to a genealogy group in Bend. If I were lucky, they would smile, followed by stories about their families. Some said they had started, but were either stuck or lost interest. I happily told them about BGS, and our free mentoring, new interest groups, monthly meetings, etc. I told them to go to Meetup and search for Bend genealogy, where they would find more information, not only about future meetings and classes, but links to our website. I learned interesting information from everyone I spoke to. Next time you find yourself in a social situation needing something to say, talk about genealogy. It's a great ice breaker.

On a more serious level, there is an urgent need to find someone who can provide us with a new website. We would like to be able to utilize PayPal or accept credit/debit card payments. Plus, the website should be easy to update, as needed, by the designer or someone at BGS. If you know of someone who would be interested in providing this service, it can be an in-kind donation, or he/she could submit a bid to the board.

If you would like to be a part of the future of BGS, we have a board opening for a Director-at-large position. This is a two-year commitment and would include being responsible for being the voice for the hospitality committee, and the membership committee, if one is formed. For more information contact me at 541-408-3773, or email me at esc2bend@gmail.com (stands for escape to Bend).

Susan

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NOTES

- General meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. See p. 3.
- Schedule a Mentor for oneon-one help. See p. 2.
- Library Hours are listed on p. 8.
- See BGS Learning **Opportunities on** p. 2 for a list of BGS groups and classes.

BGS LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Location: BGS Library in Williamson Hall, 2200 NE Hwy 20 (behind Jake's Diner)

All of us have knowledge to share—Join a group or workshop & share your experience!

DNA

- Tues, Jan. 8. LEARN ABOUT GEDmatch. Gary Putnam will be demonstrating GEDmatch from 2-4 pm at the Library. Drop in and bring your laptop.
- Tues, Jan. 15 DNA Interest Group at Noon–1:30 pm after the program presentation. Bring a brown bag lunch, if desired. We work on questions together with the objective to learn more about DNA.
- Tues, Feb. 5 LEARN ABOUT DNA Painter. Gary Putnam explains DNA Painter from 2-4pm at BGS.



WRITERS GROUP

If you have an interest in writing, join the group anytime. All are welcome.

4th Tuesday of the Month 2:00–3:30 pm at the BGS Library

• January 22, 2019—Write about "Mammal Memories" or a topic(s) of your choice.

GERMAN RESEARCH GROUP



We'll learn how to research our German ancestors together. Come on Jan. 16. We'll find out the various names & locations everyone is researching, and we'll decide what we need to learn about first.

IMMIGRATION WORKSHOP

• Tues, Mar 5. – LEARN ABOUT Immigration. Gary Putnam will discuss researching immigrant ancestors from 2-4 pm at BGS. Drop-in; all are welcome.

To register for Beginning Genealogy, or for more information about any group or class: Go to Bend Genealogy MeetUp Call BGS: (541) 317-9553 Email: bgs@bendbroadband.com All Opportunities are FREE & Open to All

BEGINNING GENEALOGY



1st & 3rd Thurs. each month in the evening, 6–8 pm, starting Jan. 3 at the BGS Library. The coming Thurs. evenings are Jan. 3 and 17; and Feb. 7 and 21.

• Registration is preferred, but not required. It's okay to drop-in. WiFi is available. Bring your laptop or device, if desired.

Pat Kliewer, facilitator. Pat is a fantastic researcher and teacher. Each session will be tailored on the spot to the individuals attending, and questions that are asked. Good research procedures are covered that are applicable to the evening's topics.

Have Questions? Try Mentoring For Individual Help



Work on your own genealogy question one-on-one with a BGS volunteer mentor, or suggest mentoring to a friend who is interested in learning about genealogy. You don't have to be a BGS member to schedule a mentor, and there is NO COST.

MAKE A MENTORING APPOINTMENT

Use the Mentor Request form to make an appointment. On the form, request a date and time when the Library is open (p. 2) that fits in your busy life. We will try our best to accommodate your request.

The Mentor Request form is on our website, in the Library, or available at meetings.

- On the website, the form is a computer-fillable PDF.
- Attach it to an email and send to:
 Mentoring Coordinator

bgsmentoring@gmail.com Your appointment will be confirmed via email.

MENTORING IS AVAILABLE YEAR-ROUND

Location: BGS Library

Wi-Fi is available. Bring your own device and work along side the mentor, if desired.

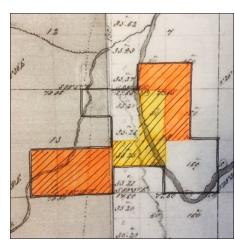
PRESENTATION

January 15, 2019— 10 a.m. At Williamson Hall, 2200 NE Hwy 20, Bend

Deeds, Patents and Townships, OH MY! Researching Land Records

Presentor: Vanessa Ivey, Manager Deschutes Historical Museum

L and research is a rewarding addition to any family history. Discovering an actual visual location matching a homestead, journal or memoir description is quite exciting, and the process can lead to a treasure



trove of information. However, the process can be daunting not knowing where to begin or how to navigate through the data.

Vanessa Ivey, Deschutes Historical Museum manager since 2011, has taken on land research requests over her eight years with the Deschutes Co. Historical Society. She combines contemporary online tools with traditional research.

Using examples from both her personal and work land searches, Vanessa will share her knowledge of universal survey terminology, how to navigate the BLM website, discover what the Deschutes County sites have to offer, and touch on Lidar data. Together with a new understanding of the fundamentals of where and what to look for, you'll have the keys to unlocking another piece of your family history's puzzle.

Come on January 15th, bring your questions about land records, and enjoy a morning of genealogy with your BGS friends! And don't forget the DNA Interest Group meets after Vanessa's presentation.

10 a.m. to noon At Williamson Hall (behind Jake's Restaurant)

Visitors are Always Welcome!

January 14, 2018 BGS Board of Directors Meeting 10 a.m. – All members are welcome

February 18, 2018 BGS Board of Directors Meeting 10 a.m. – All members are welcome

February 19, 2019 "Genealogical Sources & Citations" Gary Putnam

March 18, 2018 BGS Board of Directors Meeting 10 a.m. – All members are welcome

> March 19, 2019 "Why Join a Lineage or Hereditary Society" Alice Miles, DAR

March 29, 2019 GERMAN WORKSHOP March 30, 2019 SPRING SEMINAR William Bittner, CG (See more info on p. 6 – 7)

April 16, 2019 "Paper and Spit: How DNA & Genealogy Revealed My First Parents' Identity" Don Anderson, Portland author

May 21, 2019 "FamilySearch—Intermediate Skills" Vaunell Temple, Director Redmond Family History Center

June 15, 2019 BGS YARD SALE Help BGS and clean out unwanted items in your home!

Thank You to all BGS Volunteers. Without you, BGS would not exist!

2018—2019

Finding Gems in the FamilySearch Catalog

by Sandy Stromgren Thompson

e all know FamilySearch has millions and millions of FREE indexed record images from all parts of the world. Just enter a name, click Search, and a list of records appears for you to review. But, did you know that FamilySearch has millions and millions more record images that have not been indexed yet? The FamilySearch Catalog is the place to find more gems than just what you find using Search.





Haddon W. Stromgren, born 25 June 1898, in Duluth, MN., and his parents.. What is his middle name?

One of my brick walls: What was my uncle Haddon's middle name? He was always Haddon or Had W. Stromgren in records (birth/death certificates, Duluth marriage certificate, newspapers, census, military, bible, etc.). One record I had not checked was his Portland, OR, marriage license/certificate, when he wed his 2nd wife. I already knew the marriage date in 1937, so I never did look for the civil record—my mistake. Could I find it online, instead of obtaining it from Multnomah County?

I decided to check the FamilySearch Catalog for unindexed records. There are two ways to open the catalog after you sign in:From Search Records, use the Research by Location option to

the right of the Search Historical Records option that we all use. Click on the United States and I selected Oregon from the pop-up menu. Scroll down to see Image-Only Historical records; these datasets are unindexed, but have images. Scroll further down to see Catalog Material. This is a good option to see all the other books and ma-

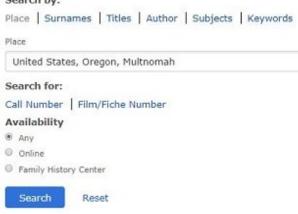


terial in the catalog for a broad location. Images may or may not be available.

2) I prefer going directly to Search Catalog, instead of using option 1 above. Notice other options in the menu that you may not have explored: Genealogies, Books and Research Wiki. All are worth exploring, besides just Records and Family Tree, especially the Wiki. It has over 85,000 articles about research strategies and record suggestions to help you find ancestors from all over the world.

Once the catalog opens, there's a Help link above **Search by:** to learn more. You can search in several different ways. I wanted to search by Place. Enter places from largest to smallest, separated by commas. FamilySearch offers suggestions below entry box. Select desired one.

Search by:



If you enter a city, such as San Francisco, you will see a long list of suggestions. Scroll down the list to fine the one in the US. If you enter Multnomah, there is only one suggestion.

Click search and a long list of Multnomah sub-categories opens with the number of resources for each in parentheses. Vital records is near the end of the list. Click it to see what is there. Some resources will be books that may or may not have been digitized yet. Some will be actual records, either be digitized or not, or indexed or not. See some of the Format icons for datasets on the next page.

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Finding Gems in the FamilySearch Catalog

I selected Oregon, Multnomah County, marriage records, 1855–1984. After clicking on the link, I saw a long list of the datasets by date. I was lucky to see these records in the Vital Records list. You never know what FamilySearch has, until you look. This set of records has digitized index books (not all data sets have index books). I opened the appropriate index and scrolled to where the ST part of the alphabet started, and found:

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In this index, all of the names that start with ST are grouped together, then the ST names are listed in page order, not in alphabetical order, so I browsed through a few pages before I found Stromgren, Haddon W. The index record tells me that his record is in Vol. 78, page 482, license date 6-7-1937.





Record titles in the data list: "Marriage licenses, 2007-000661-0029, pt. A, 28 Sep 1936-18 Oct 1937" and "Marriage licenses, 2007-000661-0029, pt. B, 28 Sep 1936-18 Oct 1937." There are two sets for the period that would include 7 Jun 1937. Since this date is closest to 18 Oct 1937, I clicked on the image icon **10** for pt. B.

The images made from the original microfilm open. There are 4,784 images in pt. B. I checked the first one and saw that it was Vol. 78, Page 434, License date 22 May 1937. Each "page number" includes several images, so I know Had's p. 482 will be closer to the beginning than the end. I arbitrarily went to image 300 and find that it is only p. 459, so I try image 500 and find it is p. 476. Now I try image 550 and find it is p. 480, so now I began to browse image by image. Page 482 images began at image 574. Had's records began on Image 581 and end at 584.

I studied each image, downloaded all, and recorded a citation. The marriage license/certificate listed his name as Haddon W. Stromgren, no middle name. But in 1937, a medical test for venereal was required and the Medical Certificate, signed by an MD, that he submitted for the License had his full name.



Eureka! My Uncle Had's full name was Haddon Waldemar Stromgren.

I could have checked the State Archives to determine if the Marriage books were in Salem or Portland, and made a trip to the right place to see them, but by checking the FamilySearch catalog, I found the images in about 30 minutes,

even though they are not indexed yet. It was well worth a peek at the FamilySearch catalog to see what unindexed records were available, while recognizing no online source will have everything.

HINTS: If images are restricted, visit the Bend or Redmond Family History Center, where you may be able to view them. Some unindexed datasets have index pages at the beginning of the set, so always check the first few images. Otherwise, you have to browse image by image. Per FamilySearch, microfilms are being digitized at a rate of 1,000 films per day. If you see a microfilm symbol in the catalog, check again every few months.

Bend Genealogical Society's TWO-DAY SPRING SEMINAR Featuring Warren Bittner, CG

Internationally-known genealogist & educator

Two

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Days

Friday Afternoon German Research Workshop

For anyone researching German ancestors.

- One presentation on a German research topic
- Q&A workshop—bring your questions. Warren is a specialist in German research.

Registration is required for either event.

Deadline – March 25

Friday German Workshop March 29 \checkmark 2 – 5 pm Williamson Hall 2200 NE Hwy 20, Bend

Saturday Seminar March 30 **<>** 9 am - 3:30 pm LDS Church

Saturday Seminar Presentations

For both beginning & advanced genealogists

- The Web of Evidence: **Proof and Disproof**
- Death Records as a Starting Point
- Ten Genealogical Lessons I Learned the Hard Way
- Exhausting Research to Find an Impossible Immigrant

Saturday Seminar includes lunch

60800 Tekampe Rd., Bend

Seating is limited for this premier event. Register Today! Look for cost to attend either event at Bend Genealogy Meetup Find the Registration Form & Costs Online at: <u>www.orgenweb.org/deschutes/bend-gs</u>

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Or for more info: Call BGS at (541) 317-9553 or email bgs@bendbroadband.com

Bend Genealogical Society – 2019 Spring Seminar

March 29-30 <> Featuring Warren Bittner

March 29 – Friday German Workshop

At Williamson Hall 2200 NE Highway 20, Bend, OR 97701

1:45 PM Check in & visit with your friends. Light snacks.

2:00 PM German Workshop Begins

One Presentation by Mr. Bittner Discussion time with Warren about German research—Bring all your questions.

5:00 PM Workshop Ends

QUESTIONS?

Call BGS: (541) 317-9553 Email BGS: bgs@bendbroadband.com

Send payment and completed form to:



Bend Genealogical Society P.O. Box 8254 Bend, OR 97708-8254

We will confirm registrations via email.

March 30 – Saturday Seminar

At the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

60800 Tekampe Rd, Bend, OR 97702

Coffee and Tea will not be served.

9:00 AM Check in & visit with your friends. Breakfast is not provided.

9:20 AM Seminar Begins

Two Morning Presentations

LUNCH

Two Afternoon Presentations

3:30 PM Seminar Ends

Registration includes:

- Four presentations with Q&A time
- Lunch—Sandwich bar, chef's choice salad, fruit & dessert. Cold beverages all day, but no hot coffee or tea.
- All Seminar Materials

Registration Form – 2019 BGS Spring Seminar Events

March 29-30 <> Registration Deadline March 25

Name		Registration Fees (per person)
		BGS Members
Address		🔲 \$25 – Friday Workshop only
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Phone		🔲 \$60 – Saturday Seminar only
		🔲 \$70 – Workshop & Seminar
Registration for: 🗌 Friday Workshop; 🗌 Saturday Seminar		Checks payable to:
		Bend Genealogical Society
Amount Enclosed: \$		Credit card payment is not available

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BGS GENEALOGICAL LIBRARY

The Library has over 3,000 books and journals to help you with your family history research.

See What's in the Library Before You Come



Review the books that we have in the Library at home using lists that are on the BGS website (<u>Click</u> <u>here to see the lists</u>).

There is an alphabetical list of **titles**, so you can look for a specific book.

There are also lists by **category**, so you can see what we have for Ohio, for example.



To Our Dedicated Library Volunteers During December

Gary Putnam Valerie Munson Linda Martin George Warren Lori Hill Vaunell Temple

Beginning in January: The Library

will be open from 6–8 pm on the 1st & 3rd Thurs. when Beginning Genealogy meets. In January, the evenings are Jan. 3 and 17.

Come Hang Out in the Library to review the books and research (WiFi is available). Dedicated Library Volunteers are there to help. BGS members can check out items.

BGS Genealogical Library

Williamson Hall—2200 NE Hwy 20 Normal Hours of Operation

Tues. & Wed. Thursday

1st & 3rd Thursday 6:00-8:00 pm

1:30-5:00 pm

10 am-1:30 pm

Occasionally, a volunteer is not available to open the library. Feel free to call ahead of your visit to make sure someone is there.

BGS Phone: (541) 317-9553



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Then, every time you shop, **by logging into Amazon through smile.amazon.com**, you will help earn a donation from Amazon for BGS.

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Select the Bend Genealogical Society as your charity of choice and search or shop to your heart's content.

Amazon purchases do NOT generate a donation to BGS from Good Shop. Please use AmazonSmile.

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Making Good Genealogy Habits

Bad habits are hard to change. Good habits make research easier. Amy Johnson Crow's recent blog post lists five habits that will help improve your genealogy. You can listen to her advice via a 15-minute podcast or read the post: <u>https://www.amvjohnsoncrow.com/</u> making-good-genealogy-habits/. What are other good genealogy habits to have? What habit do you want to develop in 2019?

Bend History—Interactive Map

A new interactive map of historic buildings and areas in Bend is now available. Over 60 properties are pictured. After clicking on picture, there is a More Info link. Click HERE to go to the new map.

A similar interactive picture map for historic landmark locations in Deschutes County is found HERE.

Digitized Sanborn Maps for Bend in 1913, 1917, 1920, 1928 and 1950 are found on the city site <u>HERE</u>. Fabulous.

Fabulous food, great stories, good friends... The Holiday Potluck



BEND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY <> BOARD OF DIRECTORS & COMMITTEES

All members are welcome!

ELECTED OFFICERS President: Susan Agli Vice President: Catherine Dulzo Secretary: Maggy Wilcox **Treasurer:** Sandy Thompson Director at Large #1: Linda Beilby Director at Large #2: Gary Putnam Past President: Glen Roberts

For the best year ever, we need your help! **Contact BGS**, to volunteer today.

We Want Your Ideas

Board of Directors Meetings

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Parliamentarian: Glen Roberts Membership Committee: VACANT Hospitality Committee: Barbara McGee Librarian: Cynthia Stubenrauch Education: Discussion is occurring Finance Committee: Sharon Freeman Records Preservation: Eileen Krueger Publicity: Sandy Thompson Newsletter: Sandy Thompson Yard Sale Chair: Susan Agli

Jan. 14, 10 a.m. Feb. 18, 10 a.m.

Location: Williamson Hall

To reach any of the BGS Officers or Committee Chairpersons, send an email to the BGS general email box, and it will be forwarded to him/her.

> **BGS EMAIL ADDRESS:** bgs@bendbroadband.com

Or call the BGS Office/Library and leave a message for the individual you want to reach, and it will be passed on.

BGS Phone: (541) 317-9553

BGS website: <u>http://www.orgenweb.org/deschutes/bend-gs/</u>

What's Happening

<u>Webinars</u>: A great 2019 resolution would be to further your genealogi-



would be to further your genealogi- **WEBINAR** cal education. Family Tree Webinars are FREE on the day of the live presentation and usually for the week after. To register: <u>https://familytreewebinars.com/</u> <u>upcoming-webinars.php</u>

- 1 Jan Researching in Australian Archives by Helen Smith.
- 2 Jan DNA Rights and Wrongs: the Ethical Side of Testing by Judy G. Russell, JD, CG.
- 9 Jan Maintaining an Organized Computer by Cyndi Ingle.
- 15 Jan Visualizing Information for Genealogists by Margaret R. Fortier, CG..

Plus 4 more webinars in January and 7 in February!

The complete 2019 schedule of Family Tree webinars is available at: <u>https://familytreewebinars.com/pdf/</u> <u>ftwbrochure-1545321481.pdf</u> Also, there are:

- FREE monthly webinars by the Board for Certification of Genealogists.
- A new Down Under Series of Webinars

Webinar home page: https://familytreewebinars.com/



Sons of the American Revolution

(SAR). The next meeting of the High Desert Chapter of the SAR is <u>2:30 pm</u> <u>on Sunday, Jan. 20</u>, at the downtown

Library in Bend. For more Information: Brad Larkins, President: (541) 460-1827 Hank Drewfs, Secretary: (541) 388-1136

Sunday, Feb. 24, 2019: GFO Half-Day Seminar with

Pam Vestal. "Find the Story. Write the Story." 9:30 am-Noon. Early Reg. before Feb 10. For fees and registration: <u>https://gfo.org/learn/writing-</u> workshop.html

<u>Feb. 27 to Mar. 2, 2019</u>:



RootsTech in Salt Lake City. Registration is open. Info: <u>https://www.rootstech.org/</u>

<u>Saturday, March 16, 2019</u>: Following American Migrations: The First 100 Years. FREE GFO GenTalk at 2:15 p.m. presented by Patricia Oberndorf. More info at: <u>https://gfo.org/learn/gen-talks.html</u>



<u>March 29-30, 2019</u>: Spring Seminar with Warren Bittner sponsored by the Bend Genealogical Society, Bend, OR. See pages 6 and 7 for details, fees and registration form.



We want to help you

JOIN THE FUN TODAY!

Our membership year runs from June 1 to May 31. Please Renew or become a New Member for the 2018–2019 program year now. The membership form is available at: <u>http://www.orgenweb.org/</u> <u>deschutes/bend-gs/membership.html</u>. You can mail it, drop off at the BGS Library, or bring it when you come to hear Vanessa Ivey on January 15.



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