



NewsLetter

Benton County Genealogical Society

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Our guest speaker will be Lorna Avery Scott, who is a descendent of the Corvallis Avery family. She will talk about Native American research and how to study genealogy of the Siletz Indian Tribe.

New WPA Book

Our latest book, "*WPA Church Records*", is fully indexed with dates spanning from 1850-1939, and was compiled by Mark Phinney. The book will be available for sale at the Genealogy Book Faire.

Genealogy Book Faire Table Space

A table will be available for individuals wishing to sell genealogy related books at the Genealogy Book Faire in May. If interested, contact Danell Aukerman (see phone number and e-mail address on back of newsletter).

Upcoming Programs

May - Genealogy Book Faire

June - Annual picnic and book sale.

September - Show and Tell

Founders Day at Champoeg

There will be a Founders Day Commemorative at the Champoeg State Park Memorial Pavilion in the Riverside Day Use Area on Saturday, May 3, 2003, from noon to 4:00 p.m. This is being sponsored by Friends of Historic Champoeg in cooperation with Oregon State Parks.

Founders Day commemorates the May 2, 1843 vote that established the first American Provisional Government in the Pacific Northwest. There will be guest speakers, refreshments, and tours of historic sites. The cost is \$3.00 per vehicle park entry fee.

Information taken from the Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers March newsletter.

Kith and Kin By Charlene Talbot

Emergence of a Genealogist: Ted Gump

"I had always been interested in the name Gump," Ted Gump said. "Then when I was called up to active duty in the service in 1951 at the time of the Korean War my dad and I spent a few days together at Long Beach, Washington, and I had a chance to ask him about the family. He started talking, and I started writing it down. That was the beginning. I went off to the war, and afterwards LaRea and I were living at Grants Pass. I was teaching some classes for the Army Reserve at the University of Nevada. All the students were officers. My wife had asked me before I left for Nevada to see if I could find out anything about her great grandfather had served in the Civil War from Missouri. Then one day a student came to see me in my room and when he found out what I was looking for, set me on the right path."

Shortly after that, at the library in Reno, Nevada, Ted found information about his 3rd great grandfather Gump, and was hooked. "Does anybody go to Reno to go to the library?" he asked in an aside. But his wife was also interested in genealogy, so they began working together to find their roots. They joined the Benton County Genealogical Society while it was still meeting at the Corvallis library.

Ted's first find was pretty exciting, he recalls. He discovered that Frederick Gump, his first Gump ancestor in this country, came from Germany about 1749. Frederick's mother died on the way over, and his father died shortly after their arrival. It appears that Frederick was apprenticed to a weaver. Ted knows that Frederick later served in the military. However, the first time he filed for a pension in Indiana he was rejected. Some time after that in Pennsylvania he received a state military pension. Then the Federal law was changed and he got a Federal pension.

Ted has put together all the information he has gleaned so far -- and the doubts -- into an 18-page booklet which he has called *Frederick Gump's Journey*.

Ted has been in touch with other Gump family researchers, and had just downloaded 145 pages of research the other day. "That researcher had me as my brother's father," he remarked. "You have to be careful what you put out there," he says. "Restrict the information you give out to what you're darn sure of."

Ted's ancestors on his mother's side were among the

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Oregon pioneers of 1853. He found his great grandfather, David Carns, on the 1850 census of California, and realized he'd been a '49er.

"He made enough money that he came home on a ship to Panama, crossed the Isthmus, and took a ship on the other side," Ted said. "He got home in 1852 to find his brother William and family were getting ready to leave for Oregon. So in 1853 John got married to Hanna Murphy in the adjoining county and they set forth for Oregon, too."

Ted has been to the Mormon Library in Salt Lake quite a few times. He has lots of areas to work on, but he wants to solve the Gump puzzle first. He says the work never ends. He has gone to all the places in Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Ohio and Indiana where he believes the Gumps lived, and to the local cemeteries. He has also been to the DAR Library and the National Archives in Washington, D.C. and made several trips to Europe.

"Every trip we visit a cemetery or two, either of my ancestor's or my wife's," he told us. "I have all kinds of people in Delaware and Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia.

"You can just go crazy," he added. "You never know when you're going to come up with some information. One day at my cousin's in Portland she had a box of old glass plate photos she wanted to give me. I found a letter among them about my Gump family of Green County, Pennsylvania, including the names of the Gump women who were married before 1850 and their husbands."

Another surprise several year ago was when he received a letter from a woman related to his Everly line, in Kentucky, which she had received from kin in Fayette County, Pennsylvania on her Davis line. That list showed that a Thomas Davis had had a daughter who had married Ted's Everly ancestor. That led back to Holland and to England.

His advice to other genealogists is not jump to conclusions. If there are any questions, find out for sure, and be careful about taking other people's stuff for granted.

Membership

There are no new or renewing memberships this month.

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National Archive Documents Reach the WEB

Researchers and genealogists can now use the internet to check more than 50 million historical records at the National Archives from Civil War documents through family immigration files. Here is the National Archives access to the Archives database: www.archives.gov/aaad

Danell Aukerman is trying to put together a list of names of the people who have helped on the WPA project. To ensure that everyone is included, we are publishing the names Danell has so far. If she has missed someone, please let her know so that their names will be included in the final listing.

Becky Kiger
Bob Ethington
Cecelia Anderson
Charlene Talbot
Damaris Reynolds
Dean Johnson
Dorothy Burt
Elizabeth Longstreth
Emily Dashiell
Gene Kelsey
Gene Newcomb
Bill and GERALYN Barry

Jean Grube
Joanne Frieze
Julia Alexander
Lee Rudisil
Leila Crawford
Linda Olsen
Mary Hardenbrook
Mary Yoke
Sandra Porter
Tere Herrera
Tonya Rawie
Walter Merrill

Volunteers Needed for the Genealogy Book Faire

BCGS needs volunteers to assist with the Genealogy Book Faire in May and a Publicity person is needed immediately. The positions available are:

PUBLICITY - Need ASAP. Someone responsible for notices in the Gazette Times, contacting the Benton County Museum to see if they would put a notice in their newsletter, notices at the library, senior center, Family History Library, the Historical Society, and Public Service Announcements at the TV and radio stations. Ask nearby genealogical societies to place notices in their local papers and newsletters if possible.

CASHIER/SALESPERSON - Need two persons for the Society table to log the books sold, take money, give out receipts and answer questions.

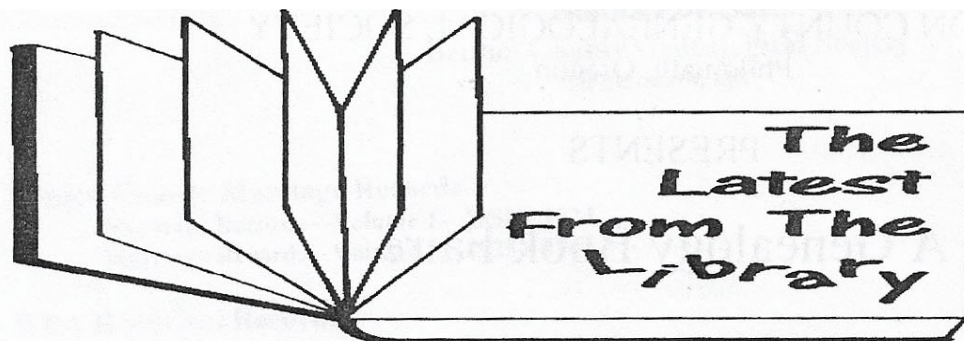
HOSTESS (AT LARGE) - Two people are needed to assist Margaret Hays with answering questions, directing or walking with visitors to the BCGS library.

SETUP/CLOSE - Need two people to help Dave Kribs with loading and unloading books, setting up tables and other miscellaneous preparations. This will probably involve some lifting.

Contact Danell Aukerman at 745-2003 or e-mail her at the address on the back of the newsletter if you are interested and able to help out.

Book Faire Refreshments

Refreshments are needed for the Genealogy Book Faire in May. We are asking all BCGS members to bring cookies to share.



Ken Bielman

Number	Category	Author	Title
2116	OR	Blakley	Benton County. <i>Mt Union Cemetery</i> . Blue comb binding. Gift of Aaron Blakley
2117	OR	GFO	Washington County. <i>Marriage Records, 1842-1880</i> . Tan paperback
2118	MIL	Neagles	<i>US Military Records, A Guide to Fed & State Sources</i> . Blue hardback
2119	NY	Scott	<i>City of New York Court Records, 1684-1760</i> . Red hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2120	NY	Place	<i>Index of Names. Gazetteer of NY State, 1860</i> . Red paperback. Irene Harding Collection
2121	NY	Scott	<i>City of New York Court Records, 1760-1797</i> Red hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2122	NY	NY State	<i>Marriages Previous to 1784</i> . Red hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2123	REF	BCGS	Benton County Newspapers, <i>Index to Births, Marriages & Deaths</i> . DOES NOT CIRCULATE. White notebook
2124	PA	Linn/Egle	<i>Marriages Prior To 1790</i> . Red paperback. Irene Harding Collection
2125	PA	US Census Bur	<i>Census 1790, Heads of Families</i> . Tan paperback. Irene Harding Collection
2126	CAN-NB	Wood-Holt	<i>Marriage Records, New Brunswick, Early</i> . Blue paperback. Irene Harding Collection
2127	NY	Scott	<i>Marriages and Deaths from the New Yorker, 1836-41</i> . Gray hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2128	NY	Penrose	<i>Mohawk Valley in the Revolution</i> . Dark red hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2129	CAN-NB	Barto	<i>Passamaquoddy, Genealogies of West Isles (New Brunswick) Families</i> . White paperback. Irene Harding Collection
2130	NJ	Wilson	<i>Newspapers, Notices from, 1781-1790</i> . Red hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2131	CAN-RW	Fryer	<i>Provincial (Loyalist) Corps, Canadian Command, Revolutionary War</i> . White paperback. Irene Harding Collection
2132	RW	Bunnell	<i>Loyalist Ancestors Research Guide</i> . Gray paperback. Irene Harding Collection
2133	NY	Scott	<i>Newspapers, Genealogical Data from Colonial New York</i> . Green hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2134	CAN-ONT	Carnochan	<i>Niagra, History of</i> . Red hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2135	CAN-ONT	McKenzie	<i>Death Notices, Canada Christian Advocate, 1858-72</i> . Red hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2136	NY	Scott	<i>Newspapers, Excerpts From Loyalist Press, 1773-83</i> . Green hardback. Irene Harding Collection.
2137	MIL	Kelby	<i>Loyalists, DeLancey's Brigade of, 1776-78</i> . Red hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2138	CAN-ONT	McKenzie	<i>Obituaries From Ontario Christian Guardian, 1861-70</i> . Blue hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2139	NY	Hoes	<i>Ulster County, Baptisims & Marriages, Old Dutch Church, Kingston, 1660-1809</i> . Black hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2140	CAN-ONT	Rubincam	<i>Loyalists, List, Old United Empire</i> . Brown hardback. Irene Harding Collection
2141	NY	MacWethy	<i>Mohawk Valley, List of Names, Early Palatines</i> . Red hardback. Irene Harding Collection

The only thing I know for sure is that I come from a long line of dead people

BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
Philomath, Oregon

PRESENTS

A Genealogy Book Faire

WHEN: May 10th, 2003 10AM to Noon

WHERE: College United Methodist Church
1123 Main St, Philomath, Oregon
next to the Benton County Museum

WHAT: New and used genealogy books for sale

The Benton County Genealogical Society invites you to attend a Genealogy Book Faire. We will be selling off a large collection of used books from our library.

We invite you to reserve table space, free of charge, to sell your books too, whether from a society library or an individual.

Invitations to this event are being sent to every genealogy society in the state, so here is your chance to sell your society publications to a large audience as well.

Also present will be the newest genealogy bookstore in the area,

The Village Genealogy Bookshoppe

with their inventory of books and CDs.

The Benton County Genealogy Society Library is right next door, and tours will be given starting at Noon. The library itself will be open from 12:30 to 3PM. See our shelf list at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~orbentgs/booklist.html>

Tables must be reserved by Friday, May 9 at 3PM.

Plan now to attend. For more information or to reserve table space, call:

Program Chairman - Bill Gleaves (541) 738-8189 gleavew@peak.org
President - Danell Aukerman (541) 745-2003 danellauk@attbi.com

Books For Sale
Benton County Genealogical Society
 Philomath, OR

	<u>Price</u>
Benton County Marriage Records	
Marriage Records—Volume 1—1850—1924	\$25.00
Marriage Records—Volume 2—1925—1945	\$25.00
WPA Historical Records	
Benton County Interviews	\$35.00
(Interviews of the 'old timers' of the area, done during the period 1937—1940)	
Bible Records & Cemetery Records	\$10.00
(Extracted records from 31 pioneer family bibles)	
(Brief histories of some pioneer cemeteries plus burials of some pioneers)	
Benton County Commissioners' Journals (County Court Journals)	\$20.00
(Transcribed records of official business conducted by the Board of County Commissioners)	
(Covers 1850—1855) (222 pages plus index containing 391 surnames)	
Benton County Cemeteries	
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions Vol. 1 (Indexed)	\$25.00
Alsea, Armstrong, Blodgett, Claremont, Emerick, Henderson, Hendrix/Lobster Valley, King Family, Kings Valley, Lone Fir, Mays/Strouts, Pleasant Valley, Powell, Summit, Wren	
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions Vol. 2 (Indexed)	\$25.00
Crystal Lake Cemetery	
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions Vol. 3 (Indexed)	\$25.00
Alpine, Bellfountain, Monroe, Mount Union, Oakridge, Reeves/Edwards, St. Rose, Winkle Buttes—Irwin, McBee, Winkle	
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions Vol. 4 (Indexed)	\$25.00
Gingles, Locke, North Palestine, Oddfellows, Ridders, Robinson, St. Marys, Zion Lutheran, Camp Adair removals to Polk County, Vacated Cemeteries and Burials on Private Lands	
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions Vol. 5 (Indexed)	\$25.00
Oaklawn Cemetery	
Combined Index to Volumes 1 through 5	\$25.00

A PACK RAT IS HARD TO LIVE WITH, BUT MAKES A FINE ANCESTOR

OSU Thrift Shop Donations

When doing your Spring cleaning, think about donating to BCGS (#492) through the OSU Thrift Shop, which is run by women connected to the University. Your donation would benefit BCGS and also help others in the community. In addition to BCGS, money received from donations goes towards OSU scholarships and other charities in Benton County.

Past Times

Only 100 years ago in 1902, America was a very different place, a place our great-grandparents experienced. The average life expectancy was 47. The average wage was 22 cents an hour, and the average worker made between \$200 and \$400 annually. Only 14% of homes had a bathtub. There were only 144 miles of paved roads and only 8,000 cars. More (95%) births took place in the home and 90% of doctors had no college education. The five leading causes of death were pneumonia, influenza, TB, diarrhea and heart disease. Most women washed their hair once a month and used borax or egg yolks for shampoo. There were only 230 reported murders in the entire country.

From the Sweet Home Genealogical Society Newsletter—April 2003. Thanks.

Board Meetings are usually two Mondays before the second Saturday [our regular meeting time]. Dates of the upcoming Board meetings are:

28 April for the 10 May meeting. Cookies—Tonya Rawie

2 June for the 14 June meeting. Cookies—Bill Gleaves

Membership Information

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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 <http://www.rootsweb.com/~orbentgs/> board minutes are posted here.

More Member Info

Our meetings are held on the second Saturday of 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. 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.

THIS IS ALMOST OUR ONLY FUND RAISER!

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