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# NewsLetter

## Benton County Genealogical Society

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### 10 JUNE PROGRAM

#### Potluck and Summer Book Sale

This will be a good chance to update yourself on the extensive resources in our own Library and exchange ideas with fellow genealogists.

Bring a dish of your choice for our potluck and some used books to donate and find some new ones to purchase for summer reading. There will be novels, genealogy books, whodunits, and who knows what else, all at bargain prices. Genealogical books will be available from BCGS's new and used books.

### LIBRARY RELOCATION/ANNEX CLOSURE

The Benton County Historical Society is currently planning several building and renovation projects.

First on their list is a large storage building west of the museum. They hope to start construction this fall or winter. This may mean the annex that houses our library will have to be torn down or moved. Either plan will require that we move our library. Our board of directors is working with the museum on the project. The museum does not have temporary space for us, so we are looking for a temporary site for our library. We will discuss this more at our meeting on **June 10**. If any members have ideas on a place to move, please let a board member know.

Bill Gleaves

### Get Well Wishes

The Society would like to extend Get Well wishes to Ed Stratton as he recovers from quad by-pass surgery.

Also, continued Get Well wishes are extended to Jean Grube and Lee Gentemann. We hope you are all feeling better soon.

### Book Looks By charlene talbot

**CAROLINA CRADLE, *Settlement of the Northwest Carolina Frontier, 1747-1762***, by Robert W. Ramsey, is a new addition to our library and is to be found in the North Carolina section. In addition to containing an excellent index, there are a number of important appendices. The *Times Literary Supplement* says, "Dr. Ramsey, in this admirable book, has shown great pertinacity and ingenuity in tracing the movement of groups into new frontier lands, with the Yadkin as a kind of Jordan. This is a thorough and elegant piece of research."

The book was published by the University of North Carolina Press, so be prepared for lots of footnotes. A paperback, it is of a size to hold and read with ease.

Although it is entitled Carolina Cradle, the settlers came from Maryland, Delaware, and Pennsylvania. They were Quakers, Huguenots, Ulster Scots, Welchmen and Germans.

The back of the book puts it thus: This account of the settlement of one segment of the North Carolina frontier—the land between the Yadkin and Catawba rivers—examines the process by which the piedmont South was populated. Through his ingenious use of hundreds of sources and documents, Robert Ramsey traces the movement of the original settlers and their families from the time they stepped onto American shores to their final settlement in the northwest Carolina territory. He considers the economic, religious, social, and geographical influences that led the settlers to Rowan County and describes how this frontier community was organized and supervised.

It is interesting to read the statements of the early settlers in their request for a western county that was less than a hundred miles from their homes. A more convenient county courthouse was needed if land sales were to be transacted, wills probated and suits of various kinds brought and settled. The judges were appointed by His Majesty's Governor of the Colony of North Carolina. It is not difficult to understand how this same setup could be continued after the Revolution with some changes in personnel.

For anyone with ancestors who may have gone through North Carolina and migrated on to Tennessee, Alabama and Louisiana, this book will certainly be of interest.



## QUERIES

Seeking information on a Henry S Foulk, born about 1849 in Ohio, son of George and Nancy Shoop Foulk. He is in the 1920 census in Metzger, Washington Co., Oregon but is not in the 1930. He was married to Anna who is 68 in the 1920 census, which puts her birth about 1852. I am thinking that after Henry died, she may have gone south to Benton Co. Henry and Anna had the following children: Lima(?) born about 1872 Iowa; Nevada born abt 1875 in Iowa, and Chester born about 1882 in Iowa, but shows up in Portland, Multnomah Co., Oregon in the 1910 census.

There is also George Foulk, also son of George and Nancy Shoop Foulk. He is the youngest of their children, born about 1861 in Iowa. He is in the 1920 census in Aumsville, Marion Co., Oregon. I don't believe he ever married. He also fades from view before the 1930 census. It seems that he followed Henry to Oregon after their father died, sometime after 1900 and before 1910 in Nebraska.

If there is anyone who might be working on this Foulk/Foulke, Falk family, I would love to correspond with them. Henry and George were my g-g-granduncles, and never would I have thought that they would end up here in Oregon. Their sister, Mary E. Falk Spear stayed in Iowa and that is where my g-grandfather and grandmother were born.

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## New Prices for Copies at OSL

We have one new copier and a second one is on its way. Copy costs are increased to 15 cents per copy. We do not own or lease the machines. They are here on consignment (think of them as vending machines), so the cost is from the company. OSL owns the microfiche readers—GRES staff started to explain some of the problems with those machines—we will have a second meeting to address those issues. Signs will be added to them that will state that copy costs are for both good and bad copies and to ask for assistance if they have any questions. So the volunteer may get more questions. There will be signs up, and we will have more change available—more nickels. The first information will go out like this: I will have written information in the Briefing Book. Those staff members working on the Reference desk will tel volunteers about the changes as people start their shifts. This will be done for about three weeks.

LeAnn Bromeland  
 Volunteer Program Coordinator  
 Oregon State Library (503) 378-5014

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## Upcoming Programs

9 September 2006 - Show 'N' Tell

14 October 2006 - ? Creative Memories - Stacey

Wiedenmann - Products, how to preserve photos, prepare notebooks, and written memories.

Stacey's Web Site:

[www.myconsite.com/StaceyWiedenmann](http://www.myconsite.com/StaceyWiedenmann)

11 November 2006 - ? State Archives

9 December 2006 - Christmas Party, Auction, and Raffle

Books published by Benton County Genealogical Society are always available for purchase at the society library after each meeting, and every Tuesday afternoon from 12:30 until 3:00 PM. They are also available at the Benton County Historical Museum, during their normal hours.

## Vermont Researchers

For those of you researching Vermont, the Vermont State Archives on-line has added the Nye index of materials in the manuscript Vermont State Papers from the 18th century. The original index, compiled in 1927-50, contains more than 53,000 cards. This is now available on-line at: <http://vermont-archives.org/database>

Genealogical books featuring archival storage material and genealogical research will be available for purchase from *The Village Genealogy Bookshoppe* by logging onto the web site at:

[www.thevillagegenealogybookshoppe.com](http://www.thevillagegenealogybookshoppe.com)

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## Gene M. Kelsey

*April 30, 1927 – June 1, 2006*

Gene M. Kelsey died of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis at his home Thursday. He was 79.

He was born in Portland to John R. and Eva Stoddard Kelsey. He attended Portland area schools and enlisted in the Merchant Marines when he was 16. He spent the rest of World War II on ships delivering ammunition and other supplies to troops in the Pacific.

Following the war he held several jobs, including as an electronic trouble-shooter for Tektronix. He was a photographer for the Corvallis Gazette-Times at the time of his retirement. Gene was the first photographer to do color separations for the paper, using a method he call "the bathtub process." He had been a volunteer photographer for the Corvallis Fire Department.

Gene loved learning. He attended Portland Community College, Linn-Benton Community College and Oregon State University. He was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa International Honor Society.

He had many interests, including photography, amateur radio, genealogy, computers, fishing, astronomy and theater organs. He was active in the Quarter Century Wireless Association, the Mid-Willamette Amateur Radio Club, several theater organ clubs, the Oregon Scottish Society, the Corvallis Photo Arts Guild and the Benton County Genealogical Society. He had been a member of the American Legion Post 11 Honor Guard.

Gene married Mary Wallace on April 1, 1972. He is survived by her and by brothers Rolland of Albuquerque, N.M. and Russell of Tigard; sister Barbara Goricki of Corvallis; son Eric of Pendleton; daughters Suzanne Johnson of Riddle, Jean Marie Kelsey of Canby and Cheri Lisk of Ritzville, Wash.; seven grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

**There will be a celebration of life from 2 to 6 p.m. Saturday, June 24, at the Kelsey home.** Memorials can be made to the Benton Hospice Service, The Corvallis Fire Ambulance Service or the charity of choice. McHenry Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

Gene was a longtime member of BCGS. Over the years he was active in the society holding positions as President, publishing the BCGS Web Page, and photographer. He will be missed by all. BCGS extends Condolences to his family.

### *Greetings All*

Recent news from the Church of the Latter Day Saints indicates that new advance in scanning software and procedures will greatly add to the availability of digital images and indexes of millions of rolls or microfilm stored in their vast underground vaults. The project is estimated to be completed in less than thirty years, rather than the previous estimated time frame of 120 years. It is expected that in as little as 10 years, much of this vast store of genealogical collection will be available online. To read the full release from the LDS, go to the following URL:

<http://www.lds.org/library/display/0,4945,40-1-3384-9,00.html>

Happy Hunting!

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Read my column 'Gordon Watts Reports' at: <http://globalgenealogy.com/globalgazette/authors/authgw.htm>

## **Happenings — Mark Your Calendars**

- **July 9, 2006 - The Oakridge Museum Annual Pioneer Picnic, 11 am - 4 pm, at the Green Waters Park, Oakridge, OR.** Admission is a potluck dish and \$5 or \$2 if you buy a commemorative button in advance. A number on the back of the button entitles you to a drawing for three CASH prizes. This years festivities include a potluck picnic at noon with **Free Chicken and Drinks**, Old Tyme Fiddlers group and dramas. This year they are honoring "Fur Trappers" with three one act productions about the "Trappers" (Mountain Men). For more information contact Del Spencer at (541) 782-1031 or (541) 913-2055, or by e-mail at: [del.spencer@yahoo.com](mailto:del.spencer@yahoo.com)
- **July 29, 2006 - Fort Hoskins - 150 year celebration.** Civil War re-enactment and other special events.
- **August 10-13, 2006 - Scandinavian Festival, Junction City, OR.** Admission is **Free**. Also, free musical and dancing performances are given throughout each of the four days. The festival is known for the quality and variety of its craft booths and the many authentic foods available are a major attraction for visitors. For more information go to: <http://scandinavianfestival.com/>



# BIRTHPLACE OF AMERICAN GENEALOGY

## THE FEDERATION OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES AND THE NEW ENGLAND HISTORIC AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE

BOSTON, MA

AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 2, 2006

### CONFERENCE BLOG TO KEEP YOU INFORMED

Want to know what all the excitement surrounding the FGS/NEHGS 2006 conference is? Read the conference blog at: [www.FGSConference.blogspot.com](http://www.FGSConference.blogspot.com) Keep informed about the many special events and conference "firsts" that are planned. Be in-the-know on special offers. Find out about the lectures, speakers, exhibitors, accommodations, research facilities, and of course, the city of Boston and the surrounding area to get the most out of the conference and your research trip.

### YOUR CHANCE TO SEE THE NEW PRODUCTS

The exhibit hall is a great place to learn about the latest products, skim through books, and see software demonstrations. Make sure you plan some quality exhibit hall time. You won't be disappointed.

### COME EARLY OR BETTER YET, STAY LATE

And put all that knowledge to work at the many repositories in and around Boston. In addition to the New England Historic Genealogical Society's own library, which will be open to all conference attendees for extended hours, researchers will find many other repositories nearby. (See brochure for a list on page 4).

### THE ANCESTORS ROAD SHOW

The Boston chapter of APG will be offering free consultations to attendees. Both novice and advanced researchers can benefit from the opportunity to get advice on their research problems from the experts. Information on signing up will be sent to all registrants before the conference.

### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

#### Full Registration—all four days

Early discount if postmarked by July 1, 2006 - \$155.  
Registration postmarked after July 1, 2006 - \$185.

#### Single Day Registration - Wed, Thurs, Fri, or Sat.

Early discount if postmarked by July 1, 2006 - \$81 per day.  
Registration postmarked after July 1, 2006 - \$95 per day.

To register with a credit card online go to [www.fgs.org](http://www.fgs.org) (MasterCard or Visa) or make check payable to:

FGS/NEHGS Conference  
P.O. Box 200940  
Austin, TX 78720-0940

Phone: (888) FGS-1500 or FAX: (888) 380-0500  
e-mail: [fgs-office@fgs.org](mailto:fgs-office@fgs.org)

See brochure in BCGS Library for Special Meals and ADA requests and for Cancellation policy. Additional workshops will have additional fees. See list of workshops and cost in brochure, page 15. For Hotel and Airline info. see back cover.

**THIS EVENT IS BEING ADVERTISED AS THE "LARGEST GENEALOGICAL CONFERENCE EVER HELD."**



**Program Review**  
*By David Kribs, Program Chairman*

13 May 2006

Camp Adair.

Janice Barclay gave some of the numbers 6000 people displaced, 277 families, 1 church, 1 school, 9 cemeteries. On 1 July 1942 owners were ordered off by 1 September 1942. Included 28,208 acres - mostly declared non tillable owners paid \$7.50/ acre, \$26 for tillable land. 1942 was a wet year floods were reported up to the courthouse steps as a result the soldiers stationed there renamed it *Swamp Adair*. Poison Oak and mud were major problems. Built in 9 months it became Oregon's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest city at the time.

## KING FOLK REUNION

SATURDAY, JUNE 24, 2006

9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

**KINGS VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOL GYM**  
**39088 KINGS VALLEY HIGHWAY**

The morning is a workshop. Please take King family material to share. You might discover a new relative or be able to help someone else with their King Family research. A copy machine will be available. Coffee and donuts will be served.

### LUNCH AT NOON

Please bring a main dish and another item of your choice (dessert, salad, or munchies). Also, bring your own table service. Coffee, soda pop and bottled water will be provided.

### GENERAL MEETING AT 1:30 P.M.

The annual reunion is held in June on the first Saturday following Father's Day at the Kings Valley Charter School.

For information, contact Earle Greig, 4441 N.W. Elmwood Drive, Corvallis, OR 97330 or e-mail him at [egreig@pioneer.net](mailto:egreig@pioneer.net)

## FAMILY RECORD BOOK WORKSHOP

Linda Aubrey and Ferne Kellow will be holding an organization workshop for those who want to learn how to create a family record book. The Date will be Saturday, July 8, 2006, from 10—3, with a lunch period included. The cost is \$10. Those interested must bring all needed supplies. A supply list will be available at the OGS Library in May. The workshop will consist of several sessions.

Pre-registration with the \$10 fee will hold your spot in the workshop. If you provide an e-mail address you will get the supply list and a reminder by e-mail. Without the fee you will get the reminder only. Send your name, phone, address and e-mail address to Linda or Ferne. Make your check payable to OGS and write "Record Book Workshop" on the memo line.

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

28 August for the 9 September meeting. Cookies—Charlene Talbot

2 October for the 14 October meeting. Cookies—Gene Newcomb

30 October for the 11 November meeting. Cookies—Ken Bielman

### Membership Information

Acting President	Bill Gleaves	gleavew@peak.org	738-8189
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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, 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](mailto: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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