

NewsLetter

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“Genetic Information and Genealogy, A Report from GenTech 2000,” presented by Gene Newcomb, will be the topic of the March 9 program. Gene will talk about a series of lectures he attended at the GenTech conference in Boston on topics relating to DNA and genealogy.

DON'T FORGET The field trip to the Eugene Family History Center on March 11. The van will leave from Albertson's parking lot at 9:00 am sharp and return by 3:30 pm. Cost is \$10 per person for the van, parking, and gas. Due to the short hours, brown bagging your lunch is advised. Contact Mary Hardenbrook at 745-5067 for information and to sign up for the trip.

A Special Thanks to Dorothy Burt for continuing on as newsletter editor during January and February and for all the help she gave in getting this issue out.

State Library Field Trip

Seventeen people went on the field trip to the State Library in Salem on January 30th, where a surprising amount of genealogical information was found. An enjoyable and fun time was had by all and the drive there gave members a great chance to inter-change with each other.

Come to the meeting on Saturday and help plan when and where we go on future field trips.

Bellfountain Cemetery Tour

A Walk & Stop tour of the Bellfountain Cemetery is planned for later this spring when the weather is better, with the purpose of updating the Society's records. The Stop after the tour will be at the nearby home of Dorothy and George Burt.

Family Search

Mabelle Martsching is interested in finding information about the Calhoun family of Virginia, and the Gathercoal family. Both families were early Benton County residents

Kith and Kin By Charlene Talbot

Emergence of a Genealogist: Gene Kelsey

“I never had to worry about my father's family,” Gene said at the start of our interview. “Grandpa Kelsey researched that. He worked on the assumption that everybody named Kelsey was a relative. Of course we know now that that isn't necessarily true. But he had a pile of letters, of which I have some copies. He wrote to everyone named Kelsey, and eventually he stumbled onto the Kelsey Kindred group. I've been in contact with them over time, and they've put out several Kelsey books. The Kelsey's were in Gold Hill, Oregon.”

Gene's mother gave him a list of her family, the Stoddards. “Everything she told me has since proved to be true,” he said with satisfaction. “But I didn't begin to learn how to do genealogy properly until the mid-1980s. The senior center in Albany had a class and then Elderhostel offered classes at Provo, Utah, at Brigham Young University. I took Beginning Genealogy one week, and Intermediate the next. I wouldn't recommend that -- taking those classes close together. One needs time to assimilate what one's learned. I didn't take their advanced course until two years later. At the end of it, they suggested I might like to help out at the local family history center. You didn't have to be a Mormon, they said. So I volunteered at the Family History Center here in Corvallis for a number of years. I don't do it anymore, though. My memory isn't what it was.

“At BYU their huge library had some fiches that were brand new at that time, listing all the parishes in Scotland, so I figured out from those where to look for my wife's Wallace ancestors and we took a trip there. We went to their National Archives. We told them what we wanted and they brought out the films. And they'd all been photographed by the Mormon Church! I could have stayed home and ordered them!”

However, Gene does recommend going to the old home area if you can. He went to Downing, Wisconsin, where his mother's Stoddard family had lived for a generation. In the town's only restaurant he bought a little local guidebook and discovered the town was located on what had been the family's 160-acre farm. He visited the cemetery and the church, which had been built of Stoddard lumber. In fact, the town would have been named Stoddard, except that Wisconsin already had a town by that name. He was given a square nail which supposedly came from the house. He considers the Stoddard home-stead to be his most exciting find.

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He admits he hasn't done much genealogy lately, having hit too many brick walls. He's also involved with other activities -- like the electric organ club and the astronomy club both of which meet on the same Saturday as the Benton County Genealogical Society, luckily in the afternoon and the evening.

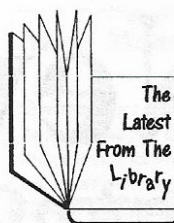
He served one term as president of the Benton County Genealogical Society.

His advice to newcomer's is: Keep track of what you have been doing, even it doesn't turn out to be successful, so you won't do that search again.

WAR OF 1812

Mabelle Martsching reports that anyone looking for information about the War of 1812 should call the Valley Library on the OSU campus -- 737-3331 and ask for the reference librarian. They have the information all on computer.

Mabelle reports that they found for her what she has been looking for months. However, they don't do genealogical searches.



Librarian,
Ken Bielman

Number	Category	Author	Title
1986	MA/VF	Galvin	<i>Researching Your Family History at the Massachusetts Archives.</i> Ivory paperback
1987	OR/VF	Kiger, Henry E.,	<i>Descendants of, Vol 5, No 4 of the Kiger Kounter.</i> a newsletter.
1988	GER	Witter	<i>German-English Primer & New First German Reader :</i> Ivory paperback
1989	KY KY	HistSo	<i>Tax Records, Early.</i> Blue paperback
1990	MS	McBee	<i>County Court Records.</i> Green paperback
1991	NY	Jones	<i>Palatine Families of New York. Vol 1.</i> Dark green hardback
1992	NY	Jones	<i>Palatine Families of New York. Vol 2.</i> Dark green hardback
1993	CD	FTM 274	<i>Canada, Ontario & Nova Scotia Settlers, 1790-1860.</i>
1994	CD	FTM 173	<i>New York, Long Island Families, 1600's-1800's.</i>

Corrections to Early Benton County Pioneers

Send Additions and Corrections to Dorothy Burt 27321 Reese Creek Rd, Monroe, OR 97456, dgburt@pioneer.net, FAX 541-424-2076

The original list with many pioneers missing was published from October 1999 to October 2000.

BENTON CO. PIONEERS	ARRIVAL YEAR	LOCATION	NOTES
GARRISON, William M. (1829-)	1852		
GATES, Elda (1855-)	by 1865	Philomath	md 1873 WALLACE, M.B.
GATES, James H. (1856-)	born	Philomath	md 1876 REXFORD, Laura N. (1855-)
GATES, Phebe (1849-79)	1854	Philomath	md 1873 REXFORD, John B; Pleasant Valley Cem.
GATES, Rebecca Percilla (1858-)	born	Philomath	md 1873 COOK, John L.,div 1879
GATES, Samuel Stephen (1823-94)	1854	Philomath	md 1848 Elizabeth (1830-92) Oak Ridge Cem.
GATES, William (1821-)	by 1865	Philomath	md c 1854 Sarah (1832-)
GAULT, Isaac R.	by 1876		md 1876 PEEK, Mary Ann (1836-)
GEARHART, John W. (1821-)	1852		md 1852 WILLIAMS, Rachel Ann
GEBHAUER, Louise	by 1861		md 1861 TIERNEY, Thomas
GELLATLY, Andrew (1838-98)	1870	Philomath	md 1862 LYLE, Isabel (1842-1912)
GELLATLY, Delia Elizabeth (1874-)	born	Philomath	md 1894 DENTLER, Clarence E.
GELLATLY, Jennie Matilda (1872-)	born	Philomath	md PALMER
GELLATLY, John A. (1869-)	1870	Philomath	md 1892 McDONALD, Laura J.
GELLATLY, Nettie L. (1877-)	born	Philomath	md 1901 THAYER, E.F.
GELLATLY, Peter (1839-)	by 1877	Philomath	md PATTON, Jane (1847-1924)
GELLATLY, Robert Holmes (1875-1965)	born	Philomath	md 1918 MILLER, Christine J. (1894-1978)
GELLATLY, William Andrew (1864-1959)	1870	Philomath	md 1892 TAYLOR, Emma (1872-1950)
GENTRY, Wm. T. (1832-)	by 1860	Lloyds	2 nd Lt.
GEORGE, William	by 1876		md 1876 MULKEY, Susan Ann (1861-1935)
GERBER, Henry (1828-1910)	by 1864	Corvallis	md 1866 ENZ, Victoria (1844-1923); IOOF Cem.
GERHARD, Conrad A. (1876-)	born	Corvallis	md 1902 HORTON, Adelheide
GERHARD, Joseph (1836-88)	1858	Monroe, Corvallis	Blacksmith; md 1857 Elizabeth (1837-1922)
GERHARD, Leopold (1863-98)	born	Corvallis	md 1884 BAKER, Caroline
GIBBS, Harriet DeLena (1866-1928)	born	Beaver Creek	md 1882 BAUMGARTNER, Frank (1855-1926)
GIBBS, Ophelia Evaline (1864-1940)	born	Beaver Creek	md 1888 COON, Thomas W. (1846-1929); Bellfountain Cem
GIBBS, Rachel Sharlotta (1868-1954)	born	Beaver Creek	md 1884 COON, George Washington (1850-1936)
GIBBS, William Ernest (1877-1961)	born	Beaver Creek	md Grace I. (1893-1978)
GIBBS, Winfield Scott (1833-1923)	1853	Beaver Creek	md 1863 HENDERSON, Keziah (1843-1912); Bellfountain Cem
GIBSON, Archibald (1802-88)	1850	Long Tom [Lane Co]	md 1823 KENT, Elizabeth (1808-1893)
GIBSON, George E. (1850-)	by 1880	Philomath	md Elmira (1853-)
GIBSON, Jane (1834-1918)	1850	Long Tom	md 1852 BANNING, Thomas C.
GIBSON, Lewis Dozieb (1828-1911)	1850	Long Tom	md 1854 CROW, Susan Sarah (1836-1926)
GIBSON, Malinda Paradin (1836-1914)	1850	Long Tom	md 1852 RICHARDSON, Milton
GIBSON, Sarah Ann (1843-1903)	1850	Long Tom	md 1859 DOAK, Josiah Allen (1840-1907)
GILBERT, Emma (1855-)	born	Alpine	md WATTS, Austin
GILBERT, George (1836-96)	1849	Alpine	md 1862 HALEY, Elizabeth Courtney (1844-1917)
GILBERT, Jane (1839-1923)	1847	Alpine	md 1856 CLARK, Rev. Nelson (1831-)
GILBERT, Jesse B. (1852-)	born	Alpine	md WATTS, Emma
GILBERT, Lorenzo D.(1812-82)	1847	Alpine	sawmill; md Hannah BELKNAP (1814-1911)

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GILBERT, Mary (1849-1937)	born	Alpine	nd 1867 EDWARDS, Isaac Newton (1845-1916)
GILBERT, Philander (1934-1905)	1849	Alpine	md 1855 WATTS, Mary E.
GILBERT, Riley (1841-)	1849	Alpine	md 1865 ALLEN, Nancy D. (1849-75)
GILBERT, Sheldon W. (1833-)	by 1877		md Margaret I. (1858-)
GILLESPIE, Robert L. (1827-)	by 1860		md by 1852 Mary A. (1829-)
GILLILAND, Rebecca J. (1832-)	by 1860	Corvallis	md by 1851 FISHER, Orceneth (1803-80)
GINGLES, Almira (1846-1917)	1850	Soap Creek	md 1865 TOMLINSON, John (1840-1915)
GINGLES, James (1819-89)	1850	Soap Creek	m1 1842 MILLER, Sarah (1822-53); Gingles Cem.
GINGLES, Mary Elizabeth (1825-98)	1851	Wren	md 1842 MILLER, Isaac (1813-93); Mt. Union Cem
GINGLES, Sarah (1852-87)	born	Soap Creek	md 1882 SPENCER, Charles H. (1850-)
GIRTON, Charles Ward (1832-1914)	by 1868		md 1868 SKIPTON, Elizabeth
GLASS, James (1830-by 1870)	by 1858	Corvallis	Blacksmith; md 1856 RITCHEY, Jemima (1827-)
GLASS, Robert L. (1865-)	born	Corvallis	md 1911 PURDY, Esther M. (1879-)
GLASS, William (1832-)	by 1860	Corvallis	Dairyman; md Lucy (1841-)
GLEASON, Michael	by 1867		md 1867 DUNN, Mary Ann
GLOSSOP, Anna (1861-)	by 1880		md 1880 FULLER, Wesley A. (1860-)
GODLEY, Thomas M. (1858-)	by 1880	Monroe	m1 1881 GRANT, Mary E.; m2 1884 Aurelia Belle (1866-)
GOLDSON, James McCain (1831-1922)	by 1880		md by 1866 Mary J. (1845-)
GOLDSON, William H. (1835-)	by 1880	Corvallis	Druggist; md by 1869 Melinda (1847-)
GOLTRA, Nelson (1829-59)	1856	Corvallis	Benton Co. est. # 76; md 1851 ELLISON, Elizabeth Julia (1833-94)
GOODLIN, Eliza (1834-)	1853		md ULLERY, John (1825-)
GOODMAN, Allen Johnson (1847-)	1852	S. Benton	m1 1874 GRIGSBY, Jennie; m2 1888 FRONK, Mary Margaret
GOODMAN, Charles (1800-)	1853	Philomath	md Amy (1805-)
GOODMAN, Elizabeth Jane (1832-1903)	1853	S. Benton	md 1856 SHIPLEY, Robert (1814-83); bur. Monroe Cem.
GOODMAN, Frank Erwyn (1868-)	born	S. Benton	md 1890 McMURTRY, Fannie (-1891)
GOODMAN, George (1839-)	by 1860		md Angeline (1842-)
GOODMAN, George W. (1859-)	born		md 1889 SHIELDS, M.F.
GOODMAN, James Henry (1824-1906)	1852	S. Benton	md 1843 LOCKER, Mary (1827-1909)
GOODMAN, Julia (1860-)	born	S. Benton	md 1882 DAY, Jackson
GOODMAN, Louisa Adalaide (1864-89)	born	S. Benton	md 1882 GILBERT, Frank C.
GOODMAN, Lucy Jane (1854-73)	born	S. Benton	md 1871 LANDES, Winfield Scott
GOODMAN, Martha J. (1857-1925)	born	S. Benton	md 1878 BARBER, Hiram A. (1859-)
GOODMAN, Olive A. (1860-91)	born	S. Benton	md 1883 WEST, John J.; bur. Alpine Cem.
GOODMAN, Seymore Elbert (1859-85)	born	S. Benton	md 1883 FRONK, Mary Margaret
GOODMAN, William Benjamin 91856-)	born	S. Benton	md 1879 EBERT, Harriet
GORDON, A.H.	by 1862		md 1862 STEWART, Amanda
GORE, Anna A.	by 1880		md 1880 SCRAFFORD, James Butler (1842-1919)
GORE, Nettie (1863-)	by 1879	Corvallis	md 1879 BAKER, R.F. (1845-)
GRAGG, Anna (1787-1856)	1853	Philomath	md 1808 HENKLE, Jacob (1788-1875); Pleasant Valley Cem.
GRAGG, Betsey Minerva (1864-)	born	S. Benton	md 1892 McCLAIN, William Harvey (1865-)
GRAGG, John (1802-)	by 1855		md by 1834 Suzan (1812-)
GRAGG, Joseph (1827-1906)	by 1862	S. Benton	md 1862 BUCKINGHAM, Lavinia (1848-1903); Bellfountain Cem.
GRAGG, Marcus Edward (1879-1963)	born	S. Benton	md 1906 JACKSON, Ruby (1882-1963); Bellfountain Cem.
GRAGG, Mary (1829-1907)	1857	S. Benton	md 1846 STARR, John Wesley (1822-1910?)
GRAGG, Thomas Heman (1862-1934)	born	S. Benton	md 1892 HAINES, Mary Olive (1866-1954); Bellfountain Cem.
GRAHAM, Catherine M. (1852-)	1864	Toledo	md 1889 GRADY, D.O.
GRAHAM, H.S.	by 1858		md 1858 SOUTH, H.A.
GRAHAM, Jane	by 1859		md 1859 POOL, C.B.
GRAHAM, John (1813-83)	1864	Toledo	Probate 1883; md by 1840 Rebecca (1814-71)
GRAHAM, Joseph D. (1847-)	1864	Toledo	md 1880 MAXFIELD, Addie
GRAHAM, Lavinia (1843-1925)	by 1867	Toledo	md 1867 ALTREE, Edward Stephen (1847-)
GRAHAM, Margery E. (1848-)	by 1868		md 1868 ALEXANDER, William H. (1841-)
GRAHAM, Margaretta A. (1851-)	1864	Toledo	md 1874 ROSEBROOK, George H.
GRAHAM, Martha J. (1852-)	by 1871		md 1871 ALEXANDER, Charles F. (1843-)
GRAHAM, Martha M. (1856-)	1864	Toledo	md 1876 HUFFORD, Walter S. (1853-)
GRAHAM, Mary (1851-)	by 1866	Corvallis	md 1871 JOHNSON, Joseph Dodson (1843-)
GRAHAM, Thomas (1839-96)	by 1866	Corvallis	Druggist; md 1872 HAMILTON, Mary F. (1846-)
GRAHAM, William (1818-)	1852		md Harriet
GRAHAM, William (1817-)	by 1866	Corvallis	Physician; md by 1839 Jane (1816-)
GRANT, Benjamin F.	by 1875		md 1875 OGLESBY, Lucetta (1855-)
GRANT, James Milton (1853-1922)	born	Kings Valley	md 1878 RITNER, Sophronia (1860-1942)
GRANT, Margaret Ann (1861-1939)	by 1878		md 1878 HERNDON, Adam Clark (1851-1933)
GRANT, Mary Ellen (1847-1924)	1853	Kings Valley	md 1864 BEVENS, Truman O. (1841-1927)
GRANT, Richard Jackson (1825-91)	1853	Kings Valley	md 1846 WILLIAMS, Sarah Jane (1826-1913; Kings Valley Cem
GRAVES, Flora Ann (1845-)	by 1852		md 1861 SPRINGER, Charles B. (1836-)
GRAVES, James (1830-1918)	1852	Corvallis	Cabinetmaker; md 1853 PYBURN, Melvina (1836-)
GRAVES, John C.	by 1866		md 1866 MAXEY, Frances Jane
GRAVES, Wesley (1818-)	by 1852	Corvallis	Cabinetmaker; md Rebecca (1822-)
GRAVES, William (1823-95)	1859	Corvallis	Cabinetmaker; md 1847 SHOMAKER, Barbara (1825-93); IOOF Cem.
GRAY, Cora Ann (1874-)	born	Muddy Creek	md PORTER, Mark
GRAY, Cornelia (1843-1915)	1853	Muddy Creek	md 1867 UNGER, McKelvie.J.
GRAY, Edna Jane (1867-99)	born	Muddy Creek	md 1883 DAVIS, Edwin Zebediah (1859-1935); Oak Ridge Cem
GRAY, Eleanor H. (1821-)	by 1854		md by 1845 CONGLE, John B. (1818-87)
GRAY, Elizabeth Edna (1835-1916)	1853	Muddy Creek	md 1854 SLATER, James H.

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

1 April for the 13 April meeting. Cookies: Teri Greene

30 April for the 11 May meeting. Cookies: Mabelle Martsching

Membership Information

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 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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