

NewsLetter

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11 March 2006 - DAR - As genealogist we should be **aware** of the amount of material only saved and available to us through the efforts of the DAR. Anne Griffs **Regent** and Jane Buck **Vice Regent** from our own Winema Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution are coming to tell us about our local and state organization.

Faye Abraham Resigns as President

At the February BCGS meeting we were sorry to have to accept the letter of resignation of Faye Abraham, our new president. She was finding that as mayor of Adair Village too many things were going on in her life to be able to do justice to the needs of the Benton County Genealogical Society. Bill Gleaves will take over as president *pro tem*. It is to be hoped that Faye will consent to becoming vice president in the fall.

New DAR Online Index

The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) has enhanced its online index to the Genealogical Records Committee Reports — the name for its collection of genealogical information from family Bibles, tombstones, church records and the like. You can search this 18 million name index for your ancestors at:

<http://grc.dar.org/dar/darnet/grc/grc.cfm?Action=NewSearch>

The results will show you the book title and a link to its catalog record with the volume number and location in DAR's library. You'll also see the contents of the subject and notes fields, which can help you determine if the book is relevant to your research. Click "Ordering Page Copies" for details on requesting photocopies of the pages of interest.

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Book Looks

By *charlene talbot*

The title of this month's choice for review is typical of the book itself. It is called *Historical Collections of the State of New Jersey; Containing a General Collection of the Most Interesting Facts, Traditions, Biographical Sketches, Anecdotes, Etc. Relating to Its History and Antiquities, with Geographical Descriptions of Every Township in the State*. This brownish paperback is a reprint of the original, which was published in 1846. The fine print contains a lot of material, and no index of names. But if you have an ancestor in New Jersey, or just enjoy reading history, the book is well worthwhile.

As the authors say in the preface, "The history of New Jersey is one of deep interest. Some of the most important events of the American Revolution occurred upon her soil. In that arduous struggle, the sacrifices she had will ever redound to her praise; and for her treatment of the aborigines she shall receive still higher praise. In the language of one of her favorite sons, 'It is a proud fact in her history, that every foot of her soil has been obtained from the Indians by fair and voluntary purchase and transfer--a fact that no other state in the union, not even the land which bears the name of Penn, can boast of.'"

The *Historical Collections* contain a list of townships, cities, and villages; an index of sorts; and a list of biographical sketches, notices, and epitahs. Each county and township has a write-up.

Since the book contains a great many stories about the Revolution, we were naturally drawn to read about the Battle of Trenton. There were three accounts of the battle. At the time of the writing of this book, 1846, there were still people alive whose parents or grandparents had participated in the war.

While writing this review, we got interested in the Battle of Assunpink. The writer says: "It has been a matter of surprise to many, that the Battle of Assunpink, or Trenton bridge, should be passed over so lightly by most historians of the revolution. On the result of this action ... was suspended the fate of American independence." The book claims, "the following account of the battle of Assunpink is given as related by an eye-witness, and published in the *Princeton Whig*, Nov. 4th, 1842." The main trouble with this book is that the accounts are mostly set in 8-point type, and are therefore hard to read.

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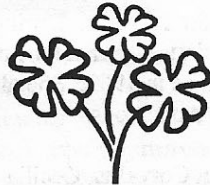
One soon finds a good reason to do something else. Some of the township articles contain interesting bits of history and some don't. We can recommend this book only if you enjoy reading history.

BCGS 2006 Membership Renewals
(since last newsletter)

* Note: Any renewals since this list was sent to the newsletter will appear in next months newsletter.

Renewals

Teri Greene
Sandra & Daniel Blakley
Candy Leelaamornvichet



New Member

Linda Crew - Honorary

National Genealogical Society Manuscript Collection Transferred to the DAR Library

According to Eric G. Grundset, Library Director at the DAR Library in Washington, DC, the manuscript collection of the U.S. National Genealogical Society's library was transferred to the DAR Library in late March 2004. The collection filled approximately 150 boxes of genealogical materials. The Society did retain some manuscript material for further study or for other reasons.

The National Genealogical Society offered the material to the DAR Library in order to reduce its own storage space requirements.

The cataloguers at the DAR Library are presently processing the material. It will be some time, but the descriptions of the various materials eventually will be accessible through the DAR Library's online catalog at:
<http://www.dar.org~>

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Permanent Library Volunteer Needed

Lee Rudisill, our Liibrary Staffing Chairperson, has asked for a permanent volunteer to work at the BCGS Library on the first Tuesday of every month with Betty Brummett from 12:30-3:00 pm. If we cannot find a permanent person, we would gladly accept help from anyone on that day.

Upcoming Programs

- 8 April 2006 - Internet Resources - Danell Aukerman
- 13 May 2006 - Civil War
- 10 June 2006 - Potluck
- 9 September 2006 - Show 'N' Tell and/or ? Fort Hoskins—150 year celebration
- 14 October 2006 - ? County and City Archives
- 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.

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

Raffle Items Sought

We are planning ahead for our annual Christmas Raffle which is held at our December meeting. Do you have a nice item of more than nominal value which you would consider donating now for the Christmas Raffle next December? The raffling of quality items is a way to ensure your items bring the most for their value. We ended up without any suitable raffle item this year and need to get the raffle ticket sales going as soon as possible. Proceeds from the Christmas Raffle and Auction go to benefit the Society's book fund. We have raffled off some wonderful items over the past years and we would hate to cancel this event due to lack of interest.



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REMEMBRANCES

CECILIA L. ANDERSON

AUGUST 19, 1928 - FEBRUARY 11, 2006. SHE WAS 77.

Cecilia was born in San Francisco to Albert and Gisella (Forthoffer) Knipper. She grew up in San Francisco and attended University of California at Berkeley. She held administrative positions at various companies in San Francisco before marrying.

On November 17, 1956, she married Roy Anderson, her husband for 49 years. They had two sons, Carl and Richard. In August 1967 the family moved to Mendocino City, Calif., where Cecilia also worked as the bookkeeper at the Mendocino Art Center. She left the Art Center to be a full-time homemaker in 1972.

In 1975 the family moved to Sunnyvale, Calif., and lived in Sunnyvale for 18 years. During those years Cecilia developed an interest in pastel drawing and watercolor painting, which she would continue to pursue the rest of her life. Cecilia continued her education at De Anza College and received her Associate of Arts degree in 1982. She also became interested in genealogy. She researched the family histories for the Knippers and the Andersons.

In 1993, with the boys grown up, Cecilia and Roy retired to Corvallis. In Corvallis, Cecilia was an active member of Quilts for Caring Hands, where she became known as an expert in quilt tying. She was also active in the Benton County Genealogical Society. In recent years Cecilia and Roy were able to enjoy traveling to many countries and destinations around the world.

She is survived by her husband Roy, her sons Carl of Union City, Calif., and Richard of Mountain View, Calif., and two granddaughters.

Interment will be in California.

Memorials can be made to Quilts for Caring Hands, 2397 N.W. Kings Blvd., PMB 157, Corvallis, OR 97330, or Benton County Hospice Services, 2350 N.W. Professional Drive, Corvallis, OR 97330.

Cecilia was very active in the Benton County Genealogical Society where she served as Secretary and various other positions.

Searching for lost relatives? Win the Lottery!

Mark Your Calendars

- **March 17 & 18, 2006 - Sweet Home Genealogical Society's Annual Workshop.** Details on next page.
- **April 1, 2006 - GFO Spring Seminar,** Portland, OR. Certified Genealogist and Author, Paul Milner, will present the program which will focus on England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.
- **April 22, 2006 - OGS Spring Seminar. "Tracing the Threads of Our Ancestor's Lives Across the U. S. - Regional Genealogical Research."** Speakers & Topics 1) Susan LeBlanc: *"Researching your New England Ancestors."* 2) JoAnne Haugen: *"after the Census What? Finding Your Lost Ancestors in the Mid-South States of Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky."* 3) Pat Baars: *Where Do I Look Next? Finding Migrations."* 4) Beverly Rice: *"Railroads and the Western Migration."* Cost: \$40 (includes buffet lunch and materials).
- **August 30-September 2, 2006 - The Federation of Genealogical Societies and the New England Historic and Genealogical Society Conference, Boston, MA.** For a list of topics and speakers go to www.fgsconference.blogspot.com/. To register with a credit card online go to www.fgs.org. This event is being advertised as the "largest genealogical conference ever held."
- **October 6-7, 2006 - Genealogical Council of Oregon Bi-annual Conference. HAS BEEN CANCELLED.**

26TH ANNUAL GENEALOGY WORKSHOP
SWEET HOME GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
1223 KALMIA STREET (GEORGE & JERRY MEALEY BUILDING
SWEET HOME, OREGON (541) 367-5034
E-MAIL: SHGS@CENTURYTEL.NET

FRIDAY MARCH 17, 2006

9:00 AM Registration at door
10:00 AM Danell Aukerman (Corvallis) "Archival Care of Records"
Noon Lunch (brown bag it or check with society for local eating places)
1:00PM Emily D. Auilicino (Portland) "DNA: Your Paper Trail"
2:30 PM Brief Break
2:45 PM Emily D. Auilicino "Care and Feeding of a DNA Project"
4:00 PM Rod Fielder "Oregon Bill" (end of day entertainment)

SATURDAY MARCH 18, 2006

9:00 AM Registration at door
10:00 AM Phyllis Harworth (Bend) "Where's Grandma?"
Noon Lunch (brown bag it or check with society for local eating places)
1:00PM Connie Lenzen (Portland) "Find Your Overland Trail Ancestor"
2:45 PM Brief Break
3:00 PM Gerald Lenzen (Portland) "Military Records Through World War I"

Admission: \$12 per day or \$20 for both days (non-SHGS member)
 \$8 per day or \$15 for both days (SHGS member)

*Lunch Discounts *Door Prizes *Freebies *Books for Rresearch *Genealogical Materials For Sale*

We will have something new this year for "lunch time." SHGS has contacted the manager of the local Thriftway Store Deli and a box lunch menu will be offered. There will be one price for the box lunch which will be ordered to your personal preference. When you register /Friday or Saturday, you may fill out your box lunch request and pay for it at that time. The lunches will be delivered to the Genealogical Library building and we will designate an area for eating. There will be a \$1 discount coupon for this special boxed lunch. A&W will also offer a \$1 discount on meal items for the March Friday & Saturday dates. A menu list of box lunch items will be provided.

Sponsored by Linn-Benton Community College and the Sweet Home Genealogical Society

FAVORITE WEBSITES

Benton County Cemeteries
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~orbenton/Cemeteries.htm>

Benton County Newspaper Name References
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~orbentgs/newsproj.html>

Oregon State Archives Searchable Database
<http://genealogy.state.or.us/start.lasso?location=search>

Social Security Death Index
<http://ssdi.genealogy.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/ssdi.cgi>

LDS Family Search
http://www.familysearch.org/eng/Search/frameset_search.asp



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Program Review
By David Krebs, Program Chairman

11 February 2006

Linda Crew

On February 11, 2006, Linda Crew, author of *A Heart for Any Fate*, a historical novel about our own **Kings Valley Family**, told us about her research for this story and about what became known as the **Lost Wagon Train**. A historical novel based on a real woman's everyday life while traveling west. Linda proved to be as compelling a speaker as her book is to read.

You are cordially invited to The Benton Lectures

Defining Moments...

Monday, March 13, 2006, 9:30 am

Judy Juntunen , The World of the Kalapuya, A Native People of Western Oregon

Monday, March 20, 2006, 9:30 am

Patricia Benner, Stream Ecologist and River Systems Historian The Willamette River of the Past: From its Forested Channels to its Steamboats

Monday, April 3, 2006, 9:30 am

Mary Gallagher, Corvallis in the 19th Century

Monday, April 10, 2006, 9:30 am

David Brauner, Professor, Anthropology, OSU Faded Image of a Western Soldier: An Archaeologist's Sojourn At Fort Hoskins

Monday, April 17, 2006, 9:30 am

Robert Lowry, Railroad Historian Lokies, Logs and Lumberjacks

Monday, April 24, 2006, 9:30 a.m.,

John Baker, Ed .D. - Camp Adair

Monday, May 1, 2006, 9:30 am

.William G. Robbins, Ph.D., Emeritus Distinguished Professor of History Willamette River Stories: Reconnecting with a Conflicted Past

Preceded by coffee at 9:00 am

Seating is limited, tickets available at the door or in advance by contacting the Museum.

Members FREE of charge Non-members, \$10/lecture - \$75/series

Seniors & students with ID. \$5

The Society Record

***TOM SMITH IS DEAD AND HERE HE LIES
NOBODY LAUGHS AND NOBODY CRIES
WHERE HIS SOUL'S GONE AND HOW IT FARES
NOBODY KNOWS AND NOBODY CARES.***

Newbury, England, 1742

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

27 March for the **8 April** meeting. Cookies—**Bill Gleaves**
1 May for the **13 May** meeting. Cookies—**Betty Brummett**
30 May for the **10 June** meeting. Cookies—**Kathleen Coan**

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: sprawlson@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!