

NewsLetter

Benton County Genealogical Society

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Annual Sharing Program

Share your most recent and most successful genealogical adventures. Some of the scheduled topics include a 90th Birthday in Hawaii; Publishing Life Story; Research in Germany; and a Tennessee Flying Reunion.

UPCOMING CLASSES

Beginning Genealogy - Monday, 10/14, goes for 6 weeks.
LBCC main campus. 7-9 p.m. Cost: \$40.00

Internet - Saturday, 10/26. Sweet Home. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Cost: \$20.00

Internet - Saturday, 11/23. LBCC main campus. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Cost: \$20.00

A minimum of 12 students in each class is required for the class to be held.

Senior discount is 1/2 the cost of the class for those 62+.

PASSAGES

Over the summer several of our members passed away. Mitch Beard and Hazel Beals (since 1971) were Charter Members. Ellen Hathaway was very much involved in genealogy research. Their obituaries are included in the newsletter. Their contributions to BCGS were many and they will be greatly missed.

Library Inventory Project

Thanks to the hard work of Frances Grotfend, Mary France, Jean Grube, Lee Rudisill, Ken and Julie Bielman, the inventory of the BCGS Library was completed in June.

Unfortunately, the inventory turned up a few missing items which will be listed in an upcoming newsletter. Your help in locating missing books and periodicals would be greatly appreciated.

Kith and Kin By Charlene Talbot

Emergence of a Genealogist: David Kribs

David Kribs was one of those lucky people who got interested in genealogy when his grandfather and grandmother (on different sides of the family) were still alive to question.

"I was in the eighth grade and taking Advanced Mechanical Drawing," Dave remembers. "My assignment was to draw a family tree--an ancestor chart, actually, starting with myself. Then I tried to fill it out. My mother and her father helped me do several generations on her side, the Brocks, but all my Grandmother Kribs would say was, 'What do you want to know all that old stuff for?'"

"My father and his father were both at the tail end of large families, so they didn't know anything about their heritage. Grandpa Kribs left home when he was 12. My father wasn't sure what his grandfather's name was.

"Then a brother of Grandfather Brock's came out from Tennessee to visit us in Bend, Oregon, and he was quite knowledgeable. Through him we got the Brocks back to Virginia in 1720."

Dave kept looking for Kribses, but he says he asked the wrong people. "I don't think it would take me so long now," he added. He was grown up by the time he began to get some leads. His brother, while leading a 4-H geology trip near Winlock in eastern Oregon, happened to visit the cemetery. He came back to say there were Kribses buried there. Dave went to the cemetery, copied all the data and began asking relatives who those people were. The next time he visited his parents, uncle had brought a box of papers for him to look at. Among them was the name of a town--Holly, Minnesota. He realized he'd driven through the town several times on the way to visit his son in Virginia, Minnesota.

"The next time I stopped there, I was directed to a woman who was a distant relative," he remembers. "She had a box of papers that had been left with her 40 years before. Two days before I arrived she said God had told her to get that box out." The box held family records going back through the 1800s to Hamilton, Ontario. Evidently, Aaron Kribs, the patriarch, was the first settler of record there. He had 14 children." Dave joined the Hamilton genealogy society and eventually gleaned several generations of descendants.

Then on the way to visit his son and ex-wife, who had moved to Arizona, Dave stopped by the Family History Library in Salt Lake. He ended up staying there for two months

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Most recently he found a book on old Albany County, New York in our genealogy library. He had read in a vanity book that one ancestor--a Sarah Ann Van Buren--claimed to be related to President Martin Van Buren. He took the Albany County book home, and through a lot of work and interpretation he found 125 interrelated ancestors, back to the 1600s, when the Dutch first settled there.

"That's the least satisfying," he says, "because back that far they're so remotely related."

He considers Aaron Kribs his brick wall. "I'd like to have better proof of his ancestry. He may have come from Ulm, Germany, or he may have been born in London and transported to America and pardoned by enlisting in one of the British colonial regiments. Family tradition says he received military training in Prussia. So who knows. I keep hoping to find something definitive, but it seems doubtful."

State Archives Rate Changes

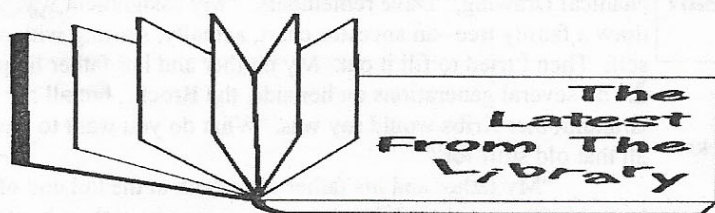
The Oregon State Archives has gone to a \$10.00 flat rate when you call or write for queries. If you go there in person there is a charge of 25 cents per copy.

Yaquina Genealogical Society

Anyone interested in Lincoln County, Oregon is encouraged to visit the Yaquina Genealogical Society's website at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~orygs/>

Upcoming Programs

12 Oct 2002	TBA
9 Nov 2002	Identify, Retrieval, & Preservation of Family Photos, presented by Don Ferguson.
14 Dec 2002	Annual Christmas Party and Auction.



Ken Bielman, Librarian

Number	Category	Author	Title
2044	MA	Shurtleff	<i>Plymouth Colony, Massachusetts, Records of.</i> Gift of Damaris Reynolds. Red hardback
2045	OR	Crook Co Hist Soc	<i>Crook County, A History Of.</i> Gift of Benton County Historical Museum. Red-brown hardback
2046	WA	Ramsey	Thurston County. <i>Postmarked Washington.</i> Gift of Benton County (OR) Historical Museum. Tan paperback
2047	OR	Wilbur	Oregon Trail. <i>The McCully Train. Iowa to Oregon, 1852.</i> Gift of Fran Grotefend. Tan paperback
2048	FH/COO	Coon	<i>Coon's Tale, A. History of the Coon family of Benton County, OR.</i> Gift of Fran Grotefend. Blue paperback
2049	VID		<i>Ellis Island.</i> 3-hour tape
2050	SL	Benton County	Corvallis Public Library Shelf List of Genealogical Material, 1976
2051	SL	Linn County	Albany Public Library Shelf List of Genealogical Material, 1994
2052	MA	Judd	<i>History of Hadley, CT.</i> Gift of Frank Carver. Green hardback
2053	CAN	Fitzgerald	<i>Ontario People, 1796-1803.</i> Gift of Damaris Reynolds. Red hardback
2054	OH	Finley & Putnam	Ross County. <i>Pioneer Record.</i> Gift of Damaris Reynolds. Dark green hardback
2055	CAN	Reid	<i>Ontario, Death Notices of. 1810-1849.</i> Gift of Damaris Reynolds. Olive paperback
2056	PA	Yoder	<i>Pennsylvania German Immigrants, 1709-1786.</i> Gift of Damaris Reynolds. Navy hardback
2057	CT	Sibun	Hebron. <i>Our Town's Heritage, 1708-1958.</i> Gift of Frank Carver. Red hardback
2058	MIL	Wardell	<i>Genealogical Data from the US Military Academy. Application Papers, 1805-1840.</i> Gift of Damaris Reynolds. Navy PB
2059	REF	Byrd	<i>Oregon Burial Site Guide.</i> Dedicated in memory of Becky Kiger. Lg Blue hardback. Does Not Circulate.
2060	CD	Broderbund	<i>New Jersey Genealogies #1, 1600's to 1800's.</i> FTM #182.

QUERIES

Do you know any of the families of the following Benton County **GRIER** descendants?

Alberta Grier who married Charles LYONS

Irma Grier who married 1907- John Vivian BAIN (lived Bellfountain)

Eura Marian Grier who married 1908- Phillip Ray STARR (lived Bellfountain)

Ethyl Grier who married Farrell CLARK

Gladys Grier who married MILSAPP

They were all daughters of John Ephirim Grier and Mary Jane Taylor Grier.

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Research has been done over the summer on the following families: McFADDEN, CHENOWETH, DIXON, BALDWIN, BEACH, and HARLAN.

Becky Kiger Memorial

The "Guide to Oregon Burial Sites" has been purchased in memory of Becky Kiger and is now in the library.

Donation Land Claim Map

The Donation land claim map is being worked on. When it is completed, BCGS will be selling the maps. At this time the price of the maps has not yet been determined.

THE KING FAMILY REUNION

By Mabelle Martsching

The King Family Reunion was held at the school gym at Kings Valley on June 22, 2002. The descendants of Nahum and Serepta King began arriving at 9 a.m. and slowly brought the total to 54. They traveled from California, Salem and Springfield, Oregon, and other localities to join their relatives for the day.

The morning was spent visiting while having coffee and donuts. Records were exchanged and pictures were taken.

Each person was to bring a dish of their choice for the lunch at noon, but there were so many delicious dishes that we couldn't even taste them all. Great Cooks!

During the afternoon each person was introduced and gave the name of the branch of the King family from which they descended. The largest number was from the Plunkett branch.

A General meeting was held with President Mimi Stang in charge. Each officer gave a report with some discussions following. Most wanted one newsletter sent during the year and one in June before the reunion. Earle Greig reported on their work at the Kings Valley Cemetery. He said that 277 graves, including the stones, had been cleaned and repaired. Donations had been given for any expenses incurred. No change was made in the cost of the dues. The entire board of officers was unanimously re-elected for another term. The KING FAMILY WEBSITE is:

<http://www.all-oregon.com/king/>

Jackie Farris, Webmaster

Service Project Reports

Corvallis Obit Project — THIRD ADDENDUM READY

Thanks to the volunteers, we now have 1,119 more names of people who died, were born, or married between the dates of the first Benton County newspaper in 1865 and the Daily Gazette Times in 1925. These have been extracted from various editions of the Corvallis newspapers. Lee Gentemann has added them to the list on the Benton County website, and photocopies of Addendum Three will be added to the booklets available to the public at the Corvallis Library, the Benton County Museum and our Annex library.

Ft. Hoskins Historic Park Grand Opening Ceremony

Saturday, September 14, 2002

10:00 am-2:00

pm

The park is located at 38150 Ft. Hoskins Road

“This 130-acre historic resource was part of the homeland for the Luckiamute Band of the Kalapuya Tribe. In 1856, the U.S. Army established Ft. Hoskins, one of three Oregon forts, to monitor the newly established Coast (Siletz) Indian Reservation. Located at the crossroads of two major trains, the fort quickly became a regional center of economic and political activity.

When the Civil War ended, Samuel and Mary Frantz purchased the decommissioned fort property and built a Gothic Revival style house that still stands on the park site. Benton County purchased the property from descendants of the Frantz family in 1992 and began researching and planning a historical park.

Today, visitors enjoy a historical interpretive train, a picnic shelter, and a recreational trail through oak savannah restoration areas.”

Special presentations will include:

1865 U.S. Flag Re-dedication

Traditional practices by the Confederated Tribes of Siletz and the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde

Civil War Re-enactors

Living History Encampment

Tours of the Frantz-Dunn House

Directions:

From I-5

Take exit 228 to Corvallis. Turn left on 4th street downtown. Follow Hwy 20/34 signs to Philomath and Newport. After Philomath, go right at the Y (Hwy 20), then turn right on Hwy 223 to Kings Valley. Ft. Hoskins signs will direct you to the park.

From Hwy 101

In Newport, take Hwy 20 towards Corvallis. Turn left on Hwy 223 to Kings Valley. Ft. Hoskins signs will direct you to the park.

Ellen Hathaway

December 18, 1944 - July 20, 2002

Ellen Louise Hathaway of Cottage Grove died July 20 of respiratory failure. She was 57.

She was born December 18, 1944 in Philomath to Robert and Arlene Cosgrove Skelton. She married Lyelle Hathaway in Cottage Grove on December 3, 1977. A lifetime resident of Oregon, Hathaway graduated from Corvallis High School. She was a homemaker and worked as a bank operations officer.

Her interests included genealogy, and she developed a history of her family that included more than 65,000 names and 200,000 events. Hathaway's research helped more than 40 people reunite with their birth parents. She was a founding member of Friends of the Library, and she belonged to the Altrusa International banking organization and to the Daughters of the American Revolution. Hathaway was recognized with the American Institute of Banking's Woman of the Year award in 1976.

Survivors include her husband; her father of Corvallis; three sons, Jeffrey Stanek of Gresham, Daniel Hathaway of Falls City and Antoni Hathaway of Woodville, WA; a daughter, Melissa Stallings of Eugene; and two sisters, Elanore Martin of Philomath and Pamela Baldwin of Turner

No service is planned. Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove is in charge of arrangements.

A belated **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to Ken Munford on his 90th birthday from all of us at the Genealogical Society.

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HOWARDS & WOODS Families

Because my ancestors are from Linn County and I've appreciated the help that the genealogy and historical society has given me, when I found some old photos in our local shop of families from the Corvallis area, I purchased them. I can give you some background on them and if the genealogy society or the historical museum is interested, I'll donate them. I have the ability to scan and e-mail them until I can make arrangements for them to go south from Cathlamet, WA.

Photo 1

"Family of Mr. And Mrs. G.W. Woods—children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Taken on their 55th wedding anniversary, September 24, 1910"

Ruth Howard is written in large letters
Garner Studio, Corvallis, OR

Photo 2

"Mrs. Edna Woods Family Group, taken December 25, 1906"
Emery Studios, Corvallis, OR

Photo 3

"Edith Woods, C.A. Woods, Edna Woods"
Professional photo although no studio or location is given

Photo 4

Unidentified family
Gardner Studios, Corvallis, OR
(would think is from the same families as above)

Photo 5

"December 25, 1915 * Dear Grandchildren
Mr. And Mrs. Harry Howard These photos were taken way after we were married sixty years—September 14, 1915. Your Grandparents.
Corvallis, Oregon

Further checking the two names we have from the photos I bought in Cathlamet, WA are that Edna I. Woods married Harry B. Howard in Benton County in 1913, book 074a.

Their daughter was Ruth Howard who owned the photos at one time.

Kari Kandoll
Cathlamet, WA
Boggs from Linn County

** She wishes to be notified if the group is interested. **

Benton County Genealogical Society's Books for Sale

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
Bible Records and Cemetery Records	\$10.00

Benton County Cemeteries

Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 1	\$25.00
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 2	\$25.00
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 3	\$25.00
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 4	\$25.00
Cemetery Records and Tombstone Inscriptions - Vol. 5	\$25.00
Combined Index to Volumes 1 through 5	\$25.00

Add Shipping Charges \$3.00 for 1st book, \$1.150 each additional

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To prevent newspaper clippings from yellowing:

Mix one quart club soda with 1 tablespoon Milk of Magnesia in a 9 x 14 baking pan deep enough to accommodate a quart of liquid.

Lay clippings in the mixture and let soak for one hour. Remove and dry on paper towels. (The Milk of Magnesia neutralizes the acid in the paper, which is what causes the yellowing).

From the "Typical Mary Ellen" show on Home and Garden TV show.

**Note: Untested, but appeared to work well on TV.*

Genealogical Council of Oregon - 2002 Conference

"Find it in the Past ` Preserve it for the Future"

October 5-6, 2002

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503-370-7888

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Program brochures available June 2002

Write to: GCO 2002 Seminar, Connie Lenzen, Program Chair

P.O. Box 2639, Salem, OR 97308-2639

Include name, address, phone number and e-mail address.

National Archives Forms Prices - Effective May 30, 2002

- Passenger arrival lists (NATF Form 81) - \$17.25
- Federal Census requests (NATF Form 82) - \$17.50
- Eastern Cherokee applications to the Court of Claims (NATF Form 83) - \$17.50
- Land entry records (NATF Form 84) - \$17.75
- Bounty land warrant application files (NATF Form 85) - \$17.25
- Pension files more than 75 years old (NATF Form 85), complete file—\$37.00
- Pension documents packet (order form NATF Form 85) - \$14.75
- Military service files more than 75 years old (NATF Form 86) - \$17.00

Eugene M. Beard

September 15, 1919 - July 24, 2002

Eugene Mitchell "Mitch" Beard of Corvallis died July 24, 2002 at Good Samaritan Hospital. He was 82.

He was born in Andrews, SC to Eugene and Guilleme Mitchell Beard. As a child, he moved with his mother to Washington, D.C. and attended schools there. He graduated from American University in 1941 and enlisted in the Washington, D.C. Air National Guard. He served with the anti-submarine command. In 1942, he received a commission as a communications officer in the Army Air Corps and served in Bermuda and the South Pacific. He continued with his military career after World War II and worked for the Inspector General's Office in the Air Force, serving in several countries and on many U.S. bases. He retired in 1963 with the rank of Major.

He married Joyce Reeves in 1953 in Salem. They moved to Corvallis in 1963. She died in 1966. He received a master's degree from Oregon State University after his wife died, and he raised their two children.

He was a member of Grant Avenue Baptist Church for 40 years and the treasurer for 30 years. He was a member and the newsletter editor for the Corvallis Rotary, Toastmasters and Retired Officers clubs, the Benton County Republican Party and the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

Survivors include his daughter, Diane Johnsen of Beaverton, son Daniel of Portland, and four grandchildren.

Funeral service was held July 30 at Grant Avenue Baptist Church, Pastor Dan Reeves officiated. Committal with military honors was held July 31 at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland.

Memorial donations can be made to support an ROTC scholarship through the Military Science Scholarship Endowment Fund, payable to the Benton County Foundation, in care of McHenry /funeral Home, 206 N.W. Fifth St., Corvallis, OR 97330.

Hazel Beals

March 16, 1908 - July 24, 2002

Hazel Almira Hymes Beals of Seattle, formerly of Corvallis, died Tuesday at the Foss Nursing Home in Seattle. She was 93.

She was born near Summit to Alva Dell and Katie Isabel Camp Hymes. She was the youngest and last survivor of six children. She attended school at Summit through the ninth grade, then Albany High School and Corvallis High School.

She married Forest Wayne Beals Sept. 10, 1924 at the Summit Evangelical Church. She graduated from Cascade college in Portland, which later combined with Seattle Pacific University. She and her husband lived in Chelan and Ellensburg, Wash., and in Alsea before moving to Corvallis in 1944. He died in 1972.

She was a member of the Nazarene Church of Corvallis and Alsea.

Survivors include her sons, Ethan or Shoreline, Washington, Everet of Nampa, Idaho, and Stephen of Protland, Oregon. 10 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held Friday, August 23, at Oak Lawn Memorial Park. The Rev. Stephen Beals officiated. Memorial donations can be made to the Easter Seal Society or The Gideons International in care of McHenry Funeral Home, 206 N.W. fifth St., Corvallis, OR 97330.

It's Membership Renewal Time

As reported in the June newsletter, on May 28th, the Executive Board voted to increase the annual membership dues. Several factors precipitated this decision. First, the cost of renting the library annex has increased by \$100 per year. Second, as of June 31, the cost of mailing the newsletter will increase by 3¢ per ounce, as ordered by the U.S. Postal Service. Third, the cost of paper and printing has increased over the last several years. And last, an inflation rate of 5% has been added. The total of these costs will be covered by a dues increase of \$2.00 per membership. The new rates, \$12.00 for an Individual and \$15.00 for a family, will begin September 1 for the new fiscal year, 2003.

Renewing your membership allows continuation to participate in Society activities, which includes the use of the Genealogy Library which has over 1800 volumes of various books, periodicals and CD's; sharing in the Society's activities (potlucks, Christmas buffet and craft auction, used book and periodicals sale); receiving the monthly newsletter; field trips, and the research assistance and sharing of information of other members.

Benton County Genealogical Society Membership Renewal Form

Mail to: BCGS P.O. Box 1646, Philomath, OR 97370

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Membership by the calendar year.
Dues paid after September 1st are credited to the next year.

Please enroll me in the Benton County Genealogical Society for the Year 2003 with full voting rights, use of the genealogical library at the Benton County Museum Annex, and 10 newsletters per year.

Individual Membership \$ 12 _____

Family Membership \$ 15 _____

Book Fund \$ _____ Contributions to the Book Fund are tax deductible and a receipt for that purpose will be mailed to you.

Board Meetings are usually two Mondays before the second Saturday [our regular meeting time]. Dates of the upcoming Board meetings are:
30 September for the **12 October** meeting. Cookies—Mabelle Martsching
28 October for the **9 November** meeting. Cookies—Danell Aukerman
2 December for the **14 December** meeting. Cookies—Margaret Hays

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Dues are \$10.00 single and \$13.00 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.

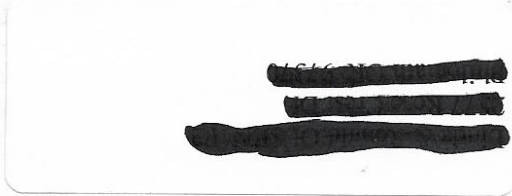
Canadian Interest Group

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: 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!**

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