



Mid-Valley Genealogical Society

NEWSLETTER

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COMING SOON

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society is hosting a
Everton Genealogical Workshop in Salem on Saturday, April 19,
at the First Presbyterian Church on Chemeketa & Winter St.
Time: 9^{AM} to 4^{PM} Cost: \$18.00 which includes a 1 year subscription
to the GENEALOGICAL HELPER magazine. Applications are available.

Oregon Genealogical Society is offering a Computer workshop
on April 26 at the EWEB Cafeteria, Eugene Water & Electric
Board, 500 East 4th St. Eugene. Time: 9:30 to 4 p.m. Six genea-
logical software programs ranging in price from \$35 to \$185 will
be featured. For more information, write: Oregon Genealogical
Society, P.O. Box 10306, Eugene, OR 97440-2306.

Everyone is invited to the annual open house of the Portland
Genealogical Forum on May 17 from 9 am to 3 p.m. Their address
is 1410 S.W. Morrison, Portland and is the Neighbors of Woodcraft
Building, second floor.

WELCOME to new members: Betty SWAN, Margaret (Margo) WAHLBERG,
and the KAHL family, Darrel, Zira, and Jurinda KAHL. We are glad
to have you with us.

CONGRATULATIONS to Harriet MOORE who celebrated her 90th birthday
on March 27. We are proud of you Harriet and salute you as a
special person, genealogist, historian, Society charter member, and
friend.

THANKS to Mabelle Martsching and Ruth Musil for the cookies today.
Lee Rudisill and Josephine Zadina will be furnishing refreshments at
the May meeting.

DON'T FORGET to save your SANTIAM and FLAVOR PAC labels from canned
and frozen foods. Give them to Audrey Broadley who will see that
they are turned in for cash and will be added to the book fund.
Every little bit helps.

DON'T FORGET to bring some of your personal books to share with
others during research time. May study time will feature these
states: CA, AZ, NM, NV, UT, CO, ND, SD, OH, IL, IN.

Have you turned in your 5 generation pedigree charts to Danelle
KNIGHT? It is important to have everyone participate in this
sharing and preserving of our records.

BEST WISHES & SYMPATHY to Peggy MASON, long time MVGS member who is now a resident of Corvallis Manor. Peggy is a victim of Emphysema and Alchiemers disease. She has some good days and some not so good.

A committee will inventory our library books this month. If you are one with overdue books, please return them or at least let the librarian, Margaret Hays, know, otherwise someone may hit the panic button.

GLEANINGS from an old scrapbook - "To add to the comments on nicknames as opposed to the person's proper name, searchers should try to contact the oldest members of the family that they can. Even if the person's memory is vague, he can give valuable clues to the correct name sought; When I started on my mother's family, nmother was dead, but I learned that Aunt Lizzie whom I supposed to be Elizabeth was Mary Melissa. My Grandmother, whom I never heard called anything but "Etta" was Roxanna Rosetta. My mother was called Pearl but her real name was Perilla and I found out that "Aunt Prill" for whom my mother was named, was not a sister of my grandmother, but a first cousin My grandmother's mother had died when grandmother was four months old and she was reared in the home of her mother's sister and considered her cousins as brothers and sisters although she also had a brother and sister in fact.

and

Please tell me, you who know, (those are excused who can't) How this man's brother is his uncle - his brother's wife his aunt. Still wilder pranks has Hymen played, by union of these twain: The Mother of this happy groom is Mother to him again.

Answer:

Josiah Platt "long time ago" married a fair damsel, even so, even so,

Then Old Mr Platt - O what a twister- soon afterward married his son's wife's sister; and now gallant Peter notlong did loiter, Till he took for his spouse his step-mother's daughter; So now my young friends, I've 'splained the whole riddle If you can't understand it, you ain't worth a fiddle.
taken from "cotton's Keepsake, 1858

NEXT MEETING-- May 10. Program will be "Researching and studying in POLAND". John Matuszak will tell us about his recent trip and adventures to his father's native land. You won't want to miss this.

WANTED - your old geneology books, magazines, phamplets, maps, etc. for the book sale table. While you are doing your spring cleaning, set these aside and bring to the May meeting.