



NewsLetter

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FLOWERS OF SPRING

Program 12 April

April will be Judy Juntunen talking about the resources of the museum of interest to the genealogist.

May is Daniel Fhrolich speaking on Germany research.

Beginners Class

You talk about a success!! Oh Boy!! We had 21 in the class and 10 new members joined from that group.

The only comments that I heard were very favorable. Your Editor would like to personally thank the teachers for the fine hard work they put into the presentations. We should have gotten our new Genealogists off on the right foot.

There are 10 people already wanting another class and 3 others have said they want to attend. Looks like we will have to have another class soon.
Ed

Thought for Today

The large print giveth and the small print taketh away.

Free Online Genealogy Classes

PAM LEE MIDDLETON

If you have someone you would like to help, or want to learn more yourself, or just plain want to have fun - my good friend Marthe Arends, will be instructing "Introduction to Online Genealogy" at the

Spectrum Virtual University
<http://www.vu.org>
<http://www.vu.org/campus.html>

This is a FREE online class, for 8 weeks beginning April 14th.

Text from the University page site:

325) Introduction to Online Genealogy

You don't have to be a sophisticated Internet user to find out about genealogy in the online world! This introductory class is the first in a two-part series that will explain how to use Internet tools such as e-mail, Telnet, FTP, and search engines to access Usenet newsgroups, online databases, web sites, and various other online resources of interest to genealogists and those who want to learn more about their family roots and history. Veteran genealogists who are new to the Internet will benefit by learning about the many genealogical resources available.

The instructor, Marthe Arends, is a prominent author and lecturer with 16 years experience in the field of genealogy. She is editor/publisher of "Online Pioneers," a popular computer genealogy newsletter.

Class Schedule

8 weeks, begins April 14, 1997

Prerequisites

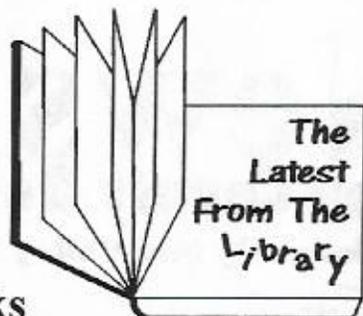
None

Work Load

3 hours per week

Instructors

Marthe Arends



Various Coming Events

Spring Garage Sale.

Saturday, May 3 we will have our annual garage sale at the home of Jean Grube, 2020 NW 23rd. We need donations and volunteers to help set up Friday afternoon or sell on Saturday. Donations can be taken to Jean's anytime, or call Damaris Reynolds at 753-1810 if you need transportation, or to volunteer your services.

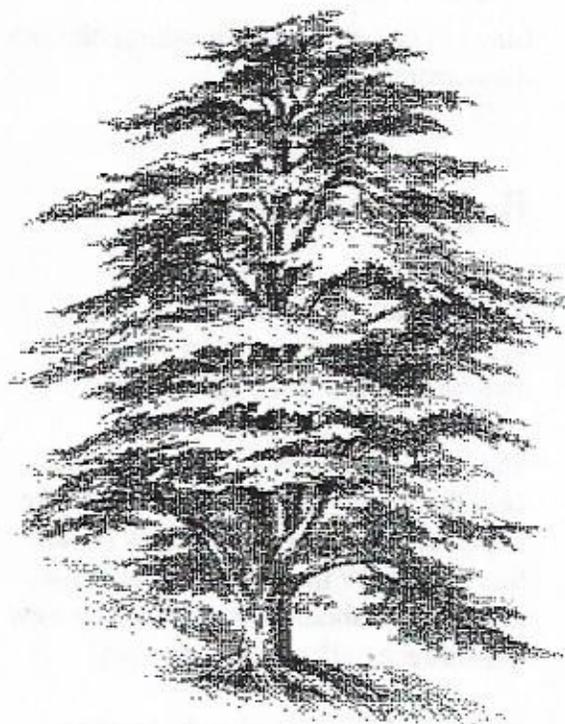
REMEMBER this is for book purchases

New BCGS Library Books

Atlas of the State of Ohio, 1868. Gift of John Chapman.
Thayer: 7 pages from History of Weymouth, MA. Gift of Jan Barton. VG
An Alphabetical Index to Ulster Emigration to Philadelphia, 1803-1850. Gift of Pat Coolican
Local Census Holdings, 1522-1930, British Isles. Gift of Damaris Reynolds VF/GrB

The following books came from the library of Edith Hughes, former Charter Member, sent by her daughter, Cynthia Hanhi:

Virginia/West Virginia Husbands and Wives. Vol 1
History of Augusta County, Virginia
Highland Papers, Vol II
History of the Lands and Their Owners in Galloway, 3 Vols
In Search of Hamish McBagpipes.
History of the Western Highlands and Isles of Scotland from AD. 1493 to AD. 1625.
Conquest of the Country Northwest of the River Ohio, 1778-1783. 2 Vols
The Genesis of the United States, 1605-1616. 2 Vols
French Colonists and Exiles in the United States
Searching for Your Ancestors, 6th ed., updated.
Unpuzzling Your Past; a Basic Guide to Genealogy
Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1727-1734, 1736-1740.
Valiant Virginian; Story of Presley Neville O'Bannon
Tartan for Me! Suggested Tartans for Scottish, Scotch-Irish, and North American Surnames.



Web Sites

Received a forwarded e-mail from Danell about Free Obituary Searches. and it gave an URL. When I tried it what I found was a whole lot more. It is called **Genealogy GATEWAY**. The next line says "Well Over 10,000 Genealogy & History Listings". I only scratched the surface of the 20 Gateways listed and had to stop due to time limitations (supper was ready). Please give it a try and then bookmark or set favorites on this URL.

<http://www.polaris.net/~legend/genalogy.htm> (spell it the way I wrote it)

Good Surfin' Ed

An actual will filed for probate in Anderson Co TX:

Will of Herman Obelweiss

I am writing of my will mineselluf that dam lawyer want he should have too much money, he asked to many answers about family. first thing i want i dont want my brother oscar have a dam ting what i got. he done me out of forty dollars fourteen years since.

I want it that hilda my sister she gets the north sixtie akers of at where i am homing it now. i bet she dont get that loafer husband of hers to broke twenty akers next plowing time. she cant have it if she lets oscar live on it i want it i should have it back if she does.

Tell mama that six hundred dollars she been looking for for twenty years is berried from the backhouse behind about ten feet down. she better let little frederick do the digging and count it when he comes up.

Pastor lucknitz can have three hundred dollars if he kiss the book he wont preach no more dumhead polotiks. he should have a roof put on the meetinghouse with (it) and the elders should the bills look at.

Momma the rest should get but i want it that adolph shud tell her what not she do so no more slick irishers sell her vokum cleaners dy noise like hell and a broom dont cost so much.

I want it that mine brother adolph should be my execter and i want it that the jedje make adolph plenty bond put up and watch him like hell. Adolph is a good business man but only a dumkoph would trust him with a busted pfenning. i want dam sure that schlemic oscar dont nothing get. tell adolph he can have a hundred dollars if he prove to jedje oscar dont get nothing. tham dam sure fix oscar.

/s/ Herman Obelweiss.

Monthly Sharing

Each month we have a table to bring books or other artifacts to share with the other members, from the area we are specializing in. The items are used for that one day only, you take them home that night. Following is the listing for the ten months that we have meetings. If you have books or items to share, please bring them as shown below.

If we do not have your area of interest, please contact a board member and lets see if we can update the listing to satisfy your needs.

Jan	PA, OH, England
Feb	OR, WA, ID, MT
Mar	VA, WV, Scandinavia
Apr	NC, SC, KY, TN, and Germany
May	IL, MI, WI, Ireland and Scotland
Jun	IN, IA, KS
Sep	NY, NJ, MD, DC
Oct	NH, VT, MA, ME
Nov	CT, RI, DE
Dec	Auction and Christmas Tea

Membership Information

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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.

Canadian Interest Group

The Canadian Interest Group is for those searching for their roots in Canada. This group meets the third Tuesday of each month, from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Albany Public Library. If you have a specific area of Canada you are interested in, please let me know so we can have books and printed materials there for you to look at. We have resources available for Manitoba, Ontario, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and some Quebec, plus Canada in general. Car pooling can be arranged.

Call Pat Rawlinson, 752-2243, for further info.

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. Mary Hamlin 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.

More Member Info

Our meetings are held on the second Saturday of September through June, in the Fireside Room of the College United Methodist Church, on the east side of the parking lot, in the 1100 block of Philomath. Business meeting is at 10:00 a.m. with the program at 11:00 a.m.

Our Library, in the museum annex, is open to members and visitors on meeting days from 12:00 noon, or when program is over until 3:00 p.m.. If we can keep enough volunteer librarians, it will be open every Tuesday afternoon from 12:30 until 3:00 p.m.

Members in good standing may check out and return books any time the library is open.

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