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## WVGS ACTIVITIES - SALEM

December 11th, Thursday-11:30 am to 1:00 pm  
WVGS Executive Committee meeting.  
Room 308 at Oregon State Library.

### December 13th, Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society will meet in the Oregon State Library Building, 250 Winter St., NE. Metered, on-street parking in the vicinity is *free* on Saturdays (and the underground Capitol Mall Parking Structure is closed). **Visitors are welcome at all events. Use the Winter St. entrance—the mall entrance is locked on Saturdays.** Since the Governor and his staff have moved to the 2nd floor of the Oregon State Library (due to the fire in the Governor's Ceremonial Room), the OSL now will have heat on Saturdays! **Note—Name tags must be worn for security reasons. WVGS provides them for members and visitors on our meeting day. Please stop for yours in Room 103.**

#### Schedule of Events

10:00 am—12 noon **General Membership Meeting and Program:** Conference Room 103 (1st floor, opposite the elevator).

A brief business meeting and installation of WVGS Officers for 2009 will be held first.

"Saturday, December 13th, is our annual WVGS Christmas Potluck and Auction. We welcome all of our members to join us for a fun time. This event will run from 10:00 am to about 12:00 pm. in Room 103, at OSL. Feel free to bring a guest. And, of course our OSL staff are very welcome to join us as well.

As you may know the Auction portion is a fund

raiser for WVGS so please bring small items with a Christmas theme, such as a tin of baked goods, handcrafted items, or genealogy related things or anything you can think of that will easily sell.

For the Potluck we need a little coordination so if your last name begins with A-M please bring a hot dish. However, for our guests whose names begin with N-Z would you please bring a dessert. **Everyone needs to bring your own place setting. We will have coffee and water. We hope to see you there!"**

**Bob Baldwin, 1st Vice-President**

### 1:00 pm—Beginners' Class

There will not be a Beginner's Class in December. The Beginner's Classes conducted by **Joan Kaiser** will resume in January.

### 2009 Dues

It is time to pay your dues for 2009. We continue to have excellent programs, arranged by Bob Baldwin and Ruby Pantalone, provide volunteers for OSL, exchange publications with 47 other societies, and donate many books to the Library. Membership dues of \$20 or \$25 for a family is well worth the money and we need to continue with our genealogy services. Please fill out the form on page 9 and mail it in with your check or bring it to the meeting on December 13th!

*The Oregon State Library Genealogy/Reference Room (north end of 2nd floor hall) will be open to the public on Saturday December 13th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for genealogical research. Use the Winter St. entrance.*



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**Oregon State Library**

Call the **Genealogy Volunteer** at the Reference Desk by dialing the Volunteer phone number. Also patrons can leave a message at that number and the next volunteer will call back. The greeting will also be updated monthly with information about the upcoming meetings and programs. **The number is (503) 378-5708.**

**This newsletter is now available on the internet through our website at OSL in pdf format.** In addition you can look at earlier issues as well as the current one. **Remember you can find WVGS at <http://oregon.gov/osl>**, then clicking on Genealogy on the right side of the screen. Also a research request form is there, as well as information on our DNA Project and a list and order form for all our publications.

**Ancestry.com** and **World Vital Records** are available at the Library. **Ancestry.com** is available on all computers in the library, with 2 computers reserved specifically for genealogical research.

**Upcoming Programs**

- January 10th, 2009: "Native American Research", by David Lewis, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde**
- February 21st: Harold Slavik, "Grave's Registration Program for Civil War Veterans"**
- March 14th: Harold Slavik, "Civil War Encampments In the Northwest"**

***If you plan on going to the State Library, State Archives, or City Library during the week, be sure you have lots of quarters for parking. Parking is metered at all the places and the staff does not make change. Be prepared! On street parking in the Capitol area is free on Saturdays.***

**NORPAC Label Redemption Program**

This program is just to cut out the UPC code on FLAV-R-PAC, Santiam, and WESTPAC products and turn them in to WVGS. We then (as a nonprofit organization) mail them in once a year and receive 5 cents per label. **Labels can be turned in at any Saturday WVGS meeting throughout the year.**

**Saturday Volunteers**

**Our agreement with Oregon State Library states that WVGS will provide Genealogy Volunteers whenever the library is open. This includes the Saturday that the Library is open for our meeting and to the public. It is important that our members help out or the library cannot be open. The following members have signed up to volunteer:**

**10 am—1 pm                      1 pm—4 pm**

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| <b>Dec. 13th</b> | <b>Noeline Briski</b>   | <b>Glen Abernathy</b> |
| <b>Jan. 10th</b> | <b>Darlene Griffith</b> | <b>Jim Willhite</b>   |
| <b>Feb. 21st</b> |                         | <b>Liz Tice</b>       |

**Meeting Dates for 2009**

The meeting dates for 2009 have been set by WVGS and the Oregon State Library as follows:

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|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>January 10th</b>  | <b>May 9th</b>    | <b>September 12th</b> |
| <b>February 21st</b> | <b>June 13th</b>  | <b>October 10th</b>   |
| <b>March 14th</b>    | <b>July 11th</b>  | <b>November 14th</b>  |
| <b>April 11th</b>    | <b>August 8th</b> | <b>December 12th</b>  |

**WVGS Constitution and Standing Rules Review**

It is time to review WVGS's Constitution and Standing Rules. The Board will be reviewing and then publish recommendations in the newsletter. If you would like input or to get a copy of the documents, contact **President George Cropsey**.

**WVGS Officers for 2008**

- President: *George Cropsey***
- 1st Vice-President (Program): *Ruby Pantalone and Bob Baldwin***
- 2nd Vice-President (Membership): *Elizabeth Tice***
- Recording Secretary: *Marilyn O'Neill***
- Corresponding Secretary: *Linda Doran***
- Treasurer: *Joan Kaiser***

**Appointed Positions**

- Newsletter Editor: *Elizabeth Tice***
- Beaver Brief Editor: *Sue Bell***
- Librarian: *Jim Willhite, assisted by Susan Niggli***
- Periodical Librarian: *Karen Farmer***
- Volunteer Coordinator: *Susan Niggli***
- Beginners Class: *Joan Kaiser***
- Publicity Coordinator: *George Cropsey***



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**Willamette Valley Genealogical Society's DNA Project**

WVGS has started a DNA Project for both men and women. To join under WVGS...

1. Go to the State Library URL at: <http://oregon.gov/OSL/GRES/genealogy.shtml>
2. Click on Genealogy Research on the left.
3. Click on WVGS DNA Project
4. Click on the Family Tree DNA icon in the middle of the page.
5. Scroll to the bottom of the next page and complete the form
6. Click CONTINUE to complete the next screen
7. Be sure to click only once when you are done so you order just one test.

You will receive a confirmation in your email box that your order was taken. Remember: Only men can order the Y-DNA test, but both men and women can order the mtDNA. It is cheaper to order the Y-DNA 37 marker test as it will tell you that you have a common ancestor within genealogical time for persons you match. Lesser tests (12 markers) provide information on older ancestors prior to 600 years ago. However, you may wish to start small and upgrade. For the mtDNA order both the HVR1 and HVR2 panels (mtDNA plus) as this will give you the best information on your ethnic origins. Again, you can start small and upgrade, if needed.

**Questions?...**

More information on Genetic Genealogy can be found at the following website by linking to its various pages (Click LEARN on the right side of the page):

**[www.familytreedna.com](http://www.familytreedna.com) If any of you have questions regarding DNA and which tests to order, please email Emily Aulicino at: [aulicino@hevanet.com](mailto:aulicino@hevanet.com)**

**The DNA Project is open to anyone, not just WVGS members. You are not charged until you send in your test kit. You can do the DNA testing through WVGS and submit it to other groups.**

**WVGS Volunteers**

Our agreement with the Oregon State Library relies on volunteers to allow WVGS to use the building. Each month this year there will be an article featuring one of the volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, contact **Susie Niggli**, the Volunteer Coordinator.

**John Heffley**

**John Heffley** is one of the volunteers on Friday mornings. He has been a volunteer for about 5 years, starting because he wanted to learn how to use the library and work on his own family genealogy. He has been doing genealogy for about 15 years. Ancestors on his mother's side came on a wagon train to California and then on to Portland. He also has an ancestor immigrating from Germany in the 1860's, who was a landscaper in Portland and then homesteaded in Dufur. There's also a mysterious story about a connection to Kaiser Wilhelm! The Heffley's came to Independence about 1900 from Indiana. His grandfather had a farm on Market Street. The family immigrated from Germany in 1712 to Pennsylvania, then Indiana, Ohio, and kept moving west.

**John** has not made any genealogy trips but has been able to do his research from here, making connections with family in Indiana. The OSL was a big asset with invaluable resources. He is still learning what we have and by chance found a connection to Maryland in the records we have here.

**John** and his wife also volunteer at the Polk County Museum in Rickreall. John is a good resource on local history and resources. He learned there was a private cemetery on the family land, for early settlers in the Collins and Chamberlain families, and the cemetery is in the process of being restore. John has done DNA testing but is unsure of what those results mean!

**Budget Cuts at OSL**

Due to the need to reduce their budget for 2009, **the Oregon State Library will not renew the subscription to ancestry.com** which is available to the public on all computers in the Reference Room. The subscription will end in June 2009 and currently costs about \$3,900 per year. WVGS is unable to fund this valuable resource. It is a popular and necessary aid in genealogical researching. If you have any suggestions for how to retain ancestry.com at the OSL, please contact WVGS President George Cropsey or any other WVGS officer. A suggestion has been made to apply for a grant. If you have any skills in grant writing and would like to work on this, **please let George know.**



## WVGS DNA Project News

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Greetings Everyone!

I'm pleased to announce that Family Tree DNA has just sent an email posting their annual Holiday gift to all of us. They have reduced their prices until December 31.

Please share this information with anyone you know interested in testing. Perhaps you want to get a holiday gift for someone you wish to test. Perhaps you wish to keep a kit on hand for visiting your family. You can order the test now and return it when you find a tester, also.

**Email me if you have questions before you order your test. My email: [aulicino@hevanet.com](mailto:aulicino@hevanet.com)**

Family Tree DNA wrote:

Dear Family Tree DNA Group Administrator,

In keeping with our end-of-the-year tradition, effective November 26th, 2008 we'll institute special pricing at Family Tree DNA for your new-kit-purchasing participants.

The products that will be offered at the special prices are:

Y-DNA37 \$119  
 Y-DNA37+mtDNAPlus \$199  
 Y-DNA67 \$218  
 Y-DNA67+mtDNAPlus \$308  
 mtDNAPlus \$139  
 Full Genomic mtDNA \$395  
 SuperDNA \$613

Best wishes,  
 Emily  
 Admin

### November Program

**Ruby Pantalone** presented a program on how she found the English ancestry of her mother-in-law. Ruby started with her mother-in-law's aunt, a half sister who was a nun here in the United States, from which she found the real name of the aunt, parents and where she was born. She then used the site FreeBMD (<http://freebmd.rootsweb.com/>). FreeBMD is an ongoing project, the aim of which is to transcribe the Civil Registration index of births, marriages and deaths for England and Wales, and to provide free Internet access to the transcribed records. It is a part of the FreeUKGEN family. After searching and finding her husband's ancestors she was able to get birth and marriage records for several generations in England. It did require getting up at 3 am to place a call to England!

You do need a place and date to get started in English research. The recording of births, marriages and deaths was started in 1837 and is one of the most significant resources for genealogical research. The transcribing of the records is carried out by teams of dedicated volunteers and contains index information for the period 1837-1983.

Thank you Ruby for an excellent and informative program!

**All hand-outs from WVGS Programs are in a notebook at the Reference Desk on the 2nd Floor.**

### Genealogical Forum of Oregon

The GFO in Portland has over 30,000 books including all states and many countries, Native American, a CD collection includes PERSI, SAR, NEHGS, Federal Pension 1883 and more. They also have new computers, all with Ancestry Library Edition.

The GFO is located at 1505 SE Gideon St, Portland, Oregon, 97202. Phone: 503-963-1932. Website: [www.gfo.org](http://www.gfo.org). The Genealogical Forum of Oregon invites you to research in our library for FREE the **first Monday** of each month, otherwise non-members pay a \$5 visitor fee.

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**WVGS LIBRARY REPORT FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER**

By Jim Willhite

**LIFE MEMBER PASSES AWAY**

Life member **Jim Eddy** passed away on November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Jim and his wife Frances were very active in WVGS for many years and held many leadership positions until a stroke left him disabled. He will be missed. Our deepest sympathies to his widow Frances. A collection will be taken at the December meeting to purchase some books in his name.

**GENEALOGY PERIODICALS**

WVGS each month is bringing a few issues of OSL's Genealogical and Historical Periodicals from the stacks for your review. OSL has a complete list by State. If you find something of interest, check to see if the Library has additional issues. We started with the "A's". The following will be on the shelves just inside the door in the Microfilm Room until after the December meeting:

**Genealogy Periodicals List  
December 2008**

- Quarterly / Jacksonville Area Genealogical and Historical Society (Jacksonville, IL), v.23 n.1 – v.30 n.1 (1995 – 2002)
- Quarterly / Olympia Genealogical Society (Olympia, WA), v.12 n.1 – v.34 n.3 (1986 – 2008)
- Randolph County Genealogical Society (Chester, IL), various issues (1997 – 2004)
- Ray County Mirror / Ray County Historical Society (Richmond, MO), v.17 n.4 – v.18 n.3 (1990 – 1991)
- Ray County Reflections / Ray County Historical Society (Richmond, MO), various issues (1992 – 1999)
- Red River Valley Genealogical Society Quarterly Newsletter (Fargo, ND), various issues 1986 – 2006)
- Redwood Researcher (Fortuna, CA), v.5 n.1 – v.7 n.4 (1972 – 1975)
- Reflections – Claiborne County Historical Society (Tazewell, TN), v.13 n.1 – v.16 n.3 (1995 – 1998)

- The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society (Frankfort, KY), v.47 n.1 – v.84 n.2 (1949 – 1986)
- The Report / The Ohio Genealogical Society (Mansfield, OH), v.10 n.1 – v.42 n.3 (1970 – 2002)

**NEW PERIODICALS RECEIVED THIS MONTH AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING AT OSL**

By Karen Farmer

**Periodicals Received November 2008**

- CA (Santa Clara), "Connections", Santa Clara County Historical & Genealogical Society, V 45 No 2 (Whole No 133) w/Index for 2007
- CT, "The Connecticut Nutmegger", Connecticut Society of Genealogists, V 41 No 2, Sep 08
- CT, "Connecticut Genealogy News", Connecticut Society of Genealogists, V 1 No 3, Fall 08
- IL, "Chicago Genealogist", Chicago Genealogical Society, V 41 No 1, Fall 08
- IL, "Newsletter", Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois, V 36 No 10, Nov 08
- IL, "Rodziny", Polish Genealogical Society of America, Fall 08
- IL (Effingham), "Crossroad Trails", Effingham County Genealogical & Historical Society, V 29 No 3
- IL (McLean), "Gleanings", McLean County Genealogical Society, V 42 No 2, Fall 08
- IL (Montgomery), "Quarterly" Montgomery County (IL) Genealogical Society, V 30 Nos 3 & 4,
- IN "Belgian Laces", The Belgian Researchers, V 30 No 118, Oct 08
- IN (DeKalb), "Cornsilk", DeKalb County Historical-Genealogical Society, V 27 No 3, Fall 08
- KY, "Kentucky Explorer", V 23 No 6, Nov 08
- MD, "Chesapeake Cousins", Upper Shore Genealogical Society of Maryland, V 35 No 1, Fall-Winter 08
- MA, "New England Ancestors", New England Historic Genealogical Society, V 9 No 4, Fall 08
- MI (Calhoun), "Generations", Calhoun County Genealogical Society, V 21 No 1, Sep-Oct 08



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- NY, "Record", New York Genealogical & Biographical Society, V 139 No 4, Oct 08
- NC, "Journal", North Carolina Genealogical Society, V 34 No 4, Nov 08
- OH, "Ohio; The Cross Road of our Nation; Records & Pioneer Families", Ohio Genealogical Society, V 49 No 1, Jan-Mar 2008
- OH, "Ohio; The Cross Road of our Nation; Records & Pioneer Families", Ohio Genealogical Society, V 49 No 2, 2008
- OK, "Quarterly", Oklahoma Genealogical Society, V 53 No 3, 2008
- OK (Bryan), "Quarterly", Bryan County Genealogy Library & Archives, Nov 08
- OR (Benton), "NewsLetter", Benton County Genealogical Society, V 23 No 9, Nov 08
- OR (Deschutes), "The Homesteader", Deschutes County Historical Society, V 34 No 11, Nov-Dec 08
- OR (Jackson), "The Rogue Digger", Rogue Valley Genealogical Society, V 43 No 3, Dec 08
- OR (Josephine), "Genealogy Journal", Grants Pass Genealogical Society, V 6 No 10, Nov 08
- OR (Lane), "Newsletter", Oregon Genealogical Society, Issue 163, Nov-Dec 08
- OR (Lane), "Oakridge Museum", Upper Willamette Pioneer Assn, Nov 08
- OR (Lane), "Quarterly", Oregon Genealogical Society, V 45 No 4, Fall 08
- OR (Linn), "The Heritage Newsletter", Linn Genealogical Society, V 22 P 89, Nov 08
- OR (Multnomah), "The Forum Insider", Genealogical Forum of Oregon, V 20 No 4, Nov 08
- OR (Tillamook), "Newsletter", Tillamook County Historical Society, V 23 No 4, Nov 08
- PA, "Legacies", Historical Society of Pennsylvania, V 8 No 2, Nov 08
- PA, "The Pennsylvania Magazine of History & Biography", Historical Society of Pennsylvania, V 132 No 4, Oct 08
- PA (Crawford), "Crawford County History", Crawford County Historical Society, V 26 No 3, Autumn 08
- TN, "Journal", Smoky Mountain Historical Society, V 34 No 1 & 2, Spr-Sum 08



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- TN (Blount), "The Blount Journal", Blount County Genealogical & Historical Society, Fall 08
- TX, "Forum", Federation of Genealogical Societies, V 20 No 3, Fall 08
- TX, "FGS Delegate Digest", Federation of Genealogical Societies, V 15 No 10, Oct 08
- UT, "Everton's Genealogical Helper", V 62 No 6, Nov-Dec 08
- WA, "Quarterly", Olympia Genealogical Society, V 34 No 4, Oct 08
- WA (Pierce), "TPCGS Newsletter", Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society, V 3 No 1, Oct 08
- WA, "Bulletin", Seattle Genealogical Society, V 57 No 2, Spring 08
- WA, "The Beacon", Sno-Isle Genealogical Society, Nov 08
- WA, "The Stillaguamish Star", Stillaguamish Valley Genealogical Society, V 21 No 5, Sep-Oct 08
- WA (Benton, Franklin), "Bulletin", Tri-City Genealogical Society, V 48 No 3, Nov 08
- WI, "Newsletter", Wisconsin State Genealogical Society, V 54 No 5, Jul 08
- "Ancestry", V 26 No 2, Mar-Apr 08
- "Ancestry", V 26 No 3, May-Jun 08
- "Ancestry", V 26 No 4, Jul-Aug 08
- "Everton's Genealogical Helper", V 62 No 4, Jul-Aug 08
- "The Highlander", V 46 No 6, Nov-Dec 08

#### PURCHASES AND DONATIONS

The following purchases and donated material to OSL may not be immediately available. The books and microfilm have to be cataloged and put into the OSL system and the CD's installed on the hard drive before they are available for use. Books, Tapes, & Videos from the WVGS collection will be available for check out at the next meeting.

#### BOOKS DONATED by Thomas Branigar TO THE OREGON STATE LIBRARY

- A Swedish City Directory of Boston (MA) 1881.





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Genealogy Research Sites for the US

- Princetonians 1784-1790, (NJ)
- Princetonians 1791-1794, (NJ)
- Lawmaking and Legislators in Pennsylvania, 1682-1709
- Biographical Directory of the South Carolina House of Representatives, 1692-1775
- Biographical Directory of the South Carolina House of Representatives, 1775-1790
- Department of History Collections, Volume 31 (South Dakota Historical Society 1962)
- Department of History Collections, Volume 34 (South Dakota Historical Society 1968)
- Historical Southern Families, Volume 1, & Volume 6
- Amish & Amish Mennonite Genealogies
- Preliminary Survey of the German Collection
- Descriptive Inventory of the English Collection
- The Barent Jacobsen Cool Family
- Kruger, Jonathan Watson of Dover, New Hampshire - 2 volumes
- Genealogy of the Herbert Hoover Family
- Kauffman, The Kauffman-Coffman Lineages
- Isaac Willey of New London, Conn., and His Descendants

**BOOKS DONATED by Thomas Branigar TO OTHER SOCIETY**

- Burke's Peerage (102<sup>nd</sup> Edition)
- Ancestral Roots of Sixty Colonists (Genealogical Publishing Company, 5th Edition, 1982)

**SUGGESTED PURCHASES - DONATIONS WANTED**

Donors pay half and, WVGS's book fund pays the remaining half. Donations are tax deductible in accordance with section 501(c)(3) of the US Tax Code. The books go into our collection for use of our members, with donor's getting first use. When the books are no longer being checked out they are donated to the Oregon State Library for use of the public.

**BOOKS** – Suggestions Please  
**CD's** - Suggestions Please

**Tennessee Death Records Are Available Online**

Many of the death records for the state of Tennessee are available online. Registrations of births and deaths began in 1908 in Tennessee. The Tennessee State Archives and Library web site has created an index that covers nearly 98,000 deaths occurring in Tennessee and recorded between 1908 and 1912. Although deaths were not registered as carefully and regularly as they were beginning in 1914, the index includes all extant records.

The index includes the name of the deceased, county, year of death and certificate number. This information can be used to order a copy of the death certificate from the Tennessee State Library and Archives. Death records in this time period do not give parents' names. They do include the individual's age, occupation, place of birth and cause of death.

**The Tennessee death records for 1908-1912 are at <http://www.tennessee.gov/tsla/history/vital/death2.htm>.**

Death records for 1913 were not recorded in Tennessee.

**Tennessee deaths from 1914 to 1926 are available at the state government's web site at <http://www.tennessee.gov/tsla/history/vital/tndeath.htm>.** The index lists name of deceased, county of death, and volume and page number of the certificate. When ordering a death record from this index, please include this information. This information should be used when ordering the full death record.

Finally, the Memphis Public Library History and Genealogy Index Web site at [http://tempo.memphislibrary.org/dadabik/program\\_files/sform.php](http://tempo.memphislibrary.org/dadabik/program_files/sform.php) contains the **Memphis/Shelby County Death Index (1848-1945)**. This index to identifiable deaths recorded within Memphis and Shelby County was created from the Memphis Death Register Books beginning in 1848; Memphis Burial Permits, 1902-1913; and Memphis/Shelby County Death Certificate Card Index, 1914-1945. Entries include the name, date of death, age, gender, and race of the deceased, as well the source record. This index also includes people who died in Memphis but were buried elsewhere and those whose bodies were brought back from another location for burial. In addition, there is a list of licenses granted to ship bodies through Memphis.

This same database also contains the Yellow Fever Deaths Index (1878), listing all identified Memphians who died in the 1878 Yellow Fever Epidemic. Entries include the death date, full name, race and address.

Forwarded by Jim Willhite from Eastman

## World Wide Genealogy Research

**New Immigrants to Canada Database**

Library and Archives Canada (LAC) is pleased to announce the launch of an online database, **Immigrants to Canada**. The database contains Canadian immigration records held at LAC, many of which relate to immigrants from the British Isles arriving in Quebec and Ontario; also included are references to settlers in other provinces. Through this new database, researchers can access references to lists of immigrants and other types of records created before 1865, such as declarations of aliens and names of some Irish orphans.

You are invited to visit the database at [www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/immigrants-canada/index-e.html](http://www.collectionscanada.gc.ca/databases/immigrants-canada/index-e.html).  
from NEHGS

**Upper-Canada Missing Friends**

Names of missing relatives in North America 1850-1900. Missing Friends Project on **OliveTreeGenealogy.com** is extracting the names of those who emigrated from the UK to America or Canada and were inquired about by family in various nineteenth century newspapers.

from Sno-Isle GS

**Olive Tree Genealogy**

Olive Tree Genealogy also has Ships Passenger Lists: <http://olivetreegenealogy.com/>  
Naturalization Records: <http://naturalizationsrecords.com/>  
Upper Canada Genealogy & Resources: <http://olivetreegenealogy.com/can/ont/>  
from Sno-Isle GS

**Worldnames**

A group at University College London has launched the Worldnames Surname Profiler on their PublicProfiler.org website. The site plots 8 million names, using data that comes from electoral rolls and telephone directories around the world. Covering 300 million people in 26 countries, users can see where certain surnames originated, and where they have migrated to. [www.publicprofiler.org/worldnames](http://www.publicprofiler.org/worldnames)

from NEHGS

## World Wide Genealogy Research

**German Research**

The November/December issue of **Everton's Genealogical Helper** has a comprehensive article on German research. A few of the websites are listed below but the article also covers what's available (no national censuses were taken), church records and civil registrations not available on-line.

A Family Search Research Outline for Germany is available at [www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/RG/guide/Germany.ASP](http://www.familysearch.org/Eng/Search/RG/guide/Germany.ASP)

Finding the name of an immigrant's place of birth is essential in order to find and obtain any civil or parish records. Some sites with maps and gazetteers are:

The Memorial Library at the University of Wisconsin has a detail map that even shows locations of churches: [www.library.wisc.edu/etest/ravenstein/home.html](http://www.library.wisc.edu/etest/ravenstein/home.html)

The Institute of European History—Mainz has numerous historical maps dating from 1500 to the present at <http://www.ieg-maps.uni-mainz.de/map1.htm>

**Ancestry.com** has some databases for Germany such as four censuses for Mecklenburg-Schwerin for 1819, 1867, 1890 and 1900 (in German). Also Hamburg Passenger Lists, 1850-1934, Bremen Ships Crew Lists, 1815-1917 and Baden Emigration Index 1866-1911 (no images). There are 66 family and history books that have been scanned.

Language—important words to recognize in German:

**Geburten—Births    Verbindungen—Marriages  
Tod & Todesfälle—Death & Deaths  
Scheidung—Divorce**

**Family Search Labs** (<http://pilot.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html>) which is Family Search's Pilot free site has some German records available:

**German Baptisms 1700-1900 (No images)  
German Marriages 1700-1900 (No images)  
Germany, Brandenburg, Church Book Duplicates,  
1800-1874  
Germany, Posen, Church Book Duplicates,  
1800-1874**

The complete article on German Research is available at the OSL as is ancestry.com. Periodicals are in the Microfilm Room. **This is an excellent resource for German Research!**



**Nominations for WVGS Officers for 2009**

All the current officers have agreed to run for office again for 2009. Installation of the WVGS officers for 2009 will take place at the December meeting.

Officers elected at the November general membership meeting are:

- President: *George Cropsey*  
 1st Vice-President (Program): *Ruby Pantalone and Bob Baldwin*  
 2nd Vice-President (Membership): *Elizabeth Tice*  
 Recording Secretary: *Marilyn O’Neill*  
 Corresponding Secretary: *Linda Doran*  
 Treasurer: *Joan Kaiser*

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

By Elizabeth Tice

For 2008, we have 16 Life Members, 86 Single Memberships, 11 Family Memberships (22 Individuals) and 4 Genealogical Societies for a total of 128 Members.

Newsletters

WVGS currently exchanges periodicals with 47 societies. We also mail to 10 libraries. In addition we mailed 30 complimentary copies this month. Visitors who sign-in receive complimentary copies for 3 months.

**Don’t forget to pay your dues for 2009!  
 Mail in the form below.**

ANNUAL DUES for the calendar year 2009 are \$20 for a single membership, \$25 to include spouse/family. LIFE MEMBERSHIP fees are \$250 for those under 70 years of age, \$200 for those 70 or over. Membership brings you the quarterly *BEAVER BRIEFS* and the monthly *NEWSLETTER*, and for Willamette Valley residents, the opportunity to check out books from the Society library. Send your check and the form below to WVGS, P. O. Box 2083, Salem, OR 97308-2083, enclosing an SASE if you would like your membership card and receipt mailed to you. **Please notify us of address changes or corrections—the Post Office will not forward *BEAVER BRIEFS* or *NEWSLETTERS*.** Members’ address labels show dues expiration date following **EXP**. Dues received after labels are printed will be reflected in the following months’ labels.

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP			FAMILY MEMBERSHIP		
Pro-Rated Amounts	Join Jan-Mar: \$20	Join Jul-Sept: \$10	Pro-Rated Amounts	Join Jan-Mar: \$25	Join Jul-Sept: \$12.50
For new members:	Join Apr-Jun: \$15	Join Oct-Dec: \$5	For New Members	Join Apr-Jun: \$18.75	Join Oct-Dec: \$6.25

✂ WVGS MEMBERSHIP FORM Please  if this is a NEW or RENEWAL membership

NAME		Maiden Name
MAILING ADDRESS		SPOUSE’S NAME
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COUNTIES OF INTEREST—INCLUDING STATE ABBR.		

OPTIONAL—ELECTRONIC MAIL ADDRESS

May WVGS include the following in our published membership rosters (please check each item):

YOUR MAILING ADDRESS YES NO

YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER YES NO

YOUR ELECTRONIC MAIL ADDRESS YES NO

Amount enclosed—

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ for Annual Dues (\$20 individual or \$25 family membership)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ payment to be applied toward Life Membership  Under Age 70  Age 70 or Over

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ other (please identify) \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL ENCLOSED

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NAME - ADDRESS - PHONE	SUN.	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
Woodburn LDS Family History Center 1000 Country Club Rd. [back—ring bell] Woodburn, OR 97071 / 503-981-4731	CLOSED		9 am - 1 pm	CLOSED	By appointment only	CLOSED	12 pm-4 pm (CLOSED 3RD Sat)
Salem East LDS Family History Center 862 – 45th Ave., NE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-371-0453	CLOSED		9 am - 4 pm	2 pm - 9 pm	CLOSED	9 am - 2 pm	9 am -1 pm (CLOSED 1st Sat)
Salem LDS Family History Center 4550 Lone Oak Rd., SE Salem, OR 97302 / 503-378-0383 ext. 7	4 pm—7 pm	CLOSED	9 am-9 pm	6 pm- 9 pm Closed last Wednesday	9 am-9 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED
Monmouth LDS Family History Center 783 W. Church St. Monmouth, OR 97361 / 503-838-2964	5 pm-8 pm	12 pm-4 pm	6 pm-9 pm	6 pm - 9 pm	11 am - 3 pm	9 am—1 pm	CLOSED
Oregon State Library 250 Winter St., NE Salem, OR 97301-3950 / 503-378-5013	CLOSED	Genealogy/Reference Room, 2nd Floor 10 am-5 pm (Closed State Holidays)					December 13th ONLY 10 am-4 pm
Oregon State Archives 800 Summer St., NE Salem, OR 97310 / 503-373-0701	CLOSED	8 am -12 am and 1 pm—4:45 pm (Closed State Holidays)					CLOSED
Salem City Library 585 Liberty St., SE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-588-6315	Open 1-5 pm Sept—May	CLOSED	10 am-9 pm (Closed City Holidays)			10 am-6 pm	

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