



NewsLetter

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HAPPY MOTHERS DAY

Program 9 May

The May program will be Clovis Davis speaking on and demonstrating "19th Century Photography". He calls it 'wet-plate photography'.

The June program will be the annual June Pot-luck.



Garage Sale

Our garage sale will be May 16, at the Grubes', 2020 NW 23rd St. Corvallis. The sale will be from 8:30 till 3:00 in the afternoon. Bring your garage sale things to Damaris Reynolds or Jean Grube. If you can't get there bring them to the library. Be sure to get them there with plenty of time so they can be taken to the garage sale.

The proceeds from the garage sale will go to aid the Benton County Historical Society and Museum's building fund. The new building will include a larger library and meeting room for us. We appreciate what they have done for us thus far, so this is our way of trying to help fund the new storage building.



Some people Ooo
 come into our lives ()
 and quickly go.) /
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oooO
 () Some people
 \ (become friends
 \) and stay a while..

leaving beautiful Ooo
 footprints on our ()
 hearts..) /
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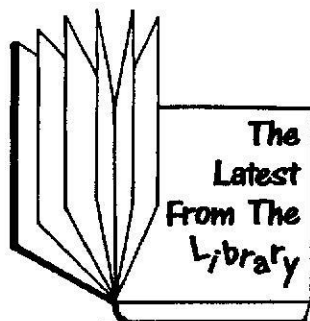
oooO
 () and we are
 \ (~never~
 \) quite the same
 because we have
 made a good friend!

Quotes from Phinney

Mark Phinney was the Benton County WPA historian. These are quotes pulled from his papers.

This has been a good world and I have enjoyed it. I have never prospered greatly and much of my life I worked for wages. I have tried to do no harm and to do what good I could.

New BCGS Library Books



The Spencers of the Great Migration, by Spencers. Gift of the authors
A Few More Descendants of Lewis Jones, 1603-1684, by Harrison*
Oregon Geographic Names, by McArthur, 6th ed.
The Winthrop Fleet of 1630, by Banks*
Revolutionary Census of New Jersey, by Strycker-Rodda*
Marriage and Death Notices from Seneca County, New York Newspapers,
1817-1885, by Jacksons*
The Harry King Family of Broome County, NY, by King. Gift of the author
1790 census - Massachusetts*
NEHGS Circulating Library Catalog (2 vols)*
Microfiche - Indiana Marriages Early to 1825 (3)*
Microfiche - Iowa Marriages Early to 1850 (2)*

*Gifts of Damaris Reynolds

Congratulations

There was an article in last weeks GT about Jon Carnahan, president of LBCC presenting awards to various people. Our Virginia Hoeye received a gift in honor of her many years of service as a tutor trainer from the Benton Literacy Council. Congratulations Virginia.



Web Pages

You have all seen the advertisements for the Consumer Information Catalog on TV. This is the catalog that is filled with all kinds of weird and wonderful pamphlets on everything imaginable. Here is the Web version of that catalog. In one of the sub-directories there is the Sources of Assistance section and that has the addresses of all the vital statistics addresses and current (at the time of update of the catalog) prices of the birth, death, etc documents.

Consumer Information Catalog <http://www.pueblo.gsa.gov/>

This will take you to the main catalog. Then go to;

Miscellaneous/Sources of Assistance <http://www.pueblo.gsa.gov/misc.htm>

At the bottom of Sources of Assistance is the birth death listing. It is quite long, and if you want to download it you should have Adobe Acrobat Reader. It is free on the web. Keep surfin'.

Cover Up

"A professional family tree climber was once engaged to write up the family tree of a certain honorable gentleman of means. So he proceeded to do so. When the rough draft was finished, the professional invited the honorable gent to read it over. Well, it seems there was a certain great uncle who had been something of a loose liver, had gotten into trouble, and was sent to Sing Sing where he was executed in the electric chair. The honorable gent said to the professional, "Look, we can't have this appearing in the finished manuscript. I want you to delete it from the record." "Oh," replied the professional, "but you see, we professionals have ethics. I can't just delete it, it's a part of the record. I will see what I can do to camouflage it." So in due time the honorable gent was invited to read the revised draft. The part pertaining to this great uncle read as follows: "He held the chair of electricity in one of the nations's foremost institutions, and was so attached to his position that he died in the harness."

This came to your editor from our Program chairman. It was from an e-mail he received from a Ralph Bastian. Thanks to all for this.



Colonial Relationships

The title "Sr.", "Jr.", the "III", etc., do not necessarily have the same meaning in colonial records as those used today. Often a "Jr." may have been a nephew, or a "Sr." an Uncle. Many times the "Sr." and "Jr." were not even related. Also when a "Sr." died, the "Jr." of the community became "Sr.", and if there was a "III", he became "Jr."

Another relationship confusion is that of "father-in-law", "son-in-law", etc. In colonial times a wife's father and mother became considered and referred to as father and mother of the husband as well as visa versa. Consequently, references to a father or mother may be either the husband's or the wife's. A "father-in-law" referred to the second husband of a spouse's mother. A "son-in-law" was the wife's son by a former marriage. Though there is no exact time when the nomenclature changed, careful research should help distinguish what the proper relationship should be.

Source - Northeast Washington Gen. Soc., Coville WA some time back.

New Members

Each month the new members will be listed here
If we have no new members during the month, that will be noted also.

Dennis & Peggy Haney Corvallis
Dona Heyden Corvallis
Joni King Albany
Carol Palmer Corvallis
Dianne Rowe Philomath
Garry Steffy Albany
Marsha Swanson Corvallis
Mildred Harris Corvallis returned to us.

Membership Information

President	Gene Kelsey	753-8410
1st Vice Pres	Ken Bielman	758-3769
2nd Vice Pres	Charlene Talbot	929-6079
	David Kribs	929-6079
Secretary	Jim Russell	752-4042
Treasurer	Gene Newcomb	929-5715
Librarian	Jean Grube	758-7618
Membership	Danell Aukerman	752-6425
Newsletter Editor	Ed Stratton	929-6141

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/>

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. 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.

More Member Info

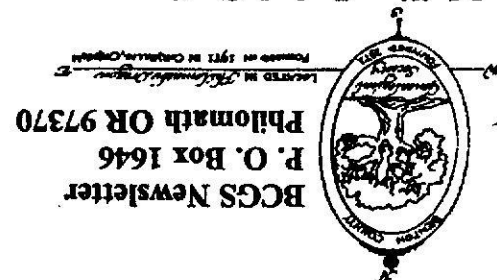
Our meetings are held on the second Saturday of September through June, in the NE Dining Hall of the College United Methodist Church, on the east side of the parking lot, in the 1100 block of Philomath. Business meeting is at 10:00 a.m. with the program at 11:00 a.m.

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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