

NewsLetter

Benton County Genealogical Society

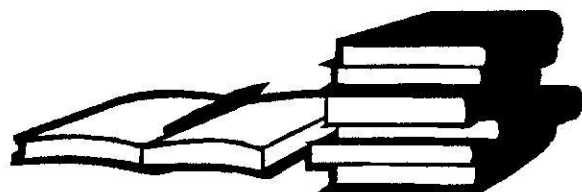
Volume Thirteen
Number Eight

October 1998

Program 10 October

LIBRARY RESOURCES IN BENTON COUNTY

Will be the topic of the program for the meeting of October 10. Program chairman Ken Bielman is arranging to have speakers from the Corvallis Public Library, LDS Family History Center, our Genealogical Society Library, and, hopefully, the OSU Library talk about genealogical and archival resources available to us. It seems quite probable that many of us are not aware of all the materials available to us in our own library and can also benefit by learning more about other resources in the area.



Free Class at Public Library

I really enjoyed meeting all the other genealogy enthusiasts attending last month's meeting. We would appreciate your including the following in your newsletter:
Getting Started in Genealogical Research: Library and Local Resources
Thursday, November 19, 1998
9:00 - 10:00 a.m.
Teachers: Elizabeth Mannarino, Dorothy Lindvall, and Daniel Froehlich
Held in the Library Board Room - lower level
Class is free but you must preregister. Telephone 757-6793.
I look forward to attending more of your meetings especially after I retire. Hopefully some of your beginners will be interested in the library class which will be repeated at later dates if there is enough interest in it.
Gratefully,
Dorothy Lindvall

"LIST OF OCCUPATIONS"

By Dan Burrows

dburrows1@juno.com

I put these 130 items together from many sources and used it as a handout for our local Orange County (NY) Genealogical Society. I was asked by many recipients if the CHART could be forwarded to other lists or used in local newsletters. The answer is yes -- please share this information.

Accomptant	Accountant
Almoner	Giver of charity to the needy
Amanuensis	Secretary or stenographer
Artificer	A soldier mechanic who does repairs
Bailie	Bailiff
Baxter	Baker
Bluestocking	Female writer
Boniface	Keeper of an inn
Brazier	One who works with brass
Brewster	Beer manufacturer
Brightsmith	Metal Worker
Burghonmaster	Mayor
Caulker	One who filled up cracks (in ships or windows or seams to make them watertight.
Chaisemaker	Carriage maker
Chandler	Dealer or trader; one who makes or sells candles; retailer of groceries
Chiffonnier	Wig maker
Clark	Clerk
Clerk	Clergyman, cleric
Clicker	The servant of a salesman who stood at the door to invite customers; one who received the matter in the galley from the compositors and arranged it in due form ready for printing; one who makes eyelet holes in boots using a machine which clicked.
Cohen	Priest
Collier	Coal miner
Colporteur	Peddler of books
Cooper	One who makes or repairs vessels made of staves & hoops
Cordwainer	Shoemaker, originally any leather worker using leather; from Cordova/Cordoba in Spain
Costermonger	Peddler of fruits and vegetables
Crocker	Potter
Crowner	Coroner
Currier	One who dresses the coat of a horse with a currycomb; one who tanned leather by incorporating oil or grease

Organization or How I Saved Myself From Total Chaos

by Frank William Bouley III
FBouley@prodigy.net>

It has been more than 35 years since I was infected with that incurable disease known as genealogy. Like most ailments, it arrived slowly and unnoticeably. But it grew and soon began to consume me. As time went by I found that I was drowning in heaps of notes on bits of paper and photocopies taken from reference books from libraries I had visited all over the country. My list of ancestral names was growing and I was creating a mass of material which I found needed to be categorized if I ever hoped to find anything.

I realized that I needed a good filing system. First came accordion folders, soon to be replaced by loose leaf notebooks. Today I have a few less than 50 loose-leafed notebooks organized by family name. Each family name is sectioned off by photocopies, mail correspondence, and family group sheets. At the head of each family group sheet section is a family tree chart beginning with the daughter's name (where the name "daughters out") and including the generations of that name as far back as I have been able to go.

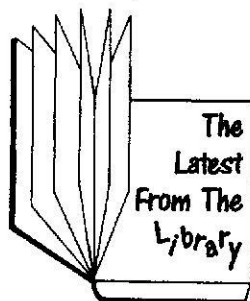
I am a member of Mayflower Society and also joined the Connecticut Society of Genealogists and the New England Historic Genealogical Society. I found that I could maintain a personal typewritten list of queries for my "brick walls" and pop them into the queries sections of those periodicals at regular intervals (always maintaining updates gleaned from any responses I might get).

All well and good. Then, about 20 years ago, along came the personal computer. Eureka! I won't go into the various permutations of the machines I have had. I started with an Apple plus and now use a power MAC. It took me a little more than a year to input all the information I had gathered into my Personal Ancestry File (PAF) program. (I have tried many others but this remains my favorite for cost and ease of operation). And then along came e-mail and the Internet. What a wonderful advance. I find that if the Internet is used much like one would use the IGI (i.e., as a pointer and with a grain of salt) it can be a wonderful tool, and what wonderful clues you can get.

Time for a new reorganization. Here is what I have done.

1. I keep a database file alphabetized by my family names which contains all e-mail responses to my queries.

2. I maintain and keep up-to-date a file of about 50 queries for "my end of lines" and "brick walls" which I post on Prodigy's Genealogy BB and other query pages at regular intervals.



New Acquisitions

Missouri Genealogical Research, by Schweitzer

The New-York Magazine Marriages and Deaths: 1790-1797. Gift of Damaris Reynolds
A Gazetteer of Virginia and West Virginia. Reprint of 1904. Gift of Charlotte Blank-Lowe

Passengers to America; a Consolidation of Ship Passenger Lists from the New England Historical and Genealogical Register.

A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your Female Ancestors, by Carmack

Bledsoe County, Tennessee, Marriages, April 1908 - December 1997. Brides. Comp. by Moira Valenzuela and a gift from them

Bledsoe County, Tennessee, Marriages, April 1908 - December 1997. Grooms. Comp. by Moira Valenzuela and a gift from them

Pioneer History of North Lincoln County, Oregon. Vol 1, November 1951. Gift of Ken Bielma

Jean B. Grube, Librarian

3. I keep a set of short GEDCOM files for major family lines which can be uploaded as needed.

4. I find that most family lines only last for four to seven generations before they "daughter out," so I have a ready-made set of more than 50 descendants charts that can be uploaded upon request.

5. The same applies to a set of family Ahnentafels.

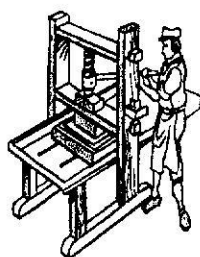
6. I keep a database, by family name, of names and addresses of those who have written me so that I may refer others following the same line.

7. I scan all pages of photocopied material from library genealogical reference books and keep these pages in a special file under family name headings. Pertinent parts can then be scanned and added to the notes sections of my PAF database. After all is said and done, why is it that since I am so well organized, I still can't relax but must keep up the constant search for those elusive and frustrating ancestors? (Some of the surnames we are searching are: BEASLEY/BEER/BOLEY/BOULEY/BOWMAN/CASWELL/CLAVERING/DUDLEY/GATES/GLEASON/GREGORY/HILLBRICK/LOGUE/PRING/SWENSON/WHITE.)



Used with permission from:

MISSING LINKS: A Weekly Newsletter for Genealogists
Vol. 3, No. 39, 25 September 1998.



NOMINATIONS: Nominating committee for election of new officers is Dannel Aukerman, Damaris Reynolds and Pat Coolican who urge you to let them know if you are interested in serving. There are several openings.

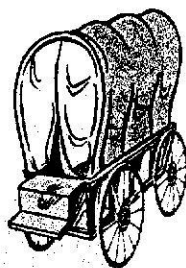
Docker	Stevedore, dock worker who loads cargo
Dowser	One who finds water using a rod or witching stick
Draper	A dealer in dry goods
Drayman	One who drives a long strong cart without fixed sides for carrying heavy loads
Dresser	A surgeon's assistant in a hospital
Drover	One who drives cattle, sheep, etc. to market; a dealer in cattle
Duffer	Peddler
Factor	Agent, commission merchant
Farrier	A blacksmith, one who shoes horses
Faulkner	Falconer
Fell monger	One who removes hair or wool from hides in preparation for leather making
Fletcher	One who made bows and arrows
Fuller	One who fulls cloth; one who shrinks and thickens woolen cloth by moistening, heating, and pressing;
Gaoler	A keeper of the goal, a jailer
Glazier	Window glassman
Hacker	Maker of hoes
Hatcheler	One who combed out or carded flax
Haymonger	Dealer in hay
Hayward	Keeper of fences
Higgler	Itinerant peddler
Hillier	Roof tiler
Hind	A farm laborer
Holster	A groom who took care of horses, often at an inn
Hooker	Reaper
Hooper	One who made hoops for barrels
Huckster	Sells small wares
Husbandman	A farmer who cultivated the land
Jagger	Fish peddler
Journeyman	One who had served his apprenticeship and mastered his craft, not bound to serve a master. Joyner / Joiner
Keeler	A skilled carpenter
Kempster	Bargeman
Lardner	Wool comber
Lavender	Keeper of the cupboard
Lederer	Washer woman
Leech	Leather maker
Leech	Physician
Longshoreman	Stevedore
Lorner	Maker of horse gear
Malender	Farmer
Malster	Brewer
Manciple	A steward
Mason	Bricklayer
Mintmaster	One who issued local currency
Monger	Seller of goods (ale, fish)
Muleskinner	Teamster
Neatherder	Herds cows

Ordinary keeper	Innkeeper with fixed prices
Pattern Maker	A maker of a clog shod with an iron ring. A clog was a wooden pole with a pattern cut into the end
Peregrinator	Itinerant wanderer
Peruker	A wig maker
Pettifogger	A shyster lawyer
Pigman	Crockery dealer
Plumber	One who applied sheet lead for roofing and set lead frames for plain or stained glass windows
Porter	Door keeper
Puddler	Wrought iron worker
Quarrier	Quarry worker
Rigger	Hoist tackle worker
Ripper	Seller of fish
Roper	Maker of rope or nets
Saddler	One who makes, repairs or sells saddles
Sawbones	Physician
Sawyer	One who saws; carpenter
Schumacker	Shoemaker
Scribler	A minor or worthless author
Scrivener	Professional copyist or writer; notary public
Scrutiner	Election judge
Shrieve	Sheriff
Slater	Roofer
Slopseller	Seller of ready-made clothes in a slop shop
Snobscat / Snob	One who repaired shoes
Sorter	Tailor
Spinster	A woman who spins or an unmarried woman
Spurrer	Maker of spurs
Squire	Country gentleman; farm owner; justice of peace
Stuff gown	Junior barrister
Stuff gownsman	Junior barrister
Supercargo	Officer on merchant ship who is in charge of cargo
Tanner	One who tans (cures) animal hides into leather
Tapley	One who puts the tap in an ale cask
Tasker	Reaper
Teamster	One who drives a team for hauling
Thatcher	Roofer
Tide waiter	Customs inspector
Tinker	Am itinerant tin pot and pan seller and repairman
Tipstaff	Policeman
Travers	Toll bridge collection
Tucker	Cleaner of cloth goods
Turner	A person who turns wood on a lathe into spindles
Victualer	A tavern keeper, or one who provides an army, navy, or ship with food
Vulcan	Blacksmith
Wagoner	Teamster not for hire
Wainwright	Wagon maker
Waiter	Customs officer or tide waiter; one who waited on the tide to collect duty on goods brought in
Waterman	Boatman who plies for hire
Webster	Operator of looms
Wharfinger	Owner of a wharf
Wheelwright	One who made or repaired wheels; wheeled carriages, etc.
Whitesmith	Tinsmith; worker of iron who finishes or polishes the work
Whitewing	Street sweeper
Whitster	Bleach of cloth
Wright	Workman, especially a construction worker
Yeoman	Farmer who owns his own land

Welcome to Our New Members

We have only one new member to welcome This month. She is Mary Alice Gurney who, for the next two months is making Her home near Alsea. Her permanent address is Colorado Springs, Colorado.

A Reminder: It isn't too early to think about paying our dues for the next year. According to Dannell Aukerman, membership chairman, some have already been received.



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	Dorothy Burt	dgburt@pioneer.net
	424-3021	
	Janice Barclay	jbarc@pioneer.net
	847-5610	

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 Thriftshop 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 the 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 li-

The two digits behind your name on the mailing label are:
S=Single, F=Family, E=Exchange
Number is last of year, 8=1998
L0 is Charter Honorary Life Member

Mailing Label Coding



Stamp