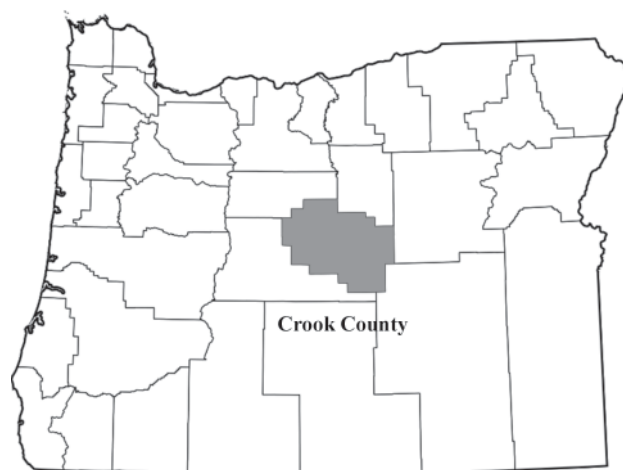


Crook County Genealogical Society

Newsletter

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From The Editor

I was in the Research Library today and Vivian reminded me that its time to start on the next newsletter. She keeps a file folder in which she deposits documents that would be interesting to our readers. Some of these are quite lengthy so I propose the following: Most of these documents are viewable on the Internet. See *Vivian's Reading List*. I will provide a summary and instructions on how to find the document on the Internet. If you do not have access to the Internet and want to view the document contact Keith at 447-1224 and I will see that you are provided with a hard copy of the document.

I have attended all of this quarter's meetings.

The night of January 10, 2007 was a cold, icy night and few members felt bold enough to "brave the elements," or maybe they were just smarter than those of us in attendance. Our speakers that night were Veterans Service Officer Sid Carter and his assistant John Riesh. They provided us with information on their services, etc. Their office is in the Veteran's Club building located at the northwest corner of Main and Fourth Street.

The night of February 14 had much better weather. Speaker, Steve Hammon, from the Prineville Funeral Home provided us with some Valentines Day goodies and considerable information about funeral home records. He presented the CCGS with a copy of "The Yellow Book," which lists all of the funeral homes in the United States. I think he also received some valuable information from the genealogists.

The speaker on March 14 was Teddie Allison. Her topic was **Breaking Down Those Brick Walls**. She discussed common problems when doing genealogical research and presented numerous examples. She presented us with many good suggestions.

Teddie attracted the largest turnout at a CCGS meeting in some time. Thank you Teddie.

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Vivian's Reading List

All of these articles can be viewed at RootsWeb.Com/Getting Started /Review Archives. Select the date given with each review (Year first, then day and month.).

1. *Throwing More Light on False Copyright Claims*. 10 January 2007.

Information on copyrights with respect to writing. Useful for those contemplating writing a family history.

2. *Locating Information About Your Veteran*. 21 February 2007.

Information on where to look for information on veterans. A fire at the National Archives destroyed a lot of information. This article suggests where else you might look.

3. *A Novel Approach for Irish Family Historians*. 6 December 2006.

Fires, again, have destroyed many records. This article discusses how the telephone can be used in researching Irish History.

From The Editor - Don't Give Up

I recently analyzed my life-situation and decided I had too many "irons in the fire." I had several projects going and was making no progress on any of them - time to cut back to one major project and set the rest on the "back burner."

One of my projects was to rewrite my family history with the goal of having a finite number of copies printed over at Maverick Publishing in Bend. This is the project I decided to focus my attention on.

I have collected a lot of family history. However, when I started putting it together in chapter form I discovered there were missing pieces of information so I went back through the papers I had and went online to search census records (I work through the Deschutes County Library). I also went back to a surname site where in years past I had posted queries. One query I had posted in 2001. When I checked for responses I discovered a reply made during December 2006. My query had been seeking information on Jesters/Bealls in West Virginia, early 1800's. The person responding informed that he had a small booklet on the Beall family history. I e-mailed him requesting a copy of the booklet. He replied with the following e-mail:

Keith-I have a small booklet titled 'The Beall Family 1623-1850' written by James Beall Wylie, family historian. I have had this and other items in my attic given me by older relatives years ago but have never really done anything with them, but have recently become interested. Apparently my ancestors were Eliza Beall born 179- who married Andrew Jester. Of interest to me was Ruth Beall who was married to Alexander Hamilton. I can photocopy this book and mail it to you if you like-slow mail as I am not very good with the computer- Dave

I'll bet you would never guess that I suggested he (David) had better get up in the attic and find out exactly what he had. To make a long story short he sent me a packet that contained the copied Beall Family History, a letter dated 1930 explaining how the (letter) writer had come in possession of a family Bible (the Bible belonged to my great-grandfather Jester), some transcribed information from

said Bible (David said the pages were so faded and fragile he didn't think they would copy) as well as some information photocopied from a family bible that belonged to my great-grandfather's brother, who happened to be David's great-grandfather. David also promised to send some photos when he gets back to West Virginia from Florida.

As a result of this exchange I was able to gather more information on my great-great-grandfather Andrew O. Jester as well as the names of my great-great-great grandparents. Pretty neat, huh?

There has to be a moral to this story - **Keep on checking those queries!!!**

I also did some checking and Alexander Hamilton was not married to a Beall woman.

CCGS Membership for July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007	
Prineville Members	
Shirley Ashley	Frances Juris
Loiselle Dahill	Art Miller
Vickie Nelson	Gordon Gillespie
Ruth Cholin	Keith & Elsie Snyder
Ann Graf	Elva Madden
Henrietta Hoskinson	Jean Gillis
Nina Davis	Maury Payne
Vivian Zimmerlee	Marion Hebert
Robert Syme	Beverly Moltzau
Virginia Dodson	Belva & Orval McCullough
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DaniLee McGowan	Woodburn, OR
Mari Baldwin	Eugene, OR
Caroline Wortendyke	Sisters, OR
Curtis Lantz	Bend, OR
Beth Crow	Madras, OR
California Members	
Patti Stuart	Hopland, CA
Other States	
Allen County Library	IN
Linda Mecham	Lebanon, MO

JOSEPH H. CROOKS

JOSEPH H. CROOKS is one of the pioneers of Crook county and is well known all through this part of the state. At the present time, he is handling a fine butcher business in Prineville, having been occupied in this for the past nine years. He was born in Mercer county, Illinois, on May 6, 1844.

Hon. JOHN T CROOKS, his father, crossed the plains from Illinois to the Willamette valley with ox teams in 1848, bringing his family with him. They were six months on the road. He was a prominent man in the valley, being one of the very first settlers, and was a member of the first territorial legislature for two terms. He died in 1898, aged eighty-six. He married D. EVERYMAN, who accompanied her husband in his pioneer journeys.

There were no schools in the Willamette valley when our subject arrived there with his parents and he had little opportunity for education except what he could gain by his own personal efforts. He remained on the farm with his father until 1865, when he went to Helena, Montana, where he spent one summer. Returning to his old home, he continued there until 1872, then came to Prineville and engaged in stock raising. He followed that successfully until 1896, when he opened his present business which has occupied him since. He does a good business and stands well in this community.

In 1873 Mr. Crooks married MISS AMERICA WARREN, who was born in the Willamette valley in 1855. Her father, ANDREW J. WARREN, crossed the plains from Missouri in 1855 and settled in the Willamette valley. He had married ELIZA SPALDING, who was born on the Nez Perce reservation in 1832, the daughter of REVEREND H. H. SPALDING. She was the first white child born west of the Rocky mountains so far as is known. However, there is a rumor that there was a white child born in 1819 in the vicinity of Spokane Falls. Mrs. Warren was captured by the Indians during the Whitman massacre. She is now living at Wenatchee, Washington. To Mr. and Mrs. Crooks five children have been born, MRS. ROBERT E. SIMPSON, MRS. GRANVILLE CLIFTON, CHARLES A., JOHN WARREN, and BEULAH.

IRISH IMMIGRANTS of the EMIGRANT INDUSTRIAL SAVINGS BANK

Volume II, Accounts 2501 - 7500. By Kevin J. Rich

A comprehensive list of data collected from the Emigrant Savings Bank Ledgers to identify account holders during the period 1852 to July 1854. These 5,000 depositors are listed along with their known relatives (over 10,000 names), in an easy to read format, which includes the depositors nativity, ports of departure and entry, ship name and date of arrival, occupation (some with addresses of employment), place of residence at that time, and an index of all names for easy reference. It also includes sample pages of the banks original ledgers, photographs of the bank's staff and a period map of lower New York City.

This volume contains twice as many accounts as Volume I and would make an excellent addition to any library.

The cost of this 9" X 11", 400 page Elegantly Bound Linen, Hard Cover Book is \$60.00 plus \$5.95 for shipping and handling.

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Frances Juris, left, has been selected as the CCGS Volunteer of the Year and her name has been submitted to the Crook County Volunteer Of the Year program.

During this year Frances led the Genealogical Society to petition the Historical Society and the Cemetery District to participate in and to (equally) fund the Headstone Replacement Project. The goal of the project is to identify and replace deteriorated headstones in Crook County cemeteries at a rate of two per year. The project resulted

in the replacement of headstones for Stephen Staats, a Crook County stockman who died as the result of a gunshot wound January 21, 1884 and for Jerome B. Lafollette, a Crook County rancher who died as the result of a freight wagon accident near Tetherow Crossing, November 6, 1884. A third headstone, that of Edgar Foster, who died March 23, 1883 at the age of two, was replaced using funds donated by the Foster family. Frances did the research on these three individuals and provided Bowman Museum with a short history of their lives.

In July Frances contacted Bob Dehler, a local rancher and property owner, and arranged for the Genealogical Society to visit and document the private Dehler Cemetery. The information obtained there is now available in the Research Library at Bowman Museum.



Meeting Photos

Above: Steve Hammon from the Prineville Funeral Home discusses the contents of "The Yellow Book." February 14, 2007. Left: Teddie Allison providing information on what to do if your research hits "A Brick Wall," March 14, 2007.

Upcoming Programs

Wednesday, April 11, 2007

Lorelee Dendauw, Betty Boggs, and Mary Rueter will provide us with some information on "Organizing and Indexing our Crook County Genealogical Library." Their ideas also apply to our home library's. These ladies come from the Juniper Branch of Family Finders, Madras, Oregon.

Wednesday, May 9, 2007

Linda Stephenson has a lot of information about her great-great-grandparent's experiences on the Oregon Trail that she is willing to share with us. Her great-grandfather homesteaded in the Gray Butte area and operated a nursery in Prineville. Linda lives in La Pine, OR and operates a retail garden center there.

Wednesday, June 13, 2007

Carol Hancock from Powell Butte will present a program titled "Pioneer Connections from the Willamette Valley to Crook County."

From The Library

Vivian was featured in an article in the Friday, March 30, 2007 edition of the Central Oregonian. She told something of the CCGS history and what kinds of resources and help researchers would find in the Research Library.

On Tuesday, March 26, Loiselle reported that she was having a terrible time remembering things. She said she had forgotten an appointment in Bend that morning. She did remember to send me the Third Quarter Treasurer's Report (see next column).

Loiselle wanted me to report that CCGS has indexed the obits in the Central Oregonian from 1997 - 2005 and the Bulletin from 1998 - 2005. These will be put in book form for sale next month.

Some Name Humor

D. I noticed the last name "Worst" was on the list of strange names in last week's RootsWeb Review. Yes, "Worst" is a last name. My husband's mother was Nellie M. Worst. Nellie and her sister, Mabel, lived in Otsego, MI. They were the "Worst girls in Otsego."

--Nancy De Haan Channells

G. I would like to submit my own surname to this list-- "Heiney." I am proud to be the great-great-great-granddaughter of Fanny Heiney. She married her first cousin, making her by today's practices, Fanny Heiney-Heiney.

--Larry Heiney

K. Speaking of interesting names, while doing research on the Levi Chapman family from Mackinac Island, Michigan, I found Levi listed as a lighthouse keeper in the 1880 census. He and his wife married in 1861 and had nine children by 1879 -- every two years like clockwork. His wife's name was Harriette Jane Chapman; however, the census enumerator wrote her name down as "Harried Jane." After that many children, all of whom were still at home, maybe "Harried" was more appropriate.

--Mary Watkins

Third Quarter Treasurer's Report

Balance Dec 31, 2006		\$593.50
Income		
Membership	20.00	
Research/Copies	100.40	
Subtotal		120.40
Expenses		
Postage	24.00	
Library Supplies	16.05	
Toner	113.89	
Binders for OHS	49.19	
Speaker Travel	20.00	
Genealogical Council	10.00	
Purchases		
Irish Immigrants/Emigrants	65.95	
Book 4 & 5 Grant County Cemetery	45.00	
Subtotal	344.08	
Total		\$369.82

QUERIES

In a telephone conversation with son, Jim, he told of a call from a U.S. Marine stationed at Camp Pendleton. His name is Tommy ZIMMERLEE and he was looking for family in Oregon. He did remember, as a small child, having come to Oregon to visit relatives. Tommy was raised by foster parents.

Reply: After much searching in my resources with no connection, it came to mind that I had two clippings from The Springfield News (OR). One article tells of the graduation of Marine Private Basil D. ZIMMERLEE from eight weeks training at San Diego with a picture of the handsome eighteen year old Marine. Mother, Mrs. Frank R. Mullen of Springfield and Step-father, Frank R. Mullen. There was a second story "Local Marine Hurt in Vietnam Action." This story tells of the 18 year old being wounded in the right arm while on patrol south of DaNang. He already has a purple heart for injuries received earlier. Wednesday June 5, 1968. Basil is Tommy's father. Tommy is following in his father's footsteps. He is connected to our big ZIMMERLEE family.

Vivian Zimmerlee,

Hi! Christine

On Tuesday when our librarian was looking up information for someone she ran across LOUIS BEIRL in a book called "Though the Golden Gate of Yesteryears" by Vera Ontko 1973. There is a story about Louis Beirl, a picture of him in 1915, a picture of his cabin in 1915 and another cabin picture in 1935. If you don't have this information and would like to have it we can send a copy to you at Woodstock, IL.

Loiselle

REPLY: Please send any information on Louis Beirl. I can't believe you found information. This is truly a blessing. Please let me know of any cost involved.

Chris

ANSWER: It has been a while since we did some work on Louis Beirl, I think there were two different people wanting this information and it is possible we overlooked someone. Copies will be mailed along with the cost.

Loiselle

Dear Librarian,

I have been working on my family tree since 1974 and have just found out that a cousin passed away in Prineville. Below I have listed the name of my cousin and the date he passed away. Name: Lieb Hickox; Date 13 October 1966. I would appreciate it if you could make a copy of the obituary and mail it to me. I have provided a self-addressed stamped envelop for your convenience. Any help you can provide will greatly appreciate. If there is a charge for this service, please notify me and I will forward you the payment. Thank you for your anticipated help.

Kevin

The obituary furnished a lot of information. Mr. Hickox was born in Kansas and moved west with his family settling in Forest Grove, OR. He married and after his wife died he came to Prineville. His lifetime hobby was hunting and fishing. He died of a heart attach while hunting deer with his family in the Prineville area. Burial was at Forrest Grove with many relatives listed.

We sent a copy of the obituary to Kevin.

Librarian

National Genealogical Society Offers Scholarship for Home Study Course

The National Genealogical Society (NGS) is offering a scholarship to NGS members for its Home Study Course. The course is for intermediate to advanced researchers seeking to improve their genealogical skills and possibly pursue a career in genealogy. The course, which includes feedback from experienced genealogists, normally costs \$475.00. Applications must be in by 1 May 2007. For application instructions visit:

<http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/>

Oregon Historical Quarterly, 1900 to Present, Now Available in the Bowman Research Library.

The Journal of Record for Oregon History

The Oregon Historical Quarterly, a peer-reviewed, public history journal, has been published continuously since 1900 by the Oregon Historical Society, an independent, nonprofit organization. OHQ brings well-researched, well-written history about Oregon and the Pacific Northwest to both scholars and a general audience. With a circulation of around 7,000, OHQ is one of the largest state historical society journals in the United States and is a recognized and respected source for the history of the Pacific Northwest region.

Each issue contains illustrated research articles and book reviews. Other regular features include primary documents, photo essays, interpretive essays, reminiscences, and reviews of research collections. OHQ occasionally publishes special issues on a single theme, such as the Fall 2004 issue on the Lewis and Clark Expedition and the Fall 2005 issue on the Stevens-Palmer Treaties. OHQ is a proud member of the History Cooperative which offers OHQ and many other scholarly journals online at www.historycooperative.org

Excerpt From 1905 History of Central Oregon

CHARLES BOLSBY who was born in Denver, Colorado, on September 22, 1862, is now one of the substantial agriculturists of Crook county and resides in Suplee. His father was John K. Bolsby, a native of Ireland. When a young man he came to America and settled at Soda Springs, Colorado. By trade he was a cooper and baker and followed these occupations in Colorado. He fought in all the early Indian wars in that part of the country, and became a very prominent and leading man. He married SOPHIA STREETER of Scotch nativity and came to America when a young girl and the wedding occurred in Wisconsin. Our subject accompanied his parents from Colorado to Wisconsin when a mere boy and from that state, they journeyed later to Missouri. After that, they lived in Kansas and Missouri. After that they lived in Kansas and in 1876, Charles came to the Willamette valley. His education was completed in the university, at Eugene, Oregon, and following that he held the position of brakeman on the Oregon and California railroad for a number of years. Finally, in 1884, he came to Prineville, Oregon, and went into the stock business. That occupation has held him since and he has been quite successful in prosecuting the same. His ranch consists of six hundred acres of good land and at this time he is giving his attention to tilling the soil in addition to raising some stock. The place is well improved and Mr. Bolsby is planning more extensive additions and improvements to his estate in the near future.

Mr. Bolsby married LILY DELORE, who was born at Dufur, Oregon, and died January 25, 1892. The household has been blessed by two children, EDITH and IVA. Mr. and Mrs. Bolsby enjoyed the esteem and confidence of all.

The March 14 meeting attracted a larger than usual gathering. After the meeting a number of people visited. The photo at the right shows Art Miller talking to guests Kay Garrison and Carol Hancock, both from the Powell Butte area.

