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A Message from the President

Our speaker for the June 13th Grants Pass Genealogical Society meeting is **Valerie Brown**, who will make a stimulating presentation entitled "**Digital Photo Know-How.**" Valerie is a frequent speaker in this area, but this is the first time she has been our featured presenter. I've had a chance to look over her handout and am sure her presentation will be one of value to all who attend. Her presentation starts at 1:30...try not to miss it!

As we move into the summer we have workshops ahead of us in July & August, the yard sale in August and the annual potluck get together at the Ness House. This will be a busy summer for those of us who do not go on research trips or long vacations this year.

The GPGS workshop information banner will be posted on 6th or 7th Street for one week starting on July 1st to announce the workshops on July 9th and August 13th. It's hoped that many people interested in learning about family

history research will attend one or both of these events. If you know someone who might be interested please have them contact me at 541 471-1944 to register. There is no charge to attend these workshops.

The GPGS bylaws are posted at our website on the Internet at www.gpgenealogy.org and they were updated last October from their 2009 version. Since the 2012 update some additional changes have been proposed and will be presented at the September meeting. **Members are asked to review the bylaws and make suggestions to improve them.** Please send changes to me and I will include them with those already in the file. Proposed changes will be voted on at the October meeting.

Don't forget the **YARD SALE on August 3rd**. My garage looks like a GOODWILL drop-off point with all the goodies I've been able to collect for this fundraising event. It will be nice to pass on these "treasures" in trade for some cash for our treasury. If you have something to add to the sales inventory, please bring it to the Courier Parking lot on 7th Street. *(I don't have any more room to store things.)* Stay a while and talk to the folks who browse.....we will be there from 6:45 AM until 2 PM. Our booth will be covered to avoid the hot sun and if we're lucky it won't be too hot that morning and early afternoon.

So that's it for the June Newsletter. My thanks to Janis Seaton for putting all the information together again this month. This will be our last newsletter until September. Don't worry.....there will be frequent reminders via email about the summer activities.

One last item, LaVona Ness will have knee replacement surgery this week. I know she'd appreciate a card as she recovers from the operation.

Cheers to all,

CELESTE GUILLORY
GPGS President



June 11th Program Information:

Our speaker for the June 11th meeting will be Valerie Brown, and her topic is *Digital Photo Know-How*. She has had a lifetime interest in photography, switching over to digital format in the early stages and growing with it as it progressed. She has scanned and enhanced thousands of family photos. Valerie loves sharing these skills with others and believes digital photos can be used in many ways in the modern world of family history.

Genealogy Karma:

Since the death of the Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness creator, a few websites have cropped up to try to fill the enormous hole. The latest one is mocavo.com, a genealogy search engine. They implemented a section on the website that they call Genealogy Karma, where you can request volunteer lookups/services or register to be a volunteer. Go to www.mocavo.com and click on the Community tab. Rootsweb also has had a portion of their website dedicated to volunteer lookups for many years.

Upcoming Genealogy TV Shows:

Who Do You Think You Are will be returning later this year on TLC. Featured celebrities will include Chelsea Handler and Christina Applegate. *Finding Your Roots* will pick up again on PBS in 2014. A new one (also on PBS) will be *Genealogy Roadshow*. The first season of *Genealogy Roadshow* starts this fall, featuring non-famous participants from Nashville, Austin, San Francisco and Detroit.

Screen Captures:

You know how sometimes you want to print something from your computer screen, but when you give the mouse a right click, you don't get "Print" as one of the choices? Well, if you have a computer with Windows 7, there is a handy tool ("an app for that") on your Start Menu. Just scroll down and select All Programs, then Accessories, then right click on Snipping Tool, then Pin to Taskbar. There it will be, ready and waiting for you when you need it. To use the function, click on the Snipping Tool icon, and a crosshair will appear on your screen. Click and drag it to frame the image you want to capture. Next, click on the Save icon (looks like a floppy disk). The default "Save As" type is PNG (Portable Network Graphic), but I prefer to click on the little arrow to the right of the "Save As" box and choose JPG (like a picture, which it is). Then, just treat it as you would a photo you want to print. (*Editor*)

Pass-Along Magazines:

I'm a sucker for genealogy magazines, so in addition to subscribing to a couple, I also occasionally pick them up at newsstands when I go to Medford or when I travel. Since I also try to Reduce/Reuse/Recycle, I will bring some "pass-alongs" to our next meeting.

They include: Family Tree, Family Chronicle (published in Canada), and History Magazine (good for family history background information). (*Editor*)

Recommended Websites:

<http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/westernStates/search.cfm>

(Western Marriages Database)

This website contains most of the pre-1900 marriages for Arizona, Idaho and Nevada; as well as a great number of marriages from selected counties in California, western Colorado, Montana, Oregon, Utah, eastern Washington and Wyoming.

Free Nordic Track Exercise Machine:

I have been spring cleaning and would like to give away a Nordic Track exercise machine to some lucky person. It is in good condition—we just changed our exercise routine and don't use it anymore. You may even be able to talk me into delivering it to you. My contact information is on the front page of the newsletter. (*Editor*)



Upcoming Events:

GPGS (Grants Pass Genealogical Society) meetings are held at 1:30 PM on the second Tuesday of each month (excepting December, July and August) at the LDS Church, corner of Harbeck Road and Williams Highway in Grants Pass. Board of Directors Meetings are held at 12:30 PM prior to General Meetings and are open to any members who wish to attend.

RVGS (Rogue Valley Genealogical Society) meetings and classes are held at the Jackson County Genealogy Library (JCGL), 3405 South Pacific Highway, Medford.

- Jun 11 GPGS monthly meeting at 1:30 PM. *Digital Photo Know-How*. Guest Speaker Valerie Brown.
- Jun 18 RVGS monthly meeting, 1:30 PM. Diane Rasmussen will present *Family History Through Quilts*. *Diggin' In the Dark*, will follow from 3:00 to 9:00 PM. Bring your known family information, a USB flash drive for saving what you find, and your supper. RVGS members and library staff will be there to assist you in using their resources. Register for *Diggin' In the Dark* by phoning 541-512-2340.
- Jun 29 Half-Day Seminar in Portland from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM entitled *Windows to the Past—Researching Family Photographs*, sponsored by Genealogical Forum of Oregon. See flyer at end of newsletter.
- Jul 5 *Ed Quigley Exhibition*, a private collection of work by the renowned artist/sculptor will be on display at 508 SW 5th Street, behind the Schmidt House Museum (Josephine County Historical Society) from 5:00 to 8:00 PM as part of First Friday Art Night. Free admission.
- Jul 9 *Beginning Genealogy Workshop*, 12:30 – 3:30 PM at LDS Church, corner of Harbeck Road and Williams Highway. This workshop is presented free of charge by the GPGS, and is open to both GPGS members and the public.

- Jul 26 *Pie and Ice Cream Social*, Josephine County Historical Society.
- Aug 3 *Fantastic Flea Market*, annual fundraiser at the Daily Courier Parking Lot. Please save any items you'd be willing to donate for us to sell at the flea market. This is our major fundraiser for the year. We need a few good volunteers to work two-hour shifts at the sale. This is a good opportunity to meet and greet the public and make your contribution to our society. We also have a lot of fun!
- Aug 6 *GPGS Annual Potluck Picnic* at the home of Don and LaVona Ness. Details to follow.
- Aug 13 *Beginning Genealogy Workshop* (repeat of July 9th class).
- Sep 3-8 *Research Trip to Salt Lake City*, sponsored by Bend Genealogical Society. If this interests you, you might check to see if there are any spaces available for non-BGS members. A group rate has been obtained for accommodations at the Salt Lake Plaza Hotel next door to the Family History Library, but you would need to make your own travel arrangements. (For more information, go the BGS website, www.orgenweb.org/deschutes/bend-gs/.)
- Sep 10 GPGS Monthly Meeting. Guest speaker Lena Harmon from the Shasta County (California) Family History Center.
- Sep 21 *Fall Wine Stroll*, Schmidt Barn, Josephine County Historical Society, 3-6 PM.
- Sep 30-
Oct 5 Genealogy Week at Jackson County Genealogy Library. Watch for further details as they become available.
- Oct 8 GPGS Monthly Meeting. Guest speaker Shannon Agee from Roseburg, *Using Google in Genealogy*.
- Oct 19 *Graveyard Tour*, hosted by Josephine County Historical Society.
- Nov 12 GPGS Monthly Meeting. Annual election of officers. Program to be announced.
- Dec 17 Annual *GPGS Christmas Luncheon* at the TapRock from 11:30 to 2:30.
- Jan 14
(2014) GPGS monthly meeting. Ken Bower from Shasta County Genealogical Society.

FREE Family History Webinars

Genealogy Education Where You Are

Coming in 2013 ... to YOUR computer! Free!

What is a webinar?

An online seminar/class that you watch from your computer. You can also type your questions for the presenter to answer during the live presentation.

What do I need?

Internet connection and speakers.

What is the cost?

There is no charge to register and view the live webinar. If you cannot make the live event, CDs of the recording are just \$9.95 each or yearly memberships give you access to everything..

Quotes

"I learned more in this 60 minutes than ever before."

"Love seeing real-life situations and learning how I can apply the techniques to my work."

"I am a beginner and I think the webinar helped beginners as well as seasoned researchers!"

"I never knew such a thing existed. Thanks again for educating me on this."

January 2013

- **Successful On-site Research** by Marian Pierre-Louis. 1/16
- **Best Internet Resources for East European Genealogy** by Lisa Alzo. 1/23
- **Inheritance in Scotland: Wills, Testaments and Land Records** by Marie Dougan. 1/30

February 2013

- **Online Genealogy: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly** by Linda Geiger. 2/1
- **YouTube Your Family History** by Devin Ashby. 2/6
- **Pre-1850 U.S. Research Methodologies** by Karen Clifford. 2/13
- **Making the Most of Canadian Census Records** by Kathryn Lake Hogan. 2/20
- **Annie Moore of Ellis Island: a Case of Historical Identity Theft** by Megan Smolenyak. 2/27

March 2013

- **A Look at Wisconsin Genealogy Resources** by Thomas MacEntee. 3/6
- **Blogs: Easy-to-Make Web Pages** by DearMYRTLE and Carrie Keele. 3/8
- **Breaking Down Your Irish and Scottish Brick Walls** by Judy Wight. 3/13

April 2013

- **Evidence: Guidelines for Evaluating Genealogical Evidence** by Linda Geiger. 4/3
- **That First Trip to the Courthouse** by Judy Russell. 4/10
- **A Treasure Trove of Irish Websites** by Judy Wight. 4/17
- **What's New at FamilySearch** by Devin Ashby. 4/24

May 2013

- **Researching Your Roots in Rhode Island** by Maureen Taylor. 5/1
- **Blogging for Beginners** by DearMYRTLE. 5/3
- **Land Records Solve Research Problems** by Mary Hill. 5/15
- **Ten Hidden Resources Every Genealogy Should Know** by Lisa Alzo. 5/22
- **The New Frontier in Genetic Genealogy: Autosomal DNA Testing** by Ugo Perego. 5/29

June 2013

- **The Genealogy of Your House** by Marian Pierre-Louis. 6/5.
- **Search for Obituaries, Photos, Passenger Lists, Births, Marriages, & More** by Tom Kemp. 6/12

- **Next Exit: Your New Jersey Ancestors** by Thomas MacEntee. 6/14
- **How Knowing the Law Makes Us Better Genealogists** by Judy Russell. 6/26

July 2013

- **Canadian Ports of Entry: Ship Passenger Lists, Immigration and Border Crossing Records** by Kathryn Lake Hogan. 7/10
- **An Overview of Maryland Genealogy** by Michael Hait. 7/17
- **Top 10 Techniques for Finding More in Library Catalogs** by Barbara Renick. 7/19
- **Top 21st Century Genealogy Resources** by Tom Kemp. 7/24
- **Direct Your Research with City Directories** by Maureen Taylor. 7/31

August 2013

- **Recording Family Voices to Preserve and Pass Down** by Marian Pierre-Louis. 8/7
- **Digital Research Guidance, Logs, and To Do Lists** by Geoff Rasmussen. 8/14
- **Colonial Immigrants** by Mary Hill. 8/28

September 2013

- **Getting the Most from Your Records** by Linda Geiger. 9/4
- **More Blogging for Beginners** by DearMYRTLE. 9/6
- **You Use WHAT for Genealogy?** by Thomas MacEntee. 9/11
- **Free and Easy Ways to Share Your Audio Files** by Marian Pierre-Louis. 9/18

October 2013

- **Using Church Records to Identify Ancestors** by Mary Hill. 10/23
- **Using Court Records** by Judy Russell. 10/30

November 2013

- **Ancestry Trees Can Jump Start Your Research** by DearMYRTLE. 11/1
- **Creating a Plan with YOUR Research** by Marian Pierre-Louis. 11/6
- **Researching Your Ohio Ancestors** by Lisa Alzo. 11/13
- **Mind Mapping Your Research Plans and Results** by Thomas MacEntee. 11/20

December 2013

- **How Computers & Gadgets are Changing Genealogy** by Barbara Renick. 12/4
- **Overcoming Lost Records Using Technology** by Karen Clifford. 12/18

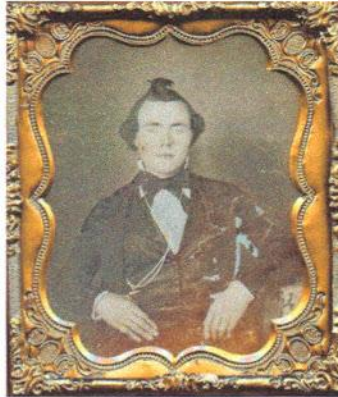
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Genealogical Forum of Oregon presents ...

Windows to the Past – Researching Family Photographs

Karen Wallace Steely



Topics

- **Dating and Identifying Family Photographs** - Learn how the type of photograph, setting, and fashions can help you date and identify your family photographs. A methodology for dating will be presented that includes examples from period artwork, photographs, and vintage fashions.
- **Using Family Photographs in Your Research** - Learn techniques and research methods for identifying the subject and setting, occasion, and location of your photographs. You can learn how to go beyond the basics of dating and identifying old photographs and find the stories behind the images.
- **Finding your Family Photographs** - Learn to use online sources such as eBay and photograph collections in libraries and archives to add images of your family and the places they lived to your family history.
- **Preserving, Scanning, and Cataloging Photographs** - How to keep track of your family photos and ensure they are preserved and protected for future generations.

You are encouraged to bring a few of your family photos to share with the group during lunch, when Karen will analyze and answer questions about your family photographs.

Half-day Seminar
Saturday
29 June 2013
10 am - 2 pm
GFO Library

Limited to 50 attendees

Brown bags welcome
Cafés nearby

Coffee, tea, and snacks included

Used book sale

The library will be open for research after the seminar.

Event Schedule

9:45 - 10:00	Registration
10:00 - 11:45	1st session
11:45 - 12:30	Lunch
12:30 - 2:00	2nd session

Karen Wallace Steely Half-day Seminar Sign-Up Form

29 June 2013

Members ___ \$20 received by 6/22/12 ___ \$25 received after 6/22/12 ___ \$30 at the door

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