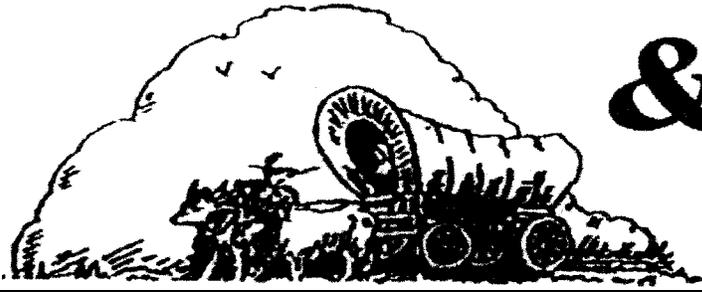


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THANKS to our members Sandy and Jim Bisset, Helen and Ray Dixon, Earline Wasser, Renee Briggs, and Karen Polehn for spending Saturday, September 20th. and Historic The Dalles Days at The Dalles Pioneer Cemetery showcasing our organization and acquainting participants with the cemetery.

Helen Dixon, Earline Wasser, Sandy Bisset



Celene Maldonado & Chelsea Menzie-Hughes



Also, thanks to City of The Dalles, particularly Dawn Hert and the Historic Landmarks Commission, we have a forty inch square map of the cemetery, which was mounted at the expense of another benefactor.

We had a small crowd at the cemetery but had some interesting conversations. Social Studies Teacher, Paulette Brook of The Dalles Wahtonka H.S., and students Celene Maldonado, and Chelsea Menzie-Hughes came and learned the history of some of the interred. Paulette plans to have her students involved in the spring clean up in 2009. We will resume our involvement also.



Paulette Brook

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have had a busy year, and continue to do so. Every month brings new members and new ideas. Our recent activities are covered elsewhere in this issue, as are the upcoming programs. I just want to thank all of you who have been active in the organization this year, and hope that more of you are able to help share the work load this next year. Currently we are in need of a membership chair person and a publications chair person. These are both positions that will take a fair amount of time and are necessary to the effective functioning of our organization. I have written out my ideas for what is involved. Give me a call or an email and let's talk about it. Keep in mind that both can be accomplished from anywhere. By the time the next newsletter comes out it will be 2009. Remember our book list when you do your Christmas shopping and have a great research season.

Sandy Bisset

Welcome New Member

Opal Myhres

Summer Program

THANKS to Mary Watts, Teddy Parkinson, Jenny Garner, Helen Dixon, Gerry Stephens, Bob Long, and Jo Ann Hardin, who took part in our July workshop at the Picture Patch. They were enthusiastic participants in this day long, hands on workshop showing how to incorporate family stories, heirlooms, and other non-traditional items into their family histories. My apologies for having to cancel the August workshop on archival storage.



SOCIETY SURNAME LIST

The surname list is compiled by Surname, Date, Place of Birth and Death of ancestors done on a pedigree chart and turned into Rose Denslinger, 541-296-4140. If you need blank pedigree charts to fill out, contact Rose.



denslinger@gorge.net

When submitting your pedigree chart, there should be a year(s) and an area (county and state) associated with the surname. If these are unknown when you submit a pedigree chart, we count back 20 years from the birth of the first descendent. That date will be used with a question mark. The same area as the birth of the first child will be used for the area.

The compiled Surname Lists are on the shelves of the Genealogy cases in The Dalles/Wasco County Public Library. New charts will be filed in the Additions Section.

RESOURCE CENTERS

The Dalles-Wasco County Library

c/o Lorna Elliott
722 Court Street
The Dalles, OR 97058
Phone: 541-296-2815
Hours:
Tuesday & Wednesday: 11 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Thursday & Friday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Sunday & Monday: Closed



The Family History Centers

The Dalles FHC

1504 East 15th Street
The Dalles, OR 97058
West Entrance, basement
Phone: 541-298-5815 Director: Chris Knowland
Hours:
Tuesday, Wed., Thursday: 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Goldendale FHC

North Columbus Avenue, & McKinley
c/o Ed Hoyle
P.O. Box 109
Goldendale, WA 98620
Phone: 509-773-3824
Hours:
Tuesday, Wednesday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thursday Only: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Hood River FHC

18th and May, Hood River, OR
c/o Noretta Hornbeck
Phone: 541-386-3539
Hours:
Tuesday, Wed., Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Stevenson FHC

Maple Way and Loop Rd., Stevenson, WA
c/o Emerline Andrews
Phone: 509-427-5927
Hours:
Wednesday: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Thursday: 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

William G. Dick Library

The Discovery Center & Wasco County
Historical Museum
5000 Discovery Road
The Dalles, OR 97058
Phone: 541-296-8600, x. 219
Hours: M-W-F: 11 to 3, and by appointment
E-mail: library@gorgediscovery.org

Dufur Historical Society

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Maupin Library

P.O. Box 328
Maupin, OR 97037
541-395-2208
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Wamic Community Historical Society

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In the unfortunate event that a check that was written to the Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society for any reason, is returned unpaid by a bank then the Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society will use all means necessary to collect payment of the check. A \$20.00 returned check fee will be charged for each item returned from a bank regardless of the reason it was returned. This fee will be charged each time that an item is returned.

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Those who have any questions regarding returned checks or have had a check returned to the Society are encouraged to contact us as soon as possible. (Telephone: 509-767-2316)

NEW RESOURCE AVAILABLE FOR LOCAL RESEARCHERS

The Pioneer Cemetery - The Dalles, Oregon - 1860-

Compiled and assembled by Earline Wasser

Published by Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society, 2007

In this volume, Earline Wasser has taken a century of research by Lulu Crandall, George Brown, Daphne Hon Ramsey, Lottie LeGett Gurley, Cheryl Gates, Anita Drake, and Lorna Elliott, combined it with many hours of research in the vaults at *The Dalles Chronicle*, to provide a definitive (as we know it at this point) and highly annotated list of burials in this cemetery located just below Columbia Gorge Community College on East Scenic Drive in The Dalles. It contains a complete bibliography.

Wasser also outlines over ten years of work by The Dalles Historic Landmarks Commission, Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society, archeologists Eric Gleason and Jacqueline Cheung, The Dalles Wahtonka Anthropology class under the direction of Gerald Iken, and other volunteers who cleared brush, located graves, and mapped their locations using global positioning technology. An interesting section quotes newspaper articles as early as 1880 lamenting the condition of the cemetery. Thanks to the diligence of volunteers and the hard work of Historic Landmarks staff member Dawn

Hert and commission member Bob McNary, the cemetery has been cleared of brush, a new fence has been built, paths and gateways lead through the cemetery from Scenic Drive to the college entrance, and a wrought iron entrance gateway is in the planning stages. The cemetery is rapidly becoming an asset to the neighborhood.

The book is divided into the following sections:

- * Cemetery deed and selected newspaper articles 1880-2005
- * Photos of selected markers
- * Individuals listed
- * Obituary and other information for those interred
- * Sources
- * Alphabetical Index

The Pioneer Cemetery, The Dalles Oregon, 1860- sells for \$20.00 a copy with a postage charge if applicable. It is available through **Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society**. An order form can be accessed through their website at <http://community.gorge.net/genealogy>, by emailing wildflowers@gorge.net with the subject line PIONEER CEMETERY, or by mailing a request to Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society c/o The Dalles/Wasco County Library, 722 Court Street, The Dalles, Oregon 97058.

Fire, weather, vandalism, and time have taken a toll on the identification of the graves in The Dalles Pioneer Cemetery. **Columbia Gorge Genealogical Society** has collected over four thousand dollars in contributions toward a granite monument, to be placed in the cemetery, listing the names of everyone buried there. All profits from the sale of this book will go toward purchase of the monument. If you have questions contact Sandy Bisset at 541-298-1240 or wildflowers@gorge.net.

Thanks to our member Dennis Radford and his employees for refurbishing the inside of the picket fence at The Dalles Pioneer Cemetery. Under the guidance of Bob McNary of the Historic Landmarks Commission, shrubs were cut back to expose the fence, hours of scraping the old paint was done, and finally the fence was primed and painted. It looks great.



Gordon Livingston Challenge



This past month we wound up nearly a year of research that began with an unusual discovery. A local gunsmith had purchased a box of very old gun parts which included a shotgun stock. When the butt plate was removed a well folded 1928 California juvenile hunting license fell out. I challenged our members to take this challenge as a research exercise.

We devoted part of one meeting to figuring out strategy, then Mary Davis, Penny Kennedy, and yours truly took it from there. With only a child's name, the name of a town, and date of birth we found birth, death, marriage, military, and voting records.

The search took us to Washington as well as California. We identified his parents, his siblings, and the surnames of all four family lines in the previous generation.

We discovered that he was a United States Marine in World War II, and although we did not access the details, we found that he had been wounded in the war.

He seemingly never married, but we traced the marriages of both his sisters, including the birth of twin nephews.

Penny had great success with volunteers from the *Random Acts of Genealogical Kindness* program who went the extra mile in finding newspaper obituaries and mortuary records. When the results were presented at the last society meeting there were twenty six names on the chart.

The project was handed off to Linda Colton to pursue with her volunteers at the Family History Center in Hood River. Why did we do it, and what will we do with the information? It was a challenge, good research practice, and fun. It was the same thing those who research for strangers do regularly.

When Linda's crew goes as far as they can we will turn the research packet over to the Fresno County Genealogical Society or if we are lucky enough to find a living relative, to the Livingston Family.

Find A Grave

Find the graves of ancestors, create virtual memorials by adding your loved one's burial records, add 'virtual flowers' and a note to a loved one's grave.

<http://www.findagrave.com/>

Oregon Trail Project (Correction)

In the last issue I told you about the certificates that were available to the descendants of the pioneers who migrated west on the Oregon Trail between 1811 and 1911. The information given was incorrect and has been updated. To qualify, you must be a descendent of anyone who traveled any part of the Oregon Trail. Information may be requested by sending a SASE to the Oregon Trail Project, Idaho Genealogical Society, PO Box 1854, Boise ID 83701-1854. or by a downloadable application online at <http://www.idahogenealogy.org>

Roberts Family of Dutch Flat

Andrew & Melinda Susan 'Susie' (Turnbull) **Roberts** were married in Brush Prairie, Clark, Washington on 30 Sep 1886. They had three children. Minerva Talitha Roberts was born on 28 Nov 1895. Dewey David Roberts was born 4 Aug 1898, and Andrew Morrison Roberts, Jr. was born 27 Sep 1900.

In 1904 this family moved to The Dalles, Wasco, OR. Susie was in poor health and her doctor had advised the move. They bought a ranch with a log home on Dutch Flat from a Mr. **Nelson**. It was a stock & wheat farm. Andrew and Susie Roberts farmed this property until his death.

Minerva first married Phillip Arthur **Wetmore** and later married John Henry **Denslinger**, Sr. After the death of Minerva's father Andrew, John and Minerva, and their family moved from their farm on Upper Five Mile Creek to the Dutch Flat farm and Mr. Denslinger farmed both places. Minerva died 25 May 1993 in The Dalles. John was born 18 March 1891 Crown Clarion, PA and died 11 June 1967 in The Dalles. Both are buried at Park Lawn Cemetery on Steel Road in The Dalles.



Photo Taken at Vancouver, Clark Co. WA about 1902

Dewey
Died 31
Mar 1910
The Dalles,
Wasco, OR
Buried
IOOF
Cemetery.
Andrew Morrison Roberts, Jr. Died 17
Jan 1979 in
Spokane,
A.

Submitted by Rose Denslinger

Fifty Questions for Family History Interviews

By Kimberly Powell,

A great way to uncover clues to your family history or to get great quotes for journaling in a heritage scrapbook is a family interview. By asking the right, open-ended questions, you're sure to collect a wealth of family tales. Use this list of family history interview questions to help you get started but be sure to personalize the interview with your own questions as well.



1. What is your full name? Why did your parents select this name for you? Did you have a nickname?
2. When and where were you born?
3. How did your family come to live there?
4. Were there other family members in the area? Who?
5. What was the house like? How many rooms? Bathrooms? Electricity? Indoor plumbing? Telephones?
6. Were there any special items in the house that you remember?
7. What is your earliest childhood memory?
8. Describe the personalities of your family members.
9. What kind of games did you play growing up?
10. What was your favorite toy and why?
11. What was your favorite thing to do for fun (movies, beach, etc.)?
12. Did you have family chores? What were they? Which was your least favorite?
13. Did you receive an allowance? How much? Did you save your money or spend it?
14. What was school like for you as a child? What were your best and worst subjects? Where did you attend grade school? High school? College?
15. What school activities and sports did you participate in?
16. Do you remember any fads from your youth? Popular hairstyles? Clothes?
17. Who were your childhood heroes?
18. What were your favorite songs and music?
19. Did you have any pets? If so, what kind and what were their names?
20. What was your religion growing up? What church, if any, did you attend?
21. Were you ever mentioned in a newspaper?
22. Who were your friends when you were growing up?
23. What world events had the most impact on you while you were growing up? Did any of them personally affect your family?
24. Describe a typical family dinner.
25. How were holidays (birthdays, Christmas, etc.) celebrated in your family? Did your family have special traditions?

26. How is the world today different from what it was like when you were a child?
27. Who was the oldest relative you remember as a child? What do you remember about them?
28. What do you know about your family surname?
29. Is there a naming tradition in your family, such as always giving the firstborn son the name of his paternal grandfather?
30. What stories have come down to you about your parents? Grandparents? More distant ancestors?
31. Are there any stories about famous or infamous relatives in your family?
32. Have any recipes been passed down to you from family members?
33. Are there any physical characteristics that run in your family?
34. Are there any special heirlooms, photos, bibles or other memorabilia that have been passed down in your family?
35. What was the full name of your spouse? Siblings? Parents?
36. When and how did you meet your spouse? What did you do on dates?
37. What was it like when you proposed (or were proposed to)? Where and when did it happen? How did you feel?
38. Where and when did you get married?
39. What memory stands out the most from your wedding day?
40. How would you describe your spouse? What do (did) you admire most about them?
41. What do you believe is the key to a successful marriage?
42. How did you find out you were going to be a parent for the first time?
43. Why did you choose your children's names?
44. What was your proudest moment as a parent?
45. What did your family enjoy doing together?
46. What was your profession and how did you choose it?
47. If you could have had any other profession what would it have been? Why wasn't it your first choice?
48. Of all the things you learned from your parents, which do you feel was the most valuable?
49. What accomplishments were you the most proud of?
50. What is the one thing you most want people to remember about you?

You could also interview yourself. Answer these questions, and pass along to your children and grandchildren

Puzzling Discovery

Recently a military tombstone (photo below) was found in the basement of the old American Legion Building on Main Street in Goldendale. It was in its original crate with the message "Deliver to IOOF Cemetery, Goldendale, Washington." It has the following inscription: *Christopher Ward Q-M SGT. Co. L 15 KANS CAV*, which translates Quartermaster Sergeant, Company L, 15th Kansas Cavalry. It has no dates listed. Preliminary research indicates this unit was called up in response to the burning of Lawrence, Kansas by William Quantrill's Raiders in 1863. Ward came to Klickitat County in the 1880's and his family lived at Goldendale and Cleveland and may still be there. Ward died in 1913 and is buried in the Goldendale IOOF Cemetery and has a tombstone. Can you help us sort this out. Please send information to Kris Rising of Pioneer Monument at rising@gorge.net or Sandy Bisset at wildflowers@gorge.net



Photo by Sandy Bisset

About Dates

Birth/death year dates such as March 5, 1623/24 offer both the Old (Julian) Calendar year date and the New (Gregorian) Calendar year date in use today. These double-year dates occur mostly for the months of January through March. The New Calendar was adopted by Great Britain and its colonies in 1752, when eleven days were added to that year to bring the calendar in line with the solar year.

What's in A Name

According to Oregon Geographic Names, 6th Edition by Lewis L. McArthur, p.594

The name The Dalles is derived from the French word *dalle*, meaning flagstone, and was applied to the narrows of the Columbia River, above the present city of The Dalles, by French-Canadian employees of the fur companies. Among other things, *dalle* meant a stone used to flag gutters, and the peculiar basalt formations along the narrows doubtless suggested gutters. The word *dalles* signified to the voyageurs, the river rapids flowing swiftly through a narrow channel over flat, basaltic rocks. The first use of the name Dalles in Oregon was in 1814. The name *La Grande Dalle de la Columbia* became established. Although the city is officially Dalles City, the post office, and common usage is The Dalles. It has had several names since incorporation: Dalles, 1851; Wascopum, 1853; The Dalles, 1860. The Indians in the area called the area near Mill Creek, in present day The Dalles, *Quenett*, which was also their word for trout. Lewis and Clark camped here in 1806 and named it Rockfort Camp. Another Indian name in use was *Winquatt*, signifying a place encircled by rock cliffs.

We Get Letters

Hi Sandy,

Your fascinating Occasional Genealogical E-Letter arrived in yesterday's mail and I was surprised to find my email address listed among the missing (I'm the Elizabeth in Newport). Anyway, I learned a lot about what's going on with CGGS and really appreciate having received a copy of it. Thanks. Being a Hood River native (I grew up in Pine Grove and Joni Walker was one of my earliest playmates), it will be great to be able to keep up with what's going on via email now.



One way I try to stay in contact with my roots is by hosting Oregon GenWeb's Hood River County page at <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orhoodri/>. I also maintain the Rootsweb Hood River County mailing list and message board. Earline Wasser has been a terrific contributor to the HR mailing list with her transcriptions of past Wasco and HR counties items. Now that I've put down some roots in Newport (28 years now!) I do the same for Lincoln County, plus serve as webmaster and newsletter editor for the Lincoln County Genealogical Society. <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orygs/>

Enough for now. Thanks again for sending the E-Letter.

Beth Johnson

Newspaper History in The Dalles

The following information was published in The Dalles Chronicle, July 7, 1950.



The Dalles was the first town between the Missouri and the Columbia rivers to have a newspaper. April 1, 1859 was the date of issue number one of the first paper here, *The Dalles Journal*. It was published in the garrison at Ft. Dalles.

The Mountaineer became a daily paper in 1862 but reverted to a weekly four years later. By 1881, the paper had gone through the hands of two more owners and in that year was finally acquired by Co. T.S. Lang. In 1880, *The Dalles Times* had been established, and the two publications were consolidated in 1882 to become *The Times-Mountaineer*. This was a nine-column paper, at first published as an afternoon edition, and later as a morning sheet.

The year 1900 saw the *Times-Mountaineer* become a weekly, then a semi-weekly in 1901. In 1904, the owner, J.A. Douthit, retired, and the newspaper which had served The Dalles for more than 40 years died. In 1860, The Dalles had a paper called *The Weekly*, but it lasted only a short time. Another, *The Daily Journal*, was born in 1883 and died two years later. *The Dalles Tribune* came in about 1875, and it lasted only two years.

The *Inland Empire* was next on the scene, in 1876, but passed on in 1880. The *Wasco Weekly Sun* was created on July 4, 1881. The paper was incorporated under the name of The Dalles Publishing company six years later. The *Sun* continued to be published regularly until the flood of 1884 and was called *The Oregon Democrat-Journal*. It lasted for about one and a half years

But in 1890 another paper had come on the scene. It was one of many papers which lasted from four weeks to 40 years. This new one was a daily. No one knew how long it would last, although its stockholders naturally hoped it would grow to huge proportions.

This new paper was named The Dalles Chronicle.

The first editor of The Chronicle was described as a bright, energetic young man, named J.H. Cradlebaugh. In its Dec. 15, 1915 25th birthday edition, The Chronicle said that "today he is one of the best known newspapermen in the Northwest."

A list of stockholders of The Chronicle shows the now famous names of D.M. French, Robert Mays, J.W. French, B.F. Laughlin, Wintworth Lord, I.C. Nickelson, Maxmillian Vogt, Hugh Glenn, S.L. Brooks, C.L. Phillips and A.S. McAllister.

The corporation was The Chronicle Publishing Company.

In 1907, a new man joined the staff of The Chronicle as a printer - he stayed for a number of years. His name was Ben. R. Litfin and he came here from Clearwater, Minn.

Manager of the paper by 1907 was H.G. Miller.

The next year, The Chronicle was changed to a morning paper and Litfin was appointed foreman in the composing

room.

The paper returned to being an evening publication in about one month.

That same year, 1908, stockholders gave Manager Miller an option to buy stock. He and Litfin picked up what stock they could while the options were good. In 1909, Miller and Litfin bought the remaining stock and, with Editor, H.T. Hopkins, became sole owners to The Chronicle Publishing company.

This partnership lasted for three years, until, in 1912, Hopkins sold his interest and withdrew from the company. Clarence Hedges, of Salinas, Calif., came on the scene and purchased all stock from Miller and Litfin, Miller left the field and is retired in The Dalles today, but Litfin stayed on as business manager

May 2, 1920 was the date for the next shakeup. Litfin and W.P. Mary of Detroit bought out Hedges. Litfin became publisher, a position he retained until his retirement in 1947.

Three years later, Litfin bought Mary's stock and became owner of The Chronicle by himself.

On Jan. 1, 1923, the size of The Chronicle was changed. It had been six columns by 20 inches, but another inch was added to the length and it became a seven-column paper. This page size underwent another change in 1927, when it took its present shape, eight columns by 21 inches.

Fire in 1946 eventually moved The Chronicle to its new building, but only after months of patient location in make-shift quarters.

In 1947, Litfin sold the paper and retired. It went to Victor Morgan of Clearwater, Fla., who quickly put into action a modernization plan. A Sunday morning paper was published instead of a Saturday evening edition, and extra comics and features were added to make the overall paper larger on Sunday.

Then in January 1948, the new Chronicle's building opened - a modern plant with adequate engraving and stereotyping shops. In December 1948, Morgan sold his interests in the paper to Robert S. Howard. Howard sold part interest to the Scripps league in the summer of 1949. The ownership [resided] in the Western Publishing Company, under the management of George R. Skaugset, publisher.

The Dalles Chronicle printed its first edition in December 1890 on the northwest corner of East Second and Union. There was a print shop on that corner then; today it's the site of the Granada Theatre, but distant though it is in time, it's quite close in another sense: the Chronicle's original home is only a block from its new location at 315 E. Federal St. in The Dalles, Oregon.

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ON THE WEB

Citizenship & Immigration Genealogy Program

Customers can now turn to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) for help in researching their family's immigration history through the agency's new Genealogy Program.

USCIS maintains historical records documenting the arrival and naturalization of millions of immigrants who arrived in the United States since the late 1800s and/or naturalized between 1906 and 1956.

Until today, the process to request these records was handled through a Freedom of Information Act / Privacy Act (FOIA) request.

"In many cases USCIS is the only government agency that has certain historical records that provide the missing link [that] genealogists or family historians need," said Jonathan "Jock" Scharfen, USCIS' Acting Director.

The agency anticipates interest in genealogy to continue to grow. In the past four years alone, USCIS received more than 40,000 FOIA requests for historical records. The new genealogy program will create a dedicated queue for genealogists, historians and others seeking genealogical and historical records and reference services that generally require no FOIA expertise. As a result, USCIS will provide more timely responses to requests for records of deceased individuals.

Individuals may submit genealogy records requests by using the new forms, G-1041 - Genealogy Index Search Request, and G-1041A - Genealogy Records Request. Both forms are available on the new USCIS Genealogy Program page at: <http://www.uscis.gov/genealogy>.

The fees include:

Genealogy Index Search - \$20

Copy of a File on Microfilm - \$20

Copy of a Textual File Copy - \$35



Research Websites

Civil War Records

<http://www.archives.gov/genealogy/military/civil-war/>

National Archives www.archives.gov

Cyndi's List www.cyndislist.com

Ancestry www.ancestry.com

Rootsweb www.rootsweb.com

Washington State Digital Archives

<http://www.digitalarchives.wa.gov/TitleInfo.aspx?TID=472>

Oregon Death Index:

<http://www.deathindexes.com/oregon/index.html>

Social Security Death Index:

<http://ssdi.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/ssdi.cgi>

Saving Web Page Text and Creating Screenshots

By [Mary Harrell-Sesniak](#)

When copying information from a website, you may want only the text. To avoid copying images and other unwanted items, save it as a text file.

1. Open the Web page you want to copy text from and select **File>Save As**.
2. Select **Plain Text (*.txt)** in the **Save as type** field.
3. Create a file name and click **Save**.

An alternate method is to copy and paste the information directly into a word processing or genealogy program as unformatted text.

1. In the Web page, highlight the text with your mouse and copy it. (Press **Ctrl+V**; select **File>Copy**; or right-click the highlighted text and select **Copy**.)
2. Open your word processing program or other program where you want to paste the text.
3. Go to the **Edit** menu and select **Paste Special>Unformatted Text**, or a similarly worded option.

Ever wish you could take a snapshot of a reference or other item on the Web? It's not hard and is useful for documenting genealogy sources. Use the print screen option to take a "picture" and paste it into any program that accepts images—all graphics programs and most word processing programs.

1. Verify that the item you are copying is not copyrighted or that it falls under fair use rules.
2. Find the **Print Screen** button on your keyboard and press it. (Look at the top row on the right hand side.)
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Ice Age Exhibition



The Columbia Gorge Discovery Center opened its new Ice Age Phase II Exhibition in June, featuring a life-size 13-foot Columbian mammoth and interpretation of the role that the Ice Age played in peopling the Americas.

The gorge is particularly linked to the Ice Age because of the role the Ice Age floods played in its creation. As legislators in Montana, Idaho, Washington, and Oregon seek designation of the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail, the region is drawing more interest from tourists wanting to find the touchstones of this dramatic period in the natural history of the Mid Columbia area. The exhibit is designed to spark interest and entice further exploration of the region. The Ice Age Exhibit will be on display for many years.

For more information, visit the website at www.gorgediscovery.org or call (541) 296-8600. Open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Oregon Historical Society Exhibit

*Carleton Watkins's Stereo views
of the Columbia River Gorge*

October 4, 2008 - January 11, 2009

Carleton Watkins is considered to be one of the finest landscape photographers of the early American West, and during a series of trips from 1867 to 1885, he photographed Portland and the Columbia River Gorge, capturing some of the first photographs of iconic landmarks such as Castle Rock, Cape Horn, and Multnomah Falls, as well as life, work, and transportation along the river. The Oregon Historical Society's collection contains the most comprehensive set of Watkins' images of Oregon ever to be assembled by an institution. The Oregon History Museum will display nearly one hundred photographs of the Columbia River Gorge that Watkins printed in the popular, nineteenth-century stereoscopic format – two identical photos mounted together that, when viewed through a special lens, make the image become three-dimensional. The OHS exhibit will allow visitors the unique chance to view these images as they were meant to be seen in "3D," letting the viewer experience the formidable landscape of the Columbia River Gorge just as Carleton Watkins first experienced it 140 years ago.

For more information visit: <http://www.ohs.org/>

Oregon Historical Society
1200 SW Park Avenue
Portland, OR 97205
(503) 306-5198



Wasco County Historical Society

November 2nd. Sunday 11:30 am Barlow Grange Hall. The Society holds its annual meeting on the first Sunday in November. Members gather for a dinner, a brief business meeting and an invited presentation by a County historian. 2008 calendar year dues for a family are \$25 (Basic), \$40 (Sustaining) or \$100 (Patron); dinner cost is additional. We invite you to join us.

541-298-4065 for reservations.

Holiday Open House Discovery Center

Enjoy holiday music while the children visit with Santa or make crafts. Free cookies and cider for all. Optional dinner buffet in the Basalt Cafe. **December 10th. 5 p.m-8 p.m.**



For more information, call (541) 296-8600.

Sherman Co. Museum

December 6th. - Christmas Open House at Sherman Co. Museum, Museum store sale, entertainment, Jane Kirkpatrick's Book signing 10-4 pm

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

Dufur Hometown Christmas

December 13th. - Arts & crafts bazaar, soup brunch, Christmas wreath sale, music, bonfire at the museum, pictures with Santa.



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The Society meets on second Saturday of the month, Sept-June at 1:00 p.m. at Columbia Gorge Discovery Center, 5000 Discovery Drive, The Dalles, OR. (unless announced otherwise). Officers meeting at 11:00 a.m. No host lunch and regular meeting will open at 1:00 p.m.

Membership dues: January to December
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Upcoming Programs

October 11, 2008 - "Internet Genealogy" Linda Colton from the LDS History Center in Hood River will present Part 2 of her program. This class will guide you in your research and organization while using your computer to find your ancestors.

November 8, 2008 - "Memories in Stone" Bob and Kris Rising from Pioneer Rock and Monument in Goldendale will share information about the interesting headstones and monuments they have helped to create, and the cemeteries they have worked.

December 13, 2008 - "Holiday Gathering" Annual Christmas party. Members and guests bring in "goodies" and a family heirloom or a story to show and tell.