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2023 Open House Set Attendance Records

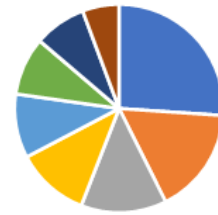
The GFO's annual free and virtual Open House was held from March 11-19. We experienced a record attendance with over 2,000 attendees at one or more of our 28 presentations. Our speakers (who all presented without financial compensation) received very positive feedback from our audiences. We hope that you had a chance to catch a presentation or two or many more!

At the end of every Open House presentation, we asked attendees to fill out a brief questionnaire. The first question asked what zip code the attendee was joining us from

so that we could get a sense of our advertising effectiveness. Answers to the two questions "What did you like best about today's presentation?" and "What could be improved upon in this presentation?" were shared individually with each speaker. The final question, "What subjects would you like to see at Open House?" was correlated and appear in this pie chart. This is great information for us in planning future education events at GFO.

Additional comments or questions can be sent to education@gfo.org.

Requested Topics for Open House



- Methodology
- American*
- Continental Europe†
- Germany
- Immigration/Emigration
- Scotland/ Ireland
- Technology & Programs
- DNA

*includes Oregon, Native American, and African American
†excluding Germany

Pie chart illustrating responses to the survey question, "What subjects would you like to see at Open House?" Chart shows subjects that had more than four responses.

Oregon Counties and Their Records



Hand-colored postcard depicting logging in Seaside, Clatsop County, Oregon.

Image from OSU Special Collections & Archives Research Center, *Oregon Digital* (<https://oregondigital.org/concern/images/df66w5165> : accessed 17 April 2023).

The Insider's series on records and repositories in Oregon counties continues this issue with

- Clatsop County ([page 3](#)),
- Columbia County ([page 4](#)),
- Lincoln County ([page 7](#)), and
- Tillamook County ([page 8](#)).

Visit the [web page](#) for *The Forum Insider* to access earlier issues.

January: Multnomah

February: Clackamas and Washington

April: Marion, Polk, and Yamhill



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To inspire and empower every person to *discover* and *engage* with their family history.

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The Genealogical Records of Clatsop County

Geri Auerbach, AG®

Clatsop County was originally part of the Tuality District (one of four original Oregon districts). Clatsop County's boundaries were first set by the provisional legislature on 22 June 1844, and additional boundary changes were made in 1845. Clatsop County's final boundaries were set in 1853. The county was named for the Clatsop Indians, one of the Chinook tribes who historically resided in the area. Astoria, the county seat, is also the oldest city in Oregon, founded in 1811.¹ Clatsop County is the 19th most populous county in Oregon with a recorded population of 41,072 on the 2020 U.S. census.²

Comprehensive Resources

- 1 **FamilySearch Research Wiki** for Clatsop County records
- 2 *NGS Research in the States Series: Oregon*, 3rd edition by Connie Lenzen—available at **National Genealogical Society**

Libraries

- 3 **Astoria Public Library**—Its genealogy collection includes Astoria city directories 1890–2000, Astoria newspapers on microfilm (1860s–2006), vital indexes from 1961–2008, and high school yearbooks for Astoria and Warrenton high schools. Also, it offers in-library access to HeritageHub (a collection of U.S. obituaries and death notices) and *The Astorian* newspaper (current and archived issues).

The library also houses the **Astoria Public Library Archive**, which has various collections from early Astoria residents.

Archival/Government Held Records

- 4 **Clatsop County Records Inventory**—List of and links to a variety of records relating to Clatsop County, including vital, property, court, coroner, naturalization, pension and relief records, as well as prisoner and probate records. Location of the records is provided.



Situated in Astoria, Oregon, the “first U.S. C[us]tom House built West of the Rockies,” circa 1900-1910. Photo credit: Lee Moorhouse, PH036_2446 Lee Moorhouse Photographs 1888-1916, University of Oregon; Oregon Digital (<https://oregondigital.org/concern/images/df716t803> : accessed 18 Apr 2023.)

Museums

- 5 **Clatsop County Historical Society and Museums**—The Clatsop County Historical Society operates four museums: the Flavel House Museum, the Heritage Museum, the Oregon Film Museum, and the Uppertown Firefighters Museum.

Of particular interest to genealogists is the Liisa Penner Research Center & Archives. The archives are housed in the Heritage Museum, and there is a significant collection of primary sources, including personal diaries and journals (as early as the 1840s), city directories starting in the 1890s, Sanborn Maps, yearbooks, Finnish records, and a Native American family history project. The Research Center also has more than 45,000 historical photos and vertical files of biographical information.

Other

- 6 **Friends of Suomi Hall**—Suomi Hall has lodge records from several Finnish lodges of Oregon. They are not fully accessible at this time, but you can contact Eric B. Williams with research questions at TheFriendsOfSuomiHall@gmail.com

1. “Clatsop County History,” *County Records Guide*, Oregon State Archives (<http://bit.ly/3KraCEh> : accessed 2 April 2023).
 2. “State Profile,” *Oregon: 2020 Census*, United States Census Bureau (<https://bit.ly/3lBwvS1> : accessed 2 April 2023).



The Genealogical Records of Columbia County

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Columbia County was partitioned from Washington County in 1854. Explored by Lewis and Clark, fur trader settlements were present as early as 1810. The county is named after the Columbia River. It is a small county (third smallest in the state) at 646 square miles.¹ Columbia County is the 17th most populous county in Oregon with a recorded population of 52,589 on the 2020 U.S. census.²

Comprehensive Resources:

- 1 FamilySearch Research Wiki** for Columbia County records
- 2 NGS Research in the States Series: Oregon**, 3rd edition by Connie Lenzen—available at **National Genealogical Society**

Libraries

- 3 St. Helens Public Library**—The library has in-library access to Ancestry.com. Also, “Genial Genealogists” meets every other month and features discussions on various topics. The library hosts a biennial genealogy conference. This year’s conference is on 15–16 September, “Columbia County Genealogy Conference: Rivers of Wonder.”

Archival/Government Held Records:

- 4 Columbia County Records Inventory**—List of and links to a variety of records relating to

Columbia County including vital, property, court, coroner, naturalization, pension and relief records, as well as prisoner and probate records. Location of the records is provided.

Historical Societies and Museums

- 5 Columbia County Heritage Association**—There are seven historical museums in Columbia County. The list of the museums and their hours and contact information is on the web site. The individual museums generally specialize in their specific area of the county.

The museum with the largest research collection is the **Columbia County Historical Society & Museum Association**. The research library has an extensive history of Columbia County and many sources of interest to genealogists, including family histories, yearbooks, telephone directories, images and artifacts of lumber-related enterprises, railroading, prominent county individuals, WWI and WWII veteran information, hotel and store ledgers, and a vertical file of people, places, and subjects.

The museum also has an index to **“Archived Columbia County Records”** and some digitized items.

1. “Columbia County History,” *County Records Guide*, Oregon Secretary of State–State Archives (<http://bit.ly/3Ut8eS8> : accessed 1 April 2023).

2. “State Profile,” *Oregon: 2020 Census*, United States Census Bureau (<https://bit.ly/3lBwvS1> : accessed 2 March 2023).

Membership Dues to Rise July 1

The GFO Board has decided to raise membership dues, effective July 1. The \$1 increase is calculated to cover most of our annual \$1,200 increase in rent.

You can renew at the old price, even if your membership still has many months left. To renew, visit **Membership** or send an email to membership@gfo.org. To lock in the lower price, complete your renewal before July 1, 2023.

Membership July 1, 2023–June 30, 2023	Digital*	Print*
Individual-12 month	\$51.00	\$76.00
Individual-25 month	\$102.00	\$152.00
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*By choosing digital pricing, members will receive all GFO publications electronically. To receive our quarterly journal *The Bulletin* in print, the print price is applicable.
†Student and Life memberships receive digital publications only.



A DNA Success Story

Janis Shampay

Like many Americans, I am a descendant of immigrants. None of my ancestors were in the United States before 1848, and only half of them as of 1920. This has made genealogical research more challenging, having to navigate a lack of records from multiple European countries, as well as multiple languages and varieties of cursive script. Therefore, a longtime brick wall was the family of my great-grandmother, Barbara Koenig, who came to the U.S. sometime before 1885 from Germany, or perhaps Bavaria.

I had Barbara's 1885 marriage license from Cuyahoga County, Ohio (solemnized by a justice of the peace, no parents listed), a headstone photo from St. Mary's on the West Side of Cleveland, and a family story that she had siblings named Valentine, George, Elizabeth, Mary, and Eva. Barbara died in 1894 and showed up on no censuses. I'd failed to find a passenger manifest, and she was not referred to in her husband Joseph Rauch's naturalization documents. The Cleveland Catholic Diocese archives had no information on her. I was stuck. I could not "jump the pond" to a location in Europe.

Then I did a test at *Ancestry.com*. DNA tests don't necessarily hand you the answers; then again, what

would be the fun in that? Depending on the population, you may not have many close matches. And DNA tests can reveal some surprises, often uncomfortable. But the results can provide clues, new directions, and support for searching collateral lines. That's what happened with me. The DNA results niftily correlated with family lore and traditional genealogical documentation to create a breakthrough.

Early on, one of my closer DNA matches was someone with a small, unattached tree. I couldn't be sure where this DNA match fit in that tree, but the terminal branch involved a woman named Elizabeth Koenig and her husband, John Zenkert. I was somewhat more successful in finding documents on her, including a death certificate and passenger manifest, but no locations other than Germany.

Elizabeth Koenig and John Zenkert's marriage license was in the Cuyahoga County, Ohio, records at *FamilySearch*. Their marriage was solemnized by Jos. M. Koudelka. I searched the Internet to discover that he was the founding pastor of St. Michael's Catholic Church, one of two predominantly German parishes on Cleveland's West Side (Figure 1).

So I wrote to St. Michael's, providing the exact marriage date and pastor for Elizabeth Zenkert and asking whether they had any information in their

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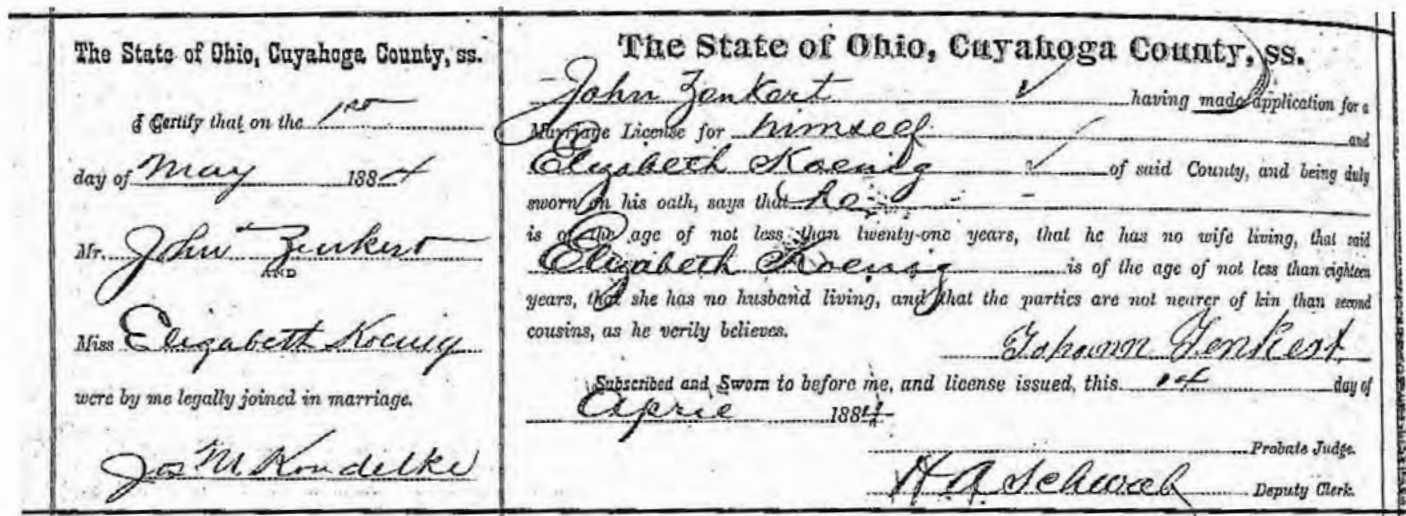


Figure 1. The key Koenig-Zenkert marriage license, naming the well-known pastor Joseph Koudelka.¹



A DNA Success Story, from page 5

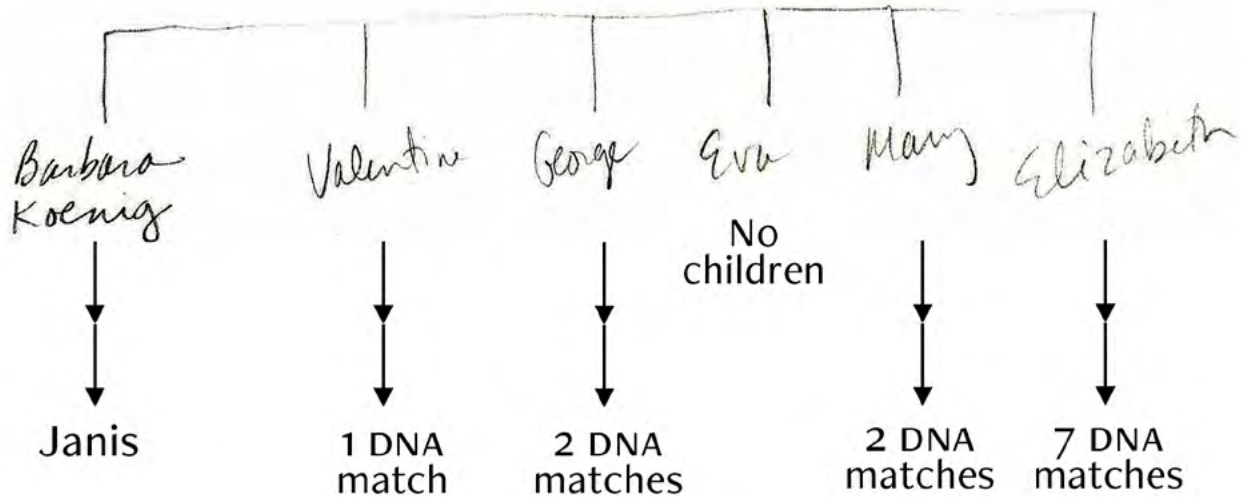


Figure 2. My hand-drawn Koenig tree, circa 1990, annotated with DNA matches identified thus far.

marriage books about her parents or her birthplace. I used their website form: no response. I emailed them directly: no response. I sent them snail mail, with an image of the license and other pertinent information: no response. Each time, I politely waited several months before trying again.

After all these attempts, I finally called St. Michael's. I hate talking on the phone—I get rattled, and it seems more intrusive—after all, their job is not to answer my genealogy questions! And sure enough, the woman who answered began with “too difficult ... records lost ... no staff ... not digitized,” and I politely emphasized I had an exact date. She put the phone down, and 20 seconds later was back on with just the right book. And there it was: Elizabeth Koenig, parents John and Margaret, from “Genheim.” (Long story short, it was actually Gänheim, in Unterfranken, Bavaria.)

In the meantime, other DNA matches could be traced to Koenigs in Cleveland in the 1880s: several more descendants of Elizabeth, and descendants of George, Valentin, and Mary. For some of these, I found marriage records that gave parents Johann Koenig/König and a Speth (sometimes I had to refer to second marriages, when the records were more informative).

I collected all given or approximate dates of birth—ranging from 1853 for my Barbara to 1863 for those individuals in Cleveland by the 1880s. The

only dangler was “Eva,” with no known DNA match descendants and no U.S. documents. In writing this piece, I made one more research dive at *Ancestry* and found Eva's will: she died in 1905, childless, so no DNA descendants (Figure 2).

Armed with my confirmation of these Cleveland Koenigs, I hired a researcher in Germany who frequents the Würzburg archives where the Catholic parish records of Gänheim are kept. He quickly found and sent the baptismal records for all the König-Speth children, and amazingly, their birth dates matched those in the U.S. documents for all of them!

So follow up those collateral lines, consider a DNA test, and be polite but persistent when trying to access documents held in local institutions. And don't discount family stories, though be prepared to reinterpret them. I have another family story about how there was a Shampay at Little Big Horn with Custer—not exactly, but the army, Native Americans, and a well-known personage were involved!

Janis Shampay is a biology professor at Reed College in Portland, Oregon.

1. “Ohio, County Marriages, 1789–2016,” database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/3:1:939K-BJQT-R> : 13 October 2021), John Zenkert and Elizabeth Koenig, 1884.



The Genealogical Records of Lincoln County

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Lincoln County, named for President Lincoln, was carved out of Polk and Benton counties on 20 February 1893 by the Oregon Legislative Assembly. The county had several border adjustments with the final change occurring in 1949. The county contains 992 square miles. The Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians have tribal lands of 15,204 acres in northern Lincoln County.¹ Lincoln County is the 18th most populous county in Oregon with a recorded population of 50,395 on the 2020 U.S. census.²

Comprehensive Resources

- 1 FamilySearch Research Wiki** for Lincoln County
- 2 NGS Research in the States Series: Oregon**, 3rd edition by Connie Lenzen—available at **National Genealogical Society**

Genealogical Societies

- 3 Lincoln County Genealogical Society**—The LCGS meets monthly (both in-person and remotely) and has two interest groups (DNA and Writers' & Crafters'). The society offers seminars. LCGS also conducts genealogy classes through the **Oregon Coast Community College's** Community Ed Program.

Oregon-born Author to Follow Member Meeting

The GFO Annual Meeting will be held virtually on June 17, 2023, at 2:15 p.m. Join us to learn more about next year's budget, witness the investiture of new officers, and find out if a new member will join the GFO Hall of Fame.



Bob Crites

Immediately afterward, about 2:30 p.m., Bob Crites will present "The Story of One Man's Fantastic Life," based on his debut memoir, *No Ghosts in the Graveyard*.

Bob Crites, a retired guidance counselor, engagingly tells a story of his earliest years, starting from his home birth as one of triplets. His life, initially, was a rough one, filled

Libraries

- 4 Newport Public Library**—At-home access to Heritage Quest with a Newport Public Library card.

Archival/Government Held Records

- 5 Lincoln County Records Inventory**—List of and links to a variety of records relating to Lincoln County including vital, property, court, naturalization, pension and relief records, as well as prisoner and probate records. Location of the records is provided.

Museums

- 6 Lincoln County Historical Society**—The LCHS operates two museums: the Burrows House and the Pacific Maritime Heritage Center. Additionally, the LCHS has a research library and archives (appointment only). Its collection includes cemetery records, manuscripts, maps, newspapers (clipping files and newspapers on microfilm) oral histories, photographs, and telephone directories.

1. "Lincoln County History," *County Records Guide*, Oregon Secretary of State-State Archives (<https://bit.ly/3L4Qucl> : accessed 29 March 2023).

2. "State Profile," *Oregon: 2020 Census*, United States Census Bureau (<https://bit.ly/3lBwvS1> : accessed 29 March 2023).

with multiple parental remarriages, multiple moves, and a period of houselessness and forest living in the summer of 1954. Yet, his tale is also about his commitment to education and Peace Corps service, and eventually "giving back" through work and philanthropy.

Crites' varied career over the decades included driving large vehicles, financial services, counseling, and philanthropy. Highlights of his career included two years as an associate Peace Corps director in Guatemala, as well as arranging the American hosting of Mozambican Olympic track and field champion Maria Mutola and temporarily becoming her agent. Overall, Crites presents readers an engaging narrative. Register for free at gfo.org/gentalk.



The Genealogical Records of Tillamook County

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Tillamook County is named for the Tillamook tribal people who resided in the area around both Tillamook and Nehalem bays. The county was formed out of Clatsop, Yamhill, and Polk counties on 15 December 1853 by the Territorial Legislature. The county has 1,125 square miles.¹ Tillamook County had 27,390 residents as of the 2020 U.S. federal census, making it the 21st most populous county in Oregon.²

Comprehensive Resources

- 1 **FamilySearch Research Wiki** for Tillamook County
- 2 *NGS Research in the States Series: Oregon*, 3rd edition by Connie Lenzen—available at **National Genealogical Society**

Libraries

- 3 **Tillamook County Library**—The main library, Tillamook Main, is located in downtown Tillamook. There are five satellite libraries. Library patrons have access to HeritageQuest Online and HeritageHub.

Archival/Government Held Records

- 4 **Tillamook County Records Inventory**—List of and links to the variety of records relating to Tillamook County including vital, property, court, naturalization, pension and relief records, as well as prisoner records and probate records. Location of records is provided.

Museums

- 5 **Tillamook County Pioneer Museum**—The TCPM is located in an old county courthouse in Tillamook. The museum has over 50,000 artifacts and more than 20,000 photographs and various newspaper records. The museum also has a research library with a variety of sources of interest to genealogists including oral histories, cemetery records, family biographies, military, occupational, legal, and vital records. The library has an obituary index covering the years 1955–2020 that is available online: **Obituaries**.

1. "Tillamook County History," *County Records Guide*, Oregon Secretary of State–State Archives (<http://bit.ly/3mm5o4X> : accessed 1 April 2023).

2. "State Profile," *Oregon: 2020 Census*, United States Census Bureau (<https://bit.ly/3lBwvS1> : accessed 2 April 2023).

Genealogical Forum of Oregon GenTalk

THE OVERLAND TRAILS

Westward Migration in the 19th Century

May 20
2:30 p.m. PT

Presented by
Amber Oldenburg

Free Registration
gfo.org/gentalk

Wish you were here!



Online Events for May

Monday, May 1

RootsMagic

10 a.m.–12 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Wednesday, May 3

Learn & Chat

10 a.m.–12 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Saturday, May 6

Virginia Roots and Vines

10 a.m.–12 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Join the group in May for a trip back in time as we learn about the modes of transportation our ancestors used. The nonprofit Northwest Carriage Museum in Raymond, Washington, began in 2002 and currently has over 60 beautiful, meticulously restored horse-drawn vehicles of the 19th century, including carriages, buggies, wagons, sleighs, and hundreds of historical artifacts that help bring history to life. If you have ever wondered what a lady's landau looks like or how a chuck wagon was organized, this is your chance to find out. There is even a mail buggy from Cornelius, Oregon, and a stagecoach from Kentucky in the collection.

German Group

1–3 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Tuesday, May 9

Board Meeting

6:30–8:30 p.m.

All GFO members are invited to attend. To receive a link to this online meeting, or request an agenda item, send an email at least 24 hours in advance to president@gfo.org.

Thursday, May 11

The Q Review

6–7 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Saturday, May 13

Access GFO Resources

10 a.m.–12 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Join Laurel Smith via Zoom to learn about the resources GFO provides for everyone and about the

special benefits to GFO members. Learn how to use GFO's website, library catalog, and MemberSpace.

Sunday, May 14

The Writers' Room

2:30–4 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Wednesday, May 17

Learn & Chat

10 a.m.–12 p.m.

SIGN UP >

DNA Q&A: The Basics

1–3 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Saturday, May 20

Genealogy Problem Solvers

9:30–11:30 a.m.

SIGN UP >

African American Ancestry

12–2 p.m.

SIGN UP >

GenTalk: The Overland Trails: Westward Migration in the 19th Century

2:30–4 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Your ancestors went west for many reasons: opportunity, land, and promise. Learn about the overland trails that many of them used to head west. This session will help you understand what your ancestors experienced along the way and how you can discover them in the records they left behind. Presenter Amber Oldenburg is a researcher and lecturer with a degree in family history research from BYU-Idaho, where she is currently an adjunct instructor.

Saturday, May 27

British Group

1–3 p.m.

SIGN UP >

Sunday, May 28

Italian Ancestry

1–2:30 p.m.

Contact facilitator Stephanie Silenti at

italian@gfo.org for an invitation to the online meeting.





Genealogical Forum of Oregon Annual Meeting and GENTalk

THE STORY OF ONE MAN'S FANTASTIC LIFE

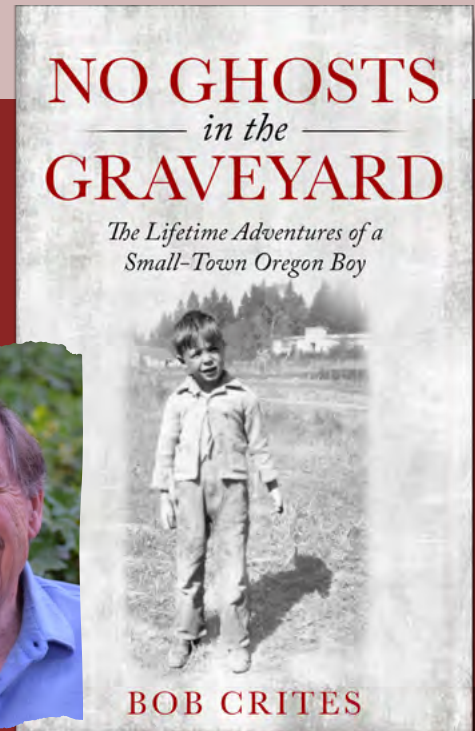
June 17, 2023

Meeting | 2:15 pm PT

GENTalk | 2:30 pm PT

Free registration:
gfo.org/gentalk

Bob Crites



Get Help at PMUG Clinic

Every Tuesday Evening
6:00 – 7:30 pm on Zoom

- Get Free Help for your Macintosh, iPhone, iPad, iPod or Apple Watch
- For info on how to attend, contact us at:

info@pmug.org





GFO Star

April

Gina Palmer



Gina volunteered to be the GFO's Education Committee Chair in September 2022. Gina had presented before at the GFO Open House, and she gave a GenTalk in 2022 before she was even a member of the GFO. Her willingness to help out, even though she had not yet become a member, was a wonderful gift to the GFO.

Gina jumped right in and learned the ins and outs of Education programming, running the Education Committee meetings, and coordinating with other GFO Board and committee members. Unfortunately for the GFO, Gina is planning to move to Germany to be with her parents, and the time difference would make remaining Education Committee Chair untenable.

True to her helpful nature, she is busy training her replacement, Rachael Anderson. Please join us in wishing Gina well in her new adventures!

GFO Special Interest Groups

SIG meetings occur virtually in Pacific Time. They are open to the public. Learn more about our SIGs at our [SIG page](#).

AFRICAN AMERICAN GROUP

Led by Janice Sellers
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BRITISH GROUP

Led by Duane Funk
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DNA – Advanced

Led by Tim Janzen
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DNA Q & A – The Basics

Led by Lisa McCullough
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FAMILY TREE MAKER

Led by Agnes Zueger, Johnna Waldon,
and Joyce Grant-Worley
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GENEALOGY PROBLEM SOLVERS

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GERMAN GROUP

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GREAT LAKES

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LEARN & CHAT

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WRITERS' ROOM

Led by Geri Auerbach, AG®
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REGISTRATION
for RVGS Interest Groups.
All times are Pacific Time.

- May 8, 2023
2–3:30 p.m. Colonial America
- May 9, 2023
11 a.m.–12 p.m. German
- May 9, 2023
1:30–3 p.m. Family Tree Maker
- May 10, 2023
10:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Genetic Genealogy
- May 11, 2023
6–7:30 p.m. Genealogy Newbies
- May 12, 2023
1:30–3 p.m. Irish
- May 13, 2023
10:30 a.m.–12 p.m. Brick Wall Roundtable

Join Wednesday Work Parties at GFO Library

Come have fun with your local genealogical community and help the GFO at the same time! The GFO Library will host weekly Wednesday work parties between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. when the library is closed to research.

You are invited to drop in and lend a hand. Projects will vary from week to week. Anyone interested in helping is welcome. Stay for an hour or the whole day.

Our first project will be to review the contents of the many boxes received from Clatsop County Genealogical Society. We hope you'll join in the fun of sorting the boxes to discover the treasures within.

If you'd like to help, but you haven't been to the library recently, please read the **Visit Us** page on our website, and don't forget the **call box instructions** needed to enter the locked Ford building.

We hope to see you on Wednesday!

Treasurer's Report

Contact: treasurer@gfo.org

MARCH 2023 INCOME

Contributions*	\$ 1,083.63
Memberships	\$ 5,843.00
Education Income	\$ 258.00
Library & Research	\$ 146.30
Book Sales & Misc. Income	\$ 1,866.52
Interest & Dividends	\$ 1,984.33
Total	\$ 11,181.78

MARCH 2023 EXPENSE

Administration	\$ 1,304.60
Publications	\$ 370.29
Education fees	\$ 100.00
Facilities & Equipment	\$ 5,071.18
Library & Research	\$ 1,304.60
Total	\$ 8,150.67

Net Income for the month	\$ 3,031.11
Year-to-Date Net Income	\$ 24,527.53

Donor-restricted Donations	\$ 275.00
Unrealized Gains	\$ 12,766.78
Endowment Donation	\$ 0.00
Total adjustments	\$ 13,041.78

*Includes Annual Appeal