



TIDBITS



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President's Message

Pam LaFond, First Vice President

Welcome back to the "Valley of the Sun" and the West Valley Genealogical Society. We have had a busy summer here at the Library, clearing out boxes of books and keeping the obituaries current. Please read your *Tidbits* for updated information and many opportunities to make your Library even better.

A Challenge;

When was the last time you brought a newbie to the WVGS Library? You know, someone who may have said in passing, "My family hails from Idaho, I think, not quite sure, just remember my grandmother saying something like that when I was a kid."

Oh, to see the look on that person's face when you take them to our Library and show how to research their family using the 1940 census, not only their grandparents full names, but their dad and his siblings. Seeing the home address with an occupation and level of education for old Gram and Gramp would be an eye opener. And of course to see the family income for an average 1940 family would also give them something to think about.

So I challenge you to listen, when at gatherings and meetings, to hear that one person whose life you can enhance by saying, "Let me show you how you can find true information about your family's past at our Library."



Find Us On Facebook

WVGS has a Facebook page. To access, just click the Facebook symbol on our web site, or from home, type in "West Valley Genealogical Society." Once there, view the page and give us a *Like*.



September Calendar

- 5 WVGS Board Meeting, 1:00 pm
- 12 General Membership Meeting, 1:30 pm
- 15 Research Night, 5:00 to 9:00 pm
call the Library to reserve a spot
- 19 Lunch With Your Ancestor, 11:00 am
- 26 Library Tour 9:30 - 11:30 am
call the Library to reserve a spot

WVGS Library:

12222 N. 111th Avenue, Youngtown, AZ 85363-1225

Hours:

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday
1:00 - 4:00 pm Sunday
Closed Monday and Wednesday for classes/meetings

Telephone: 623-933-4945

Website: <http://www.azwvgs.org>

Monthly Meetings: September through May
Second Monday of each month - Doors open at 1:00 pm
First Presbyterian Church
12225 N. 103rd Avenue, Sun City

September 12th Speaker

Melanie Sturgeon, Director of the Arizona State Archives

"I Do! I Don't! I Died! Using Court Records in Family History Research."

Many of our ancestors appear in records created by the courts, yet few family history researchers use them. Criminal and civil cases, marriages,



divorces, land partitions, water disputes, naturalizations, inquests, guardianships and probate cases can be rich sources of information that cut across class, race, gender and economic situation. Learn about courts and the information held in their records that might just help you break down that proverbial brick wall.

Melanie Sturgeon is the Director of the Arizona State Archives. She has a Ph.D. in history and has taught family history classes for many years. She works closely with Arizona's state and local government agencies to identify and preserve their permanent/historical records. She recently served as a Board member of the National Association of Government Archivists and Records Administrators, and is currently a Board member for the Arizona Women's Hall of Fame, the Arizona Women's History Alliance, the Arizona Women's Heritage Trail and the Arizona Genealogical Advisory Board.

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Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Karen R. Zeppenfeld



Be Sure To Check With The Library Or WVGS Website To Verify SIG Schedules

- **Adoption** Watch for new dates/times or contact Lou McLean for details: mlm16ddm@yahoo.com
- **African American Lineage** 3rd Sat., 10:00 am to noon
- **British Isles** 4th Thursday, 1:00-3:00 pm
- **Canada Sep-Apr** 3rd Thursday, 10:00 am to noon
- **DNA Sep-Jun** 1st Saturday, 1:00-3:00 pm
- **Family Tree Maker Sep-May** 4th Friday, 10:30 am-12:30 pm
- **Germany/Poland** 3rd Tuesday, 9:30-11:30 am
- **Illinois/Indiana/Ohio** 4th Friday, 1:00-3:00 pm
- **Italy** 1st Thursday, 10:30 am-12:30 pm
- **Kansas/Missouri** 2nd Friday, 1:00-3:00 pm
- **Legacy** 1st Saturday, 10:00 am to noon
- **Maryland & Southern States** 1st Friday 9:30-11:30 am
- **Native American Oct - May** 3rd Sunday, 1:00-3:00 pm
- **New England** 2nd Saturday 1:00-3:00 pm
- **Norway Oct-Apr** 2nd Tuesday, 9:30-11:30 am
- **NY/NJ/PA Sep-May** 1st Tuesday, 9:30-11:30 am
- **Roots Magic** 1st Tuesday, 1:00-3:00 pm
- **Salem** 2nd Saturday, 10:00 am to noon
- **Sweden Oct-Apr** 3rd Thursday, 1:00-3:00 pm
- **TMG** 5th Saturday, 10:00 am to noon
- **Writing Family History** 4th Thursday, 9:30-11:30 am

If there are any questions, call the WVGS Library or contact the SIGs Coordinator, Karen R. Zeppenfeld, at sigs@azwvgs.org or 623-271-7370.



Do You Have a Product Or Service To Offer Fellow Genealogists?

If you have a genealogy related business, there is now a great opportunity to advertise in *Tidbits*. We are accepting business card sized ads and will run them for a full year (9 issues) for the low price of \$100. This is a wonderful way to reach a selected audience to let them know what you do! Limited spaces are available and are being offered first to our members, so act now to reserve your space. Please contact Judy Linnebach at judylinnebach@gmail.com or call (208) 659-3911.

African American Lineage SIG

2016-2017 Topics for Research and Discussion

- Sept. Citing Your Sources** - Always! Always! Always!
- Oct. Courthouse Research** – Using the WPA, on-line Courthouse resources, or simply just calling the courthouse of the area of your research. Finding tax lists, (Assessors Office today in most areas) Voter registration lists.
- Nov. Plantation Research** - Researching a plantation owner to find your ancestors.

December - No Meeting

- Jan.** African American Research at the Library of Congress.
- Feb.** African American Research at NARA – military research tools, Fold3.
- March** African American Research at the **Family History Center Salt Lake City**.
- April** **The Law**-Federal laws, state laws, civil laws. For African Americans **Black Codes** and **Jim Crow Laws**. How this affected what your ancestors did and did not do and/or could or could not do!

Rosalind Matthews

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West Valley Genealogical Society Parking Lot Sale

Saturday, November 12, 2016

8:00 am to 3:00 pm

12222 N. 111th Avenue, Youngtown, AZ 85363
(Corner of 111th Avenue and California Street)

Donations accepted on
Friday, November 11, 2016
from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Please have all donations clean, serviceable, and priced for sale. (We will price the clothes)

Questions-please call -
Pam LaFond 623-877-8370

May Volunteer of the Month

Nan Hoffman, Interim Director of Membership Outreach

Barb Behrman



May's Volunteer of the month is a bittersweet event, for our recipient is leaving WVGS and Arizona tomorrow. She came to us in 1999, by way of Chicago and Indiana, in an RV which she and her husband had lived in for several years while traveling all over the 48 states. They only missed one of the Carolinas and

Nebraska and were never sure why. She had married her husband Jerry in the early 1990's, successfully blending two families into one while beginning their RVing life style and loving it. Prior to this, her active life included marriage, 3 great children and many successful years of employment. She even lived and put her talents to work fixing up an older lake-side home to meet her personal desires and needs before agreeing to marry again.

After several years of traveling the country and living this contained life in an RV they decided to put down some roots and settle in Arizona. Here she worked for a time in a local realty firm before retiring and joining our Society in 2011. In WVGS she took an active role in many activities almost immediately. When the Membership Outreach Director position became available in January, 2014, she agreed and was elected. This role of starting new members on their research journey was a natural for her since she has never met a stranger. Her calm resolve to enhance the initial experience and involvement for new members was demonstrated in every way. She also signed on as an aid about this time. It was soon after she began her directorship that three life changing events occurred for her. First she found she had to battle the big C with all of it's discomfort and frustration. Part of this resulted in her hair leaving, but then changing to a nice red "do" for a time until her own returned. Then during this same period her husband had major heart health issues and needed proper and timely intervention. She was stalwart and called on her fortitude to remain supportive for him. But the third event took a piece of her heart when her young, vibrant son suddenly died, leaving a new baby fatherless. Through all of this she remained determined to function as normally as possible. She seemingly never lost her positive nature giving smiles and warmth to everyone near her. She always functioned at a high level and when faced with a

decision about a second term, she felt positive about the future, so she moved forward with the Director position for 2016-17.

Now this has come to an early, unplanned and unexpected end, which is unfortunate for all concerned. She and her husband are very sorry to leave our lovely state and WVGS. But they feel this was a necessary decision at this time for them and their family. We want to wish her every success in her new location in or near Knoxville, Tennessee. She is planning to continue her genealogy research and hopes to find a group that will mirror ours.

I was pleased and honored to present the May Volunteer of the Month to Barb Behrman.

Donations – Thank You!

Many, many thanks to all of our donors of materials, equipment and publications. This month's donors are 50/50 Club - Melissa Bird, Judy Bourassa, Janet Buchanan, Elizabeth Burks, Mikki Cearfoss, Sandra Harwood, Nan Hoffman, Cindy Lamm, Peggy Mophew, Stephanie Sparks, Barb Stenberg, Dave Taylor, Lu Valles, Cindy Young, and Karen Zeppenfeld; CDC in Honor of Betty Froggett's and Fran Kittredge's 90th Birthdays; John Comer, Beverly Logan Craig, Dr. John Donaldson, Deanna Hill, Bonnie Lopez, Lou McLean, Verlyne Meck, Donna Meszaros, Evelyn Nightingale, Paul Phillips, Prescott Family Search Library, Nancy Reed, Margaret Schaub, Schenectady County Historical Society, Linda Simmons, Dee Snook, Dee Snook in Memory of William Johnson, Larry Spooner and Ginger Trokey.

Welcome New Members

Arlene Sampson, Membership Registrar

Please welcome the new members who joined the Society during May 2016. The New Members are: Archibeque, Eugene; Atchison, Billy; Atwood, Richard & Carol Harrington; Barnum, Diana; Beinbrech, Carol; Carr, Donna L.; Chancellor, Joyce; Comer, Cheryl J.; Cox, Candy S.; Darrow, Georgann; Ek, Betty; Elam, Andrea; Eyre, Suellen A.; Fox, Charles and Ruth; Gay, Adrienne; Haab, Guenter; Heisser, Cheri; Herrmann, Paul & Nancy; Herzig, William; Hillman, Sam; Jones, Carole; Kirk, Patricia; Krause, Doug; Lowe, Michael; Murphy, Timothy; Owens, Birtie M.; Reeg, Alice; Shields, Donna; Toms, Patricia L. and Woods, Barbara J.

When you see these new members, be sure to introduce yourself and encourage them to participate in the Society's many activities. We welcome everyone to many years of continued membership, fellowship and research within the Society.

We currently have 636 members.

Library New Book Report

Linda McCleary, Book Accessioner

Karen R. Zeppenfeld, Library Administrator

- 1830 Federal Census: Territory of Michigan and a Guide to Ancestral Trails in Michigan
- 1865 New York State Census - Onondaga County Special Schedules: Marriages, Deaths, Military Deaths
- 1973 Revised Index to History of Old Pendleton District, S.C. (With a Genealogy of the Leading Families of the District) by Col. R. W. Simpson, originally published in 1913
- Abstracts of Pension Papers Pertaining to Soldiers of the Revolutionary, Indian and 1812 Wars Pensioned While Residing in Henry County in the State of Kentucky
- Allegany County [Maryland]
- Alphonse and Mary Hobson Brossard
- Amazing Grace: Forty Years of Lutheran Ministry Among Navajo People (Rock Point, Apache County, AZ)
- An Account, Historical and Genealogical, from the Earliest Days Till the Present Time, of the Family of Vance in Ireland : Vans in Scotland, Anciently Vaux in Scotland and England, and Originally De Vaux in France (Latin, De Vallibus)
- Annual Reports of the Treasurer and the Director of the Historical Society of York County, for the Year 1954 [York County, Pennsylvania]
- As I Find It: Butler
- As I Knew Them: Presidents and Politics from Grant to Coolidge
- Atlas of Darke Co. Ohio from Actual Surveys by D. J. Lake & B. N. Griffing Assisted by F. L. Sanford & F. W. Beardsley. 1875-1888
- Autobiography of Peter Cartwright
- Beginners' Guide to Tracing Your Roots, The
- Biographical History of Darke County Ohio, A: Compendium of National Biography. Illustrated.
- Biographical Review of Calhoun County, Michigan Containing Historical, Biographical, and Genealogical Sketches of Many of the Prominent Citizens of Today and Also of the Past. Illustrated
- Biographies of 497 Canadian Immigrants During the 17th and 18th Centuries: Ancestors of the Ducharme and Roch Families of Burrillville, Rhode Island
- Biography of a Borough Oradell [Oradell, Bergen County, New Jersey]
- Birch, Burch Family in Great Britain and America. Vol 1 with an Addenda of Families Allied to Burch Family of England, Virginia, Maryland, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Oregon, and Other States
- Birch, Burch Family in Great Britain and America. Vol 2 with Addenda of Families Allied to Burch Family of Georgia, Alabama, Florida and Other States
- Birth of Ramsey by Mayor Chester A. Smeltzer and the Growth of Ramsey by John Y. Dater, The [Ramsey, Bergen County, New Jersey]
- Black Armed Forces Officers 1736-1971 (A Documented Pictorial History)
- Black Women in the Armed Forces 1942-1974 (A Pictorial History) Missing Pages in United States History
- Bledsoe County Tennessee: A Pictorial History. Vol 2
- Book of Rhode Island: an illustrated description of the advantages and opportunities of the State of Rhode Island and the progress that has been achieved, with historical sketches of many leading industries and a biographical record of citizens who have helped to produce the superb structure - historical, commercial, industrial, agricultural and recreational - which comprises the strength of this charming state, The
- Brackenridge Journal for the Oregon Country, The
- Brenner-James Genealogy
- Brief Guide to Research on Army Posts
- Brief History of New York's Famous Seventh Regiment and the Events Surrounding Its March to the Defense of the National Capital
- Brooks Family Records
- Brossman Pioneers in America
- Broyles-Briles Genealogy
- Brumback-Hotsinpillar genealogy: Some of the descendants of Melchoir Brumback of the 1714 Germanma colony in Virginia through his daughter, Elizabeth, who married Stephen Hotsinpillar: and allied families of Afflick, Anderson, Bunger, Burns, Campbell, Coffman, Cornwell, Denny, Dotson, Graham, Jennings, Kessler, Kincaid, Knapp, Knox, La Rue, Lemley, Lewis, Livesay, McCutcheon, Neal, Nichols, Pollock, Powell, Ransberger, Rector, Rudolph, Sharp, Surbaugh, Tuckwiller, Watts, Williams and others
- Buffum Family. Vol 2
- Bugles on the Border [War of 1812 in Northern NY]
- Building an American Pedigree: A Study in Genealogy
- Building Texas
- Bulletin of the Central Texas Genealogical Society
- Burch book: comprising a general study of the Burch ancestry in America, and a specific record of the descendants of Jonathan Burtch of the sixth generation, and his good wife Sally Hosford, to which has been added a department of other Burch families, A
- Burnett Family of the South, A
- Butler Family of Lebanon, Connecticut, The
- Callicott Connections
- Camden Hills: An Informal History of the Camden-Rockport Region [Camden, Knox County, Maine]
- Canada's Incredible Coasts
- Carolina Charter of 1663, The. How It Came to North Carolina and Its Place in History With Biographical Sketches of the Proprietors
- Catalogue and Errata of the Records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church [Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware]
- Cemeteries of Benton County, Arkansas. Vols 2 & 6

- *Cemeteries: Saline County, IL: Brushy Township. Vol 1*
- *Cemeteries: Williamson County, IL: Corinth Township, Crab Orchard Township. Vol 2*
- *Cemeteries: Saline County, IL: Galatia Township, Carrier Mills Township, Stonefort Township. Vol 3*
- *Cemeteries: Saline County, IL: Harrisburg Township, Cottage Township, East Eldorado Township, Rector Township. Vol 4*
- *Cemetery Inscriptions: Darke County, Ohio. Vol 1 (Indexed)*
- *Cemetery Inscriptions: Preble County, Ohio. Vol 1 (Indexed)*
- *Charles Sumner*
- *Charlestown Directory for 1782 and the Charleston Directory for 1785, The*
- *Church Wardens' Accounts of St. Michael's Church, Chagford 1480-1600 [England]*
- *Civil and Spanish American War Discharge Certificates in the Highland County, Ohio Recorder's Office*
- *Claim of the State of Vermont for Expenditures Made During the War of 1812-15*
- *Colonial Homes in North Carolina*
- *Colonial Records of North Carolina Published Under the Supervision of the Trustees of the Public Libraries, by Order of the General Assembly. Vol 1 - 1662-1712, Vol 2 - 1713 to 1728, Vol 3 - 1728 to 1734, Vol 4 - 1734 to 1752, Vol 5 - 1752 to 1759*
- *Complete Book of Emigrants, The, 1751-1776**
- *Composite Collection of Cadastral Maps of Preble County Ohio Including 1858, 1887, 1897 Wall Maps, 1871, 1912 Atlases, Seth Scholotterbeck Collection 1940 Maps*
- *Connecticut Town Meeting Records During the American Revolution. Vol 1: Ashford - Milford***
- *Connecticut Town Meeting Records During the American Revolution. Vol 2: New Fairfield - Woodstock***
- *Constitution and By-Laws of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America. September 1958*
- *Constitution of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America As Amended May 11, 1957*
- *Darke County, Ohio Marriage Records, 1841-1850. Vol 2. Indexed to Groom's Name; Brides' Index*
- *Defender, The. Vol 2: Third Corps Area, Camp Meade Maryland 1924*
- *Delaware County Ohio News Items That Were Found in Newspapers Outside of Delaware County 1828 thru 1899*
- *Der Pfalzer Thomas Nast 1840-1902 Vater der amerikanischen karikatur [The Pfalzer Thomas Nast 1840-1902 Father of American Cartoon]*
- *Descendents of Thomas Hutchinson of Southold, New York 1666-1982*
- *Discovery of New Brittain, The [Early Virginia]*
- *Documents Relating to the Colonial History of the State of New Jersey. First Series. Vol. 1 - 42*
- *Do's and Don'ts for Ancestor-Hunters*
- *Dr. John Donaldson Collection: Vol 1 - 19*
- *Dr. John Donaldson Collection: Plumer, Ayars, Ayres, Henderson, Potter, Rusk. Vol 20*

Periodicals - Karen R. Zeppenfeld

- *Americana*
- *Ancestral Charts*
- *Bel Air Aegis Newspaper 1857-1868 Maryland (The Southern Aegis)*
- *Bulletin of The Business Historical Society*
- *Bulletin of the Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Society*
- *Clay Family Register*
- *Comptonology*
- *D.A.D. Newsletter*
- *Davidson's Pioneer Map Collection. Vol. 10: Ohio*
- *Early Settlers of New York State, Their Ancestors and Descendants*
- *Footprints*
- *Genealogical Research News*
- *Germans from Russia*
- *Hawkes Talks*
- *Head-Lines and Lineages*
- *Henckel Genealogical Bulletin*
- *Historically Speaking*
- *Hunterdon Historical Newsletter*
- *Illinois Libraries*
- *Index to The New York Researcher, Vol. 21-26*
- *Journal of the Hempstead County Historical Society*
- *Kings County Genealogical Club Collections*
- *Listing of Historical Articles in the Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine 1891 - 1970*
- *Luker Family Historical Society Newsletter*
- *Marion County History*
- *Mississippi Genealogy and Local History*
- *Mohr News*
- *Official Bulletin*
- *Ohio Archaeological and Historical Quarterly*
- *Records of East Texas*
- *Shambaugh Families News-Letter*
- *Sons of the Revolution in the State of West Virginia*
- *The Beaty Record*
- *The Beetle Gazette*
- *The Blauvelt News*
- *The Boone Scout*
- *The Cape May County New Jersey Magazine of History and Genealogy*
- *The Capitol Dome*
- *The Carolina Genealogist*
- *The Daniel(l)s Family Notes*
- *The Danish Genealogical Helper*
- *The Gaston County Historical Bulletin*
- *The Heritage*
- *The Kentucky Researcher*
- *The New Netherland Register*
- *The Siskiyou Pioneer*
- *Thompson Family Association Membership Roster*
- *Thompson Family Magazine*

- Vermont History
- Vide Salop
- Wisconsin State Genealogical Society Newsletter

Maps - Sue Black and Lynne Corbet

- Burrillville, Providence County, Rhode Island
- Burrillville, Providence County, Rhode Island Highway Map
- Charlestown, Washington County, Rhode Island Map
- Charlestown, Washington County, Rhode Island
- City of Coldwater, Branch County, Michigan
- City of Coldwater, Branch County, Michigan Landowners' Map of Farmington Township, Oakland County, Michigan;
- City of Sturgis, St. Joseph County, Michigan Street Map
- City of Sturgis, St. Joseph County, Michigan;
- City of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan
- City of Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, Michigan Street Map
- Glocester, Providence County, Rhode Island Highway Map
- Glocester, Providence County, Rhode Island....
- Highway Map of Washtenaw County, Michigan
- Highway Map of Woonsocket, Lincoln and Cumberland Towns in Providence County, Rhode Island
- Highway Map of Woonsocket, Lincoln & Cumberland Towns
- Hopkinton, Washington County, Rhode Island
- Hopkinton, Washington County, Rhode Island Map
- Landowners' Map Haverhill, Essex County, Mass.
- Landowners' Map of Farmington Township, Oakland County, Michigan
- North Smithfield and Smithfield, Providence County, RI
- Plan of Rutland County, Vermont Showing Streets and Landowners
- Plan of Rutland County, Vermont
- South Dakota Township Map
- South Kingstown, Washington County, RI
- South Kingstown, Washington County, RI Highway Map
- Street Map of Arlington, Middlesex County, Mass.
- Washtenaw County, Michigan ...
- West Virginia General Highway Map
- Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island Highway Map
- Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island....

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2016 Class Schedule

Connie Sheets, Director of Education

Reminder: All checks should be made out to WVGS. You may register and pay online at <http://www.azwvgs.org/categories.asp>, or visit the Library and pay with cash or check. New classes are added frequently, so check periodically for an updated schedule at least quarterly.

All classes are limited to the first 20 people to register.

Barbara Stenberg, Instructor

Novice Genealogy

Saturday	September 24	10:00 am to 12:30 pm
Friday	October 21	1:00 to 3:30 pm
Friday	November 18	1:00 to 3:30 pm
Saturday	December 17	10:00 am to 12:30 pm

Cathy Gallagher, Instructor

What to Do With Your Genealogy Research 2 sessions
 Friday, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. October 28 & November 4

Jean White, Instructor

Using the WVGS Library in Your Research
 Wednesday, 1:00 to 3:00 pm October 12

Research Techniques I 4 sessions
 Wednesday, 1:00 to 3:00 pm Oct 19 & 26, Nov 2 & 9

An Overview of FamilyTree on FamilySearch
 Wednesday, 1:00 to 3:00 pm November 16

Connie Sheets, Instructor

Washington, D.C. Research at Home & Onsite
 Friday, 10:00 am to noon October 21

Analyzing and Citing Sources 2 sessions
 Thursday, 1:00 to 3:00 pm December 1 & 8

Barbara Shroyer, Instructor

Beginning DNA for Genealogy
 Tuesday, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. December 13

Fundraising Ideas Wanted

We need your help and ideas to raise additional funds for WVGS. Please contact Sharon Brown, Director of Fundraising, dir.fundraising@azwvgs.org with some concepts, preferably recurring programs like Fry's, Office Max, Staples and the like. We are always looking for new committee members and new views; either would help.

The Fundraising Committee meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 1 to 3 pm in the Library during the months of August through April.



Time to Renew Your Fry's VIP Card

Sharon Brown, Director of Fundraising
dir.fundraising@azwvgs.org

To all WVGS Members: This is a reminder that Fry's Food Stores gives a percentage of whatever you buy back to WVGS. They require updating your on-line account each year on August 1st. That just means re-enrolling in the WVGS Program.

Go to the Fry's web site, www.frysfoods.com; Click on Grocery Stores; Click on Fry's Grocery Stores; Click Sign-in if you already have an account, or Register for a new Account, then follow the directions below.

1. You must have a Fry's VIP Card to create a new account as they ask for the card's number. Re-enrolling you do not need it.
2. Create an on line account or if you already have an on line account, Log in with your email & password.
3. Click on "Community;" Click on "Fry's Community Rewards".
4. Go to enroll now & click on it.
5. When asked for your Organization's number, enter 80153, click then look for West Valley Genealogical Society & click on it.

Easy! Any questions or having trouble please give me a call, Sharon Brown 602-301-8953.

Fund Raising Opportunities for WVGS

Sharon Brown, Director of Fundraising
dir.fundraising@azwvgs.org

E-smile through Amazon is now up and running
Check the WEBSITE for instructions

Please note: Albertson's Community Rewards and Goodsearch.com have been discontinued

Aluminum Cans

- Continue to turn in aluminum cans in a plastic bag **only at the monthly meetings** - last year's collections paid for about 2 months of utilities

Cookbooks

- On CD for \$5.00

Fry's cards

- Link your VIP card using #80153
- WVGS will get a percentage of your purchases
- Need help? Contact Sharon Brown

Office Max & Staples

- When checking out, give the cashier the Library phone number, 623-933-4945
- WVGS will get a percentage of your purchases

Used Ink Cartridges

- We still collect them at the Library - the vouchers we receive help to buy office supplies - last year they bought between 1/4 to 1/3 of our supplies



14th Annual WVGS Research Tour to Washington, DC

November 30 - December 8, 2016

Linda Swain, Tour Leader

- Visit the "Big 3" - DAR Library, National Archives, and the Library of Congress
- Cost of tour is \$1,325/per double occupancy or \$1,850 per single occupancy
- Includes round trip air fare from Phoenix, shuttle transfers between airport and hotel
- White House Tour if your \$500.00 deposit was received by Linda Swain by June 7, 2016 (security check required by Secret Service)
- Flyer available at WVGS Library or online at www.azwvgs.org, click Events tab, then click Washington, DC Trip 2016

Contact tour leader, Linda Swain, 480-893-0469

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September 2016

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Salad Luncheon

On Wednesday, April 13, 2016, a Salad Luncheon was held at the Library. Members of the Fundraising Committee and Board provided different salads for both main dishes and deserts. Society members made a \$10.00 donation to the Library for this event. After eating attendees were encouraged to bring articles and stories about their family ancestors. Some stories were funny but all were very interesting. The Multi Purpose Room was filled. We had 23 people attend bringing in \$230.00 for the Library. A fun time was had by all who attended and we are looking forward to holding another similar event like it in the future.

