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President's Message

Irma Hardin, President
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Oh, My! Thanksgiving is over and soon the New Year will be here. So many exciting things have happened at the WVGS Library this year and more are still in the works! We received a collection of Civil War Books from the Sun City Library; the Obituary Committee started working on 26 ALBUMS of obits found in the State Library; many of the books received from the State Library have been priced; the digitizing of the periodicals is up and running and all the committees are working at warp speed!

The problem is: *We desperately need more volunteers!* I recently found some OLD minutes and other records that we want to digitize; our computer team needs another programmer; and people are needed to dust the furniture and clean bathrooms once a month. 'Training provided' seems to scare some people. I learned to price the books in about 10 minutes! If you can do any kind of research on a computer, you can learn to price books! Digitizing takes a little longer – you have to work in teams of two and Liz Crabb and Lou McLean are great teachers. Shelf readers and aides (receptionists) are always needed.

So all of you who can donate two hours or two days, please contact me at pres@wvgs.org and I will make sure someone contacts you.

December 12th Speaker

Richard Young

Using Ancestry.com



Richard Young has been working with genealogy for over 40 years. He is a retired technology specialist with the federal government. He authors several blogs, including www.familyhistorytech.com, which investigates technology and genealogy. Richard has taught genealogy courses at the local community college, has been a presenter at FHExpo, Rootstech 2014, and Family History Society meetings across the greater Phoenix/Mesa area, and a FGS Ambassador in 2015, and Rootstech 2016 Ambassador.

He currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Family History Society of Arizona, is a delegate and webmaster to the Arizona Genealogical Advisory Board, and a Rootstech 2017 Ambassador and Speaker.

WVGS Cares

Your Membership Outreach Committee is now sending cards to members who are ill, shut-in, or have had a loss of a family member. These Get Well wishes, Sympathy, or Thinking of You thoughts, can only be accomplished with your help. If you are aware of a member who is in need of our caring wishes, please contact either our President at pres@azwvgs.org or our Director of Membership Outreach at dir.membership@azwvgs.org with that information. Our members and their families will appreciate our thoughtful gesture. We will get a card to them as soon as possible which will be signed "Your friends at WVGS Care." Thank you.

December Calendar

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

There will be no Library Tour for December.

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

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New Member Lunch



On October 24th, the WVGS Board welcomed new members with a light lunch, followed by a presentation highlighting our Society's activities and benefits. After lunch the "newbies" spent time doing research and exploring our Library, considered the largest Genealogical Library in the state. One new member was happy to find a long lost grandmother using our Library resources.

These welcome events are offered semi-annually to help new genealogical researchers get off to a good start in WVGS. We now have over 650 members, all of whom volunteer to support our organization.

Digitizing Update

Lou McLean

As you may know, there is an ongoing project of getting the periodicals digitized. Up to this point the completed ones in the WVGS Catalog are from the states of Alabama, Alaska and Arizona. All the periodicals from these states can be read from home after you log in to the WVGS website with your member number. When you go into the Catalog, type in "Periodical," then type in the state. It should bring up all the periodicals from that state, and when you click on it, you will see that it says there is a "Digital Version." You can click on it, open it, and read.

The long range plan is to have them all searchable but for now they are only readable. Try it out!

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Bob & Cathy Gallagher

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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: m1m16ddm@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
- **New Quaker** 1st Friday, 1:00-3:00 pm
- **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.

It's That Time Of Year Renew Your Membership Online

WVGS memberships expire at year end. Renew your membership ONLINE with these easy steps!

1. Go to: www.azwvgs.org
2. Log in to your account with your member number (last 4 digits of your badge number) and password
3. Click on the **Store** tab and select **New/Renew Membership** from the pull down menu.
4. Select Membership Renewal from the list of membership products and complete your renewal.

Book Presentation



When a WVGS member reaches 90 years old a book of their choice is purchased and placed in the Library in their name. Ada Evans (center) now age 94, is our most recent member to receive this honor and selected “*Historical Views and Maps of Guernsey County, Ohio.*” Ada’s ancestors helped found Cambridge. The house and apple tree she remembered were still there when she visited it in 1992. Sheri Erickson (right) made the presentation prior to the November 14th General Meeting since Ada had prior commitments and could not attend. Ada’s daughter, Joan Miller (left) is a “snow bird.” Both come from Seattle, Washington, and Ada now lives here full time. She also designed and knit the pink sweater she is wearing in the photo.

African American Lineage SIG

2016-2017 Topics for Research and Discussion

December - No Meeting

January African American Research at the Library of Congress

February 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!

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2016 - 2017 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 December 17 10:00 am to 12:30 pm
 Friday January 20, 2017 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Connie Sheets, Instructor

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

Barbara Shroyer, Instructor

Beginning DNA for Genealogy
 Tuesday, 1:00 - 3:00 pm December 13

Judy Crawford, Instructor

Family History Research in Salt Lake City
 Friday, 10:00 am - 12:00 Noon January 20

Jean White, Instructor

Research Techniques I 4 sessions
 Wednesday, 1:00 - 3:00 pm Jan. 19, 26, Feb 1, 8

50/50 Book Report

Collection Development Committee

The 50/50 Books are selling like hot cakes – thank you all. After the November 14th meeting, we have:

- *Delorme Massachusetts Atlas and Gazetteer* (\$7.99 needed to pay off)
- *Delorme Michigan Atlas and Gazetteer* (\$5.09 needed to pay off)
- *Gazetteer of Indian Territory, by Henry Gannet, 2014* (\$14.25 needed to pay off)

We are now able to shelve the following book: *Delorme Indiana Atlas and Gazetteer and Family Maps of Dane Co., Wisconsin*. So visit the Library and take a look at these books. If you have any suggestions for future books to be added to the 50/50 books, please contact the Collections Development Committee (CDC) at cdc@azwvgs.org. Thank you.

DAR Donation

Jody Johnson, Librarian of the Estrella Chapter of the DAR, presented \$40 to Sheri Erickson, WVGS Collection Development Committee member at the 10 Nov 2016 Estrella Chapter meeting for the purchase of “*North Carolina in the Revolution.*”

Library New Book Report

Linda McCleary, Book Accessioner

Karen R. Zeppenfeld, Library Administrator

- *Bob Vieten's Historic Homes of Hemet, Central Area, Prior to 1940 and the People Who Lived in Them* [Hemet, Riverside County, California]
- *Buffalo: Lake City in Niagara Land* [Buffalo, Erie County, New York]
- *Cary Me Back 1893-1993: Village of Cary.* [Cary, McHenry County, Illinois]
- *Cemetery Directory of the Amish Community in Eastern Holmes and Adjoining Counties in Ohio*
- *Davis Family Descendant Reports: Davis, Gooch, Savage, Benko, Douthart, Maloney, and Lauff Families. Addendum to Finding Fathers by Clyde Davis*
- *Descendants of Abraham and Anna [Beachy] Mast 1820-2005*
- *Descendants of John Irish The Immigrant 1629-1963 and Allied Families*
- *Descendants of Peter Oswald Sr. and Magdalene Esch*
- *Edward Kintner and Glada Snyder: Ancestral Genealogy and Tour Guide*
- *Finding Fathers: Lost, Found, Remembered. A Family History.* [Davis family]
- *Freidrichstal Church Records 1698-1812* [Germany]
- *From Charcoal to Banking: the I. E. Solomons of AZ*
- *Genealogical Narrative and Pictorial History of the Mr. and Mrs. Anton Schuth Family, A*
- *Genealogy of the Stemple Family (Godfrey Stemple Branch). Volume 2 Covering Three Centuries 1662-1966*
- *Glimpses of the Past: Village of Morgantown, Berks County, Pennsylvania*
- *Growing Up in Terre Haute One Day at a Time 1930-1945* [Chalos Family] [Terre Haute, Vigo County, IN]
- *Hetland "My Home Town" Centennial Book 1888-1988* [Hetland, Kingsbury County, South Dakota]
- *Hinrich: Annals of an Immigrant Family 1866-1913*
- *History of McHenry County, Illinois, Together with Sketches of Its Cities, Villages and towns, Educational, Religious, Civil, Military, and Political History, Portraits of Prominent Persons, and Biographies of Representative Citizens*
- *History of Migration from Germany to Canada, 1850-1939, A*
- *History of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad*
- *Lest We Forget: Stories about Samuel & Mary Shank Kuhns*
- *Life in the Fire Lane* [Stanley Family]
- *Memorial History of Moses Bitsche, Son of Peter Bitsche and a Complete Family Register of His Lineal Descendants and Those Related to Him by Inter-marriage from the Year 1767 to 1974, A*
- *Nebraska Pioneers: The Story of Sixty-Five Years of Pioneering in Southwest Nebraska 1875-1940*
- *Petticoat Pioneers of the Midwest: An account of the lives and times of women who helped make history in the Great Plains area.* [Kansas]
- *Picture Reference Book of the Early Stuarts 1603-1660* [Great Britain]
- *Quackenbush Family in America, The*
- *Scattered Records Relating to Early Craven County, South Carolina Residents from 1736 to 1786*
- *Smithsonian Guide to Historic America: The Carolinas and the Appalachian States*
- *So Grows a City: Garrett, Indiana 1875-1975* [Garrett, DeKalb County, Indiana]
- *Soldiers True: The Story of the One Hundred and Eleventh Regiment Pennsylvania Veteran Volunteers, and of Its Campaigns in the War for the Union 1861-1865*
- *Solebury Township Bucks County Pennsylvania: A Short History of the Township and a Report on Township Officers and Affairs*
- *Some Early Epitaphs in Georgia*
- *Southwest City, Missouri Cemetery and Some Records of the Nichols Brothers Funeral Home* [Southwest City, McDonald County, Missouri]
- *Southwestern Indian Ceremonials*
- *Southwestern Indian Tribes*
- *Spanish Archives of the General Land Office of Texas*
- *Sparks from the Campfire or Tales of the Old Veterans. Thrilling Stories of Heroic Deeds, Brave Encounters, Desperate Battles, Bold Achievements, Reckless Daring, Lofty Patriotism, Terrible Suffering and Wondrous Fortitude as Re-Told To-Day Around the Modern Camp Fire*
- *Squire Stickney's 1895 History of Sussex, New Jersey* [Sussex, Sussex Co, New Jersey]
- *Stories of Georgia*
- *Story of New Milford New Jersey: Birthplace of Bergen CTY*
- *Story of the 116th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers in the War of the Rebellion: The Record of a Gallant Command, The*
- *Synopses of the Decisions of the Supreme Court of the State of Texas, Rendered, Upon Applications for Writs of Habeas Corpus, Original and on Appeal, Arising from Restraints by Conscript and Other Military Authorities, During the Terms in 1862, 1863, 1964, and the Galveston Term, 1865*
- *Tenaflly 1894-1969* [Tenaflly, Bergen County, New Jersey]
- *Territorial Records of Illinois: 1. The Executive Register, 1809-1818; 2. Journal of the Executive Council, 1812; 3. Journal of the House of Representatives, 1812*
- *Texas: A Bicentennial History*
- *The Pioneer*
- *Thomas Family of Hilltown, Bucks County, Penna, The*
- *Tombstone Inscriptions from Family Graveyards in Greenwood County, S. C.*
- *Tyler Genealogy: The Descendants of Job Tyler, of Andover, Massachusetts, 1619-1700, The. Vol 1 & 2*
- *United States Census Compendium: A Directory of Census Records, Tax Lists, Poll Lists, Petitions, Directories, Etc. Which Can Be Used As a Census, The*
- *United States Land Entries from Preble County, Ohio*

- *Unsinkable Mrs. Brown, The*
- *Vermont in the Spanish-American War*
- *Vicksburg On Your Own: An Illustrated Guide to the Battlefield; Pictures the Scene "Now" and "Then"; Describes the Action in Capsule Form [Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi]*
- *Virginia Pension Abstracts of the Revolutionary War, War of 1812 and Indian Wars. Vol 21*
- *Virginia Pension Abstracts of the Revolutionary War, War of 1812 and Indian Wars. Vol 19*
- *Virginia's Tazewell County: a Last Great Place*
- *Vital Records of Augusta Maine to the Year 1892. Vol 1 - Births and Marriages*
- *Vital Records of Augusta Maine to the Year 1892. Vol 2 - Marriages and Deaths*
- *Vital Records of Bowdoin Maine to the Year 1892. Vol 1 - Births*
- *Vital Records of Bowdoin Maine to the Year 1892. Vol 2 - Births and Deaths*
- *Vital Records of Bowdoin Maine to the Year 1892. Vol 3 - Marriages [Bowdoin, Sagadahoc County, Maine]*
- *Vital Records of Deerfield Massachusetts, to the Year 1850*
- *Vital Records of Dunstable Massachusetts to the End of the Year 1849*
- *Vital Records of East Bridgewater Massachusetts to 1850*
- *Vital Records of Framingham Massachusetts, to 1850*
- *Vital Records of Georgetown Maine to the Year 1892 Vol 1: Births, Marriages A and B [Georgetown, Sagadahoc County, Maine]*
- *Vital Records of Georgetown Maine to the Year 1892. Vol 2: Marriages*
- *Vital Records of Georgetown Maine to the Year 1892. Vol 3: Deaths. [Georgetown, Sagadahoc County, Maine]*
- *Vital Records of Gloucester Massachusetts to the End of the Year 1849. Vol 1 - Births*
- *Vital Records of Gloucester Massachusetts to the End of the Year 1849. Vol 2 - Marriages*
- *Vital Records of Gloucester Massachusetts to the End of the Year 1849. Vol 3 - Deaths*
- *Vital Records of Greenfield Massachusetts to 1850*
- *Vital Records of Hardwick Massachusetts, to 1850*
- *Vital Records of Harvard Massachusetts, to 1850*
- *Vital Records of Heath Massachusetts to the Year 1850*
- *Vital Records of Hinsdale, Massachusetts, to 1850*
- *Vital Records of Hopkinton, Massachusetts to 1850*
- *Vital Records of Hull Massachusetts, to the Year 1850*
- *Vital Records of Lee, Massachusetts, to the Year 1850*
- *Vital Records of Stow Massachusetts to the Year 1850*
- *Vital Records of the Protestant Dutch Reformed Church at Acquackanonk, (Passaic, New Jersey) 1727-1816 (including some births 1692-1726) and Acquackanonk Reformed Church Graveyard*
- *Vital Records of the Town of Halifax Massachusetts to the End of the Year 1849*
- *Vital Records of Topsfield Massachusetts to the End of 1849*

- *Vital Records of Williamstown, Massachusetts, to 1850*
- *Vital Records of Wrentham Massachusetts, to the Year 1850. Vol 1 - Births*
- *Wakefield and Brookfield [Carroll County, NH]*
- *Wall Chart of World History with Maps of the World's Great Empires and a Complete Geological Diagram of the Earth, The.*
- *Walsall in Living Memory [England]*
- *Watertown Records Comprising the Seventh Book of Town Proceedings 1792 Through 1809*
- *Way It Was, The [Milford, Seward County, Nebraska]*
- *Who Do You Think You Are? The Essential Guide to Tracing Your Family History*
- *Who's Where in Your Genealogical Records? A Filing and "Finding" System*
- *Who's Who in America: A Biographical Dictionary of Notable Living Men and Women of the United States. 1906-1907*
- *Who's Who in America: A Biographical Dictionary of Notable Living Men and Women of the United States. Vol 10: 1918-1919*
- *Who's Who in America: A Biographical Dictionary of Notable Living Men and Women of the United States. Vol 9: 1916-1917*
- *Who's Who in America: A Biographical Dictionary of Notable Living Men and Women of the United States. Vol 11: 1920-1921*
- *Who's Who in America: Biographical Dictionary of Notable Living Men and Women of the United States. Vol. 12 1922-23*
- *Widowhood of Queen Victoria, The*
- *Williamson County Illinois Sesquicentennial History*
- *Wyndmere History in Review [Wyndmere, Richland County, North Dakota]*
- *Wyndmere: Corn Capitol of North Dakota, June 28, 29, 30, 1985. Wyndmere Centennial [Wyndmere, Richland County, North Dakota]*
- *Year Book of the Holland Society of New York. 1902, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907*
- *Yearbook of the Michigan Society of the Sons of the American Revolution from 1890 to 1898 Genetic Genealogy in Practice*

Periodicals - Karen R. Zeppenfeld

- *Magazine of History & Genealogy (IN)*
- *Tazewell County Historical Society Newsletter (VA)*

*CDC - Collection Development Committee

**50/50 club

Donations – Thank You!

Many, many thanks to all of our donors of materials, equipment and publications. This month's donors are Dorothy Blum, Rose M. Danner, Estate of Ruby Gordon, Marion J. Kuhn, June Matthews, Jill Mitchell, June and Tom Olness, Don Petko, Maureen Pierce, Mary Riter, Ethel Sanders and Wally Turnage.

Fund Raising Opportunities for WVGS

Sharon Brown, Director of Fundraising
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E-smile through Amazon is now up and running
Check the WEBSITE for instructions

New March Salt Lake City Trip Raffle

- Includes hotel for shared rooming, air fare, shuttle fee, registration fee and the "Know How" class in January 2017.
- Drawing will be held at the January 2017, General Meeting.

New Quilt Raffle

- Held during September through November with the Drawing in December.
- Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.

Coke Rewards Restarted

- Coupon Rewards from cartons and bottle caps.

Fry's cards

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

Office Max and 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.

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.



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.

Appraisal Day, March 5, 2017

Cathy Gallagher

Bo Robert Patrick is a third-generation native to Arizona. His family has been in the business for 31 years and he has professionally been in the business since he was 19 - he is now 30 years old. His company is Fidelity Estate Services and they specialize in estate auctions, estate sales, appraisals and brokering fine antiques and jewelry. This is his third season on the PBS channel 8 television show *Arizona Collectibles* which airs on Thursdays at 7:30 pm and Saturdays at 10 am. His passion is researching and selling his clients' possessions at the highest possible price to help them out. He enjoys it when clients are surprised when the possessions they have are worth a lot more than they ever anticipated! Educating them on what they have and then selling items for them is a joy. His specialties are jewelry, coins,



glass and silver, but there is no personal property he cannot handle (including china, antiques, furniture, artwork, guns and more).

He sold the vase you see in the picture for \$12,500 about six months ago. It is a French rare early 20th century Daum Nancy landscape cameo glass vase.



Aluminum Cans

Gale Kristof, *The Can Man*

November can totals were \$67.10, bringing our year to date total to \$757.05. We could really use a BIG turnout of cans at the December meeting as we are quite a bit down from last year's total.



Important: Since we can no longer store cans at the Library, we are asking members to please store them at home and bring them to the next WVGS General Membership Meeting at the church. Your cooperation and help would greatly be appreciated.

Time to Renew Your Fry's VIP Card

Sharon Brown, Director of Fundraising
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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. If you are reenrolling, 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 and click on it.
5. When asked for your Organization's number, enter 80153, click, then look for West Valley Genealogical Society and click on it.

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



Not Enough For A Binder

Janet Buchanan

Did you know

There are four five drawer file cabinets in the Library full of individual folders on 756 different surnames. Everything from ABERT – YOUNG! I saw a few unusual names such as Bonebrake, Pavior and Cloud in there – even the 'Hatfields and McCoys' has a folder. Or are you related to the a Roosevelt or Tiffany? These are loose papers, sometimes just copied from books – but "not enough to put in a binder and on the shelves" with the other surnames. They are catalogued. If you go to our online catalog and put a name in – if it shows up with a VF next to it – you will find it in the "Vertical Files" in those file cabinets. If you don't know where they are – ask!

We are looking for someone to help update and maintain these file cabinets for us. We work on Wednesday mornings – but for this project, once you get started with it, you can pick your own hours. Although, we are a fun group to hang with!

Contact: cdc@azwvgs.org, if you are interested – bring a friend and work together. Once it has been updated, the work would be minimal.

Your Ad Here

WVGS is accepting genealogy related business card sized ads and run will 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.

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Questions? Call: Roger, 623-214-3233, or Rich, 480-209-9129

Because of very low scrap prices we can no longer accept older or non-working items.

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December 2016

WVGS is the number one Genealogical Library in Arizona!

WVGS Annual Seminar February 18, 2017

“Explore Genealogy with Geoff” with Geoff Rasmussen

Registration: 8:30-9:00 am - Seminar 9:00-3:30 pm

Lakeview United Methodist Church Smoot Hall, 10298 W. Thunderbird Boulevard, Sun City, Arizona

Registration Fee*: \$45 before 12/31/16; \$50 effective 1/1/17

*Fee includes Program, Continental Breakfast, **Box Lunch, Beverages and Prizes

**New Lunch Choices: Chicken Walnut Sandwich, Turkey Sandwich, Ham & Swiss Sandwich or Fuji Apple Chicken Salad

Online registration available at the WVGS Store



WVGS member *Beverly Craig* won the March 2016 drawing for a free 2017 Seminar registration. Fill out a seminar survey sheet as instructed at the Seminar and be eligible for the March 2017 drawing for a free 2018 Seminar registration.

2017 Salt Lake City Research Trip from March 14 - 22, 2017 (8 nights) To the Family History Library Sponsored by WVGS

Click on the WVGS events tab online for the SLC Trip for complete information and Registration Form.

(Please note: the Deluxe room has an extra sink plus table and desk)

Deposit \$350.00 - Due by Sunday, January 1, 2017

Balance Due By: Saturday, January 15, 2017

Questions - Contact Adrienne Haupt 480-203-7101 (Cell)