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Newsletter of the West Valley Genealogical Society
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Editor, Charlie Mannino

President's Message

Irma Hardin, President

Many of you are aware that in June, I resigned as President of WVGS due to family health issues. Those issues have now been resolved and in August a representative of your Board graciously asked me to return. I accepted and look forward to completing my term as your President.



I WANT TO PUBLICLY EXTEND MY THANKS TO PAM LAFOND and ARLENE SAMPSON FOR STEPPING IN DURING MY ABSENCE! YOU ARE APPRECIATED MORE THAN YOU KNOW!

Exciting things are happening at the Library. Twenty plus albums of obituaries were given to WVGS and Ethel Sanders and the Obituary Committee brainstormed until they found a way to copy them so they could be added to our already extensive collection!

The Seminar Committee is hard at work planning the February 2017 Seminar. Jeff Rasmussen will be speaker so get your tickets early!

To learn more: COME TO THE MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS – SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH.



October 10th Speaker

Steven L. Packer

Using DNA for Family History Research



With all of the advertising and hype on DNA tests on TV, many individuals take the test with unrealistic expectations. This presentation will attempt to give the attendee a realistic expectation on the results, what you will learn from the test and how to use the results. We will

address who should take the test, who should avoid the test and which tests are available.

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

Attention Seasonal Visitors

Shirley Conley, Mailing Coordinator

It is each member's responsibility to change your address to reflect your location.

To do this, please send an e-mail with your current address to: Arlene Samson, Membership Registrar, at: donnarlene@msn.com. You must do this each time you move with the seasons.

The Fall issue of the WVGS *Tracker* periodical will be mailed this month and is sent to all dues paying members by USPO Bulk Mail. **Bulk mail is not forwarded.**

An additional cost of \$8 is payable to send your Trackers by USPO First Class Mail, which would be forwarded.

If you have questions, contact me at bosac3@yahoo.com.



October Calendar

3 WVGS Board Meeting, 1:00 pm

10 General Membership Meeting, 1:30 pm

17 Lunch With Your Ancestor, 11:00 am

20 Research Night, 5:00 to 9:00 pm

call the Library to reserve a spot

24 Library Tour 9:30 - 11:30 am

call the Library to reserve a spot

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Welcome New Members

Arlene Sampson, Membership Registrar

Please welcome the new members to the West Valley Genealogical Society who have joined since August 2016; Brandt, Sandra; Brennan, Candy; Brooks, Judith; Brown, Sheryl; East, Ruthie; Garza, Sylvia; Griffin, Grisetta; Hunter, Carolyn; Murphy, Timothy; Rust, Jim; Shields, Donna; Smalley, Elaina, Mark and Zack.

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.

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.

Donations – Thank You!

Many, many thanks to all of our donors of materials, equipment and publications. This month's donors are Melissa Bird, Judy Bourassa, Lynne Corbett, Vera Elgin, Cathy Ellis, Sandra Enkey, Jean Ferries, Cathy and Bob Gallagher, Cathy Goodwin, Estate of Dr. Ruby Gordon, Dusti Ide, Pat Jones, Linda McCleary, Peggy Morphew, Peoria Public Library, Ethel Sanders, Linda Simmons, Kathy Stromer, Bob Wixon, Shirley Woodward and Karen R. Zeppenfeld

High Speed Scanning Services

We will scan your photos and documents to a DVD for 1/3 the cost of retail prices.

Bob & Cathy Gallagher

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African American Lineage SIG

2016-2017 Topics for Research and Discussion

- 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), and 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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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

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

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 and click on it.

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

Do You Have Programming Or Web Design Experience? We Want You!



Would you like to help
improve WVGS
information for our
members?

If so, contact
Rich sysadm@azwvgs.org
or Roger cec@azwvgs.org

You will be playing an important role in the
future of our organization.

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.

Library New Book Report

Linda McCleary, Book Accessioner

Karen R. Zeppenfeld, Library Administrator

- *Dr. John Donaldson Collection: Smith, Fulton, Kane, Glaspey, Miller, Frye. Vol 21*
- *Dr. John Donaldson Collection: McAllister, Robertson, Rank, Thompson. Vol 22*
- *Dr. John Donaldson Collection: Carnahan, Rohland, Richards, Johnson, Markle, Larimer, Atkinson. Vol 23*
- *Dr. John Donaldson Collection: Harris, Glaspey, Fritchman, Markle. Vol 24*
- *Dr. John Donaldson Collection: Ogden, Byers, Brown, Kreps, McComb, Struble, Keepers. Vol 25*
- *Dr. John Donaldson Collection: Newlon (Nevlon), Detwiler, Pinkerton, Chisholm. Vol 26*
- *Dr. John Donaldson Collection: Ely, Andrews, Hurst, Painter, Preston, Carrithers, Caruthers, Ogden. Vol 27*
- *Early Days of Upper Saddle River [Saddle River Valley, Bergen County, New Jersey]*
- *Early Georgia Marriages. Book Four*
- *Early History of Auglaize County [Auglaize County, OH]***
- *Echoes of an Era: A History of Industry in Allegany County [Maryland]. Vol 9*
- *Eit ar i Luster (Four Seasons in Luster) [Norway]*
- *Evans and Allied Families: A Genealogical Study with Biographical Notes*
- *Every Name Index. McBride's Records of the Recorder's Office Highland County, Ohio (1805-1850)*
- *Explore Canada*
- *Families of Beaver County Pennsylvania*
- *Family Historian's Handbook, The*
- *Family Tree Resource Book for Genealogists: The Essential Guide to American County and Town Sources, The*
- *Family Venture: Men and Women on the Southern Frontier, A*
- *Fiftieth Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. Report of the Pennsylvania Commission Presented to His Excellency, John K. Tener, Governor of Pennsylvania for Transmittal to the General Assembly*
- *Final Report of the Battlefield of Gettysburg. Vols 1-3*
- *Find Public Records Fast: The Complete State, County and Courthouse Locator*
- *Five Steps to Genealogy Publishing*
- *Florida: A Bicentennial History*
- *Florida's Last Frontier: The History of Collier County*
- *Fort Douglas: Images of America series. [Fort Douglas, Salt Lake County, Utah]*
- *Fort Lowry and Raiders on the Rappahannock (Fort Lowry, Virginia)**
- *Founders Index of Lineage Books, Vols 1-40, 1898-2006 [National Society of Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America]*
- *Francis Adrian Van der Kemp: An Autobiography Together with Extracts from His Correspondence*
- *Free Negro in North Carolina 1790-1860, The*
- *From A B to Z: A Genealogy [Bryant and Zeller Families]*
- *Frostburg [Allegany County, Maryland]*
- *Gazetteer of the State of Massachusetts; with Numerous Illustrations on Wood and Steel*
- *Genealogical Periodicals: A Neglected Treasure*
- *Genealogical Register*
- *Genealogist's Encyclopedia, The*
- *Genealogy of American Organized Crime: The 20th Century - The First 100 Years, The*
- *Genealogy of the Burbank Family and the Families of Bray, Wellcome, Sedgley (Sedgley) and Welch*
- *General Index to Collections, Journals, Publications 1899-1928*
- *Go Ask Your Father: One Man's Obsession with Finding His Origins Through DNA Testing*
- *Gold Star Honor Roll of Virginians in the Second World War*
- *Governors of the U. S. Soldiers' Home*
- *Great Migration Directory: Immigrants to New England, 1620-1640: A Concise Compendium***
- *Halifax: Warden of the North [Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada]*
- *Heroes of San Jacinto, The*
- *Heroes, Horses & High Society: Aiken from 1540 [Aiken County, South Carolina]*
- *Hinds County, Mississippi Marriage Records 1823-1848*
- *Hinds County, Mississippi Will Book 1, 1822-1859. Vol 2*
- *Historic Chequamegon: Including Self-guided Tours of La Pointe, Madeline Island, and Bayfield [Ashland County, Wisconsin]*
- *Historic Fort Douglas at the University of Utah: A Brief History & Walking Tour [Fort Douglas, Salt Lake County, Utah]*
- *Historic Indian Paths of Pennsylvania*
- *Historical Collections of the Georgia Chapters Daughters of the American Revolution. Vol 5*
- *Historical Encyclopedia of Illinois with Commemorative Biographies. Vol 1 & 2*
- *Historical Highlights of the Town of Hartford Vermont [Hartford, Windsor County, Vermont]*
- *History of Coventry, Orleans County, Vermont, A*
- *History of Darke County, Ohio*
- *History of Harrison County Mississippi*
- *History of Mississippi: The Heart of the South. Vol 1& 2*
- *History of Montgomery County, Ohio, The*
- *History of Morgan County, Illinois: Its Past and Present Containing a History of the County; Its Cities, Towns, Etc.; a Biographical Directory of its Citizens; War Record of its Volunteers in the Late Rebellion; Portraits of its Early Settlers and Prominent Men; General and Local Statistics; History of the Northwest; History of Illinois; Constitution of the United States; Map of Morgan County; Miscellaneous Matters, Etc., Etc.*

- *History of Newton County, Mississippi, from 1834 to 1894*
- *History of Ocean City New Jersey, A*
- *History of Richland County, The. Vol 1 [Richland County, South Carolina]*
- *History of the 118th Pennsylvania Volunteers Corn Exchange Regiment from Their First Engagement at Antietam to Appomattox to Which is Added a Record of its Organization and a Complete Roster with Addenda*
- *History of the 121st Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers "An Account from the Ranks"*
- *History of the Delaware Police Department, Delaware, Ohio and Related Topics*
- *History of the Fortieth (Mozart) Regiment New York Volunteers, Which was Composed of Four Companies from New York, Four Companies from Massachusetts and Two Companies from Pennsylvania*
- *History of the Michigan Organizations at Chickamauga, Chattanooga and Missionary Ridge. 1863*
- *History of the One Hundred and Sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers 2d Brigade, 2d Division, 2d Corps, 1861-1965*
- *History of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers 1862-1863*
- *History of the One Hundred and Twenty-fourth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers in the War of the Rebellion - 1862-1863. Regimental Re-Unions 1885-1906. History of Monument*
- *History of the Town of Hubbardston, Worcester County, Mass. from the Time Its Territory was Purchased of the Indians in 1686, to the Present with the Genealogy of Present and Former Resident Families*
- *History of Three Bridges Reformed Church: Three Bridges, New Jersey 1873-1973*
- *History of Trenton 1679-1929, A. Two Hundred and Fifty Years of a Notable Town with Links in Four Centuries. Vol 1 & 2*
- *History of Whiteside County, Illinois from Its First Settlement to the Present Time With Numerous Biographical and Family Sketches*
- *Hopkins County, Kentucky Deed Book Number 1 - 1808-1816, Order Book Number 1A - 1807-1808*
- *Hopkins County, Kentucky, Tax List 1807 and Hopkins County, Kentucky, Marriages 1807-1869*
- *House of Brewer, The*
- *Illinois: The Heart of the Nation. Vol 1, 2, 4 & 5*
- *Illustrated History of McDonald County, Missouri, from the Earliest Settlement to the Present Time*
- *In Washington: The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Diamond Anniversary 1890-1965*
- *Index of Surnames: Church Wardens' Accounts of St. Michael's Church, Chagford 1480-1600 [England], An*
- *Index to Marriage Book "A" Maries County, Missouri 1868-1881. Groom -- Bride -- Date -- Official*
- *Index to Marriage Book "B" Maries County, Missouri 1881-1890*

- *Index to the Virginia Court Records in Pennsylvania (District of West Augusta)*
- *Indianapolis: The First Century*
- *Inventory of the County Archives of Kentucky. No. 57 Jessamine County (Nicholasville)*
- *Inventory of the County Archives of New Mexico. No. 7 Dona Ana (Las Cruces)*
- *Inventory of the County Archives of New Mexico. No. 9 Grant County (Silver City)*
- *Inventory of the County Archives of New Mexico. No. 12 Hidalgo County (Lordsburg)*
- *Inventory of the County Archives of New Mexico: No. 15 Luna County (Deming)*
- *Inventory of the County Archives of New Mexico. No. 17 Mora County, (Mora)*
- *Inventory of the County Archives of New Mexico. No. 24 San Miguel County, (Las Vegas)*
- *Inventory of the Municipal Archives of New Jersey. No. 14 Morris County. Vol 38 Wharton*
- *Johnson County Kentucky: A History of the County, and Genealogy of Its People Up to the Year 1927. Vol 2: Genealogies*

Periodicals - Karen R. Zeppenfeld

- *AGS Quarterly (GEN)*
- *Antietam Ancestors (PA)*
- *Catawba-Wateree Messenger (SC)*
- *Discover Your Ancestors (BRIT. ISLES)*
- *Discover Your Root (BRIT. ISLES)*
- *Family Tree (BRIT. ISLES)*
- *Family Tree Magazine (BRIT. ISLES)*
- *Franklin County Footnotes (PA)*
- *Hillcrest Cemetery (KY)*
- *Immigration Digest (GEN)*
- *Louisa County Historical Magazine (VA)*
- *Markers (GEN)*
- *Practical Family History (BRIT. ISLES)*
- *Quarterly (GA)*
- *Roane County Roots (TN)*
- *Roane Ramblings (TN)*
- *The Wahnaw (IO)*
- *Your Family History (BRIT. ISLES)*
- *Vide Salop*
- *Wisconsin State Genealogical Society Newsletter*

Maps - Sue Black and Lynne Corbet

- *Tuscarawas County, Ohio Highway Map*
- *Virginia and Maryland in 1738*
- *Landowners Map of Blackford County, Indiana*
- *1881 Map of Indiana*

*CDC - Collection Development Committee

**50/50 club

For Your Information

Appraisal Day Coming in January, 2017

- We are planning to have a certified Antique Appraiser come for a day, date yet to be determined.
- There will be a nominal fee charged which will go to the Library.
- More information details coming.

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 a quarterly updated schedule.

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



*“It’s not what you look at that matters,
it’s what you see.”*

Henry David Thoreau

DID YOU KNOW

Janet Buchanan, CDC

From CABELLS to CUTLER, we have 101 books and collections in the C’s Surname Collection.

The name COFFIN caught my eye – I am rather glad I am not a member of that family, not that there is anything wrong with it.

There are three small volumes to the Coffin name: #1 is titled – *The Coffin Family. The Life of Tristram Coffyn, of Nantucket, Mass., founder of the family line in America*, by Allen Coffin, published in 1881.

It states that all families with the name of Coffin in America descend from Tristram. He came “from a village near Plymouth in the southwestern part of Devonshire County, England.” He and his wife, Dionis Stevens, emigrated in 1642 with five children, his widowed mother and two unmarried sisters. He spent several years in various Massachusetts towns until he arrived in Nantucket in 1659. According to this book, Nantucket was under the jurisdiction of New York at the time. Mr. Coffyn made arrangements to purchase the island through a company he formed. He resided there until his death in 1681.

The second Coffin volume is *Gatherings toward a genealogy of the Coffin Family*, by W.S. Appleton and published in 1896. It covers five generations of this family. Volume #3: *Early Wills Illustrating the Ancestry of Harriot Coffin*, with genealogical and biographical notes, per her grandson William S. Appleton, 1893. There are some famous New England names in this volume including Standish, Mayo, Adams, Poor and Hale. Are they related to YOU?

Then I checked out the 150 books/collection of D’s. I love the idea of the oral histories or autobiographies. *The Man from Maine: Charles Dinsmore, An Oral History* caught my eye. The picture of him on the front appears to be Charles as a teenager, on the inside is a photo of him at 102 years old.

Near the last page on his 102nd birthday, they asked him how he felt that day – “Right on the top shelf!” How can you not love a guy like that? There are poems and songs he wrote throughout the book. He was born in Maine but lived and died in Skagit County, Washington. In the Preface, they mentioned celebrating his 103rd birthday, but I don’t see a death date. This man’s life story was part of a collection by the Skagit County Oral History Association.

Put These Numbers In Your Wallet

Office Max Perks.....#012748337
Staples Rewards #04050-4355-5

Or just use WVGS phone number 623-933-4945

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.

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.
- Please sign the Interest List before October 31, 2016 at the Library or the General Meetings.

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 & 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.

Lunch With Your Favorite Ancestor

September 19th, from 11 am to 1 pm

- Bring a sack lunch. The meeting is held in the multi-purpose room of the Library.
- We will be adding research from 1:00 to 3:00 pm for anyone interested.
- If you stay, please put *research* next to your name when signing up in order to have someone to lock up the Library at three o'clock.
- All lunches require sign up and a \$3.50 fee which includes dessert and a drink.

Contact: Sharon Brown at dir.fundraising@azwvgs.org

Benefits for Members

There are three Subscriber Genealogy Databases available as part of your WVGS membership. Be sure to take advantage of these generous benefits.

	<u>Database Cost</u>	<u>Member Cost</u>
New England Historic Genealogical Society	\$ 200	\$3.25
Ancestry.com	775	from your membership dues pays for these subscriptions
World Vital Records	<u>600</u> \$1,575	

WVR is available to members from home. Visit our website for instructions on how to access them.

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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October 2016

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? Are You a New Member ?

If you joined WVGS since March, please come join us for a *Meet and Greet Welcome Event*.

Monday, October 24th, from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm

A light lunch will be served immediately after the 9:30 am Library Tour.

Board members will speak about the Library and the many programs for you at WVGS, and you're welcome to stay after to do some research!

Are you planning to, or have you, upgraded your PC system?



We could use your working Desktop and Laptops with Windows 7 or later operating system and 20" or larger LCD monitors.

We can use your software DVDs and license info.

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.