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The Library Committee Wants YOU!

For about five years, we've been working to re-catalog and relabel the entire library. The project is nearing completion.

Our goal is to finish by September 2020. Help us reach the finish line.

We need people to help with cataloging the books in the library. It's easier than it sounds; training and support is provided.

Moving forward, volunteers will be needed in other areas as well. If cataloging in the library doesn't sound like a good fit for you, you might try to help with one of the other jobs.

As we move to more digital content, we have some jobs that you can do from home if you have a computer and an internet connection.

There is library content to be digitized so it can be added to the catalog. As a result, we need people willing to scan material using the high-speed scanner in the office.

Also, we've lost our volunteer who processed the periodicals we receive from other societies. Liz Porter is trying to dig through a backlog. Can you help her? Better yet, is this something you'd be willing to take over going forward?

Just sent an email to library@gfo.org and we'll get you started. Please consider joining our team. We need you.

In addition, please keep in mind that GFO is completely volunteer run and supported. We have absolutely zero paid-staff, so your time is truly essential toward keeping our doors open to our patrons and researchers.



PMUG College returns to host a new series of classes at the GFO. These classes are free for GFO members who use Mac computers and Apple's mobile devices. Non-members can attend for \$10 per class.

October 9th / 6:00-8:00pm

Mac Photos 101

- ✓ Make your photos look their best
- ✓ Learn how to retrieve photos from other sources
- ✓ ... and much more!

October 23rd / 6:00-8:00pm

Getting Creative with Apple's Free Apps

- ✓ See how Pages Templates assist your creativity
- ✓ Amaze your friends with Keynote Slideshows
- ✓ ... and much more!

To register:

Call 503-228-1779; Email: college@pmug.org.

Bring your Mac/iPad to participate with instruction. If you would like additional info for attending this class, please email us at college@pmug.org.

Genealogy Boot Camp for Beginners

Join Laurel Smith at the GFO, on October 25th, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., for a day of beginning genealogy.

Visit GFO.org/bootcamp for a full class description. Basic computer skills are a prerequisite, as all communications are done via email, and you must be able to download and print the class notes.

Bring a sack lunch so the discussion can continue while we eat. GFO members may attend for free, non-members for \$20.

Register online at GFO.org/bootcamp by October 21st. Two very short assignments will be emailed, the first on the 22nd. You will receive an email with a link to the class notes when you complete the two assignments.



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Mon, Tues, & Thurs..... 9:30 a.m.–5 p.m.
Wednesday..... 9:30 a.m.–8 p.m.
Friday & Saturday..... 9:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Sunday..... 12 noon–5 p.m.
1st Monday each month till 8 p.m.

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A Fruitful Family Tree Discovery

Chris Knutson

Say “family tree” and most genealogists will almost certainly think of a chart that lists family members, but the same words could also describe an actual tree that’s associated with a particular family. I discovered one such family tree on a visit to the Willamina Cemetery in Willamina, Oregon.

I’m a Pennsylvanian by birth—my family moved west over a modern version of the Oregon Trail when I was a small child—but through my Hawaii-born grandmother, I have Oregon roots going back to territorial times. The result is that I’m a first-generation Oregonian who has ancestors at a number of cemeteries across northwest Oregon, including in Willamina. As I’ve gotten further in my genealogical research, I’ve tried to learn more about my Oregonian ancestors and visit their graves, and last fall I paid my first-ever visit to the Willamina Cemetery.

I knew from Find-A-Grave and an earlier visit to the Yamhill County Historical Society in Lafayette, Oregon, that several of my ancestors were interred somewhere at the Willamina Cemetery, but I didn’t know where exactly. Fortunately, I’m a professional archaeologist, so I have some experience when it comes to finding things on the ground (I later found a detailed map of the Willamina Cemetery at the GFO library, which would have saved me some effort).

On the far side of the cemetery was a large tree with orange leaves, and as I got closer, I saw that the ground around the base of the tree was covered with large yellow apples. The lowest limb of the tree reached out over two obelisk-shaped grave markers, as if the tree were motioning, “Here they are.” Sure



enough, the obelisks turned out to be the markers for my third-great-grandparents, John Chrisman and Florence Daugherty Chrisman.

While I’m not 100 percent certain who planted the apple tree, my guess is that it was the Chrismans’ youngest daughter, Kate Chrisman Mendenhall, and her husband William Mendenhall. The evidence for this lies at the foot of the tree, where there is a small headstone commemorating Kate and William’s infant sons, Max and John, who died in 1905 and 1907 respectively.

Based on the tree’s size, it appears to be at least 100 years old, so a planting date of around 1907 (which was also the year Max and John’s grandmother Florence died) would make sense. *[continued on page 3]*

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[Fruitful Family Tree Discovery, continued...]

As the tree grew, it gradually extended its branches out over the graves of the children’s grandparents. The children’s parents are buried outside of Sheridan, Oregon, over five miles away, so unfortunately beyond the reach of the apple tree.

The apples themselves may provide an additional clue, as they could be the apple variety my Chrisman ancestors likely grew on their farm. They appear to be Grimes Golden apples, an heirloom variety that is an ancestor of the Golden Delicious apple. Now, I don’t know for sure that the Chrismans actually grew apples, but it seems like a reasonable guess for a family that had a farm in the western Willamette Valley in the late nineteenth century—plus it would have been logical for their relatives to plant a memorial tree that had a special family connection. What would be more fitting than an apple tree from the family farm?

For me, the most rewarding moments in genealogy occur whenever I find things that make it easier to relate to long-departed relatives on a visceral level. Getting to taste an apple variety that my ancestors probably enjoyed over 110 years ago was definitely one of those moments.

New Books at GFO

Lots and lots of new books have been received. Many are donations, some are purchases or the result of trades with other libraries.

Maybe the answer to your brick wall lies within these pages. Come on in and see what they reveal:

The Black Seminoles: history of a freedom-seeking people

- (GFO Library call number 976 .Ethnic Black Semi Port)

Little towns of Texas

- (GFO Library call number 976.40 .Hist-Au Town StCl)

Marriage records of Mason County, Kentucky: 1845-1855, volume V.

- (GFO Library call number 976.95 Maso .VR-M 1845-1855)

Potawatomi trail of death: 1838 removal from Indiana to Kansas

- (GFO Library call number 977 .Ethnic NatAm Pota Remo 1838)

A guide to Chicago and Midwestern Polish-American genealogy

- (GFO Library call number 977 .Ethnic Pol How-To Krus 2018)

Meet the Oregon Chapter of the Association of Professional Genealogists

The Association of Professional Genealogists (APG) is an international organization dedicated to supporting people who are engaged in genealogy at a professional level. APG’s efforts include advocacy, collaboration, education, and the promotion of ethical standards within the genealogical profession.

In Oregon, we work together at the local and state levels to help each other and the general public with their genealogical needs. While our primary focus is on genealogical research, APG is also comprised of

speakers, writers, librarians, and archivists. We have different areas of expertise, such as DNA, heir research, specific geographical areas of interest, and various historic periods.

If your society or organization has a need for a speaker, we would be glad to help. We can also staff “Ask an Expert” panels or a booth or table at a seminar or conference to spread the word about a local resource that may be new to many genealogy enthusiasts.

For more information about APG, go to www.apgen.org. For more information about the Oregon chapter and what we can do for you, contact Tricia Oberndorf at obiegenealogy@gmail.com.



DISCOVERING YOUR ANCESTOR'S LIFE IN RECORDS OF DEATH

October 19 at 2 p.m.



with

Pam Vestal

GenTalk

GENEALOGICAL FORUM OF OREGON

Sometimes the best way to learn about an ancestor's life is to dig into the mountain of paperwork created by his death. We'll explore the surprisingly abundant information that is collected when a death occurs and glimpse just how much these records can reveal, not only about our ancestors' deaths, but also about their lives.

PAM VESTAL entered the field of genealogy after a 21-year career as a professional writer. She does genealogical research for clients, has articles published in the Assn. of Professional Genealogists Quarterly, and lectures up and down the West Coast.



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Black Sheep and Bastards

Laurel Smith

Are you chasing black sheep and scoundrels in your family?

Lucky you!

The folks who didn't follow societies' rules (and the law) were often the ones to leave the most records. And the poor child labeled a bastard (through no fault of his own) sometimes left a significant trail to follow.

For example, my fourth-great-grandfather's Civil War pension file was filled with juicy tidbits. Why? Because apparently Great-Grandpa Levi was a bigamist, he abandoned his second wife and married twice more, and his children (by his first wife) were liars who covered up his philandering. A years-long governmental investigation into the situation commenced, which resulted in nearly 100 pages of testimony in the pension file. A treasure!

I follow the posts from an electronic mailing list for librarians who specialize in genealogy.¹ It's not a closed list, and anyone can follow along, but that's not the point of my message

Recently, one of the listserv's subscribers posted they had a problem. They were being tasked with giving a presentation about finding records for the "criminals or bastards, or others who are not typically found in most databases."

Well, that began a volley of resource lists and suggestions I couldn't resist sharing with you, just in case you also have a black sheep to research. Here's some of what was said or suggested:

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Check out FamilySearch Wiki familysearch.org/wiki to search for crime, criminals, bastardy, and other key terms to locate a variety of records.

In some censuses, institutions (like prisons) and the people within are listed.

Several people mentioned Robert Scott Davis--his books and his blog. Davis's specialties are the state of Georgia and military history (not only in Georgia). His lengthy list of books includes, The Georgia Black Book:

¹ genealib mailing list:
<http://mailman.acomp.usf.edu/mailman/listinfo/genealib>

Morbid, Macabre, and Sometimes Disgusting Records of Genealogical Value, in 2 volumes.

Don't forget newspaper research ... it sure can yield a great many details, including hints about which court records you'll need to seek to find ... information. I have quite a few black sheep in the family, including a second great-grandmother's first cousin whose long career of breaking into houses to pray--loudly--for the occupants ended when he murdered a neighbor and landed in a hospital for the criminally insane. From newspaper research, I first learned of him, another relative who committed murder (the victim was also a relative), and an uncle with a penchant for being arrested in houses of ill repute. The newspaper articles made court records research much easier.

Diane Stepro

Jeffersonville Township Public Library

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Jana Sloan Broglin did a webinar for Legacy Family Tree Webinars on that topic. I also saw her present it live at FGS one year. It's called "Hookers, Crooks and Kooks - Aunt Merle didn't run a boarding house." She uses an example from her own family, but it was very interesting and might provide some tips. You'd have to either subscribe to the service or pay to view the one video. Here's a link, FYI:

https://familytreewebinars.com/download.php?webinar_id=262

It's an interesting topic!

Kim E. Dolce

Genealogy/Reference Librarian

Daytona Beach Regional Library

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- Cyndi's List has a page of links:

<https://www.cyndislist.com/prisons/>

- Skeletons in the Closet:

<https://www.cyndislist.com/skeletons/general/>

- Ancestry article "10 Things to Know: Black Sheep":

<https://www.ancestrycdn.com/support/us/2016/11/blacksheep.pdf>



• Gena P. Ortega's article, "Researching Black Sheep Ancestors":

<https://www.archives.com/experts/ortega-gena/researching-black-sheep-ancestors.html>

• Lisa Alzo's article, "The Darker Side Of Genealogy: Tracking Criminals, Rogues, Scoundrels & Black Sheep":

<https://www.archives.com/experts/alzo-lisa/black-sheep-genealogy.html>

• Cari Jolaoso on FindMyPast, "So, You've Found a Black Sheep in Your Family History..." with the British viewpoint:

<https://www.findmypast.com/blog/family-records/black-sheep-in-your-family-history>

• Website A Criminal Record, providing a compilation of historical legal and crime resources for genealogists, historians and students:

<http://acriminalrecord.org/>.

• You never know what Judy Russell might mention in her legal blog:

<https://www.legalgenealogist.com/>.

• Google "black sheep genealogy place name" to find a bit of information.

• Newspapers are usually an excellent source of information, although figuring out if you're related can sometimes be tricky since family affiliations are not always given.

• Black Sheep Ancestors helps you find public records to search:

<https://www.blacksheepancestors.com/usa/>.

• In greater Chicago - a murders database from Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law <http://homicide.northwestern.edu/database/>.

Sarah A. V. Kirby

Indiana Room Genealogy and Archives Librarian

Huntington City Township Public Library



The National Archives has lots of records about criminals in federal cases.

Examples:

• Search the National Archives Catalog for record series that include the word criminal:

[https://catalog.archives.gov/search?q=criminal&f.oidScope=\(descriptions%20or%20online\)&f.level=series&SearchType=advanced](https://catalog.archives.gov/search?q=criminal&f.oidScope=(descriptions%20or%20online)&f.level=series&SearchType=advanced)

• Search the National Archives Catalog for the term "mug shots":

<https://catalog.archives.gov/search?q=mug%20shots>

• Here's a fun (and fully digitized) series of mug shots from the District of Columbia for (mostly) ca. 1883-1890: <https://catalog.archives.gov/id/1460515>.

Claire Kluskens

NARA

Washington, DC



In researching ... my step-great-grandfather ... I found newspaper accounts and (when available) penitentiary records to be very helpful. ... The court records underlying the newspaper stories would be the best-quality sources, when findable. As for "bastards," in many court jurisdictions the unmarried father might be required to pay money ("bastardy bond") to help ensure that the child and the mother would not become a public charge. Good luck!

Two recent publications:

"Sheriff's Daughter Weds Confidence Man: Dudley P. Warner in Chicago, New Hampshire, Ohio, and Florida," *Chicago Genealogist* 51(3): 67-76, Spring 2019.

"Faultless Could I Love Him Less?' Joel S. Thrall and His Descendants in Vermont, Quebec, Ohio, and Texas," parts 1 and 2, *New England Historical and Genealogical Register* 172, Summer 2018:248-56, Fall 2018:341-52.

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The Criminal Genealogy group on Facebook is knowledgeable about researching criminals <https://www.facebook.com/groups/206093116681587/?ref=share>.

Bonnie Dunphy Kohler

Volunteer, Genealogical Society of Palm Beach

County Library

Member, Association of Professional Genealogists



North Carolina has bastardy bonds that are digitized and available through FamilySearch.org. I have used the NARA catalog to locate information on federal cases. I am not sure about North Carolina, but South Carolina has an Attorney General's report giving some information on prisoners/pardons/commutations which are digitized through Hathitrust. I found the ones from 1890-1910 have been more informative than the other years. I have also used Chronicling America to locate newspaper stories or docket information on an ancestor.

Daniel Allen Hearn has a book entitled Legal Executions In North Carolina And South Carolina: A Comprehensive Registry, 1866-1962. I have used it as a resource to locate newspaper stories.

My great-grandfather was indicted for fraudulent charges when he was a deputy marshal, and I found some information on him using the U.S. Serial Set. The attorney general's report (South Carolina) is in the Reports and Resolutions of South Carolina to the General Assembly.

<https://catalog.hathitrust.org/Record/008882058>

Laura G. Holden
Head of Genealogy and Local History
South Carolina Room
Anderson County Public Library



Here are some sources for bastardy information:

- North Carolina Bastardy Bonds
<http://digital.ncdcr.gov/cdm/ref/collection/p15012coll1/id/69677>
- Bastardy Bonds
<http://www.appalachianhistory.net/2018/11/bastardy-bonds.html>
- Church christening records will indicate if a child was born in wedlock. On a birth certificate, a blank spot or "Unknown" for the father's name is an indicator.
- Don't forget to look at wills. I have on occasion seen a woman listed in a will with her child, and she still has her maiden name. Or a child of a daughter, and the child has the grandparent's surname. Not proof but also an indicator.

• Then there is my ancestor who someone else figured out had several children out of wedlock. His will was the first clue, where he talked about the children "begotten on the body of" his supposed wife. This is as opposed to the usual language of "my son (daughter.) More digging turned up the two or three court proceedings against his "wife" for bearing children out of wedlock. Also, the desertion claims and divorce request from his true wife, and finally, the case where she won a property settlement from him.

Sharon Rowe



I have heard podcasts and interviews with Ron Arons, genealogist and author of the book Black Sheep in the Family. I also believe he has researched inmates of Sing prison. ... I think his website may be a resource for you. <https://www.ronarons.com/>

Susan Schuler



So, there you have it! A list of suggestions from genealogists and genealogy enthusiasts. Doesn't this make you want to discover that one of your ancestors really was a black sheep?

Scanning and Archiving Your Family Photos and Documents

Saturday, November 16th, 2-3 p.m.

Presenter: Lori Washburn

Whether you want to scan just a few photos, have inherited a box of photos, or plan on visiting a relative who might have photos, this class is for you.

We will briefly discuss scanners and then learn how to scan and archive those precious photos and documents, as well as how to file the scans. We will also touch on the basics of touching up your scans.

This is one of our GenTalk classes, which are completely FREE and open to the entire public. Come check it out!



Deutsche & Dutch

OCT
5 & 6



with
**Fritz
Juengling**

"Jump the pond" even if you don't speak the language.

Saturday, October 5

10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Center for Self Enhancement



GERMAN RESEARCH

Do a deep dive into locating German records using FamilySearch. Learn key German words, phrases and phonetics to decipher records, as well as naming conventions to identify who is who. Understand the well-known, and lesser-known, factors for emigration.

Sunday, October 6

9:30 a.m. - Noon

Genealogical Forum of Oregon



DUTCH RESEARCH

Learn the best way to approach Dutch research, what records were created and why, and how to access those records. Become familiar with key words, phrases and naming patterns to decipher and understand what you find.

Fritz Juengling, PhD, AG®

received his Bachelor's degrees in German Studies and Secondary Education at Western Oregon University, his Master's and Doctorate in Germanic Philology with minors in both English and Linguistics at the University of Minnesota.

Germanic Philology is a highly specialized field of study, combining languages, linguistics, paleography and history. Dr. Juengling was required to demonstrate competence in English, German, Medieval Latin, Dutch and Norwegian. He is an Accredited Genealogist® for Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium, and Sweden through ICAPGen, and certified by the Verband deutschsprachiger Berufsgenealogen.

Dr. Juengling is a German, Dutch, and Scandinavian Research Consultant at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.

Register Online
gfo.org/deutsche

SATURDAY SEMINAR DETAILS

Location

Center for Self Enhancement (SEI)
3920 N. Kerby Ave.
Portland, Oregon

Time

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. • Saturday, October 5
Break for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Seminar Features

Book sales from Heritage Quest
Raffle with great prizes
Coffee, tea and snacks throughout the day
Syllabus: free electronic copy included

Lunch

Bring your own or order from GG's Deli. A lunch selection form will be sent with your confirmation. Sack lunch is \$10, and includes your choice of sandwich and side. Add \$1 for gluten-free bread.

SUNDAY PROGRAM DETAILS

Location

Genealogical Forum of Oregon Library
2505 SE 11th Ave. #B-18
Portland, Oregon

Time

9:30 a.m. to noon • Sunday, October 6

– Sunday Event Limited to 60 –

Payment and Refund Details

Register and pay online at gfo.org/deutsche.

– OR –

Complete registration form below and mail with your check to: **GFO Fall Seminar, 2505 SE 11th Ave. #B-18, Portland, OR 97202-1061.**

For cancellations received after Sept. 30, 2019, refunds will be subject to a \$10 cancellation fee. Lunches must be ordered by noon on Oct. 2, 2019.

Lunch fees are non-refundable if canceled after noon on Oct. 2, 2019.

REGISTRATION FORM – OR – register online @ gfo.org/deutsche

You may sign up for Saturday, Sunday, or both sessions. One form per attendee, please.

Circle price selected, enter amounts on the right, and total at the bottom.

Name _____ Member No. _____

Email _____ Telephone No. _____

Payment Enclosed Paid online at PayPal.com using the email address payments@gfo.org.

FALL SEMINAR WITH FRITZ JUENGLING Select one or both sessions	REGISTRATION		AMOUNT
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SATURDAY PROGRAM DEUTSCHE	\$50	\$55	
Lunch from GG's Deli (order/cancel by 10/2)	\$10	\$10	
Add gluten-free bread	\$1	\$1	
Electronic copy of syllabus is free with your registration. Optional paper copies will be \$3 at the door.			
SUNDAY PROGRAM DUTCH	\$30	\$35	
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GFO August Star

Mark Grafe

The GFO Board unanimously named Mark Grafe as GFO Star for August 2019. Mark took on the job of layout editor for *The Bulletin* and has done a wonderful job.

Sometimes learning as he goes, he has introduced new style to our quarterly journal and new functionality to the electronic version. He works quickly and remains positive even as other editors ask repeatedly for revisions. He is a joy to work with. Thank you, Mark. We're lucky to have you!

GFO September Star

Maggie McNair

Many people don't realize how deep the GFO website is. It features thousands of records.

We can all thank our outgoing webmaster, Maggie McNair, for valiantly bringing our website into the modern era. She ensured that everything made it from the old site to the new site and looks great to boot. Maggie has since shepherded the updated site through two redesigns.

For her many years of managing our site, the board is pleased to name Maggie as our GFO Star for September.



GFO Membership Needs Volunteer

Are you a database, excel, or data-entry wizard? Do you love making sure all the details are in order? The Membership Committee needs your help!

GFO's Membership Committee is weeks away from losing a significant portion of its team. Can you help keep them going strong?

Membership need some key team players to help entering new membership application data into our membership database. They also need help keeping the database updated on a regular basis.

Interested? Have a few hours each month to spare in service of our wonderful organization? Email Membership@gfo.org today to speak with Membership Chair Jane McGarvin about how you can help out.



Are you registered for GFO's Fall Seminar? Seats are still available!

Come for a full day of German Genealogy lessons and a half day of Dutch resources. Professional genealogist Fritz Juengling returns to Portland for the GFO's 2019 GFO Fall Seminar.

Learn how to make sense of German names, tap into the best German sources on Family Search and discover your ancestors' emigration stories. Dutch lessons include beginning research and understanding Dutch names.

Dr. Juengling brings amazing expertise as a certified professional genealogist, and a German, Dutch, and Scandinavian Research Consultant at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Be sure you don't miss this amazing opportunity!

October 5th, 10 a.m. – 4:3 p.m. and
October 6th, 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

**Treasurer's Reports***Erin Randall*

July 2019 Income	\$10,869.35	August 2019 Income	\$8,101.96
Contributions & Investments	\$3,292.75	Contributions & Investments	\$2,490.86
Memberships	\$4,491.00	Memberships	\$2,425.00
Seminars & Other Programs	\$1,736.00	Seminars & Other Programs	\$1,909.00
Library & Research	\$403.60	Library & Research	\$235.83
Book Sales & Publications	\$946.00	Book Sales & Publications	\$1,041.27
July 2019 Expenses	\$9,077.20	August 2019 Expenses	\$9,434.50
Administration	\$1,255.43	Administration	\$1,523.97
Education Programs	\$2,575.00	Education Programs	\$2,096.59
Facilities & Equipment	\$5,062.57	Facilities & Equipment	\$4,771.18
Library & Research	\$184.20	Library & Research	\$1,042.76
Net Income for the month	\$1,792.15	Net Income for the month	-\$1,332.54
Year-to-Date Net Income	\$1,792.15	Year-to-Date Net Income	\$459.61

Special Interest Groups<http://gfo.org/learn/special-interest-groups/>**African American**

3rd Saturdays, 12–2 p.m.

Led by Janice Sellers.

African_American@gfo.org**British Group**4th Saturdays
Jan., Mar., May, Sept.,
1–3 p.m.

Led by Duane Funk.

UK@gfo.org**DNA – Beginners**4th Saturday in Feb., May, Aug., & Nov.,
9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Led by Emily Aulicino.

DNA@gfo.org**DNA – Advanced**4th Saturday in Jan., Apr., July, and Oct.,
9 a.m.–12 p.m.

Led by Emily Aulicino.

DNA@gfo.org**DNA – Q & A**1st and 3rd Wednesdays, Sept.–June,
1–3 p.m.

Led by Lisa McCullough.

DNA_QA@gfo.org**Family Tree Maker Beginners**3rd Sundays, 1–3 p.m. Jan., Apr., Jul.,
Oct.

Led by Laurel Smith.

FTM@gfo.org**Family Tree Maker Users' Group**3rd Sundays, 1–3 p.m., Feb., Mar., May,
June, Aug., Sept., Nov., Dec.

Led by Joyce Grant-Worley.

FTM@gfo.org**French Canada Group**3rd Sundays, 3:30–5 p.m.
(no July or August 2018 meetings)

Led by Bob LaMarche.

FrCan@gfo.org**Genealogy Problem Solvers**3rd Saturdays (except July),
9:30–11:30 a.m.

Led by Katie Daly.

GPS@gfo.org**German Group**

1st Saturdays, 1–3 p.m.

Led by Mike Fernandez and Tia Cobb.

German@gfo.org**Italian Group**

1st Tuesdays, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Led by Nancy Matheny

Italian@gfo.org**Great Lakes Region**

2nd Saturdays monthly

(except Jul., Aug., Dec.), 9:30–11:30 a.m.

Led by Lynn Rossing.

GreatLakes@gfo.org**Irish Group**3rd Wednesdays Feb., Apr., June, Aug., &
Oct., 6–8 p.m.Led by Karen Hubbard. Irish@gfo.org**Learn & Chat**

1st & 3rd Weds, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Led by Jeanne Quan & Sandy Alto.

LearnandChat@gfo.org**Mexican Ancestry**2nd Fridays, Feb., Apr., June, and Oct.
11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Led by Vincent Ramirez.

SW@gfo.org**Virginia Group**

1st Saturdays, Sept.–June, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Led by Judi Scott and Carol Surrency.

Virginia@gfo.org**Writers' Forum**

2nd Saturdays, Sept.–May, 1–3 p.m.

Led by Peggy Baldwin.

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Tues 10/01	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Italian Group	Sat 11/02	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Virginia Group
Wed 10/02	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Learn & Chat		1–3 p.m.	German Group
	1–3 p.m.	DNA Q&A: Beyond the Basics	Sun 11/03	9 a.m.–12 p.m.	Library Work Party
	<b>Library Open until 8 p.m.</b>		Mon 11/04	<b>Free to Non-Members</b>	<b>Open until 5 p.m.</b>
Sat 10/05	10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Fall Seminar ( <b>Library Closed</b> )	Tues 11/05	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Italian Group
Sun 10/06	9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.	Fall Half-Day Seminar	Wed 11/06	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Learn & Chat
Mon 10/07	<b>Free to Non-Members</b>	<b>Open until 5 p.m.</b>		1–3 p.m.	DNA Q&A: Beyond the Basics
Tues 10/08	6:10–8:10 p.m.	Board Meeting		<b>Library Open until 8 p.m.</b>	
Wed 10/09	6–8 p.m.	Portland Mac Users Group	Sat 11/09	9:30–11:30 a.m.	Great Lakes Group
	<b>Library Open until 8 p.m.</b>			1–3 p.m.	Writers' Forum
Fri 10/11	11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.	Mexican Ancestry Group	Sun 11/10	9 a.m.–12 p.m.	Library Work Party
Sat 10/12	9:30–11:30 a.m.	Great Lakes Region Group	Tues 11/12	6:10–8:10 p.m.	Board Meeting
	1–3 p.m.	Writers' Forum	Wed 11/13	6–8 p.m.	Portland Mac Users Group
Sun 10/13	9 a.m.–12 p.m.	Library Work Party		<b>Library Open until 8 p.m.</b>	
Wed 10/16	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Learn & Chat	Sat 11/16	9:30–11:30 a.m.	Genealogy Problem Solvers
	1–3 p.m.	DNA Q&A: Beyond the Basics		12–2 p.m.	African American Group
	6–8 p.m.	Irish Group		2–3 p.m.	GenTalk: Preserving Photos
Sat 10/19	9:30–11:30 a.m.	Genealogy Problem Solvers	Sun 11/17	9 a.m.–12 p.m.	Library Work party
	12–2 p.m.	African American Group		1–3 p.m.	Family Tree Maker Users' Group
	2–3 p.m.	GenTalk: Death Records		3:30–5 p.m.	French Canada Group
Sun 10/20	9 a.m.–12 p.m.	Library Work Party	Wed 11/20	10 a.m.–12 p.m.	Learn & Chat
	1–3 p.m.	Family Tree Maker Beginners		1–3 p.m.	DNA Q&A: Beyond the Basics
	3:30–5 p.m.	French Canada Group		<b>Library Open until 8 p.m.</b>	
Wed 10/23	6–8 p.m.	Portland Mac Users Group	Sat 11/23	9 a.m.–12 p.m.	DNA Beginners Group
	<b>Library Open until 8 p.m.</b>		Sun 11/24	9 a.m.–12 p.m.	Library Work Party
Fri 10/25	9 a.m.–5 p.m.	Genealogy Beginners' Boot Camp	Wed 11/27	<b>Library Closes at 1 p.m. for Thanksgiving Holiday</b>	
Sat 10/26	9 a.m.–12 p.m.	DNA Advanced Group	Thurs 11/28	<b>Library Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday</b>	
Sun 10/27	9 a.m.–12 p.m.	Library Work Party			
Wed 10/30	<b>Library Open until 8 p.m.</b>				