



*September 2019*

**September 17: Genealogy Programs-Introduction**

Wayne Barner will introduce new & experienced users to the various available genealogy programs, and will help us understand terms which often confuse us when using these programs. As time permits he will show examples of some of the programs, then he will dig into their details in his December presentation: Genealogy Programs: Comparisons.

**Meeting Displays:**

We're looking for people to bring genealogy items for display at our meetings. An heirloom, family tree chart, family history book, photo booklet, ancestor bio, etc. Just speak to George Nettleton if you aren't sure where to display them.

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**DUES:** It's that time again. If you haven't already sent in your \$10 check made out to: **Willow Valley Genealogy Club**, bring one to our September 17 meeting to Jim Robinson. And there's a new membership application on our website and Jim will have a paper one for you to fill out at the meeting.

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**Our WVGC Website:** You can click on **SURNAMES** to see if any of your fellow members have included ancestors who might be in your tree. You can also add family names you have by contacting our web mistress, Carolyn Bausinger (carolyn.bausinger@gmail.com), and asking how to do that.

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A second tab, **RESOURCES** lists some books some of your fellow members have. If one might be relevant to your genealogy searching, contact the member to see if you might borrow it, the member would be willing to look up what you want, or the member might bring it to the next meeting and let you browse it. A nice resource, including some items not in our library, which may be just what you were looking for.

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**Programs for 2019-2020-mark your calendar**

- September 17-Genealogy Programs: Intro** w/Wayne Barner
- October 15-Beginning your Genealogy Journey** w/ &George Nettleton
- November 19-Newspapers** w/Kristin Wenger
- December 17-Genealogy Programs: Comparisons** w/Wayne Barner
- January 21-DNA: Intro** w/Darvin Martin
- February 18-DNA results: members share time**
- March 17-Verifying records** w/George Nettleton
- April 21-Passing it on: Organizing your records** w/Clay Kilgore
- May 19-Passing it on: Archiving** w/Lesley Franconi

For a summary of what will be presented, check our website under: Calendar-this will be updated until we finally get all the summaries up, so check often.

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**New format:** We will be trying some new things at our meetings, beginning in September:

- Club business-5 min
- Spotlight\*-5-10 min
- Presentation-45 min
- Q&A

*\*Spotlight:* an article of interest, a helpful book, a useful website or app, or a breakthrough in your genealogy, etc. We're looking for any of these or something like it for you to bring to our attention in the short segment of the meeting.

We plan to have tables (and will need some members to come early to set them up and stay late to take them down) for each meeting  
Refreshments will be available at the beginning of the meeting  
We encourage you to bring your laptop or tablet or at least a pad of paper and pencil (the former to bookmark sites/tools of interest or to test out sites presented; the latter to take home notes of interest)

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**23&Me & Ancestry DNA Tax break**

The government has agreed to give a tax break for a portion of your cost for a DNA test. Look [here](#) to read the article.

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**Websites of interest:**

**ArchiveGrid:** ArchiveGrid includes over 5 million records describing archival materials, bringing together information about historical documents, personal papers, family histories, and more. With over 1,000 different archival institutions represented, ArchiveGrid helps researchers looking for primary source materials held in archives, libraries, museums and historical societies.

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**LDS Family History Library:** The digitizing of their records continues with a target date around 2020. If you are searching the catalog, and find a source you'd like which is not yet digitized, let Familysearch know and they may move it up in the queue of their digitizing schedule. To find their digitized records, go to [Finding Digital Images on Family Search](#) tab. New records are being added constantly, so check often.

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*Find a good website? Send us the link to pass on to other members.  
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