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Cousin 123rd clan reunion planned for Oregon

TOPPENISH — Many Yakima Valley families will journey to Corvallis, Ore., this weekend to attend the 123rd anniversary clan reunion of the Chamber - King - Norton families, according to Nathan King, Toppenish.

King, who is writing a genealogical history of the clan, said that the reunion commemorates the 1845 passage over the Oregon Trail from St. Josephs, Mo., to Fort Vancouver, Oregon Territory, of the wagon train in which the three families played a vital role.

The reunion will be held in

Avery Park at the edge of Corvallis on Marys River Sunday. A meeting will be held at 10 a.m. followed by a potluck meal.

Many Yakima Valley people are descendants of the Chambers-King-Norton families of the wagon train, King says. Some of their surnames are Beebe, Brown, Fromherz, Herring, Chambers, Maines (Mains), Williams, Tucker, Fuller, Phillips, McAllister and many others.

Patriarchs of the three families that traveled West together were Rowland Chambers, Nahum King and Lucius Norton. Callings of the descendants of the three basic names have taken the bearers all over the United States and the world, he said.



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