

## IS YOUR OGS MEMBERSHIP TAX DEDUCTIBLE?

*The donation portion of the membership would be the amount paid less any estimate of value the member receives for admissions and other services that they would have had to pay for without the membership. This "donation portion" is computed by and documented by the individual member in filing their deductions with their tax preparer. The Ohio Genealogical Society cannot make a determination of your individual usage of membership benefits for you. The Ohio Genealogical Society is a charitable institution registered in the State of Ohio as a 501(c)(3) group. We are providing current estimated usage values for our membership benefits as an aid.*

PERIODICALS – \$45,213.52 annual cost divided by 4253 households = \$10.63 per household

USE OF LIBRARY - \$5.00 for each visit (non-member admittance fee)

DATABASES FROM HOME - \$13,700.00 subscription fees divided by 5069 members = \$2.70 per member

### DISCOUNTS ON SERVICES:

Book/Store Purchases (member discount varies from \$2 per item to 10% of purchase)

OGS Conference Registration (member discount is \$40.00 for full registration)

Seminars (member discounts vary from \$5 for smaller classes to \$20 for the Fall Seminar)

Copy/Research Services (member discount is \$15 per request)

WEB SITE - \$5,000 annual cost divided by 5069 members = \$0.99 per member

LIFE MEMBERSHIP – Life Membership pricing is based on our membership cost multiplied by 20 years. If a member's life span is less than 20 years per actuary tables, then the estimate of member value would be multiplied by the least number. We cannot advise if the deduction for Life Membership may be taken all at once or spread out (maximum 20 years).

*So, if your membership in OGS is provided as a charitable contribution to keep a worthy organization in operation and you do not receive nor use the periodicals electronically, do not use the library, do not use the web site or its databases, and do not participate in our events or services, then a large portion or all of your membership fee could be deductible each year.*