

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Newsletter

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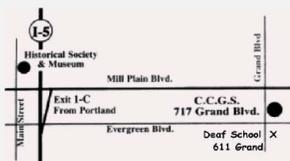
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Closed Sunday & Monday



*Check the on-line library
calendar*

for unexpected closures.

Tues, Wed & Thurs:

10:00am to 4:30 pm

Friday

10 am to 3 pm

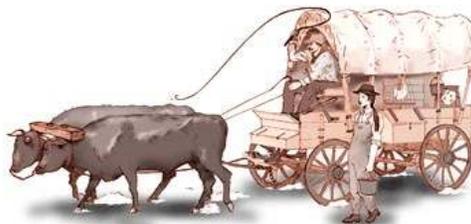
Saturday

2nd & 3rd Saturdays only

10 am to 3 pm

How to get here:

From I-5, take the Mill Plain exit, go east about 1 ½ miles to Grand Blvd and turn right. We are in the strip mall on the left side, north of Evergreen.



COME WITH US ON THE OREGON TRAIL!

Saturday, November 6, 2010

CCGS Library Annex

715 Grand Blvd

Vancouver, WA

Registration 8:30 - Seminar begins 9:00

Maybe you didn't have any ancestors on the Oregon Trail. I certainly didn't. But I (Gene Kuechmann) will just as certainly be at the Fall Seminar, for four simple reasons:

- ! I've never yet been to a seminar where I didn't get ideas, either from the presenter or from other attendees, that I could apply to my own research;
- ! I've been surprised too many times by the realization that I was researching a topic on which I heard a presentation before I knew I needed it;
- ! My ancestors took other trails, and I expect to acquire ideas that will help me in my research about them;
- ! I want CCGS to continue giving seminars, so I'll attend the ones they do give, at least to socialize with my fellow members and probably to learn something new.

If you have not yet sent your registration for our Fall Seminar, be sure to get it in now. A removable registration form is included in this newsletter. If it's too late for you to mail the form and payment, please phone the library at 360-750-5688. Leave your name and phone number and tell them you will be paying at the door! It is a reasonable \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members of CCGS. Lunch is included in the fee.

During the lunch break, there will be time to enjoy homemade soup, veggies, fruit and bread, and to compare westward migration stories if you like.

Remember:

The Fall Seminar replaces the November general meeting. There is no meeting in December.

The December-January Newsletter will be sent in mid-December.

AN ONCE OF PREVENTION IS WORTH A POUND OF CURE IDENTIFYING FAKE BROWSER POP-UPS

by Steve Aberle



How many times have you seen something like this displayed on your screen? Is it really a security alert, or is it a fake? The language is in more of a Brit style than American, but do you want to ignore the suggestion that your computer is infected? If you click to remove the infections, will it actually infect your computer instead of cleaning it? What do you do?

First of all, never ever EVER click on one of these pop-ups, not even on a "cancel" button. If you are concerned about your computer being infected, download a free scan tool from a trusted site (like one of the major anti-virus vendors) and run it while disconnected from the Internet.

So how do you avoid being "taken"? A simple trick for figuring out if pop-up messages are fake, is to change the default color scheme and theme on your computer to something you customize. Why? Because the writers of the fake pop-ups try to emulate the default color scheme to make them more believable. Therefore, if an alert doesn't come up in your custom colors, you will spot it as a fake almost instantly.

Need more help? CCGS offers a free computer clinic for members every month.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY URGENT REPEAT REQUEST

There is now an ***URGENT*** need for someone to help the Treasurer, primarily as vacation relief. We normally have one person acting as both Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary. Because of a family health crisis on the East Coast, our present Assistant Secretary/Treasurer does not expect to return to Vancouver for a very long time. The most important qualifications for this position are the abilities to receive and document income, pay bills, and keep routine income and expense records.

If you are interested and can help us out, please contact the Treasurer, Larry Germann, or the President, Steve Cornick

or call the library and leave a message - 360-750-5688. Email to gensoc at cccg-wa.org

AN ANONYMOUS TIP FOR A QUICKIE FAMILY HISTORY PROJECT

Jot down a time-line for YOURSELF, before you get too old to remember all that stuff. If you have a sibling, comparing notes can be enlightening!

Getting to know . . . Wayne Tuholski



I was born and raised in northern Minnesota, with its frigid winters and hot humid summers. The winter of 1949 was so severe that everywhere one looked, drifts were up to the roof tops and higher. There was no closing of schools, so everyone had to make their way to meet the school bus as usual. My brother, sister, and I would cut across the fields to shorten the normal nine-tenths of a mile to the bus stop. We could reach down to our ankles and touch the telephone wires. Fed up with the winters, my father built a camper-like facility on the back of our family vehicle, a 1942 Chevrolet ton-and-a-half flatbed truck, and we headed west for an area with better climate. It took us a total of seven days to reach southwest Washington, and we settled in Washougal. My father had some aunts and uncles living in that area.

As far back as I can remember, I have always been interested in my ancestors, but that is as far as it went - just interested. I can remember sitting around the kitchen table listening to my dad talk about when he was young and what they did for excitement. I can't say that all that he told us was true, but we were gullible enough to believe everything he said. They were wild and tough, and they didn't have the luxuries we had, like radio and telephone. I wish I had written all that information down, and maybe I wouldn't have run into the road blocks I have with my paternal relatives. The word "genealogy" was not in our vocabulary in those days. "Seen and not heard" was the way we were raised, so questions about anyone were seldom asked.

My career goal was to become a school teacher, as well as a football coach. I attended college to do just that, but a misunderstanding between the Dean of Men and myself cut that dream short. Leaving college, I found employment with the United States Post Office in 1961. Having that better-than-average employment, I married in August 1961, and later that year I delivered my own draft notice. I went off to serve my country in December 1961. What a year!

I became a member of CCGS some time in the latter part of the 1990s. Living in Washougal, I didn't participate in the functions of the society very much because of the distance, but attended some classes that CCGS was giving at the Clark College annex in the Town Plaza on Mill Plain. These classes gave me direction to start recording the information I had gathered to that point. I moved to Vancouver in 2003. I had not been doing much with the family history for some years and wanted to get back into the research but had too many excuses not to. Finally, I saw in the CCGS Newsletter that there was a need for volunteers to be librarians. I thought there was no better way to start again in family research than to do so at the library, where I could use the equipment and work on it all day long. It has been more than rewarding to be part of CCGS, as I have met some wonderful, intelligent people who can show me the ins and outs of genealogy. I gain confidence each day I volunteer, and my computer skills are improving also. I look at this experience as coming full circle: wanting to be a teacher, and now having the opportunity to help and teach others with their quests in this addicting hobby. I am usually at the library every Friday, except the second one of the month. Come see me sometime - I'll have a friendly greeting and a smile for you!!!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Carolyn Neth, Dawn Durgan, K. Fox, Barbara Piper, and Bonnie Brantley

WELCOME BACK

Ed Rankin, Janet Strode

A NOTE FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIR Pat LaRock

Many thanks to those who, when they send in membership renewals, are adding some "extra" dollars to their dues to assist our always beleaguered treasury. We welcome all donations. You're helping us keep our dues as low as possible, in spite of ever-increasing costs, and you make hard-working Treasurer Larry Germann's life easier. I hope, also, that you are enjoying the many classes, speakers, and seminars. You can get the most out of your membership by checking the website regularly, attending programs, and using the excellent library. You might even want to consider bringing along a friend to some of the activities!



New Name Tag Holder for CCGS Librarians

Dorothy Wear (pictured) made the new name tag holder for the Librarians. **Steve Cornick** figured out a way to hang it. **Bill Whalley** made new name tags for the new librarians, so all 55 librarians should be tagged. Thank you each for such an

endeavor. Maybe it's time that YOU have your name on a tag in the holder! Contact

Kara Lynn Rankin to volunteer as a librarian - send email to: KL-Rankin at comcast.net or call our library and leave a message at 360-750-5688.

Getting to know . . . Elinor (Cooke) Perlich



I was born in Portland, but the family left there right after Pearl Harbor; we settled at Hanford in December, 1943. I missed Portland, so I attended Reed college. I was so glad to be back in the Portland area -- then I met and married Donald, a physics major, and we moved to the Mojave desert in California! In 1961, Don and I traveled a year in Europe. On our return, we settled in the San Francisco Bay area; both Cyndy and Doug were born there. In 1976 we moved to the Monterey Bay area to build a round concrete-block house.

Over the years, I worked in the public schools at all levels, as both a teacher and librarian. Meanwhile, I did take a genealogy class and looked at the genealogy papers my mother had from her mother.

We retired in 1990 and proceeded to travel all over the U.S. and Canada for 6 1/2 years in a motor home. We always went to the libraries, where I kept busy searching the genealogy shelves. We visited many genealogical "connections" along the way. Now I have a closet full of documents, enough to keep me busy forever. We came back to Portland in 1997, and we joined CCGS right away. Our daughter moved up here, but our son's family is in Petaluma, California. We still love traveling. We have been to China and Russia since we located here. We spent our 50th anniversary in St. Petersburg, Russia.



ARE YOU MISSING A JACKET?

This Guess brand jacket was left at our library several months ago. No one has claimed it so we hope YOU recognize it. It's a man's jacket, XL, black, zip-out lining, hood, pair of size M leather, lined gloves in a pocket. It could also be a worn by a woman. Nice condition. If it's yours, please come to the library to claim it because it's going to be given away or donated somewhere soon! Library phone - 360-750-5688

Do you sometimes receive a mailed Newsletter although you've asked for the on-line version? The reason this happens occasionally is to fill out the 200 required copies we must mail with our bulk mail permit with the post office. We must mail a minimum of 200 pieces (or 50 pounds) which are identical in size and weight. If you have no use for the mailed copy, you can remove your name (a permanent black marker works great) and leave it in a barber or beauty shop or at the clinic when you visit your doctor. Maybe someone will read it and decide to join us!

The seminar flyer will be on this page

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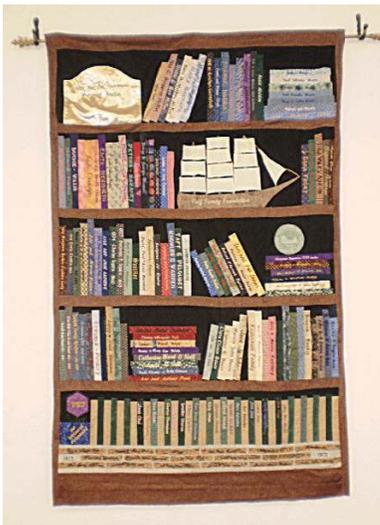
Volunteer Appreciation Night

Jane Germann, R & P Chairman

The Volunteer Appreciation Night held at our September general meeting was a success. Jane Germann moderated a panel of Lethene Parks, Larry Dean, Bea Ritter, and Harry Howarth on "How Do I Share It?" It was great to hear these four share what they had done with their research. Thanks to all who helped with this event and with the volunteer appreciation as well.

More than 20 volunteers were recognized for their substantial service in the past. A couple who wish to remain anonymous asked that their donation be used for books on the quilt to honor past members for their contributions to our society. A committee established these criteria: 1. Primarily before 2000, 2. Substantial volunteer, 3. Name not previously on the quilt. We still have about a dozen spaces left if you have someone meeting the criteria to nominate. A form for nominating 2011's additions to this list is available. We would love to have you add your nominations, particularly if you have someone from the first ten years of our existence. The quilt is hanging in our annex. Congratulations to the members who were selected: Alice Allen, Anita Roberts, Barbara Baker, Bertha Krause, Charles Thompson, Marian Thompson, Don Finel, Dorothy Wear, Elinor Perlich, Gerri Gilman, Jennifer Warren, Joyce Wolske, Kitty Oman, Larry Dean, Lorie Okel, Herman Piontek, Mildred Piontek, Nancy Elder Petersen, Peggy Roberts Winston, Rose Marie Harshman, Mary Katschke, Roy Katschke, and Sandy Thompson.

Below is a close-up view of the row of "books" honoring our volunteers. In the area below the books you will see the date of 1972 on each end and the names of our founding members. Two of our founding members are still members of CCGS. They are Lois Read Bauman and Janice Rasmussen Fillman. Sadly, the other 12 founding members are now deceased.



At this meeting, we also honored those who contributed substantially in the last decade and are still active with the society. Alice Allen, Barbara Baker, Jeanine Bailiff, Pat Bauer, Cheryl Brooks, Doc Clark, Carol Clark, Beth Cross, Larry Dean, Richard Engstrom, Bea Ritter, Karen Frost, Lillian Fullerton, Jane Germann, Diane Hadley, Toni Hansen, Margaret Hepola, Glen Jones, Gene Kuechmann, Dolly Merrick, Elinor Perlich, Nancy Peterson, Kara Lynn Rankin, Sandy Thompson, and Dorothy Wear were each honored with a volunteer pin. *Special thanks to Peri Muhich who offered these pins for presentation.* Some deserving volunteers may have been missed. Can you please send their names to "Volunteer Appreciation" in care of Lethene Parks. Email can be sent to gensoc@ccgs-wa.org.

Cake was served to celebrate these volunteers as well as those who served this last year as elected officers, appointed directors, committee chairs and members of committees, and in various capacities in our Library.

A NOTE ABOUT THE QUILT

Above is a photo of the entire quilt. It is hanging on the wall in the CCGS Library Annex. As you can see, from a distance it looks like a nicely arranged bookcase. Some of us have used the quilt to honor a deceased relative or other friend. The "books" are \$50 each and are a permanent reminder of our friends. Jane Germann has constructed the quilt and she invites your additions to it.

New Additions to Our Library Collection

Compiled by Alice Aultman Allen

The following books are new to our collection.
Look for them on the "New Shelf" on or after November 4.

Donated by Glen Jones

Reflections of Oregon Pioneer Families
by Jeannie Sharp Phillips

Fishtrap Anthology V
by Darinda Huntley

A Sight So Nobly Grand
by Joel Palmer

Journal of Travels Over the Oregon Trail in 1845
by Joel Palmer

The Westerners
by John M. Myers

It Happened on the Oregon Trail
by Tricia Martineau Wagner

Blowsand
by Roscoe Sheller

Donated by Vernon Loy

Some Accounts of Family Stocks Involved at Willowbrook
by Edward S. Martin

1990 WSU Yearbook "And Now For Something Completely Different"
by Washington State University

Donated by Vicki Schwab

Far From Home
by Lillian Schlissel, Byrd Gibbens, Elizabeth Hampsten

Donated by Virginia Holter

Wingo Researcher
by Larry Wingo

Donated by Bruce Watson (author)

Lives Lived West of the Divide, vols. 1, 2, 3
by Bruce McIntyre Watson

Donated by Robert Pennington

Montgomery County Kansas Cemetery Records, parts 1 & 2
by Montgomery County Genealogical Society

Donated by Irene Page

German-English/English German Dictionary
by Langenscheidt-Redaktion

The following books became separated from their donation forms. If you know who donated them, please let us know. We want to give credit to the donors for their thoughtfulness.

U.S. Military Records: A Guide to Federal & State Sources
by James C. Neagles

Marriages, Lincoln Co., Nebraska Vol 4-7 1886-1900
by Nebraska State Genealogical Society

Boone County, Iowa Marriage Records Index 1848-1893
by Boone Co. Genealogical Society

Bush Branches, volumes 5, 6, 7, 8 1985-1987
by Bette Butcher Topp

The Schuylerite: Schuyler Co. IL newsletter
by Schuyler Co. Historical and Genealogical Society

British Irish Scottish and Welsh Journal, vol. 4, #4; vol. 5, #2 & #4
by British Isles Family History Society of Los Angeles

First 100 Years in Cooke County (Texas)
by A. Morton Smith

ARCHIVES WORKSHOPS SLATED IN SEVERAL OREGON CITIES

The Oregon State Historical Records Advisory Board is presenting "Basics of Records Management" and "Basics of Archives" workshops in Portland, Salem, Veneta, and Wilsonville during November and December. These workshops are open to all city, county, and special district employees, library employees, local historical society employees, and interested members of the general public. Records management topics will be handled in the morning session and archives topics in the afternoon session. Attendees are invited to come to either session, or to attend both sessions.

The free workshops will be presented by Dan Cantrall of the Oregon State Archives. Other presenters from the Archives, the advisory board, and the Oregon Association of Municipal Recordors may assist in the presentations at selected workshops. The "Basics of Records Management" session is an overview of best practices in records management. The focus will be on covering topics of interest to public governmental agencies. However, private agencies and individuals may find the material useful because there is a strong intersection of records management procedure and practice between public and private entities. The "Basics of Archives" session focuses on best practices in setting up and maintaining institutional archives.

For workshop locations and times, visit:

http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/shrab/workshops_2010.htm

To attend, notify Dan Cantrall by email at daniel.e.cantrall@state.or.us and specify which workshop you are interested in.

CUT AND PASTE: NOVEMBER 15, JANUARY 17 Jane Germann, R & P Chairman

Cut and Paste is the third Monday from 10 to 2 at the annex. Next sessions will be: November 15 and January 17. (No C&P in December.) DeAnn Wilson will be in charge.

Elinor Perlich came to the Cut and Paste in September and showed the group how the vertical files work and then how to take apart the old periodicals to save pertinent articles for these files. Attending were Lillian Fullerton, Vicki Schwab, Darla Brock, Sherry Warren, Yvonne Muchmore, DeAnn Wilson, and Jane Germann. We have not completed the obits yet and interrupted work on them to learn this new project. The purpose of the project is to condense materials to make space in the library for new materials. The saved items will either be bound into a volume for the shelf or may be put into files for the vertical file. Sherry Warren is in charge of making this decision with guidance from the library committee.

Vicki Schwab took home all the Texas publications she could find to work on. When she got home, she looked up on the web and found some of the publications were already digitized. She reported this to the library committee and they are going to amend how we do this project. As a result, the group will save only the tables of contents and indexes of those older periodicals being discarded. A page indicating where to get a copy of the article (inter-library loan, PERSI, etc.) will be included.

DeAnn Wilson is on the library committee and has volunteered to head this project. She will serve as liaison with the library committee and she is the perfect person to pass on changes as the work on the periodicals is fine-tuned.

[DeAnn will take over when I go on vacation. Thank you DeAnn for doing this for me.]

DeAnn Wilson, Lillian Fullerton, Yvonne Muchmore, Bea Hicks, Flo Martocello, Marylyn Karecki, Vickie Swaub, Doc Clark, Steve Cornick, and Jane Germann worked at the October 18, 2010, Cut and Paste. Lillian copied more pages of vitals. DeAnn vacuumed after all our hard work. Beth Cross brought in her continuing project of doing vitals for 2010. We need to find another volunteer to keep her project of scanning vitals and putting vitals in a book. Others worked on the periodical project, taking out indexes and tables of contents of those periodicals on PERSI. It will be nice to have more shelf space for two large donations received recently. Thank you volunteers!



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CCGS Meetings and Programs

- Nov. 1 Legacy Users Group - 10am-noon, CCGS Library Annex
- Nov. 1 Computer Clinic - 1pm - CCGS Library/Annex
- Nov. 4 First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group - 1:30 - 3:30, CCGS Library Annex
- Nov. 6 Annual Fall Seminar - see web page for information**
- Nov. 8 CCGS Board Meeting - 9am - 11am, CCGS Library Annex
- Nov. 13 British Isles Focus Group - 10:30 - noon, CCGS Library
- Nov. 15 Cut & Paste - 10am - 2pm (no C&P meeting in December)
- Dec. 2 First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group - 1:30pm - 3:30pm, CCGS Library Annex
- Dec. 6 Legacy Users Group - 10am-noon, CCGS Library Annex
- Dec. 6 Computer Clinic - 1pm - CCGS Library/Annex
- Dec. 8 CCGS Newsletter deadline - Dec-Jan issue - copies to editor and co-editor please**
- Dec. 11 British Isles Focus Group - 10:30am - noon, CCGS Library
- Dec. 13 CCGS Board Meeting - 9am - 11am, CCGS Library Annex

General Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month at CCGS Library Annex.

Morning meetings: Oct - Mar, 10 am - noon. Evening meetings: Apr-Sept. 7 - 9 pm.

No General Meeting is usually held the month of the Spring or Fall Seminar, July, August, or December.

Notify Jeanine Bailiff, our Sunshine Lady, of anyone needing a card from CCGS such as get well, thinking of you, sympathy, etc. [jgmb at pacifier.com](mailto:jgmb@pacifier.com) or call Jeanine at 360-566-9422.