

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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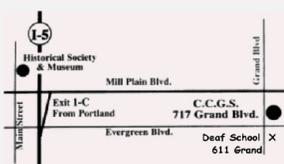
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Hours of operation

Closed Sunday & Monday



Check the on-line library
calendar for
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<http://www.ccgs-wa.org>

Tues, Wed & Thurs:

10 am 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.

General Meeting

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

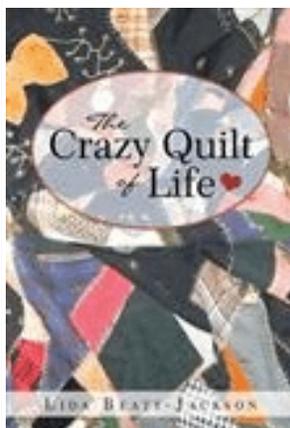
7:00 to 9:00 pm

CCGS Library Annex

715 Grand Blvd.

The public is invited to attend.

Margaret Ann Parker will tell us about *The Crazy Quilt of Life*



Margaret Ann Parker is a local woman who, after giving up her career in nursing, finally found the time to fulfill her dream of organizing and transcribing her grandmother's diaries. With the help of Portland student Jordan Brown, she published Lida Beaty-Jackson's diaries in a book whose cover pictures a "crazy quilt" stitched by Lida herself, her mother, and her sister Minnie Elizabeth. That quilt is now in Parker's care. The book, with Lida Beaty-Jackson as the author, is available at Powell's Books, Amazon, and other book sellers.

The Crazy Quilt of Life allows us to visualize life on the prairie in the late 1880s through Lida Beaty-Jackson's eyes. She shares the pain and struggles of the journey west to a new home and a new way of life. The diaries reveal how difficult what we regard as everyday activities were in Lida's day. The book also includes intriguing genealogical information about Lida and her family.

Getting to know . . . Jerry Olson



My father, Karl Olaf Olafsson (Carl Olson), immigrated to this country from Sweden in 1924 as a young adult, accompanied by his brother, Per Mattias Olafsson (Matt). They had their way funded by an uncle, John Nylund, who was already here. They worked in John Nylund's sawmill until they paid back the loan. My mother's parents also immigrated from Sweden, but separately. My grandfather, Per Svensson (Pete Swanson) and his brother Bengta Svensson (Ben) came in about 1880, ending up in Litchville, North Dakota, in 1900, where they owned a hotel and restaurant. My grandmother's siblings came one at a time, going first to North Dakota, where they had relatives. Grandmother Ida Paulina Persson (Lena) arrived about 1900. My grandparents married in Litchfield in 1902 and moved to Tigard, Oregon, in 1909, where my mother was born.

In about 1910, the Lovegren family of Preston, Washington, bought a large amount of timber east of Forest Grove, Oregon, on the Tualatin River. They built a sawmill, platted the town of Cherry Grove, built a railroad, and imported a community of Swedes to work there. John Nylund came from Preston, where the Lovegrens had a sawmill. Pete and Lena Swanson arrived in about 1911. Carl and Matt Olson came in 1924 and worked as tree fallers until about 1931. They returned to Sweden for a year, but life was good here and they came back. Both became citizens, and in 1937 they purchased a small sawmill in Crabtree, Oregon. My parents married in 1938, and I was born in nearby Lebanon while they were operating the sawmill. They returned to Cherry Grove, where I was raised, and Carl and Matt built another mill

I attended high school in Forest Grove, and started at Oregon State in 1958 in Mechanical Engineering. Within a month, I switched to Forest Engineering, graduating in 1962 and getting a Masters in 1963. My first job was leading a road location crew on campout in the Olympics, stationed at Forks. After a brief stay in Kelso, I came to Clark County in 1964, getting several transfers and promotions until I retired in 1968 as Area Engineer and began my surveying business. I was licensed as a surveyor in 1964, 49 years ago. Olson Engineering started as a surveying company, but has grown into civil engineering, landscape architecture, and planning. We have laid out thousands of subdivision lots, and our other projects include the Amphitheater and Legacy Hospital.

My genealogy leads straight to Sweden, and now that the church records are on Ancestry, I will get back to it. In 1979 Patti Carlton and I were married. She comes from a complex American family with Carlton, Vandiver, Shook, Buchanan, and Hilderbrand among her surnames. I bought Family Tree Maker just to sort out her living relatives. Of course, the file expanded to 2700 names.

I still work in Vancouver, and work on our modest tree farm in Yale Valley on weekends. We have lived in the Ariel, Washington, area for 33 years. Patti rides and shows Arabian horses, so we have a few of those. On the side, I am a Director for Riverview Community Bank and Chairman of the North Country EMS District Board.

In 1979, I began the effort to found the Surveyors Historical Society for the Surveyors Assn., and it is still functioning, doing worthwhile projects. While surveying in the woods, I developed a strong curiosity about the original government surveyors. (There were 509 of them in "*The First Land Surveyors of Washington: The Surveyors in the Contract Era for the General Land Office In the State of Washington 1851-1910*," which I compiled and which is available as a PDF on the Internet.) I have been doing a biography and pedigree on each of them. It is fun to begin with only a name and place of employment in the 1800's and ferret out two pages of bio. Before the Internet, it would have been impossible. I have failed on only about a dozen. I have published two books on the subject, and maintain an extensive website at www.olsonengr.com/hist_survey_first.php. I use Ancestry.com and have bookmarked over a hundred free search engines around the country. Local surveyor surnames include: Webster, Lisher, McAndrew, Robb, Crawford, Farnsworth, Lowell, Lane, O'Neel, Schuele, Chapman, Shaw, Homan, Elwell, and Van Vleet.

Spring Seminar Summary

Elsie Deatherage

Twenty-nine CCGS members and guests gathered at the Library Annex on a cool spring Saturday to learn how to be more "visible" in today's electronic world. Miriam J. Robbins taught the group how to create a blog and use Facebook and Pinterest as genealogy tools, and she concluded the day by sharing some lesser-known online resources for tracking northwest roots.

In the first session, our speaker walked us through creating a web log, or "blog," a website somewhat like an online journal. It can be private or public, maintained by an individual, multiple folks, or even a society. It can be focused (forensic genealogy, my ancestors, or grandma's heirlooms) or more general (foods and recipes, travel, or whatever). We saw how simple setting up a blog is. Google lets you create one in just a few minutes and there is even an instructional video. The tougher part may be deciding what to blog about. Blogging takes time, but may increase your chances of finding new resources, information, and cousins, and of breaking down a brick wall.

The second session focused on using Facebook as a genealogy tool. Facebook is a "social medium" where you connect with friends, relatives, and the world. The speaker explained how Facebook works and how to use account settings to allow for filtering, posting photos and videos, updating information, and "following" friends and family. Mentioned were groups that help with computer problems, groups that help with genealogy, connecting with distant cousins, sharing photos, and planning a reunion. One suggestion was to hold a virtual family reunion. Considering the expense of travel these days, doing something like that could mean many more folks could participate.

Pinterest is a tool for collecting and organizing images and video. When you "pin" an item to your electronic pinboard, you create a link to an image elsewhere on the web. Thus you can amass a large number of images without using space on your own computer. You do need to know that what you pin is available to others to repin, and vice versa. Take a look at three Pinterest users that Miriam recommended: GeneaBloggers (Thomas MacEntee) - <http://pinterest.com/geneabloggers/>; Caroline Pointer - <http://pinterest.com/familystories/>; Valerie Elkins - <http://pinterest.com/valerieelkins/>.

I'm excited to search a number of the online resources that Miriam suggested for tracing northwest roots. Some I had heard of but others were new to me, such as the Washington State Genealogical Society research guides for all the counties within the state; they include information from libraries, archives and societies. If you have an interest in Utah, Nevada, Idaho or Hawaii, check out the Mountain West Digital Library. She divided the list of websites into national and regional resources, then by state, including Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. The handout is a great reference to refer back to as you discover relatives who lived in the area.

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the seminar, especially Lethene Parks, Pat Bauer, and Barbara Baker. Lethene arranged for the speaker, printed the handouts, picked up our guest at the airport and provided a place for her to stay. Pat Bauer designed the seminar flyer and promoted the seminar in the Newsletter and in the Weekly Blurb. She worked tirelessly on the raffle. Barbara Baker staffed the registration table the day of the event and arranged for donations for packets. Others helped by stuffing packets, doing room set up, and providing cookies the day of the event. Thank you to all.

(Editor's note: Elsie has graciously volunteered to be the chairman of the annual CCGS Fall activity which will be either a Seminar or Workshop. Let's all give her our cooperation and aid in making it a success.)

Report from the CCGS Nominating Committee

The committee was charged with filling the positions of Vice-President and Asst. Secretary-Treasurer.

The terms will be for two years beginning July 1, 2013.

The following individuals have agreed to be nominated for those positions:

Vice President - Bea Ritter

Asst. Secretary-Treasurer - Eric Jordahl

As per the bylaws of the organization, additional nominations will be accepted at our April membership meeting.

Election will be held at the May membership meeting and installation of officers at the June meeting.

Submitted by:

Richard Engstrom, Chair of CCGS Nominating Committee

PHISHING EXAMPLE

(Thanks to Steve Aberle for this)

Here is a good example of a recent attempt to use social engineering on a Yahoo group to trick people into accessing malware. (The group, email address, and surname have been removed to protect the person whose account was hacked.) Notice the poor grammar, improper capitalization, and bad sentence structure. The only "very important" aspect to the message was in the eyes of the hacker.

----- Original Message -----

To: undisclosed recipients:

From: Bill _____ <_____@yahoo.com>

Sender: _____@yahoogroups.com

Date: Sun, 31 Mar 2013 21:02:56 -0700 (PDT)

Subject: [_____] Urgent google document

Please view the document i uploaded for you using Google docs.

Click here just sign in with your email to view the document its very important.

Thank you.

Bill.

April 15th Volunteer Day

Jane Germann

NEXT Volunteer Day: May 20th, 10 to 2 at the annex

The weather was sunny but it did not keep volunteers away. Larry Germann, Eric Jordal, and Barbara Baker came to work on financial records. Darla Brock and Jane Germann worked in the Research and Preservation department. Lillian Fullerton is recovering from hip surgery and we wish her well. Elinor Perlich has returned to her Library work. Lethene Parks, Jeanette Nieuwenhuis, Kathy Geyer, and Elinor talked about things that need to be done at the Library. Luurt Nieuwenhuis came along to check on things.

In the afternoon, Richard Engstrom, Steve Cornick, and Lethene met with volunteer coordinator for the City of Vancouver, Hailey Heath, and urban forester for the City of Vancouver, Jessica Antoine, and Zoe Hall, high school coordinator, to discuss CCGS's participation in a clean-up project for Old City Cemetery taking place on April 27th. Kendra Jae sat in on the meeting and will be making a guideline for cleaning cemetery stones. Kendra will be leaving us soon to attend school in Boston. Her expertise will be missed.

Donor & Volunteer's Quilt

Pat Stephens has been working with Jane Germann to make two half-size panels to go along with the finished quilt. As you know, our quilt recognizes CCGS volunteers and any other folks our donors choose to honor. "Books" on the quilt cost \$50 each, and you can buy a book for yourself, to honor a relative (new or ancient), or to honor anyone else you choose. Pat Bauer has honored several classmates who have died, with others in the class sharing in the donation. If you want to help with sewing "blocks" contact Jane at germann@wa-net.com,

Something was missing!

Joy Kersteter

Recently I was searching the Washington Digital Archives site for a marriage record for my great aunt, and I was unable to find it with any spelling of her name. I found that Ancestry.com now has the images as well, and their search engine works differently than the one at the Archives site. On Ancestry, I was actually able to search Clark County by month and year, and I found that for the month of September 1918 there was only one marriage record for Clark County! I felt this was certainly an error, so I emailed Lee at the Digital Archives and asked him to look into the possibility that some of the records were either missing, not indexed, or not digitized. He contacted the Southwest Regional Branch of the Washington State Archives, and after some searching they discovered that the records from July 1915 through January 1919 were not digitized. For the time being, they are adding a statement that these years are not available and to contact the Clark County Recorder's Office. They will be working on getting them digitized. The site URL is: <http://digitalarchives.wa.gov/>

The staff found the marriage record I needed on microfilm and sent me a PDF copy. They are really nice people and very happy that I discovered something was missing.

CONDOLENCES

We offer our condolences to long-time CCGS member Joanne Bortniak of Ridgefield. Her husband Walt A. Pickthorn died March 17 at the age of 86.

A former long-time CCGS member, Ruth Monsen-McAtee, died March 18 at the age of 90. An avid genealogist, she had traced her line to Prince Edward Island in Canada. Her husband Reid died Sept 5, 2012 at the age of 89.

Former member Harold C. Lacy of Ridgefield passed away March 24 at the age of 89. One of his favorite hobbies was genealogy. He is survived by his wife Clara, five children, eight grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.



New Additions to Our Library Collection

Compiled by Alice Aultman Allen & Kathy Geyer

The following books are brand new to our library and will remain on the "New Shelf" during the month of May:

Donated by Kathy Amundson

Sumpter Valley Days

Author: Ernest Hudspeth

Tracking Down Oregon

Author: Ralph Friedman

City of Victorian Heritage, Union, Oregon

Author: Rick Steber

Walla Walla, Portrait of a Western Town, 1804-1899

Author: Robert A Bennett

Powerful Roickey: The Blue Mountains and the Oregon Trail, 1811-1883

Author: John W Evans

Heartwood

Author: Richard Steber

St Johns History, Bicentennial Issue, third printing

By: St Johns Historical Group

The Wallowa County, 1867-1877

Author: Grace Bartlett

Knights of the Broadax, The Story of the Wyoming Tie Hacks

Author: Joan Trego Pinkerton

Donated by Beverly Pryzbylski

Reading Early American Handwriting

Author: Kip Sperry

Henry County, Indiana, 1830-1840 US census

By: US Government

Randolph County Arkansas, 1840 US Census

By: US Government

American Genealogical Research at the DAR, Washington DC

Authors: Eric G Grundset and Steven B Rhodes

Donated by Patricia McKee Bauer

Discovering Your Immigrant and Ethnic Ancestors

Author: Sharon DeBartolo Carmack

Donated by Stephen R. Cornick

The Timetable of Technology, A Chronology of the Most Important People and Events in the History of Technology

Authors: Bryan Bunch and Alexander Hellemans

Donated by Glen Jones

Echoes from Old Crook County, OR

By: Crook County Historical Society

Donated by Susan DeSosser

Scottish Lore and Folklore

Author: Ronald MacDonald Douglas

Search and Research

Author: Noel C Stevenson

Donated by Carolyn Ellertson

American Indian Mythology

Authors: Alice Marriott and Carol Rachlin

Trail of Tears Across Missouri

Author: Joan Gilbert

Donated by Andy Huck

History of Catholicism in the North Country

Author: Sister Mary Christine Taylor

Our Heritage, Chaumont, New York, 1874-1974

Author: unknown

Town of Lyme (New York), Bicentennial History

Author: unknown

Jefferson County, NY 1976

By: Jefferson Co. Bicentennial Committee

The following books were donated by persons unknown. If you know who donated these books, please let us know so that proper credit can be given to the donor.

Native American History, Reference Manual

Author: Sherrin Watkins

Ancestry's Concise Genealogical Dictionary

Author: Maurine Harris

Civil War Genealogy

Author: George K. Schweitzer

Dalles County, Iowa, Births, Book 1, 1880-1885

By: Dalles Co. Genealogical Society

Uncovering Your Ancestry through Family Photographs

Author: Maureen Taylor

Beneath the Ashes, Oxen, Axes and China Teacups

Author: John A Woodward

San Diego Leaves and Saplings, Vol. 34, Issues 1-4, 2006

By: San Diego Genealogical Society

Ohio Civil War Journal, Vol. I-II; Vol. III-IV; Vol. V-VI;

Vol. VII-VIII and Vol. IX-XI

By: Ohio Genealogical Society

The following books were donated by persons unknown. If you know who donated these books, please let us know so that proper credit can be given to the donor.

The Family Tree Problem Solver
Author: Marsha Hoffman Rising

SouthWest Louisiana Records, Vol. 2 (1811-1830), revised edition
Author: Rev. Donald J Hebert

Guide to Naturalization Records of the United States
Author: Christina K Schaefer

Plugging into Your Past
Author: Rick Crume

1904 Vancouver (Washington) Directory
By: Unknown

The English Roots, Mathew Wing and Descendents
By: Unknown

Directory of Family Associations
Author: Elizabeth Petty Bentley

Medieval Castles, Towers, Peles and Bastles of Northumberland
Author: T H Rowland

Women's Diaries of the Westward Journey
Author: Lillian Schlissel

Columbia Presbyterian Church
By: Columbia Presbyterian Church

Ohio, The Cross Road of Our Nations, Records and Pioneer Families, Vol. XXXII (1996)-XXXVIII (1997)
By: Ohio Genealogical Society

Hicks (Hix) Families of Rehoboth and Swansea, Mass., 1640-1850
Author: Harriet Woodbury Hodge

Real Life – Lousiville in the Twenties
Author: Michael Lesy

Cave Hill Cemetery, A Pictorial and Its History
Author: Samuel W Thomas

The Jelineks of Crete, Nebraska, A Collection of Memorabilia
Author: Sharon K Jelinek

Professional Techniques and Tactics in American Genealogical Research
Author: E Kay Kirkham

Exodus, Journey to the Promised Land
Author: Joseph Franklin

The Nez Perce War
Author: Theodore Mathieson

The Dutch Founding of New York
Author: Thomas A Janvier

Pennsylvania Births, Bucks County, 1682-1800
Author: John T Humphrey

A History of the Bridal Veil Lumbering Company
Author: William Carr

Early United States Maps
Author: Questing Heirs Genealogical Society

River Pigs and Cayuses: Oral Histories from the Pacific Northwest
Author: Ron Strickland

Oregon Blue Book, Almanac and Fact Book, 2009-2010
Author: Kate Brown, Secretary of State

Tracing Our Ancestors
Author: Leonard Van de Bruggen

Searching Our Past
Author: Leonard Van de Bruggen

Welcome, New Members:

Doris Johnson
Diane Johnson
Scott Griffith
George & Darlene Laing
Bunny Starkey
Jeremy Hill
Cora Brown

Thanks for making special donations in addition to your dues:

Jeanine Bailiff
Sharon Steinmeyer
Duncan Tanner
Tim & Lynn Tolle

Getting to know . . . Patricia McKee Bauer



I was born in Vancouver in 1931 to Archie Leroy "Roy" McKee and Katy Beatrice (Mathys) Shelton McKee. It was the second marriage for both of them. I was delivered at home by Dr. Lester Hockett, a long-time family friend. As was the practice back then, he filled out the birth registration record. He didn't understand that my parents intended me to be Marjorie Louise, and he named me for my paternal grandmother, so I became Alice Patricia. (I have always gone by my middle name.)

I joined my two (Shelton) half-brothers in the McKee household. Kenneth was three years old and Leonard was almost six years old when I was born. Sadly, we lost Mom on March 12, 1934, when I was less than three years old. Surprisingly, I can remember Dad carrying me up the steps of the Hamilton Mortuary, and I can remember reaching for her and calling out. In 1938 Dad married Ada Christine Berggren, a teacher at the Orchards Grade School. The third time was a charm for him, as this marriage lasted until his death 54 years later. They had two children, Sharon and LeRoy "Lee." I was now the middle child of five,

although the younger two weren't related in any way to the older two. Ken and Len Shelton were adopted by Mom's parents, Frederick and Sarah (Soden) Mathys, and thus became not only my half-brothers but also my uncles. Also, they were then legally brothers to their own deceased mother and uncles to each other. What a mixed-up family!

I was raised, but not adopted, by Dad's parents, George and Alice (Hardy) McKee, in the little mountain valley town of Amboy. Grandpa died in 1938 and I continued living with Grandma. I can thank Grandpa for teaching me how to play cribbage and pinochle at a very early age, which helped develop my aptitude for math. I attended the little two-room schoolhouse at Amboy until 1943. Dad owned the Yacolt Stage Company and was part owner of the Vancouver Bus Company. In 1943 we moved to Vancouver so Grandma could work for him, collecting fares from bus passengers going to the shipyard to work during WWII. I attended Hough School in the 7th grade, Shumway in the 8th and 9th grades, and graduated from Vancouver High School in 1949. I've been chairing the VHS Class of '49 reunion committee since about 1979 and have enjoyed every moment of it. I'm pleased that I've been able to locate 415 of the 416 graduates in my class. The Memory Books I've done for each reunion are on the CCGS library shelves.

In 1949, Donald Bauer and I were married in Vancouver. He is the son of Clarence and Clara (Clique) Bauer. We will be celebrating our 64th wedding anniversary in August. We have three children (Linda, Greg, and Keith); eight grandchildren (counting a couple of step-grandkids); and at least 15 great-grandchildren. Don worked as a printer for many years. He was with the Reflector at Ridgefield, then with Pioneer Printing in Vancouver. He retired in 1988. I worked for the US Postal Service in Vancouver and retired in 1989. Our home is now in the Salmon Creek area, with a Ridgefield street address.

I was active for several years with the Hough School PTA and the Evergreen Junior Women's Club. Sometime prior to my 1989 retirement from the US Postal Service, I joined CCGS and have worn many hats on behalf of the organization. I have enjoyed being the first webmaster for the group, which was a challenge because I'm self-taught. I've served as co-editor of the CCGS Newsletter, with Gene Kuechmann, since 2004. I've served for the past several years as a volunteer librarian. A few years back, I co-hosted our active Thursday evening GenChat room on the Internet with Nancy Elder Petersen. I've been chairing the twice-yearly raffles, which have raised a lot of money for CCGS, and for a number of years I have sent out a weekly email memo to our members, now known as "The Weekly Blurb." I tell friends that being busy "keeps me off the streets and out of the malls!" However, as of June 30 I will be relinquishing these tasks. I enjoy working with my computer and am looking forward to writing four more books. I'm also hoping to get busy on my "bucket list!"

I'm still doing research on several lines of our families, including Ross (I'm related to the Ross of Portland's Ross Island), Blackwell, Emery (my great-great-grandmother's name and also our son-in-law's family name), Belden, Clique, Fradenburg(h), Hardy, McKee, and many others. I have over 23,000 names in my Legacy Family Tree program, all names of people related somehow to Don and me.

BYLAWS TO BE VOTED UPON AT May 28TH MEETING

The following bylaw changes have been approved by the Board and are now submitted to the membership for your approval. They will be voted upon at the next general meeting, May 28th at 7:00 pm. Words to be omitted have been crossed out and added words underlined. All have been shaded so you can find them more easily. Explanations in *italics* are not part of the bylaws. The changes involve:

- grammatical and simplifying changes,
- definition of Joint Members,
- changing Assistant Secretary-Treasurer to just Assistant Treasurer, no Assistant Secretary,
- defines that Board meetings can be held for business and reports but anything requiring a vote also requires a quorum,
- other items which are under current practice to bring the Society into compliance of the by-laws.

BYLAWS of THE CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY as amended May 28, 2013 ~~Bylaws of Clark County Genealogical Society~~

ARTICLE I: Name and Address

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be The Clark County Genealogical Society, hereinafter referred to as the "Society". The Articles of Incorporation are dated March 26, 1980.

Section 2. The Society shall maintain an official address.

ARTICLE II: Purposes and Objectives

- Section 1. The purposes of the Society shall be
- (a) to encourage; ~~to educate, foster~~ and organize activities related to genealogy and
 - (b) all other legal powers permitted domestic nonprofit corporations.

Section 2. The objectives of the Society shall be:

- (a) to maintain a formal genealogical education program such as classes, meetings, seminars, or workshops;
- (b) to encourage ~~and foster~~ public interest in genealogy;
- (c) to research and publish selected materials relating to genealogy;
- (d) to collect and preserve genealogical, historical and family history material; and
- (e) to maintain a genealogical library.

Section 3. The Society shall be a nonprofit, non-political, non-sectarian organization.

Section 4. The Society does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, religion, ~~sex~~ gender or physical impairment.

ARTICLE III. Memberships, Contributors and Subscribers

Section 1. Memberships. Membership in the Society shall be open to any person who subscribes to the purposes and objectives of the Society as stated above and remits the requisite membership dues. There shall be four types of memberships. Each membership shall receive one mailing. Each member is entitled to one vote on any and all issues presented to the membership for resolution by vote during the period of their membership. Membership dues shall be recommended by the Board of Directors and must be approved by a vote of the membership as specified in Article IV, Section 1 below.

(a) **Annual Membership** consisting of one member entitled to one vote.

(b) **Joint Annual Membership** consisting of two members each entitled to one vote.

(c) **Life Membership** consisting of one member entitled to one vote for the life of the member.

(d) **Joint Life Membership** consisting of two ~~people,~~ members, (husband and wife) each entitled to one vote for the life of both members. In the event of the death of one member of a Joint Life Membership, the surviving member shall continue as a Life Membership.

Section 2. Contributing Patron. A person, persons or organization contributing \$50 or more per year to the Society shall be recognized as a Contributing Patron. Such recognition does not confer membership, voting or other rights or privileges of membership.

Section 3. Subscribers. and Exchanges. An organization subscribing to the Society's periodicals by paying an annual fee equal to Annual Membership dues. ~~or exchange of periodicals and This~~ does not confer membership, voting rights or other rights or privileges of membership.

Section 4. Exchanges. An organization exchanging its publications for ours as approved by the Library Committee. This does not confer membership, voting rights or other rights or privileges of membership.

ARTICLE IV: General Meetings

Section 1. The Society shall conduct a minimum of six general meetings September through June except December for the purpose of presenting genealogical and Society information to the membership and, when appropriate, to vote on issues of policy, bylaws, membership dues and election of officials officers.

(a) A general meeting can be requested by ten Society members in a written request to the Board of Directors.

(b) Voting:

(1.) A quorum shall consist of those members present at a publicized meeting to sustain a vote or elect officers. Unless specified otherwise herein, a simple majority of affirmative votes is required to constitute membership approval.

(2.) Information for those issues requiring a vote of the membership shall be published in the *Newsletter* prior to the meeting.

Section 2. The annual seminar and/or workshop(s) may replace the general meetings in the months that they are held.

Section 3. An honorarium for speakers of the monthly general meetings may include transportation cost for a radius of 200 miles (using IRS allowance as base for mileage costs), lunch, and money amount of not more than \$15.00 unless approved by Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V: Nominations and Elections

Section 1. The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee Chairman by January and that chairman shall select four committee members. The Nominating Committee Chairman shall present a slate of officers to the membership at the meeting prior to voting and publish it in the next *Newsletter*. All officers shall be elected by ballot before June 15th and their terms shall commence July 1. The society's year is from July 1 to June 30.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee shall report the duties of each office at the meeting scheduled prior to the election's meeting. Nominations for all officers may be made from the floor at this meeting if prior consent of the nominee has been obtained and they are members in good standing.

Section 3. Elected Officers shall serve for a term of two years and in no case shall they serve for more than two consecutive terms in the same office except at the request of the Board of Directors.

Section 4. The President, Treasurer and Recording Secretary shall be elected in the even years. The Vice-President, and Assistant ~~Secretary~~ Treasurer shall be elected in odd years.

Section 4 5. Vacancies for elected officers may be filled by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI: Officers, Directors, Committee Chairmen, and Board of Directors and Their Duties

Section 1. The elected officers of the Society shall be:

President

Vice President

Recording Secretary

Treasurer

Assistant ~~Secretary~~ Treasurer

Section 2. The **Executive Committee** shall consist of the elected officers and the immediate past president and shall in emergency situations have and may exercise the powers of the Board of Directors when not in session. They shall report any such actions taken by at the next Board meeting.

Section 3. The **Directors** shall be appointed by the President and may include but are not limited to:

Trail Breakers Editor

Newsletter Editor

Directory Editor

Public Relations Director

Education Director

Endowment Director

Finance Director

Library Director

Membership Director

Program Director

Recording Treasurer

Research and Preservation Director

Webmaster

Section 4. The **Chairman** of each Committee shall be appointed by the President for a term of up to one year and shall be a member of the Board of Directors. Each Chairman shall may appoint an assistant chairman and other members of the committee, as appropriate.

Section 5. The **Board of Directors** shall consist of the Executive Committee, Directors, and Chairmen of Committees.

(a) The Board of Directors shall meet each month to transact the business of the Society.

- (b) The Board of Directors shall approve or disapprove any expenditures exceeding the allotted budget.
- (c) A quorum shall be eight members of the Board of Directors, of which two must be elected officers. A quorum shall be deemed necessary if there is a vote on any issue; otherwise meetings can be held to discuss business and give reports.

- (d) The Board of Directors shall report at a general meeting of the Society on major proposed policy changes and new projects.
- (e) Society members shall present all proposed actions to the Board of Directors in writing so it may be included appropriately on the agenda.

Section 6. Upon retiring from office, the Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairmen shall deliver to their respective successors all records, accounts, books, papers, money, and any other property belonging to the Society in their possession. In the absence of a successor such materials shall be delivered to the president.

Section 7. The Society may indemnify a person who was, is, or threatened to be made a named defendant or respondent in litigation or other proceedings because the person is or was a director or other person related to the Society as provided by the provision in the Revised Code of Washington for Corporations and Associations (Non-Profit) Act governing indemnification. The Board of Directors shall have the power to define the requirements and limitations for the Society to indemnify officers, directors, committee chairs, or others related to the Society.

Section 8. The **President** shall preside at the meetings of the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee, and the General Meetings. The President shall be an ex-officio member of each committee except the Nominating Committee.

- (a) The Society shall give to the Society's Library an honorarium in recognition of the outgoing President's term of office, as recommended by the Board of Directors.

Section 9. The **Vice-President** shall assist the president in organizational duties and perform the duties of the President in the absence or inability of the President to serve.

Section 10. The **Recording Secretary** shall record and preserve the minutes of Society meetings. Board of Directors' minutes shall be published and distributed appropriately and approved at the following board meeting. Minutes of the general meetings shall be recorded and any actions approved by the membership shall be submitted to the Board of Directors and put in the board minutes.

- (a) In the absence of the President and Vice-President, the Secretary will chair the meeting.

Section 11. The Treasurer.

(a) The Society's fiscal year begins July 1 and ends June 30.

(a-b) The Treasurer shall:

- (1.) collect and record all dues and funds received by the Society,
- (2.) pay all budgeted and Board approved bills of the Society,
- (3.) reconcile on a monthly basis all asset, liability, revenue, and expenses accounts, where reconciliation is feasible,
- (4.) make available a financial report at each monthly Board meeting,
- (5.) give an annual financial report at the June meeting,
- (6.) keep an accurate record of all receipts and expenditures, and oversee the safeguarding of historical financial records in order to satisfy record keeping requirements of all Federal and State reporting agencies, and
- (7.) oversee the preparation, payment and filing of all applicable Federal and State tax forms in a timely manner.

(b-c) The Treasurer may delegate some of the above duties to the Assistant Secretary-Treasurer and/or Recording Treasurer as agreed upon by the Treasurer and President.

(d) The Treasurer may engage the services of an outside, independent, accounting firm to prepare annual Federal and/or State tax forms for compensation, with approval of the Board.

(d-e) The Treasurer shall serve as chairman of the Finance and Budget Committee composed of officers and other appointed members. If a budget is not reached for the next fiscal year, the previous year's budget should be followed until a budget can be approved for the current fiscal year.

(e-f) Only the Treasurer, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer and the President shall have authority to sign Society checks.

(f-g) The Treasurer will be responsible for the IRS Form 990 Disclosure Regulations. and

(g-h) The Treasurer will make available to the Auditing Committee Internal Review Committee needed items to examine the Society's accounts at the end of the fiscal year. This committee shall audit review the books and report their findings in a signed statement at the next general meeting. If a committee is not found, the Society is not considered to be in non-compliance with the bylaws, but will diligently look for a committee who will then examine the books from when they were last examined.

Section 12. The Assistant Secretary-Treasurer shall perform the duties of the Recording Secretary and Treasurer in the absence of/or inability of either officer the Treasurer to serve and to otherwise assist when needed.

ARTICLE VII: Publications

Section 1. A publication known as the **Directory** shall be published by the Society at least every two years and each membership in good standing will be entitled to receive a copy. The **Directory** shall list officers, directors, chairmen, and members. Additional information may be included for the benefit of the members.

Section 2. A publication known as the **Trail Breakers** shall be published by the Society and each membership in good

standing shall be entitled to receive a copy. The contents of the *Trail Breakers* shall be of genealogical nature with articles of local or national interest.

Section 3. A publication known as the *Newsletter* shall be published to keep the membership informed about Society activities and other important genealogical information relating to research activities and resources. ~~At Each~~ members ~~hip~~ in good standing ~~are is~~ entitled to receive a copy.

Section 4. Special publications of genealogical, historical and research value shall be researched and published by the Society as recommended by the Research and Preservation Committee and approved by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII: Library

Section 1. The Society shall develop and maintain a genealogical library.

Section 2. The library shall maintain an inventory of genealogical supplies and research materials.

Section 3. The Library Director and Library Committee shall determine Library acquisitions to be bought by the Society. Publications for purchase consideration may be submitted by any member of the Society to the Library Committee.

Section 4. All rules governing the library activities and its holdings shall be the decision of the Library Director with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Materials donated to the library shall be of genealogical value. The Library Director shall have the authority to determine the suitability of donated material and periodically inform the Board of Directors regarding status of material donated.

Section 6. Inventory of library holdings shall be made ~~at least every two years periodically at the discretion of the Library Committee.~~

Section 7. Exchange of *Trail Breakers* with other genealogical and historical organizations shall be arranged by the ~~Periodical Chairman Library Committee. The Periodical Chairman Library Committee shall keep the Membership Chairman Director informed as to name and address of each periodical exchange agreement.~~

ARTICLE IX. Insurance

The Society shall obtain and keep in force an insurance policy to cover liability, library accessions and other assets as determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X. Parliamentary Authority

Robert's Rules of Order shall be the parliamentary authority of the Society except where it is inconsistent with the bylaws.

ARTICLE XI. Nonprofit Activities and Dissolution

Section 1. Nonprofit Activities.

(a) Nonprofit: No part of the net earnings of the Society shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Society shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and

distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article II Sections I and 2 thereof.

(b) No substantial part of the activities of the Society shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Society shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of ~~an~~ candidate for public office.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Society shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on - a) by an organization exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or - b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

Section 2. Dissolution.

In the event of dissolution, the Board of Directors shall, after the payment of all liabilities and obligations, as provided by law, distribute all the remaining assets to some similar regional organization that is tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as determined by the Board of Directors. The organization chosen shall be one that is open to the public and for a public purpose.

ARTICLE XII: Amendments and Revisions

Section 1. Any member may propose an amendment or amendments to the bylaws by submitting the same in writing to the Board of Directors.

Section 2. A five-member committee shall be appointed to consider proposed changes to the bylaws and to conduct a review of the bylaws in odd numbered-years. This committee shall make recommendations to the Board of Directors for consideration.

Section 3. Proposed amendments, concurred with by the Board of Directors, shall be ~~made available published in the Newsletter~~ for member review. At the next general meeting the amendments shall be voted on by the members.

This revision approved at the May 28th 2013 general meeting.

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(Thanks to Steve Aberle for sending this article.)

New at the NEHGS Bookstore: *Annals of Witchcraft in New England*
<http://www.americanancestors.org/Product.aspx?id=28804>

The Bookstore at NEHGS announces the availability of a genealogical classic, now in paperback: *Annals of Witchcraft in New England* by Samuel G. Drake, Foreword by D. Brenton Simons

First published in 1869, Samuel Gardner Drake's *Annals of Witchcraft in New England* outlines the "alleged operations of witches" in New England and elsewhere in the United States from 1636 through 1728. It's particularly fitting that NEHGS reprint this classic work as Samuel Gardner Drake (1798-1875) was one of our founders, served as president in 1858-1859, and was intermittently editor, between 1848 and 1861, of the Register.

New Online Tools Help Preserve and Share Precious Family Photos and Memories

FamilySearch International, a nonprofit, volunteer-driven genealogy organization, announced the release of significant new enhancements to its web services that allow visitors to collaboratively build their family tree online, preserve and share precious family photos and stories, and receive personal research assistance—all for free. Find out more at FamilySearch.org.

The enhancements include Family Tree, an online application where users begin by adding information about themselves and then start to add information about their ancestors to collaboratively build, manage, and share their family history. The tree is already populated with over 900 million records contributed by patrons. And there are billions of historic records that can be searched for free to help further expand your family tree.

The Photos and Stories feature lets you preserve favorite family photos of ancestors and share them through social media. You can tag people in a photo to identify who they are and connect them to respective ancestor profiles in the Family Tree. The photos can then be easily shared with the online community. You can also upload your favorite stories about an ancestor to preserve them for future generations. Each person can save and share up to 5,000 ancestral photos in Family Tree.

Other features added include the interactive Fan Chart, a tool used by millions to create a colorful fan chart of their ancestry; the Family Tree Wizard, a tool that asks questions to help you begin to build your personal family tree and get you started; and Live Help, a global online community that provides free product help and personal research assistance by phone and web chat 24 hours a day/7 days a week. The help website and services are available in 10 languages.



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CCGS Meetings and Programs

May 1 Scandinavian Focus Group - 10 - 11:30 am - CCGS Library Annex
May 2 First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group - 1:30 - 3:30 pm, CCGS Library Annex
May 6 Legacy Users Group (LUG) 10 am - noon - CCGS Library Annex
May 6 Computer Clinic - by appointment only - CCGS Library Annex
May 7 Writing Focus Group - 1:30 - 3:30 pm, CCGS Library
May 11 Native American Focus Group - 10:30 am - noon
May 13 CCGS Board Meeting - 9 am - 11 am, CCGS Library Annex
May 15 May CCGS Newsletter deadline - copy to both editors please
May 20 Volunteer Day - 10 am - 2 pm, CCGS Library Annex
May 28 General Meeting - 7:00 - 9:00 pm - 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 held 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.