

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Newsletter

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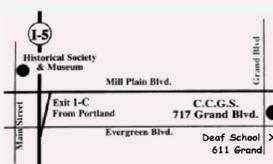
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Hours of operation

Closed Sunday & Monday



Check the on-line library
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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, June 25, 2013
Beginning at 6:00 pm
CCGS Library Annex
715 Grand Blvd, Vancouver

Join us for our annual
POTLUCK
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
SHOW & SHARE TIME



Bring a potluck dish of your choice to share with others.
Also, please bring your own table service plus serving tools for your special dish.

Have you discovered a new family; a surprise photo of one of your grandparents; some keepsakes from your family recently given to you; or some other treasure to share?

This is always a fun, interesting time, so bring something to display and share with other members.

Some Last Words

Gene Kuechmann and Pat Bauer

As we complete our last issue, we would like to thank you all for your cooperation over the years that we have been producing – singly and together – the *CCGS Newsletter*. We have done the job the best we knew how, and now we are moving on to other challenges, like writing our own genealogies and maybe contributing an occasional item to *Trail Breakers* or the *Newsletter*. We do have a few words of advice that we hope are worth more than you paid for them.

The Newsletter job is much lighter when two people work together on it. We divided it roughly into copy editing and copy layout, but we shared suggestions freely. The various tasks fell naturally to one partner or the other according to our strengths and preferences. (For example, one of us was the contact person, the other did most of the writing and rewriting.)

Proofreading is an art unto itself. You can't effectively proofread your own work, so proofread for each other or find another volunteer for this job.

It is wise to send a reminder to the Board members four or five days before the deadline for each issue. This helps to assure that announcements, reports, and other additions will arrive in time.

The "Getting to Know ..." series has been popular with our members, so we suggest it be continued. (The contact person gets the submissions; all submissions are subject to editing.)

The Elements of Style (aka "Strunk and White") is an invaluable, inexpensive, easy-to-use reference for such things as understanding the difference between "which" and "that" and where to place commas. The fourth edition is up-to-date on the new rules for pronouns and similar matters.

Always replace @ with "at" to foil roaming "bots" looking for email addresses. There are several good online sources for advice on other electronic-related usage, but make it easy on yourself, even if you have to make your own list of rules.

Checklists are invaluable.

Why newspapers are so important, or Where new technology is wasted on an old problem.

(Thanks to Steve Aberle for sharing this.)

I was visiting my son last night when I asked if I could borrow a newspaper.

"Mom, it's the 21st century," he said. "We don't waste money on newspapers. Here, you can use my iPad."

I can tell you this, that darn fly never knew what hit it.

Getting to know. . . . Elsie McDonell Deatherage



I was born October 29, 1951, in Colville, Washington, to Bill McDonell and Iva Donaldson. My younger sister was born in 1954. I grew up in Inchelium, Washington, on the Colville Indian Reservation, attending all twelve grades there. From there, I went to WSU in Pullman, earning a BS in Secondary Education and a Master's in Adult Education.

I first worked for the WSU Cooperative Extension in Whitman County, and then in 1977 I moved to Vancouver to take a job with Clark PUD. In the early 1990's we spent a couple of years in La Grande and then returned to Vancouver. I have been working for the city of Vancouver since 1996.

I met my husband, Dale, at a birthday party for a mutual friend while we were still living in Pullman. We were married in April, 1979, in Vancouver. Dale had just started working for ODOT and has continued to work for them until earlier this year. He has bachelor's degrees in Soils, Forestry, and Civil Engineering. The first two were earned at WSU, and the last over a number of years at PSU.

We have two children, Holly and John. Holly graduated from PLU with a degree in French and completed a Master's in Teaching at Evergreen State College. She is currently working part time for Thrivent and teaching French at South Kitsap High School. John completed the Automotive Technology program at Clark College and most of the coursework for an Associates Degree in Electrical Engineering. He's still deciding what he wants to do for a job.

I have been interested in genealogy since I did some research as part of a high school English project when I was a sophomore in high school. My interest deepened after my father died, and I realized how little I knew about his side of the family. At the same time, we acquired the Internet at home, and I was able to connect with cousins and to break through some brick walls.

Recently, I've been researching my mother's side of the family during the Revolutionary War era. Her family names include Hollcroft (of Whiskey Rebellion fame), Donaldson, Drummond, Norris, Terrell, and Smith.

My other hobbies include gardening and knitting. I took Master Gardener training in 1997 and I have been active in the Oregon Fuchsia Society since the late 1980's.

FALL SEMINAR ANNOUNCEMENT

Elsie Deatherage has volunteered to chair the fall seminar, which will be on the subject "*Western Migration*." The date will be in either October or November, and it will be announced in the September issue of this Newsletter and on our web page. Elsie has requested that anyone willing to operate the popular raffle to contact her. It's a fun way to raise money for CCGS. Contact Elsie by email at: daleelsie at comcast.net or leave a message on the phone at our Library at 360-750-5688. Your help will be greatly appreciated.



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 June. The exceptions will be duplicate books that we already have in our collection. Having a duplicate book allows us to check these out to current CCGS members

Purchased by CCGS:

*Clark County History, volumes 2001-2004;
2007-2012*

By: Fort Vancouver Historical Society of
Clark County

(This completes our earlier collection of
these interesting books.)

Kentucky Householdors 1787-1811

Author: James F. Sutherland

Osage Indians: Bands and Clans

Author: Louis F. Burns

Barbados and Scotland Links 1627-1877

Author: David Dobson

Hispanic Confederates

Author: John O'Donnell-Rosales

*Key to the Ancient Parish Registers of
England & Wales*

Author: Arthur Meredyth Burke

Later Scots-Irish Links 1725-1825

Author: David Dobson

Donated by Elsie Deatherage

Hugh Davis and His Alabama Plantation

Author: Weymouth T Jordan

Donated by Toni Hansen

The History of Scotland

Author: Nigel Tranter

*German Immigrant Servant Contracts,
Registered at the Port of Philadelphia,
1817-1831*

Author: Farley Grubb

Pennsylvania Genealogical Research

Author: George K Schweitzer

Donated by Marge Reid

Maltby and Neighbors

Author: Elsie L Mann

***The following books were donated by
unknown donors. If you recognize one of
these titles and let us know who donated
them, we'd appreciate it.***

Scotch Irish Pioneers in Ulster and America

Author: Charles Knowles Bolton

The History of Lewis County, Washington

Authors: Alma and John Nix

Focus Groups on summer vacation!

All of the Focus Groups (Scandinavian, Native American, and Writing) are now on vacation. They will resume meeting in September, except possibly for the Writing group. This group has had low attendance lately, and Lethene Parks will announce later if it will continue to meet.

The First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group will continue to meet each month.

Getting to know . . . Karen Chatham Frost



I was born in Hardin, Montana, to Viola Edith Erickson and John Robert Chatham, and raised on a ranch outside the town of Lodge Grass. Lodge Grass is located nineteen miles south of Custer's Battlefield, now in Little Bighorn National Park. In June 1876, General George Custer made his "last stand" on a hill there because he did not take the word of his scouts that there were thousands of Indians ready to fight him. One of the scouts killed in the battle, Mitch Boyer (Bouyer), was my great-grandmother Margrete (Margaret) Wallace's first husband. They married in 1855 and had a daughter, Emma, in 1856. Margrete was a full-blood Indian and member of the Crow Tribe, and she later divorced Boyer by the Indian custom of putting his belonging outside the teepee. Margrete was born to "Medicine That Shows," who died giving birth to her in 1841. Margrete's father, "Red River," was killed in a war with other Indians. Margrete was adopted by her mother's sister, "Hunts to Dig Roots," and her husband, a white fur trader named John Wallace, who named Margrete after his mother. Her Indian name was "Kill the One Who Hurts the Horses."

Margrete had three children by her second husband, Fellows D. Pease, an Indian Agent. This marriage, too, ended in divorce. In 1869, she married James B. Cooper, a white man whom the Indians called "Squawman." James had fought in the Civil War, first with the Confederate Army, then with the (Union) Regulars. He was enlisted from 1862 until 1869. Margrete was an interpreter for the Army. She spoke French, English, and several Indian languages. Knowing the Indian languages enabled her to keep her family safe numerous times.

My grandmother Martha (Cooper) Chatham was one of nine children from the union of Margrete and James Cooper. My Grandmother Chatham helped raise me for six years after my mother died at age 40, when I was three years old. My father died when I was sixteen. After seventeen years of living in Montana, I moved to Denver, Colorado, to continue my education. On August 23, 1965, I married my husband Ronald, who died in 2004. We had three children.

Since 1998, I have been obsessed with genealogy (which I'm sure most of you can relate to). I have two problems that I'm trying to solve; they are: 1) find a marriage license for my mother's parents, and 2) find records that show my great-grandmother Margrete's Indian name vs. her adopted name. I've been a member of CCGS since February 1999.

Anyone interested in working on the Newsletter
please send a note to gensoc at ccs-wa.org.

CCGS Website Editing

Bill Whalley

(This might not arrive in time with the mailed edition but will be timely in the web editions!)

With the retirement of our long-time CCGS webmaster, Patricia McKee Bauer, we are in need of more website editing talent. Are you interested in learning how to update some CCGS web pages? Come to the Web Site Editing Workshop.

We will practice different methods of editing a few of the CCGS website pages including:

Basic HTML and web page editing

Design of <http://ccgs-wa.org> pages--what to edit.

How to upload/download files

The workshop will be on Monday, June 3 at 1:00 PM (after the Legacy Family Tree meeting). If you are interested in attending, please contact me - Bill Whalley, wgwhalley at gmail.com

I would like to know about any previous website editing experience you may have.

Plan to bring a laptop, if you have one, or else you can use one of the CCGS library desktop computers, or work with someone else.

Welcome, New Members:

Wanda Dougherty
Donna Buzalsky
Kay Archer
Frank Church

Welcome Back, Reinstated Members:

Jim Cooper
Patricia Flynn

Thanks for making a special donation in addition to your dues:

Gaydena Thompson

May 20 Volunteer Day Report

Jane Germann

Next volunteer day will be Monday, September 16, beginning at 10 am.

Kendra Jae came in and helped Steve Cornick with some posters. She will be submitting two articles for *Trail Breakers*, one on pioneer Columbia Lancaster and the other titled *Cleaning Cemetery Stones*. (*Trail Breakers* is due out July 1.) We wish Kendra great success when she starts her new course of study this summer.

The usual crew was in to work on the Treasurer's books: Larry Germann, Eric Jordalh, and Barbara Baker. Darla Brock and Jane Germann worked on "cut and paste." Steve Cornick and Bill Whalley did some planning for our web site, since Pat Bauer is passing this project on. We will miss her many years of working on this, getting CCGS on the web before many societies even thought of getting a web site. Thanks, Pat!

Lethene Parks came in to check on miscellaneous things. She is busy working on the Oregon-California Trails Association (OCTA) National Convention, which will be held July 22-26 at Clackamas Town Center at the Monarch Hotel. Some CCGS people will be attending and helping at this event. For more information, see the flyer at the CCGS library or go to <http://octa-trails.org/>.

Enjoy your summer and come back in September ready to help on Volunteer Day.

CONGRATULATIONS BEA AND ERIC



At the Tuesday, May 28, general meeting, CCGS members elected Bea Ritter as our Vice-President and re-elected Eric Jordahl as our Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. They will be installed at the June general meeting and will serve for two years. They join our current officers, President Steve Cornick, Secretary Marian Kenedy, and Treasurer Larry Germann.

We also passed the changes in the by-laws that were published in last month's Newsletter.





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CCGS Meetings and Programs

Jun 3 Legacy Users Group (LUG) 10 am - noon - CCGS Library Annex
Jun 3 Web Site Editing Workshop begins at 1:00 pm
~~Jun 4~~ Writing Focus Group - no meetings until *at least* September
~~Jun 5~~ Scandinavian Focus Group - no meetings until September
Jun 6 First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group - 1:30 - 3:30 pm, CCGS Library Annex
~~Jun 8~~ Native American Focus Group - no meetings until September
Jun 10 CCGS Board Meeting - 9 am - 11 am, CCGS Library Annex
~~Jun 17~~ Volunteer Day - no meetings until September
Jun 25 General Meeting - Annual Potluck beginning at 6:00 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.