



Newsletter

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**No General Meeting for CCGS in May
Come to the National Genealogical Society Conference in the States
in Portland 16-19 May at the Oregon Convention Center**

GETTING THERE FROM VANCOUVER



BY CAR

Because of a two-year expansion program, the Convention Center parking lot is closed. There are four parking garages available for Convention Center parking at \$5/day, with shuttles to the Convention Center. The garages are:

- 1) Metro Regional Garage (closest)
Entrance, NE 7th and Irving Sts.
Shuttle: east side on NE 7th
- 2) Rose Quarter Oregon Arena Garden Gar.
(Mon.-Fri. until 5 p.m.)
Entrance, N Winning Way
Shuttle: east side on Wheeler Ave.
- 3) Lloyd Center Tower Garage
Entrance, NE 7th & Clackamas Sts.
Shuttle: NE 7th & Clackamas
- 4) Liberty Mutual Garage
(after 5 p.m. weekdays, Saturday)
Entrance, NE 7th & Oregon Sts.
Shuttle: north side bet. 6th & 7th



BY BUS OR MAX LIGHT RAIL

There will be shuttle buses from the Rose Quarter Transit Center to the Convention Center. The following buses stop at the Rose Quarter TC:

C-Tran

#156 from the BPA Park & Ride

#164 from Fisher's Landing Transit Center

#177 from Evergreen Park & Ride

Tri-Met

#5 from C-Tran 7th Ave. Transit Center (this is apparently the only bus that runs evenings)



Because of track work, MAX will not cross the Steel Bridge during the Conference. Therefore it will be necessary to use car or bus between the Convention Center

and downtown Portland. However, MAX will operate on the east side. C-Tran #165 runs from Fisher's Landing TC to Gateway, and MAX runs from there to the Convention Center.

For information:

<www.oregoncc.org> for availability of parking
<www.c-tran.com> or 360-695-0123 for C-Tran
<www.tri-met.org> or 503-238-7433 for Tri-Met

WHAT'S COOKING?

Do you have an heirloom recipe – one that has been handed down from earlier generations? Or one that hasn't yet become a family heirloom, but that promises to become one? Let's collect our best recipes in a (members only) heirloom cookbook to benefit CCGS!



Submit your recipe(s) on the recipe submission sheets available at the CCGS Library or on a plain sheet of paper and mail to:

Jeanine Bailiff
15917 NE Union Road #105
Ridgefield WA 98642

Or e-mail it to: jgmb@qwest.net

The deadline for recipes is 1 June 2001. Be sure to include your name and address, and tell us a bit of the history of your recipe – was it Grandpa's favorite? Or one you invented yourself that your family raves about?

A few rules: We reserve the right to edit recipes, or to reject recipes that are too similar. If a recipe is submitted by more than one person, we will list all submitters unless there are too many, in which case it will be "first come, first served."

The Committee: Jeanine Bailiff
Irene Page
Barbara Peters



Senior Connections Expo 2001

CCGS was invited to participate in the Senior Connections Expo 2001 by Diane Wagner of the Senior Messenger. There were more than 75 other organizations, principally health care providers, at the Marshall Center on April 20. Jennifer Warren, Anita Roberts, Jerry Oliver, Sharon Wodtke, Judy and Charles Caughlan and Bill Duchie spoke with between 60 and 80 visitors to the CCGS table. There was a lot of interest in genealogy in general and interesting family stories from visitors and members alike. We supplied five door prizes and other materials at our table. Three classroom presentations were made: Beginning Genealogy, Preserving Your Family History for Posterity, and Sharing Your Story with Your Children and Grandchildren. One participant said: "I always thought genealogy was about when and where people were born and died. You make it sound so interesting and exciting."

We anticipate several new members joining the Society as a result of this activity.

CCGS Receives \$4300 Grant from Soroptimists

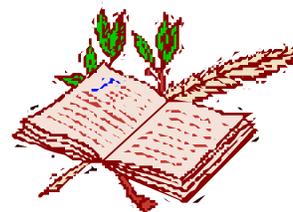
In early March the Educational Service Committee of the local chapter of Soroptimist International of Vancouver recommended approval of our request for \$4,300. These funds were used for the purchase of a Xerox Bookmark 21 Copier. The copier was delivered to the library in early April. This copier will be a vital part of our rapidly growing reference library. It will prevent damage to our book collection and allow patrons to copy the reference material so important to their genealogical study.

Please notify members of the Board of Directors if you know of other grant opportunities that will allow us to further improve our library facilities.

About the Library

with Mary Anne Best, CCGS Library Director

WE ARE GROWING



There is nothing lovelier than the Northwest at this time of year, with the beautiful trees and flowers bursting forth in full color. Each year I am overwhelmed by the beauty that surrounds us.

The library is also bursting forth this spring, with many new books on the shelves. Thanks to generous members and exchanges, we have added many new books, an internet computer, and a copier to our library. Come in and take a look – you'll be excited about what you see.

Would you like to add to our collection? We have a "Library Wish List" for books and equipment. Each month books are listed that members would like to see on our shelves, and you can contribute to the fund to buy them. Or, if you have a book you would like to see in our library, a minimum donation of \$10.00 will start a fund for that book and it will be added to the Wish List.

One of the items already on the Wish List is the 1930 Washington Census Microfilm. In April of 2002 the 1930 census will be available. We haven't heard yet how much each roll will cost, but we understand there are 42 rolls for our state. We would like to have enough to purchase all 42 rolls by the time the census comes out. If you would like to help make these rolls of microfilm available to our library patrons, your donations would be most welcome.

Thanks to everyone who has ever contributed to our library in time, money, equipment, or other materials. It is because of you that this library is the valuable research center that it is today. See you in the library.

Thanks, Mary!

Help us thank retired Head Librarian Mary Geoghegan for her years of service to the Society. An Honorarium will be presented in honor of Mary at the June 12th General Meeting. If you would like to contribute to that honorarium please mail or bring your contributions to the library by June 1st.

Mary has served the Society in several capacities and has been Head Librarian off and on almost since the founding of our Library. Most of us have had more than one occasion to use her services and knowledge in our search for one elusive datum or another.



*Doris Wastradowski
demonstrates the new copier.*

Clark County Genealogical Society

Nominations for Board Members

➤ **President:**
❖ Sharon Wodtke

➤ **Vice President:**
❖ Bill Duchie

➤ **Secretary:**
❖ Jane Germann
❖ Janet Parker

➤ **Treasurer:**
❖ Barbara Baker

➤ **Asst Sec/Treas:**
❖ Tammy Sturza

➤ **President**

Sharon Wodtke. Sharon is President of CCGS, has volunteered in our society Library, and has been Newsletter Editor and Publication & Marketing Director for our (42) publications. She now volunteers as the publishing house review editor. Sharon is a graduate of the University of Portland, majoring in Business Management with a minor in Computer Science. After 20 years in the work force, she took early retirement to pursue other interests, among them genealogy. Sharon is a life member of the Clark County Genealogical Society, The East County Texas Genealogical Society, and The Menzies Clan Society of Scotland and the USA. She also holds memberships in the Federation of Genealogical Societies and The National Genealogical Society (NGS), The Genealogical Forum of Oregon, and numerous other societies.

Sharon is an adoptee who was brought to Vancouver in 1955 and has been a resident ever since. She was always interested in who her parents were, but it wasn't until she became a mother herself that she decided to start her NEVER ENDING SEARCH. Sharon has made several trips to Salt Lake City and spends several hours a week writing letters. She also publishes the "Church Steps," a family newsletter for her maternal side.

➤ **Vice President**

Bill Duchie. I have been involved in genealogy for four years and a member of CCGS for three. In that time I have been impressed with the commitment of the leadership to expand and serve the diverse Society membership. This has encouraged me to become more involved in Society activities. My 30 year career with Shell Oil Company, in a broad range of middle-management positions in engineering and public and government affairs, has given me experience useful to accomplishing Societal goals. Our challenge in the year ahead, in addition to further growth, is to meet the needs of existing members so they will see the value of continued membership. Encouraging the broadest level of member involvement in activities is essential.

Over the past two years, I have participated in a broad range of Society activities. They include: librarian; coordination of the move to the new library; developing the grant request for the "book friendly" copier; the alarm system to protect library contents; chairperson of the bylaws and mailing committees; the Society's representative to the Fort Vancouver Historical Society Board; assisting at Society fund-raising functions; coordination of CCGS participation in Senior Connections Expo 2001; and numerous other smaller projects.

➤ **Secretary**

Jane Germann. Jane attended Oregon State University in Corvallis, where she received a Bachelor of Science degree, and attended graduate courses at San Diego State College. She is a homemaker. She is Washington State Co-Coordinator for Lydia (Prayer) Fellowship International. She has recently become a member of the Task Force of Fort Vancouver Historical Society to seek a new site(s) for the Clark County Historical Museum, in which the CCGS library may be located. Jane also volunteered as secretary for the Veterans Memorial that is now located at the Barracks in Vancouver.

Jane is a life member of Clark County Genealogical Society and a Past President (1989 and 1999) and was Editor (1989-1999) of the *Trail Breakers*, the CCGS quarterly. Presently, she teaches Beginning Genealogy and Land Records in the CCGS-sponsored classes associated with Clark College Community Education. She has made several research trips to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City and to the public library and Federal Archives in Seattle. In addition, Jane has researched at many other libraries, including the D.A.R. Library, National Archives, and Library of Congress in Washington, DC, and libraries in Philadelphia, PA, and Arlington, VA. She has made two trips to England, where she researched family in several Local History libraries.

At present Jane is preparing two family histories, "Philpott Kin: William Francis Philpott Who Married Rosa Ann Davy," and

"T.J. and Anna Wilson: 1864 Pioneers of Clark Co., WA." She has done extensive writing for the *Trail Breakers*. Jane has completed a cook book of family recipes and stories entitled "Be Present At Our Table, Lord," and was the writer for "Lest We Forget: Clark County, Washington, War Casualties."

Janet Parker. Janet is our current Secretary. She has used her computer skills in this position, including using a lap top at the meetings and a tape recorder. She has also computerized us, so the minutes go out each month to the board members and to anyone else who would like to keep up with the business of the society.

"I have been a member of CCGS for 4 years. My parents died within a week of each other and I didn't have a clue of who I was. I began my research at that time. I started out keywording for the Society and have held the position of secretary for the past 2 years."

>Treasurer

Barbara L. Baker. I grew up in Southern California, graduating high school in Lynwood. I began my accounting career working 2 years with the US Army at Fort Stewart, GA in the late 60's. I then went to work for the US Army Corps of Engineers, working 2 years in Finance & Accounting and 2 years in Personnel in Los Angeles, CA; 6 years in Finance and Accounting in Portland, OR; I was a team leader for the Military Analysis and Reports section in Frankfurt, West Germany, for 3 years; I was Chief of Disbursing Section for 3 years and Military Accounting Technician for 7 years in Portland, OR, and 3 years as Military Accounting Technician in Seattle, WA. During my career I took numerous classes at local colleges & universities, as well as courses offered by the government. My classes included several

accounting courses. I retired after 28 years of service in 1994.

Following my retirement, I began to work on my family history, taking advantage of the National Archives at Sand Point. I joined the Seattle Genealogical Society and started to correspond with several newly found family members. In July 1998 we moved to Vancouver, WA, where I joined the Clark County Genealogical Society in January 1999. I would like to continue as the Treasurer and hope that you will consider voting for me to serve another term.

>Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Tammy Sturza. My husband, Bob, and I moved to Vancouver just about two years ago with our two children, Ashley and Joseph. Ashley is nine, and Joseph is four. We moved here when Bob started working for WaferTech in Camas. I didn't know anyone other than my great great aunt and uncle, and my stepson. I am a stay-at-home mom, so I didn't have too many opportunities to get out and meet people outside of our church. I started talking to my aunt and uncle about our family and doing some online research. I started to discover what a fascinating and historically rich family history I have, and I became hooked! I also discovered and met a cousin who also lives here, who became a big help with my research. Shortly after, I joined the CCGS. My daughter is also becoming interested in genealogy. She became involved in the Science and Hobby Fair at school, and she won an award for her project on her family tree. My husband even trods along on some of my trips to various cemeteries and churches to help me with my research. Both of my kids love to go "cemetery trompin." I still have much research to do, and I am still learning new ways to do research, but I enjoy every minute of it.

Proposed Bylaws Change: Fee for Use of Library by Nonmembers of CCGS

Because our library represents a substantial investment by the membership, it seems reasonable that nonmembers pay a nominal fee to use it. While we were sharing facilities with the Fort Vancouver Historical Society, we were not allowed to charge such a fee and our Bylaws reflected that situation. With the move to our new library, and in anticipation of Bylaws changes, the Board of Directors authorized charging a fee for library use by nonmembers. Since the Bylaw proposals were not approved at the last general meeting, we need to do some housekeeping. Your Board of Directors proposes voting on the Bylaws change below at the general meeting in June, as there should be a quorum of the membership because we will also be electing officers.

Article XI. Library

Section 4. The Board of Directors will establish a fee for use by nonmembers. 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.

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WINDOWS

The window at the CCGS Library has had many interesting exhibits since we moved in. At a later date, we will show some of them in the Newsletter. However, I could find no way to adequately show the current window, which I understand will remain through May. The window is filled with artifacts from and information about the Rainbow House, courtesy of Mr. Richard Hovig. You may recall the house, now demolished, built and decorated by Lloyd "Ace" and Claire Parsons. More information and pictures can be found at:

<www.worldaccessnet.com/~architavel>



CAN YOU HELP?

Thanks to my husband's passion for junk shops, I have a photo that I would love to be able to return to its family. It is a wedding photo from the mid to late 1800s (my guess based on the dress).

On the back, written in pencil, is:

L. W. COLLINS... 4102 N.E. 72nd AVE. VAN.
WASH.

Mary Magnuson haston@neto.com



April Meeting Featured the Internet

Eric Brockman is shown ticking off the advantages and features offered by Internet service provider World Access. His knowledge and enthusiasm made his a hard act to follow, but Pat Bauer and I did our best to finish the program we began in March. We demonstrated the use of the CCGS web page, Cindy's List, Google, Internet Jumpstation, and the use of Word Pad with Internet research, among other things. We would like to determine the level of interest in group and/or individual computer and Internet instruction to be offered for a fee to benefit CCGS. There is a sign-up sheet at the Library on which to indicate your interest. Also, keep an eye on our web site for further developments.



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CCGS Meetings and Programs

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| 13 April - | Introduction to Genealogy, 10 a.m. - 12 |
| 8 June | Town Plaza, Rm. 102 (no class 18 May) |
| 16-19 May | NGS "Conference in the States," Oregon Convention Center |
| 1 June | Deadline for CCGS Cookbook submissions |
| | Deadline for contributions to Mary Geoghegan Honorarium |
| 12 June | General Meeting, 7 - 9 p.m. |
| | Ft. Vancouver Regional Library Community Room |
| | 1007 E Mill Plain, Vancouver |
| | ELECTION OF OFFICERS; vote on Bylaws change (see pp. 4-5) |
| | Program: "The Father of Oregon," David Leach |
| | (details to be in June Newsletter) |
| 15 Sept. | Fall Seminar, Ron Bremer, "Jurisdictional Approach to Research" |
| 7-14 Oct. | Research trip to Salt Lake City (see March Newsletter for details) |