

Clark County Genealogical Society Newsletter

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CCGS January General Meeting

27 January 2004, Tuesday at **10:00 a.m. to noon**
St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 426 E Fourth Plain Blvd., Vancouver, WA.

Program: Diana Cruz on "Memories in Quilts."

Diana will show various techniques for including family memories in quilts, wall hangings or pillows. There are many options for transferring photos, signatures, and printed family stories to fabric as well as using favorite hankies, ties, jewelry, etc. Other fabric memories could be from family reunions, birthday celebrations, or wedding anniversaries. Many examples will be shown including some from other CCGS members. We hope you will join us on January 27th to explore some Memories in Quilts.

Spring Seminar 2004

Saturday, March 20, 2004

9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; registration begins at 8 a.m.

Washington State School for the Deaf, 611 Grand Blvd., Vancouver, WA

The Clark County Genealogical Society presents

Dr. John Philip Colletta

\$40 member with lunch, \$45 nonmember with lunch; After March 11, 2004 : no lunch

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Registration forms online at <http://www.ccg-wa.org> or at the CCGs Library.

Beginning Genealogy

The next Beginning Genealogy classes will be on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until noon. They will be held in the Town Plaza Center, Room 108. Classes begin on 24 Jan 2004 and continue through 20 March, skipping 14 February.

This is an introductory series that includes instruction on how to organize and chart information; use computers for genealogy; use LDS records in family research; use census records and land/courthouse records.

Registration must be done through Clark College. The fee for the class is \$59. You can register by mail with the form in the current "More Choices" on the CCGS web site or you can call the college for more information. The phone number is 360-992-2939.

A Note from Our President

Christmas in Texas...

Our children, grandchildren and we will be together for Christmas. Our son and his wife have their first home in the Clear Lake City area of Houston, near where we lived for fifteen years.

Many things have changed in the eighteen years we have been away, but much is the same. What great fun looking for familiar landmarks and recalling events. We have driven past the family home and looked at the apartments and houses where the children began their married lives. Then it was to the schools, soccer fields, hospitals, schools, restaurants, churches, places of employment, etc. Everyone had to have at least one Shipley Donut or Kolache for breakfast and a Tookie hamburger (beanburger and Stomp's Icehouse Special) and bombshells for lunch. It is fascinating to hear the individual perspective of shared life events. Some of the stories have been told many times and some for the first time, for it is only over time that parents can be trusted to hear certain stories.

We are also busily developing new memories. These will be the stories our grandchildren will talk about for generations to come.

See you in January.

Bill

We extend our condolences to the family and friends of CCGS member Dhyllis Williams.

GEE CREEK FUNDRAISER

We are returning in 2004 to the Gee Creek fundraiser we have used so successfully in past years. This is an ideal project, as it is both a fundraiser and a community service.

We will be at Gee Creek (north bound) March 1st, 2nd, and 3rd.
We will return to Gee Creek (south bound) April 10 and 11.

We again will need cookies or breads from CCGS members, and help at the sites. Anyone wanting to help by serving or by baking, please **call Irene Page at 835-7642**. If you can't help in either of these ways, consider making a cash donation instead. As of 12/22, 24 patrons had donated a total of \$860.00 to the Gee Creek project. Let's make this as successful as it has been in past years.

Anyone else who wants to step forward and sign up for additional dates, contact the Dept. of Transportation, just across from the YMCA, almost right across the road from Applebees.

Thanks to everyone and anyone who is interested in helping.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

B. Earlene Holmstrom

Janna B. Tuck

DeAnn Wilson

GREAT BUY ON CCGS BOOKS !

We're running a terrific sale on various books published by CCGS (marriage, census, mortuary and funeral parlor), as well as excess books donated to our library. You can check out our web page to see some of the special prices, or check at the Library. Hurry – they're going fast. These would make a great gift for another genealogist, library, or genealogical society.

Also we now have gift cards if someone would like to have a nice gift for someone. We have one for the seminar and another one for a membership.

Scrapbook Presentation by Maria Adler amadler@myexcel.com A few notes for those of you who could not attend the presentation.

Where do I start?

There are several scrapbook stores in the area that offer beginning Scrapbook classes. From these classes you will learn many new words, (our culture is always coming up with new words for special technologies and crafts) and you will discover new ideas for creating keepsake scrapbooks. Cropping, embellishments, Journaling, archival, scanning and copying, all of this contribute to designing a scrapbook album.

What is archival safe?

Most products will advertise that they are archival safe, meaning that their product will be able to withstand normal light and storage and be acid free. PH tester will allow you to test any item (paper product) to check whether it is free of acid.

Be sure to make copies of one of kind photos. Using copies of one of kind photos permit experimenting as far as cropping (cutting) or even enlarging. Color copy newspaper articles. Scan memorabilia; buttons, coins, fabric, postcards or certificates.

Remove photos from magnetic photo albums. By using Un-du adhesive remover or thin spatula or even dental floss. Sort photos, decide to scrapbook, store or toss then put into acid free photo boxes hanging file folder or envelopes.

Don't forget Journaling. Not only who and when, but what and why. How wonderful would it be to have the words of great grandmother thoughts about a photo you have found in a shoebox. The next generations will be able to view your scrapbook and know that Susie just finished her first ballet recital or the next door neighbors came for the 4th of July celebration and those people were not really any of your relatives.

“A family without a story teller or two has no way to make sense out of their past and no way to get a sense of themselves” Frank Pittman

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CCGS Meetings and Programs

- 5 Jan. Legacy Users Group, CCGS Library 10 a.m. - noon.
- 12 Jan. CCGS Board meeting, CCGS Library 10 a.m. - noon. All members are welcome.
- 19 Jan. Irish Interest Group, CCGS Library 10 a.m. - noon.
- 24 Jan. – Beginning Genealogy, 10 a.m. – noon, Town Plaza Center
- Mar. 20
- 27 Jan. General Meeting, St. Luke's Episcopal Church 10 a.m. - noon.
- 21 Feb. Joint workshop, Fort Vancouver Regional Library and CCGS
- 1-3 March Gee Creek Fundraiser #1
- 20 Mar. '04 Spring Seminar with Dr. John Colletta
- 10-11 Apr. Gee Creek Fundraiser #2

General Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month (except in November) at St. Luke's Parish Hall. (My apologies for listing the wrong meeting place in the Sept. Calendar, print edition.) Morning meetings will be 10 a.m. - noon in January, February, October, and November. Evening meetings will be 7 - 9 p.m. in April, May June, and September.