

# *Clark County Genealogical Society Newsletter*

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*The Clark County Genealogical Society presents  
Spring Seminar 2004: Saturday, March 20, 2004*

## *Dr. John Philip Colletta*

“A Day With the Feds”

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

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

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Registration forms are online at <http://www.ccg-s-wa.org> or may be picked up at the CCGS Library. **(There is no General Meeting in March.)** Cookies, breads and muffins, etc. are needed for break-time treats at the seminar. If you can help by donating some or donating a few \$\$ to help purchase them, please contact Maria Adler at <amadler@myexcel.com>.

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## **2004 GEE CREEK FUNDRAISER**

**We will be at Gee Creek (north bound) March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>, and again on April 20.**

We have scheduled 15-hour days, with volunteers working 3-hour shifts. **More volunteers** are needed to fill some unavoidable cancellations. We also need donations of **coffee and cookies** (homemade or purchased) and/or **cash** to purchase other supplies. (In 2002, we used 18 cans of coffee and 130 dozen cookies!) If you would like to help out, please contact Irene Page at <pageig@pacifier.com> or 360-835-7642. Donated items can be delivered Feb. 27 to the library, when Irene will be the Librarian on duty.

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## **Irish Interest Group**

The Irish IG will meet Wednesday, March 24, at 9:30 AM at the CCGS library to carpool to the Thompson Street FHC in Portland. We will meet there at 10 AM to view their Irish records, with assistance from researcher Mary Jane Sorber. Join us to dig for those elusive Irish roots.

If you have recently changed Internet servers and/or your e-mail address and haven't notified CCGS, please send e-mails to <patbauer@pacifier.com> and to <dcruz@pacifier.com> to notify all those concerned in CCGS. Pat sends out a weekly note to many of our CCGS members and several of the notes have bounced this past month. Thank you for your help.

## Genealogy Classes

INTERMEDIATE LEVEL MINI-CLASSES (At the CCGS Library)

Mar 2            *Migration Patterns in America: The Southern States* – Anne Leptich

Mar 9            *Probate Records* – Connie Lenzen

April classes will be announced at a later date. (Suggestions for topics are welcome.)

A “Computer Genealogy” class will be taught through Clark College Mature Learning, starting April 30th and running on Friday afternoons through May 28<sup>th</sup>.

Burt Paynter, who arranges our educational program, is another CCGS member who deserves a big round of applause for his efforts on our behalf.

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## LIBRARY NEWS

Spring/summer Library hours of operation, as of March 1: Tuesday 12-6, Wednesday 10-3, 6-9, Thursday 10-6, Friday & Saturday 10-3, Third Sunday 1-5.

Thanks to the generous donations of numerous people during the past several years, we now have more than 7500 holdings in the CCGS library. As new books are assessed, they are placed for a period of 30 days on a “New Book Shelf” in the first bookcase upon entering the library. Check out the new books - you're sure to find something of interest.

As of 2/18/04 the “Books For Sale” shelves are full. Take a look. There are some great bargains and some intriguing titles! For example:

\$1 Schweitzer, Geo, *War of 1812 Genealogy*  
\$1 Howard, George, *A History of matrimonial institutions*  
\$3 Starkey, Marion, *The Devil in Massachusetts*  
\$1 Morgan, Edmund, *The Puritan Family*  
\$8 Bentley, Elizabeth, *The Genealogist's Address Book*, 3rd Edition  
\$5 Ambrose, Stephen, *Undaunted Courage*  
\$9 Bunnell, Paul, *The New Loyalist Index*

Does anyone have a dictionary or a Washington State atlas they could donate to the library? If so, please contact Anita Roberts, <aroberts@wa-net.com>, or Jennifer Warren, <jwarren@pacifier.com>.

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## OUR AFFILIATES

We receive a small commission from several companies for selling their products with links from our web page. These companies include Ancestry, Legacy, Heritage Books, 123Inkjets, and Readerware, but the commission is received only if our members use the links from our web pages or insist that CCGS get a commission for the sale. Click on the Affiliates link on our web page to see information and find links to the various companies.

## STILL FISHING FOR FICHE

Donations of \$15 / year are still needed for the purchase of marriage records for Clark County on microfiche. We have a scattering of years left from 1915 to 1974. Why not pick your own marriage year, wherever you were married, or the marriage year of a friend or relative – or an anniversary year? Your Society and your honoree will both appreciate the gesture. Order forms are at the Library or on our web page.

*Our sincere condolences go to member Clarissa Farnsworth and her family on the death of her husband Ted.*

*We also extend our sympathy to member Joanne Bortniak and her family on the death in Illinois of Joan's mother, Mrs. Shaw.*

### **CCGS Board Votes to Support FVRLD Bond Issue for Expanding Vancouver Library Facilities.**

On March 9, Vancouver voters will have a chance to decide whether the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District will remodel and enlarge the Vancouver Community Library and build a larger east-side library to replace Cascade Park Community Library. The ballot includes Proposition 1, which would form a Library Capital Facility Area, and Proposition 2, which would approve funding for the projects.

#### **The CCGS Board of Directors urges Society members to vote YES + YES on March 9.**

There are several reasons for this recommendation: FVRL and CCGS have worked over the years in partnership to provide the maximum genealogical information to the local community while minimizing costs to both organizations.

CCGS and FVRL frequently refer their respective clients to one another to take advantage of each other's resources.

CCGS members have made several genealogical presentations at branch libraries.

The expanded facilities will serve for the advancement of genealogical study.

With quadrupled population growth since the main library opened 40 years ago and a rapidly growing east side, both libraries are overcrowded and overdue for improvements. The proposed improvements will especially benefit our children, seniors, patrons with disabilities, and families and individuals with limited incomes. Both libraries will have room for more books, and meeting spaces for community groups.

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### **SALT LAKE CITY PLANNING BEGINS!**

The yearly research trip to SLC will be Oct. 3-10 Contact Jeanine Bailiff for any questions or if you want to sign up for the trip: [jgmb@pacifier.com](mailto:jgmb@pacifier.com) or 360-566-9422

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### **WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS**

Terry C. Osborn  
Leroy L. Peters  
Richard Baet  
Darla Brock  
Donelle Firth

Darrell Sanders  
Margo Sanders  
Thomas Smiley  
Michael Stein  
James A. Taylor

Betty Gard  
Rich Laing  
Kay Marczynski  
Lynn Marczynski

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### **DIANA CRUZ APPOINTED VICE PRESIDENT**

The CCGS Board has appointed Diana Cruz Vice President of the organization. Diana is a hard-working and conscientious volunteer, as witnessed by her agreement to continue for the time being in the role of membership chairperson as well as assuming her new duties. We have been without a Vice President for some time, and this is an important office. Thank you, Diana!

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**President: William DUCHIE**

**Vice President: Diana CRUZ**

**Secretary: Janette BIRCH**

**Treasurer: Joy SCHMOLDT**

**Past President: Sharon WODTKE**

**CCGS Meetings and Programs**

- 1 March** Spring/summer Library hours begin
- 1 March** Legacy Users Group, CCGS Library 10 a.m. - noon.
- 2, 9 March** Mini-classes, CCGS Library.
- 8 March** CCGS Board meeting, CCGS Library 10 a.m. - noon. All members are welcome.
- 9 March** FVRL bond vote
- 24 March** Irish Interest Group, CCGS Library 10 a.m. - noon.
- 24 March** Deadline for material for the Newsletter.
- 1-3 March** Gee Creek Fundraiser #1.
- 20 March** Spring Seminar with Dr. John Colletta.
- 20 April** Gee Creek Fundraiser #2.

**General Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month (except in November) at St. Luke's Parish Hall. 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.**