

# Clark County Genealogical Society Newsletter

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## December 2004 – No General Meeting

The CCGS Research Library will be closed beginning Sunday, December 19.  
We will reopen Tuesday, January 4, 2005.

### Library Notes

Mary Anne Best, Library Director

**Books Wanted:** Names of books we would like to purchase for the library are now listed on our Donation Tree. As monies are received they will be applied to one book at a time. All donations gratefully received.

**Books on the Move:** All books have been moved to the correct location. We are now in the process of re-cataloging and re-labeling. Oregon and Washington will be the last two states, as extensive re-labeling will be required. Our thanks to those who are spending many hours on this project.

These books will be  
purchased in memory of  
Jerri St. John.

1. In Search of your European Roots  
3rd edition Author: Angus Baxter
2. In Search of your German Roots  
4th edition Author: Angus Baxter
3. New Jersey Biographical Index  
1st edition Author: Donald Arleigh Sinclair

**WANTED for the CCGS Research Library: The New England Historical & Genealogical Register**  
We would like to complete our collection of the NEHG Register. Please help us by donating your copies.

The MISSING volumes are: All volumes from 1863 through 1882; 1884, 1885; all volumes from 1888 through 1957; all volumes from 1959 through 1972; Jan. issue of 1973; all volumes from 1974 through 1978; Jan. issue of 1979; Oct. issue of 1994; Oct. issue of 2004.

**A suggestion from Don Finel:** Those seeking records on ancestors buried from funeral homes might find it of value to view this site to locate contact information. <http://www.usafuneralhomesonline.com/>

**WE'RE RECYCLING PRINTER CARTRIDGES!** CCGS is recycling printer cartridges through 123InkJets.com and we are collecting almost any printer cartridges you might have. We do NOT want Epson cartridges. We especially need the HP 56, 57, 58 & 59 cartridges so save them for us please! They are used in the PhotoSmart printers. This will not only benefit CCGS but will help our environment by keeping these cartridges out of landfills.

## Note from the President

Update on CCGS Space Acquisition Study: As you may recall from my column last month, the Board of Directors has been considering expanding our space on Grand Boulevard. Acquisition would allow for continued library growth, strengthening educational classes, and numerous other Society activities.

The scoping study presented to the Board in November demonstrated:

The larger space to our North (5,100 sq. ft.), which involved moving out of the present library was not economically feasible at this time.

The smaller space to our South (1,800 sq. ft.), which would supplement the current library (yielding a combined space of 3,200 sq. ft.) could be economically feasible.

As a result the Board directed the President and Vice President to finalize the feasibility study for the December or January Board meeting by sharpening the:

Increased costs associated with the larger facility, including rent and utilities.

Income resulting from opportunities presented by the larger site as well as other ventures.

Presentations were also made to the November General Meetings. There were thoughtful questions raised by the participants. In the end there was consensus that this appeared to be a wonderful opportunity for a growing Society. The final study results would be eagerly anticipated.

Copies of the presentations to the Board and General Meeting are in the Secretary's library folder. If you have questions or concern please contact Diana Cruz of me via E-mail or phone.

Wishing you and your family a glorious holiday season. Enjoy the time together as you share a common past and create tomorrow's stories.

Bill Duchie

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**GenChat:** To receive the weekly reminder about our online Thursday evening "GenChat" or "GenTalk" (official name: Genealogical Research Exchanges) by sending an e-mail to [patbauer@pacifier.com](mailto:patbauer@pacifier.com). You'll be notified of some upcoming CCGS events that are too late to be in the Newsletter; new Internet sites, and other information and hints. GenChat is open from 6:45 to 9:00 p.m. each Thursday evening and is accessed from the CCGS home page at: <http://www.ccg-s-wa.org>.

**New Address?** 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](mailto:patbauer@pacifier.com) and to [dcruz@pacifier.com](mailto:dcruz@pacifier.com).

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**The Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Foundation** reminds us that December 31 is the deadline for adding your family name to The American Immigrant Wall of Honor®. Go to [www.WallofHonor.com](http://www.WallofHonor.com) to add a name. The person or family you honor need not have arrived in America at Ellis Island.

## **SALT LAKE CITY – WORTH THE TRIP (Part 2)**

The program presented by CCGS members who recently visited the SLC Family History Center was informative and entertaining. It really showed how such trips were both genealogically rewarding and fun.

Would you like to coordinate a CCGS research trip to the Washington State Archives in Olympia? It is estimated that only ten hours would be required for the planning and arrangements prior to the visit.

The Archive staff has said they will open the facility on a Saturday for CCGS only. The entire trip could be made in one day. The spring (April or May) would fit very well in the CCGS calendar. This activity would be a great opportunity for the individual coordinating the effort and all those who participate. Please E-mail Bill Duchie (StratDev@aol.com) or call (606-0525) if you think you might be interested or have questions.

### **Don and Sharon Houk:**

Don and I participated in the recent October SLC research trip and are sending the requested narrative of our experience. This was Sharon's 2nd trip and Don's first although we have visited on our own one other time. With every visit, we vow we need to be better organized for the next trip. Our stay at the Carlton with the group is pleasant, and the conversation at breakfast is lively. If you haven't been to the Library before, it is hard to describe the wealth of information that is available. The level of research experience of the group members ranges from newbie to professional, and we felt free to ask questions of other group members. The weather was delightful, and the walk to/from the Library was invigorating. We hope to continue this on an annual basis - at least one of us if both are not available to attend.

### **Robert Wodal:**

The Salt Lake City trip to the Family History Library was, for me, a big success. My main concentration this year was on the books that the library has which are, in some cases, written on the county level. Through these books I found a new generation of Rooneys (my mother's branch of the tree) in Morgan County, Virginia in 1847. I was also able to locate the family cemetery which bears the family name. A county history which has short biographies of many of the county's early settlers validated other data and timelines.

I was not able to overcome the brick wall I have run into for my father's branch of the tree. 1850 in east central Georgia seems to be holding me up, but I'm sure that the wall will fall someday. I was able to validate previous data through some land records found in the microfilms.

Another source I found is in the LDS family histories, which are online through Family Search. Now I have some contributor information to tap into for their data.

The trip was great fun and a success for me and I'm sure the others had as rewarding and an enjoyable a time, looking forward to next year.

(Researching Rooney, Helton, Wodal, Brown, Nagele, Dunkle, McQuigg, Plotner, and the list goes on....)

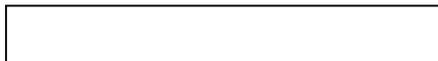
## **WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS !**

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**Past President: Sharon Wodtke**

## **CCGS Meetings and Programs**

- 6 Dec. Legacy Family Tree Interest Group, CCGS Library, 10 a.m. – noon**
- 13 Dec. CCGS Board meeting, CCGS Library, 10 a.m. - noon; All members are welcome.**
- 22 Dec. Deadline for January Newsletter; e-mail material to [gskuech@pacifier.com](mailto:gskuech@pacifier.com)**
- 19 March, 2005  
Spring Seminar with Cyndi Howells of Cyndi's List**

**General Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month (except November and December) at First Presbyterian Church. Morning meetings: 10 a.m. - noon. Evening meetings : 7 - 9 p.m..**