

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Newsletter

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General Meeting
Tuesday, April 25, 2006

Genetic Genealogy
A New Tool for Genealogists
by Emily Aulicino

CCGS Library Annex
715 Grand Boulevard
7 - 9 p.m.

Our April program will be presented by Emily Aulicino, Regional Coordinator and Speaker for the International Society of Genetic Genealogists (ISOGG) for Oregon, Washington and Idaho

Genetic Genealogy is the use of DNA testing to aid traditional genealogical research. It is considered the most accurate tool available to date and is doing to the genealogy world what the advent of the Internet once did for our hobby. It has been said that within the next twenty years, genealogists will BEGIN with DNA before they start researching.

DNA testing can prove or disprove your research, but it does not replace it. At present only the all male (top line of a pedigree chart) and all female (bottom line of the pedigree chart) can be tested to help find the most recent common ancestor of two people. The test will not tell you who the common ancestor is, nor will it give you a specific date. It can help you break some brick walls, tell you to whom you do not relate, tell you to whom you do relate, and it can save you much money by keeping you from researching the wrong lines. I have had personal experience with all of these.

Ms Aulicino writes: I have been doing my family's genealogy for over 35 years and have the piles of papers to prove it! I am the Regional Coordinator of the International Society of Genetic Genealogists (ISOGG) for the states of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. I manage six DNA projects through Family Tree DNA (FTDNA) and recently attended the FTDNA International DNA Conference in Washington DC, held at the National Geographic Headquarters in connection with their Genographic Project.

CORRECTIONS TO CURRENT TRAIL BREAKERS ISSUE:

Trail Breakers Volume 31 No. 2 Winter-Spring and Summer 2005 p. 3
article titled The Family Tree of a House, contained errors.

Corrections:

- 1) Article was submitted by Vince Roman
- 2) Current occupants of the Charles Brown House are
Stahancyk, Kent, Johnson & Hook P.C.

Here is a link to the Historic Vancouver Office website at: <http://www.charlesbrownhouse.com/>

We wish to express our condolences to Barbara Baker on the recent death of her stepfather, Bill Thomas, in Arlington, OR, and also to Patricia Bauer on the death of her stepmother, Ada Berggren McKee, in Vancouver on March 22.

A NOTE FROM PRESIDENT DIANA CRUZ

Spring is finally here, and I got to watch the Mariners play a pre-season game on TV and am looking forward to the baseball season starting. Each season has its appeal, but I think I like the new growth that is exhibited each Spring as flowers come into bloom and leaves sprout on the trees. Of course we have to have some rain, but that is what makes our Pacific Northwest one of the most beautiful places to live.

I was happy to represent the society at the Ridgefield Heritage Festival and experience the joy of the community remembering and sharing their stories of earlier days. There were many activities around town, even a tour of the jail, where plenty of doughnuts were available. Many generations of families have made Ridgefield home, and seeing the smiles as old friends met at the community center and having a chance to sit and visit made even strangers feel welcome. We looked out the door in the afternoon and were greeted by a goat and her 2 babies who couldn't resist coming into town to see what was happening. If you haven't made a trip to Ridgefield in a while, take some time and a little drive to see the town and maybe even plan to have lunch.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next general meeting. Don't forget, in April we have our general meeting the 25th in the evening 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Board meetings are still in the morning. Diana

The following microfilms were donated by the estate of Jean Langowski

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| 1870 Census, Henderson Co., Illinois | 1910 Census, Walsh Co., North Dakota | 1920 Census, Greene & Hamblen Counties, Tennessee |
| 1880 Census, Henderson Co., Illinois | 1920 Census, Walsh-Williams Counties, North Dakota | Fleming Co., Kentucky Marriage Index A-L; 1798-1962 |
| 1900 Census, Henderson Co., Illinois | 1850 Census, Beaver Co., Pennsylvania | Fleming Co. Kentucky Marriage Register: 1798-1905 |
| 1920 Census, Henderson Co., Illinois | 1860 Census, Beaver Co., Pennsylvania | Sullivan Co., Missouri Births & Deaths: 1835-1872 |
| 1860 Census, Steuben Co., Indiana | 1880 Census, Beaver Co., Pennsylvania | Sullivan Co., Missouri Marriages, Vol. A-B |
| 1850 Census, Sullivan Co., Indiana | 1850 Census, Greene Co., Tennessee | Sullivan Co., Missouri Marriages, 1878-1892 |
| 1860 Census, Sullivan Co., Indiana | 1860 Census, Greene Co., Tennessee | Sullivan Co., Missouri Marriages, 1885-1931 |
| 1870 Census, Sullivan Co., Indiana | 1870 Census, Greene Co., Tennessee | |
| 1870 Census, Sullivan Co., Indiana | 1880 Census, Greene Co., Tennessee | |
| 1880 Census, Spencer Co., Indiana | 1900 Census, Greene Co., Tennessee | |
| NW Territory Papers, 1787-1803 | 1910 Census, Greene Co., Tennessee | |
| 1900 Census, Montgomery Co, Indiana | 1920 Census, Giles, Grainger, Grundy, & Greene Counties, Tennessee | |
| 1880 Census, Sullivan Co., Missouri | | |
| 1920 Census, Sullivan Co., Missouri | | |
| 1900 Census, Walsh Co., North Dakota | | |

The annual CCGS research trip to Salt Lake City to use the many resources at the Family History Library is planned for October 1-8, 2006. Contact Jeanine Bailiff-360-566-9422 or by e-mail at jgmb@pacifier.com or Clarissa Farnsworth at 360-574-2140, or by e-mail at clarfarn@pacifier.com

WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS!

Kay Forsythe and
W. "Tuck" Forsythe
Stephen Cornick
Kaye Gyllenskog
Dale Hutchinson
Heather Muller
Merilyn Dunn
Fran McKinney

Linda L. Olson
Paula Peterson
Mary Jo Tresenriter
Philip Renner and
Lousane Renner
Cheryl Spalding
Karen Puylear
Laurie Ann Wright
Jerry Thornton

LAND DESCRIPTIONS

Here is a good page for anyone hassling with homestead patents or other land descriptions that read like “the SE 1/2 of The NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 Sec 22, T 4 S, R 2 E W. M.”

<http://www.outfitters.com/genealogy/land/twprangemap.html>

A link on this page will take you to more land info, including a PDF on genealogy and land descriptions

Research and Preservation Report

Tuesday, March 21st, seven volunteers came to the CCGS annex for a work party. Bev Howard, a new member, helped Jeannine Bailiff proof naturalizations for the state. Lillian Fulerton continued with her work on pasting and copying vital records for 1999. She will continue this project by indexing the work she has completed. DeAnn Wilson helped prepare the 1891-1907 birth and death records for use by patrons. She also took home old vitals to work on. President Diana Cruz pulled and sorted the vitals for 2005, and continues to work on old vitals. Anita Roberts put plastic on the outside of the census records and other books and bound them ready for accession. Jane Germann took photos of the 1886 newspaper vitals. It was a very productive day – completing several on-going projects.

A WORD FROM V.P. GLEN JONES

The old saying “You only get out of an organization what you put into it” is as true for CCGS as for any organization. We need volunteers to fill many positions; one or two people are unable to do it all. We need volunteers for an elections committee, a Library Director, Head Librarian, Librarians to staff the library, and for other offices and positions in CCGS. Most of these jobs take only a few hours per month. I have only been a member of CCGS for one year and have learned a lot about our library and CCGS. I still have a lot to learn, but every minute of the time I have spent at the library has been enjoyable, meeting new people who come in to do research or find out what we have to offer. So volunteer to help out! I know you will find it a valuable experience.

Civil War Data for Tennessee

Source: Dyersburg, TN State Gazette (1-19-06)

The Tennessee Civil War Sourcebook, a new tool for historians, students or anyone interested in the Civil War, is now available at www.tennessee.civilwarsourcebook.com. The sourcebook chronicles the military, economic, social and political history associated with the Civil War in Tennessee. Information in the sourcebook comes from diaries, period newspapers, official Civil War records, ship deck logs, letters and historical articles. The sourcebook compiles more than 7,000 entries into an easy-to-access documentary collection and provides narration.

SEMINAR RAFFLE ANOTHER HUGE SUCCESS!

With a smaller than usual crowd at the annual spring seminar, we were pleased to have a profit of \$502 from the raffle. This was because of all the donations made to the project by our members. The three items garnering the most tickets were the beautiful quilted table runner made by Diana Cruz; the beautiful hand-crafted jewelry box made by Dick Pettigrew and the tapestry tote bag donated by Pat Bauer.

Clark County Cemeteries project

The Columbian published a welcomed article on our huge Clark County Cemeteries project on March 10. It was still available online the end of March. We've already had volunteers come forward to adopt several of the cemetery projects! You can see it at: <http://www.columbian.com/lifeHome/lifeHomeNews/03102006news11749.cfm>. If you would like to adopt a cemetery by doing the burial records, locating obituaries and/or taking digital photos of stones, contact Pat Bauer, our webmaster for CCGS. Her e-mail address is patbauer@pacifier.com or you can contact her through our library.



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CCGS Meetings and Programs

Apr. 3 Legacy Family Tree Interest Group, CCGS Library Annex, 10 a.m. - noon
Apr. 10 **CCGS Board meeting, CCGS Library Annex, 10 a.m. - noon**
Apr. 19 Deadline for May Newsletter
Apr. 25 **General Meeting, CCGS Library Annex, 7 - 9 p.m.,**
May 1 Legacy Family Tree Interest Group, CCGS Library Annex, 10 a.m. - noon
May 8 **CCGS Board meeting, CCGS Library Annex, 10 a.m. - noon**
May 24 Deadline for June Newsletter
Oct 1-8 Annual Salt Lake City research trip.

General Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month (except November) at CCGS Library Annex. Morning meetings: Oct - Feb, 10 a.m. - noon. Evening meetings: Apr-Sept. 7 - 9 p.m.. No General Meeting is held in March (Spring Seminar), July, August, or December.

Notify Irene Page, our Sunshine Lady, of anyone needing a card from CCGS such as get well, thinking of you, sympathy, etc. pageig@pacifier.com or 360-835-7642.