

# CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

## *Newsletter*

*Celebrating 35 years!*

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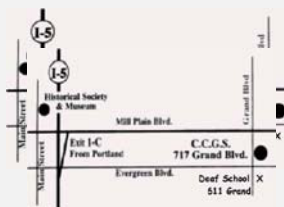
### **CCGS Library**

**717 Grand Blvd**

**Vancouver, WA**

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### **Hours of operation**

Closed Sunday & Monday

#### **Tues, Wed & Thurs:**

Noon to 6 pm

#### **Friday**

10 am to 3 pm

#### **Saturday**

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays only**

10 am to 3 pm

#### **How to get here:**

From I-5, take the Mill Plain exit, go east about 1 ½ miles to Grand Blvd and turn south. We are in the strip mall on the east side, north of Evergreen.

## *General Meeting*

Tuesday, Oct 23, 2007, 10am - noon  
CCGS Library Annex, 715 Grand Blvd

Lethene Dennis Parks, our Education Director, will be presenting a program about *Family Stories*. Lethene will talk about different types of family stories and we'll all share some examples.



## *Letter from our President Garry Lucas*

Since last we met there has been a significant change to report to you. Newly elected Peri Muhich submitted her resignation by e-mail. At our last meeting, the board of directors accepted that resignation. Our by-laws stipulate that the Vice President assume the duties of the President in such a situation, and that any vacancy in the board of directors may be filled by a majority vote of the members of the board of directors in attendance. The board voted to fill the President's vacancy with the Vice President. The board will be seeking interested members to fill the vacant Vice President's slot.

As we go forward it would be my desire that the board and the membership examine the mission of the Clark County Genealogical Society, and how the Society's activities further that mission. Are there things that we should be doing that we are not, and things that we are doing that do not fit the mission of the Society? Can we modify current activities and programs to better fit our mission and financial structure? How can we increase our membership, and how can we encourage more current members to be actively involved?

It is imperative that the Society operates from a sound financial base. To that end I would propose that the board refine our budget, examining our cash flow and financial structure, and adopt changes implied by that analysis.

In my short association with the Society, I have been impressed with the quality and dedication of our volunteers. There are many good people willing to contribute their time, expertise, talents, and resources to assist others in their genealogical quest. To all of you, thank you for your contributions to the organization. Here's to our mutual efforts to crumble 'brick walls'.

# Events Planned by CCGS

Lethene Dennis Parks, Education Director



## FALL 2007 CLASSES

Thursday, October 11, 10-noon: *Getting Started in Genealogy*, Dorothy Wear. Learn the basics from an experienced researcher.

Tuesday, October 16, 1-3 pm: *Defining a Research Problem and Writing a Research Report*, Lethene Parks. Learn how to set manageable goals and evaluate your findings.

Thursday, October 18, 10-noon: *Gen Web*, Alice Allen. Learn about this important web site research tool from Clark County's Gen Web coordinator.

Thursday, October 25, 10-noon: *Adobe Photoshop elements*, Steve Cornick. Learn how to make the most of your family photos.

*Classes are \$10 per session for CCGS members, \$12 for non-members. Get the member price if you join CCGS when you sign up for your first class.*

## WINTER 2008 CLASSES

These will be a series of seven classes on *Writing the Stories of Our Lives and Our Families*. You can write with pen and paper, or on your laptop computer, as you prefer. Sessions will build on each other, so you will get the most out of these classes if you attend all of them. However, you may also attend just one—or more—individual sessions, as each session will be complete in itself. Instructor: Lethene Parks. Lethene has taught writing classes and workshops to numerous groups over the past 25 years.

### **Save these dates:**

Thursday, January 3, 10-noon  
Thursday, January 10, 10-noon  
Saturday, January 19, 10-noon

Thursday, January 24, 10-noon  
Saturday, February 9, 10-noon  
Thursday, February 21, 10-noon  
Thursday, February 28, 10-noon

## Spring 2008 classes:

Watch for Larry Dean's class on using mail lists, boards, and forums in genealogical research, a demonstration in how to "witch" for graves by Lethene Parks (everyone will have a chance to try the witching rods), and more.

## Spring Seminar 2008:

**Save this date: Saturday, April 19, 2008.** Gary Zimmerman, Director of the Fiske Genealogical Library in Seattle, will present an all-day workshop on New England and colonial research. The Fiske Library has one of the best collections of New England materials west of Boston, and Gary Zimmerman is extremely knowledgeable and an engaging speaker. Specific session topics are still to be chosen, so if you have specific aspects of New England and/or colonial research you are especially interested in, let the CCGS Education Committee know about them. More details will be available as the program takes shape.

### **Welcome New Members!**

Gary Mack  
Susan M. Mills

Wayne A. Sutton  
Christina Long  
Shirley Lee Sallee

Naomi Hidden  
R. Monte Hidden

***Next R&P Cut and Paste Work Party:***  
**Monday, October 15th from 10 to 4 at the annex**  
**Jane Germann, Chairman**

Do you ever feel really grateful for an index when you are doing research? This is your chance to re-pay those who spent hours working on an index for your convenience. Come help us with cut and pasting the vitals, then working on an index to go with it. We plan to put the index on the web for all to use. Some of this work can be done at home, once you have been trained or given templates.

On September 10th it was 94 degrees outside, but nice and comfy inside the air conditioned annex. Dolly Merrick, DeAnn Wilson, Diana Cruz, Lorlei Metke, Nina William, Anita Roberts, Barbara Baker, Beth Cross, Carol Clark, and Jane Germann came to the work party and kept working on the vitals. Several took a month's vitals home to work on and soon we will be current. We probably won't need to worry about the heat at our next work party. Volunteers help our society accomplish the many things we have done to contribute to help other research our county.

***By-Laws Review***

**Jane Germann, Chairman**

A Committee is being formed to review CCGS bylaws. Any member may submit suggestions for bylaw changes to the board which will pass it on to the committee. The committee will review them to see that they work well with the present bylaws and approve them for passage to the CCGS Board. If approved by the board, the bylaws will then be sent to the membership for approval. Leave suggestions in writing at the library, send by mail or e-mail. Send to: gensoc at ccs-wa.org and put "By-Laws" in the subject line.

***FREE Guided Tour of the Indian Petroglyphs***

Are you interested in going on a FREE Guided Tour of the Indian Petroglyphs at Horsethief Lake State Park, 85 miles east of Vancouver on Hwy 14? For centuries, the park was the site of a Native American village and is the home of the famous *She Who Watches* petroglyph. The Lewis and Clark expedition camped at the village and described its wooden houses in one of their journals. The village was flooded by the waters of The Dalles Dam. Oral history has it that the park received its name from workers in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers who developed the site. The workers thought the terrain was similar to that of horsethief hideouts in popular 1950's Hollywood westerns. The abundance of horses kept on the premises by local Indians apparently gave the workers their inspiration.

The tour will be Friday, October 12 at 10:00 am. It is about a mile round trip on fairly level but sometimes rocky terrain. Contact Peri Muhich e-mail to: pmuhich at yahoo.com or call 360-772-3425 to make reservations. The tour is limited to 20 people.

***Collection for Memorial for Betty Hart***



Karen Frost, former Librarian Scheduler, is taking up a collection for a special memorial to Betty Mackmer Hart. Betty passed away August 4, 2007 after a long fight against Scleroderma and cancer. She served as a librarian for many years and was there to greet visitors even the month before she passed away. Although in constant pain, she always had a smile on her face. She will be greatly missed. Karen suggests donations be left at the library, mailed to the library or contributed at the September General Meeting. Many of us called her "Betty Boop" because of her fun collection of Betty Boop items. Her web page will remain on RootsWeb with a link from the CCGS web page. You can see it at <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~blmh/>

*We will be celebrating our 35th birthday  
Saturday, November 3, 2007*

Hours: 10am to 4pm

You are invited to visit us at  
715 - 717 Grand Blvd - Vancouver.

Lots of displays and basic information about researching your family tree.  
Free Legacy Family Tree program disk. (while supplies last)  
Fund raising drawing for lots of interesting items.



Spaghetti dinner with sauce made by CCGS President Garry Lucas from his secret recipe!  
Served from 12:00 noon - 1:30pm  
Suggested donation: \$5 per person

Enjoy a piece of our birthday cake  
Have a tour of our library.

**USED BOOKS  
FOR SALE**

Visit or call our library for details if interested in any of these titles:

\$5 OGS Crawford Co PB  
*Cemeteries of Crawford Co Ohio* Volume 3

\$0.50 Greenwood, Val 1977  
*Researchers Guide to American Genealogy* HB

\$0.50 Greenwood, Val 1978  
*Researchers Guide to American Genealogy* HB

\$1 LCGS 1986 PB  
*Cowlitz Co WA Probate Court Records 1861-1907 Vol 1*

\$2 LCGS 1986 PB  
*Cowlitz Co WA Probate Court Records 1861-1907 Vol 2*

\$2 LCGS 1986 PB  
*Cowlitz Co WA Probate Court Records 1861-1907 Vol 3*

\$2 LCGS 1986 PB  
*Cowlitz Co WA Probate Court Records 1861-1907 Vol 4*

\$1 LCGS 1988 PB  
*Cowlitz Co WA 1861-1907 Probate Court Records Index*

\$0.50 Chauvire, Roger A  
short history of IRELAND

Bjorkman, Gwen PB 1988  
*Quaker Marriage Certificates (For sale on Amazon)*

\$0.10 NEHGS Register –  
misc volumes – all \$0.10 ea  
1980-4; 1981-4; 1982-4;  
1983-4; 1984-3

\$0.50 Everton, Geo 1967 HB  
*Handy Book for Genealogists 5th ed.*

\$5 Everton 1973 HB  
*U. S. Census Compendium*

\$5 Kirkham, E. Kay 1978 PB  
*Survey of American Church Records 4th ed Rev*

\$1 Brown, Mary J PB 1971  
*Handy Index to the holdings of the Genealogical Soc of Utah*

\$0.50 Baxter, Angus 1994 copy  
*In Search of Your European Roots 2nd ed*

\$40 Bell, Carol W. 1981 HB  
*Ohio Wills & Estates to 1850: An Index (for sale on Amazon)*

\$40 Sarchet, Cyrus  
*History of Guernsey County Ohio (for sale on Amazon)*

\$10 Mikesell, Nadine HB 1980  
*The Maine Events in the Young Family*

\$5 OGS 1995 PB  
*Families of Crawford County, Ohio*

\$1 Readers Digest 1993 HB  
*Explore Amer. National Parks*

\$1 Readers Digest 1985 HB  
*Our National Parks*

\$0.50 Beal, Merrill 1979 PB  
*Grand Canyon:*

\$3 AZ Highways 2004 PB  
*The Grand Canyon*

\$1 Crouch, Steve 1974 HB  
*Steinbeck Country*

## NEW BOOKS ON OUR LIBRARY SHELVES

*The Genealogy of Alexander Alvord an Early Settler of Windsor, CT;* - Samuel Alvord  
Location: CD Cabinet  
Donated by Glenna Brock

*East Vancouver United Methodist Church Senior Memories 1940-1962*  
EVUMC

*The King's Daughters Reisinger, Joy; Courteau, Elmer*  
Donated by Rose Marie Harshman

*Soapsuds to Sunday School*  
Rice, Louise

*Across the Atlantic & Beyond; the Migration of German and Swiss Immigrants To America*  
Haller, Charles R.

*Royal Edinburgh*  
Oliphant, Mrs.

*Long Island Genealogies*  
Bunker, Mary Powell

*Centennial Celebration Vancouver Heights Methodist Church* - Roger Gillis

*The Hoggards of Poplar Hill 1654-1986*  
Alice Granbery Walter

Seattle Genealogical Society  
Bulletin Publication: *Autumn* 2001, etc. SGS

Seattle Genealogical Society  
Bulletin Publication *Autumn* 2004-Winter 2005 SGS

*St. Clair's Bedford: the History and Genealogy of Bedford Co.*  
PA v 4 SPGS

*St. Clair's Bedford: The History and Genealogy of Bedford Co.*  
PA v 10 Author SPGS

*St. Clair's Bedford: The History and Genealogy of Bedford Co.*  
PA v 11 SPGS

*St. Clair's Bedford: The History and Genealogy of Bedford County, PA v 12-* SPGS

**Donated by Helen Hinshaw Bales:**  
1. *The Robin, 1971*  
Robbinsdale High School

2. *The Robin, 1972*  
Robbinsdale High School

**Donated by Judy Riley:**  
1. *Chinook 1963*  
Washington State University  
2. *Chinook 1964*  
Washington State University

**Donated by CCGS R&P:**  
1. *1997 Obituaries, Part 1, From The Columbian, Vancouver WA Jan. 1-July 10 1997* CCGS

2. *1997 Obituaries, Part 2, From the Columbian, Vancouver WA July 11-Dec 31 1997*  
CCGS

**Donated by Joy Kersteter:**  
1. *1880 Census: Missouri, Henry (part), Hickory, Holt & Howard (part) counties* NARA Microfilm

2. *1880 Census: Missouri, Harrison (part) & Henry (part) counties* NARA Microfilm

**Donated by Dixie Olsen:**  
1. *Great Historic Places of America*  
David M. Brownstone; Irene M. Franck

2. *Atlas of World History*  
John Haywood

**Donated by Thomas Ippoliti:**  
1. *Corwin Genealogy*  
Corwin, Edward Tanjore

2. *The Kniffen/Sniffen Story*  
Max K. Sniffen

3. *Ippoliti Heritage Book*  
Bayley, Beatrice

**Donated by Karen Renfro:**  
1. *Origins In Williamstown vol. 1*  
Arthur Latham Perry

2. *Origins in Williamstown, vol. 2*  
Arthur Latham Perry

3. *The Descendants of William and Elizabeth Tuttle Part 1*  
George Frederick Tuttle

4. *The Descendants of William and Elizabeth Tuttle, Part 2*  
George Frederick Tuttle

5. *Southern Massachusetts Cemetery Collection*  
Susan Salisbury

## ON THE NEW BOOKS SHELF

**Donated by the Loy Family:**  
1. *Taunton Vital Records*  
NEHGS

2. *French Family Genealogy and History, A*  
Mida F. Doan

3. *Southworths*  
Bess Miner Johnson

**Donated by Clarissa Farnsworth**  
1. *A Sandhill Century, vol. 1*  
Barbara Kime Gale

2. *A Sandhill Century, vol. 2*  
Barbara Kime Gale

3. *Ohio Marriages Recorded in County Courts Through 1820: An Index* OGS

4. *History of Story County, Iowa* - William Allen

5. *Hopkinton New Hampshire Vital Records Vol. 1*  
Pauline Oesterlin

6. *New Hampshire Marriage Licenses and Intentions 1709-1961*  
Pauline Johnson Oesterlin



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### *CCGS Meetings and Programs*

- Oct 4 First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group - 1:30-3:30 CCGS Library Annex (check calendar)
- Oct 8 October Board Meeting - 10am to noon - CCGS Library Annex
- Oct 13 British Isles Focus Group - 10:30 - noon - CCGS Library
- Oct 11, 16, 18, 25 Genealogical classes at the annex.
- Oct 15 Cut & Paste Party - 10am - 4pm - CCGS Library Annex
- Oct 17 November Newsletter deadline - copies to editor and co-editor please
- Oct 23 October General Meeting - 10am - noon - CCGS Library Annex
- Nov 5 Legacy Users Group resumes meeting - 10am - noon - CCGS Library Annex
- Nov 3 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration for CCGS - Library & Annex 10am - 4pm**
- Apr 19 Spring Seminar - CCGS Library Annex - Gary Zimmerman of the Fiske Library

General Meetings are usually held the fourth Tuesday of the month at CCGS Library Annex.  
Morning meetings: Oct - Mar, 10 a.m. - noon. Evening meetings: Apr-Sept. 7 - 9 p.m.. See our web page.  
No General Meeting is held in April (Spring Seminar), July, August, or December..

**Notify Verneice Adams, our Sunshine Lady, of anyone needing a card from CCGS such as get well, thinking of you, sympathy, etc. vadams234 at gorge.net or call our library and leave a message 360-750-5688**