

# CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

## Newsletter

*Celebrating 35 years!*

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### ***WE'RE 35 YEARS OLD NOW!***



Our 35th Anniversary Party, held on Saturday, November 3, was enjoyed by over 75 people. The presentations by Carol Clark, Sandy Thompson, Dorothy Wear, Dolores Dougherty, Larry Dean, Lethene Parks and others were interesting, informative and enjoyed by all. Did you know Dolores can strum a guitar right along with the best? Our librarians were also on hand to give tours of our library.

Special guests, complete with corsages, were the two surviving Founding Members. They are Lois Bauman and Janice Fillman. Both are still CCGS members, with Lois living in Vancouver and Jan in Woodland. They were proud of what has been done with and by CCGS during the past 35 years. We thanked them for being part of the original group which started CCGS in 1972.

The spaghetti luncheon, cooked and served by our president Garry Lucas, was enjoyed by over 60 people. The sauce is his specialty and we all savored it. Thanks to Dolores Dougherty for taking care of the food purchases for CCGS. The beautifully decorated birthday cake was done in a fall motif by Albertson's. It was delicious. The decorations on the tables were completed by Diana Cruz in a design with lots of fall colors. Everything in the annex was festive and enjoyable.

We had drawings for 27 items. This is one of our popular, fun, money-making projects and it garnered \$438 to help pay our rent! Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets.

If you missed the party, then you missed a good time. It was an enjoyable day and a good time was had by all.

### ***SUNSHINE!***

Joy Porter is our new volunteer Sunshine Lady. Her job is to send an occasional get-well card or condolence card to a CCGS member or the family of a deceased member. She can do her job only if CCGS members cooperate and send her the necessary information about illness, deaths, or other occasions that call for a message from us. Her contact information will appear in every Newsletter. It is: JoyFamily06@msn.com or phone her at: 360-576-9290.

### ***A Good One Coming Up***

Gary F. Mack of Mack & Company Video Productions will be the speaker at the January meeting. He's going to show us how to incorporate Family Histories into a video production. There is no December meeting because of the holidays.

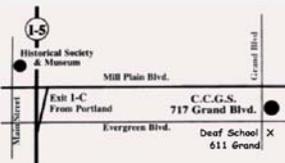
#### **CCGS Library**

**717 Grand Blvd**

**Vancouver, WA**

**360-750-5688**

gensoc at ccgs-wa.org



#### **Hours of operation**

Closed Sunday & Monday

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

Noon to 4:30 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.

## **RESEARCH AND PRESERVATION**

Jane Germann

**Next R & P will be Monday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 10 to 4, at the CCGS annex.**

Diana Cruz will open the annex on the third Monday from 10 to 4 for those who want to come down and join the cut and paste. If the weather is bad, either call to see if we are working or stay home and enjoy the day. Thanks for the volunteers who showed up in November to help with the cut and paste:

Donna McCoy is a first time cut and paste-er. She enjoyed the day with six others: Gaydena Thompson, Barbara Baker, Jeannine Bailiff, Diana Cruz, Jane Germann and Beth Cross. Beth has volunteered to take 2008 and do the year as it comes. (YEAH!) We still have much to do to get caught up, but Beth's contribution will be a huge help. Thanks for your time volunteers – particularly since Thanksgiving was in the same week.

### ***New names added to our CCGS Quilt fundraiser***

Eleven new books have been added to our quilt. The name(s) on the book(s) is/are followed by the donor in parentheses: Marvin John Bauer, Clarence E. Bauer & Clara Clique Bauer (Delores Bauer Burns); Margaret Lucille Becker Cocklin & Lewis Cocklin (Jeanine Bailiff & group); Bill & Evelyn Campbell (Evelyn Campbell); Katy B. Mathys McKee, Archie L. Roy McKee, & Ada C. Berggren McKee (Patricia McKee Bauer); Harley & Signe Belt (Beatrice Frahm); and (to be added) August Rolling/Luella Cook (Barbara Redwing). Thank you for your much needed donations to our society. This is an ideal way to have a memorial to a relative or other friend. The \$50 per book that is donated to CCGS will become a permanent memorial to your friend and will help CCGS at the same time. You can see the quilt displayed on the wall at the CCGS Library Annex.

## **NEW IN THE LIBRARY**

*Index to Vital Records of Sandwich, Mass. & Wareham, Mass.* By Leonard Smith

*The Family of Richard and Edna Thomas Davis*  
By Howard W. Davis

**Donated by Vernon Loy**  
*Chronicles of Old Salem*  
By Frances Diane Robotti

*An Historical Pamphlet: Old Brick Church Barnet, Vermont* By Frank C. Wright

*Taunton Vital Records*, vol. 1, 3  
By NEHGS

*The Strenuous Life*  
By Wm. T. Cobb

*Saco Valley Settlements and Families* By G. T. Ridlon

*Genealogy of the French Family*  
By Grace Martin Trask/Rachel French Adams

*The Bourne Genealogy*  
By Helen Bourne Lee Joy

*Annals of the Leonard Family*  
By Fanny Leonard Koster

**Donated by Thomas Ippoliti**  
*The Hortons in America* By Adaline Horton White

*Index to the 1881 History of Orange County, New York* By E.M. Rутtenber & L.H. Clark

*History of Orange County New York, 1683-1881*, vol. 1, 2 By E.M. Rутtenber & L.H. Clar

**Donated by Dorothy Wear:** *The Diary of Gideon Welles*, vol. 2, By Gideon Well

## **Welcome New Members**

Dorothy Johns and Cindy Morgan (joint membership)



We offer our condolences to Sharon Wodtke, a Lifetime Member of CCGS and a past President, in the death of her husband Carl James "Jim" Wodtke Thursday, November 1. Jim had suffered from cancer for many years.

We also offer our condolences to Howard A. Kemper on the November 2nd death of his brother Vernon.

Also, a CCGS member Nora McDonald passed away October 29. Our condolences have been sent to her family.

## ***OREGON'S 150 YEAR CELEBRATION***

Glen Jones

Oregon will be celebrating its Sesquicentennial in 2009. The Oregon 150 Commission will plan and handle events for the celebration. They are currently looking for photos and stories for a book about the way people lived and worked, during the years 1859 to present. If you have such photos or stories, contact Thomas E. Fuller, Communications Manager, Workforce Oregon 503-947-1301 or e email [thomas.e.fuller@state.or.us](mailto:thomas.e.fuller@state.or.us)

They are particularly interested in old Oregon photos and I have already sent him a number of photos. If you do not have a scanner he will come out and scan photos, but would also like stories to go with the photos.

Also from Glen: ***Google Books***

Google.com is in the process of putting thousands of books online. If you have not tried it recently, go to Google and type in a family name. If they have anything online it will come up, including scanned pages of books as well as books for sale that may have information you are looking for. I typed in some of my family names and came up with a family tree on one branch I am researching and, on another branch, a book for sale on Ebay that was considerably less expensive than it was when I found it on Amazon.

## ***LEGACY USER'S GROUP***

The Legacy User's Group is back together after a long break. Last month we discussed transferring individual data to a new Legacy file, when to use square brackets, search tips, search and replace tips and how to preview information before importing.

The group will be meeting again on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10-12 noon at the CCGS Annex and the topics on the agenda are: How to add new columns to the Index View, How to add Citations to a Digital Image, and Creating a Calendar with Birthday and Anniversary information. This could be a way to create a nice Christmas gift for family members. Bring additional questions for the group on Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## ***Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!***

Dorothy Wear sends a big Thank You to all the librarians who helped by filling in the empty slots for December at the library. Dorothy, our Library Scheduler, had a trip planned to New Mexico to greet a new great grandbaby. Thanks to all the help she was able to finish the calendar for posting a month early. (The baby boy came a bit early and was delivered on November 19. Everyone, including great grandma, is doing fine!)

## **CEMETERY WEB PAGES CAN DO DOUBLE DUTY!**

Patricia McKee Bauer, webmaster

Considering the high price of newspaper obituaries, we want to provide our members and other friends of CCGS with the opportunity to post obituaries for free on any of our Clark County Cemeteries web pages. You may write the obituary yourself, or send us the details and we will compose it. Send your materials to [waclacem@inet.com](mailto:waclacem@inet.com) Be sure to include the name of the cemetery, the full name of the person, and the birth and death dates. Any other information you want to include will be welcome. A photo of the gravestone may also be added. You can see our Clark County Cemeteries web pages at: [www.rootsweb.com/~waclacem](http://www.rootsweb.com/~waclacem) This CCGS offer is another part of our efforts to continue collecting and preserving all vital records for future family history researchers.

If the deceased was a Clark County resident but buried elsewhere, we can also post an obituary for that event. Incidentally, if you (as a relative of the deceased person) or the deceased person are/were residents of the northern part of Clark County including Amboy, Battle Ground, Brush Prairie, Yacolt, Ridgefield, Heisson or LaCenter, the Reflector (published at Battle Ground) will publish the obituary for free. You can contact them at [staff@thereflector.com](mailto:staff@thereflector.com) for more information.

### ***Co-Vice Presidents Elected***

CCGS members Dennis (known as Doc) and Carol Clark were elected to fill the vacant Vice President's spot on the board. Doc has been our "maintenance guy" and Carol is a volunteer librarian. They were officially elected by the board, as specified in our by laws, at the November 12 meeting. Welcome onto the board and thanks for volunteering to take on this job.

### ***Library Closures***

Always check the librarians' calendar on our web page to see if we're open before making a special trip to the library. We do close if only one librarian is available that day. Right now it appears the library is fully staffed until time for the Christmas/New Years holiday break. In the case of icy weather, the policy at the library is to close if the Vancouver School District schools are closed. **The library hours on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday have changed. They will be 12:00 noon until 4:30pm, effective from December 4 until the end of March.**

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President: Garry Lucas

Co-Vice Presidents: Doc & Carol Clark  
Secretary: Diane Hadley

Treasurer: Dolores Dougherty

Asst. Sec-Treas: Karen Frost  
Past President: Diana Cruz

<http://www.ccg-s-wa.org>  
Library: 717 Grand Blvd  
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#### ***CCGS Meetings and Programs***

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| Dec 3          | Legacy Users Group - all welcome! 10am - noon - CCGS Library Annex         |
| Dec 6          | First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group - 1:30-3:30 CCGS Library Annex    |
| Dec 8          | British Isles Focus Group - 10:30 - noon - CCGS Library                    |
| Dec 10         | December board meeting - 9am - 11am - CCGS Library Annex                   |
| Dec 13         | Scandinavian Focus Group - 1:00 - 2:30pm - CCGS Library                    |
| <b>Dec 19</b>  | <b>January Newsletter deadline - copies to editor and co-editor please</b> |
|                | <b>NO GENERAL MEETING IN DECEMBER!</b>                                     |
| Jan 2 - Feb 28 | Winter classes - see attached flyer for details.                           |
| Apr 19         | Spring Seminar - CCGS Library Annex - Gary Zimmerman of the Fiske Library  |
| Oct 5-12       | Salt Lake City research trip - See details on web page.                    |

General Meetings will be 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..  
No General Meeting is held in April 2008 (Spring Seminar), July, August, or December..

**Notify Joy Porter, our Sunshine Lady, of anyone needing a card from CCGS such as get well, thinking of you, sympathy, etc. JoyFamily6 at msn.com or call Joy at 360-576-9290.**

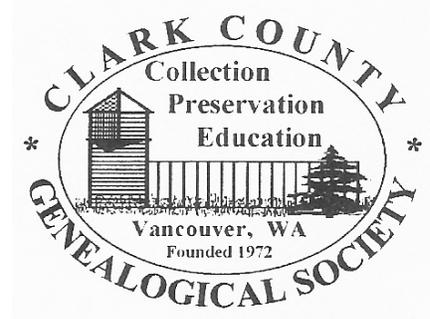
# WINTER CLASSES 2008

## WRITING THE STORIES OF OUR LIVES AND OUR FAMILIES

Telling your own story, as well as those of your ancestors, is part of the genealogy legacy that you will leave. This series of classes will show you how to trigger and focus your memories and teach you a variety of techniques for writing your stories.

Lethene Parks, Instructor

Questions? [lethene@comcast.net](mailto:lethene@comcast.net) or 360-260-9369



**Class Schedule:** All classes will be held at 10 am-12 noon at the CCGS Annex, 715 Grand Blvd., Vancouver, WA, on the following dates:

- #1 – Thursday, January 3
- #2 – Thursday, January 10
- #3 – Saturday, January 19
- #4 – Thursday, January 24
- #5 – Saturday, February 9
- #6 – Thursday, February 21
- #7 – Thursday, February 28

**Class Fees:** CCGS member - \$10 per session or \$60 for all 7 sessions  
non-member - \$12 per session or \$72 for all 7 sessions

**Join CCGS at the first session and get the member price**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ CCGS member # \_\_\_\_\_ non-member \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (required) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Class: #1 \_\_\_\_\_ #2 \_\_\_\_\_ #3 \_\_\_\_\_ #4 \_\_\_\_\_ #5 \_\_\_\_\_ #6 \_\_\_\_\_ #7 \_\_\_\_\_ **or** All sessions \_\_\_\_\_

Fees paid: #1 \_\_\_\_\_ #2 \_\_\_\_\_ #4 \_\_\_\_\_ #5 \_\_\_\_\_ #6 \_\_\_\_\_ #7 \_\_\_\_\_ **or** All sessions \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: CCGS

Mail to: CCGS Winter classes 2008, PO Box 5249, Vancouver, WA 98668-5249

Or register in person at the CCGS Library, 717 Grand Blvd., Vancouver, WA, 360-750-5688

To be completed by Treasurer or Librarian:

Check \_\_\_\_\_ Money Order \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Received by \_\_\_\_\_



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HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!



We hope you will have a very Merry Christmas and an equally Happy New Year.  
Our library will be closed beginning Saturday, December 22 and will reopen January 2.