

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Newsletter

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**Check the on-line library
calendar for
unexpected closures.**

<http://www.ccs-wa.org>

Tues thru Friday
10 am to 3 pm

Saturday
2nd Saturday 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 right. We are in the strip mall on the left side, north of Evergreen.

FALL SEMINAR

Join us on Saturday, Nov. 15th from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the CCGS Annex for our annual Fall Seminar. Featured speaker is well-known genealogist & author, William Dollarhide. See page 7 for more information and registration form.

President's Message

Lethene Parks

As many of you know, our CCGs membership is dropping. This is not unique to our organization. Organizations and clubs of all kinds are having similar problems. Our members are getting older, finances are tight for many people, younger people are not joining organizations as many of us did when we were their age. For genealogical societies, so much more is now available online that it is very natural to ask, why do I need a society, and a library, to do my family history research?

At the same time, I am still reading that only about 10% of all pertinent family history information is available online, subscribing to pay sites as an individual is often prohibitively expensive, as is long-distance travel to the places where ancestors lived. So how do we change this? Can we change it?

I know that our CCGs library is a good one. I also know that it is very much under-used. There are days when the library is open and no one comes into use the resources — literally. When was the last time you used the CCGs library for research? Are you finding everything you need to pursue your research goals in online sources? Have all your brick walls been knocked down or climbed over?

What would it take to get you to come to the CCGs library to do some research? How can the society best help you as a member to achieve your research goals? Please send your thoughts, ideas, complaints, or whatever you want to say to me or to the society board. E-mail is a good way to do this; stay anonymous if you like (but I urge you to tell us who you are so we can respond more specifically to your concerns or suggestions). We are working on some ideas and projects that I hope will help you decide to come on in and participate in CCGs activities.

This year for the first time in several years, we will have a nationally known speaker for our fall workshop. If any of you are not familiar with William Dollarhide and his publications on migration routes, census records and census Substitutes, and other topics of genealogical interest, you are in for a treat on Saturday, November 15. Register soon—our space can only hold 100 people and you don't want to be left out. You will find flyers at the library and information on the CCGS website and in the Newsletter. We have most of Mr. Dollarhide's books in our library and will be purchasing those we do not yet have and will also be selling his books at the workshop.

The CCGs Board is considering the feasibility of a subscription to Ancestry.com for our library. It is available at the public libraries in our area but you must go to the library to use it. How many of you would come to the CCGs library if this were available at CCGS? You would still have to come to the CCGs library to use it. And because of the expense, we would likely have to have Ancestry.com instead of adding books to our collection. Is this something we should do? Let us know what you think.

We still need volunteers to help in the CCGs Library. And we still need someone to do publicity for CCGS. That involves seeing that information about our activities and our flyers and brochures are made available to local newspapers and distributed to local libraries and other organizations in the community. We also still need a program chairperson. This involves soliciting suggestions for membership programs, and arranging for program presenters, and publicizing these events. If you are willing to do either of these jobs, please let us know. We have several other projects and ideas for projects in the works. We'll keep you posted.

Legacy Users Group News

Legacy Users Group

The next Legacy Users Group meeting will be held on Monday, November 3rd from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the CCGS Annex. If you are a Legacy user, or interested in knowing more about this program, this meeting is for you! Contact Bill Whalley at wgwhalley@gmail.com if you have a question about any of the program features and he'll try to address your questions at this meeting. And he usually has other interesting information at program features as well.

Legacy Webinars

Education chairman Brian Runyan continues to set up the computer projector and screen at CCGS each Wednesday when Legacy Family Tree puts on one of their webinars. These webinar broadcasts are free to anyone, and can be watched at home if you pre-register with Legacy, or join us in the **CCGS Annex** where you can watch without registering. Broadcast times are from **11 a.m. to 12:30**. You don't have to be a Legacy user to learn something from these webinars. Information presented is generally research specific topics, useful for genealogists in general. Upcoming webinars in November & December include:

- **Friday, November 14: Legacy Family Tree Virtual Users Group**
Learn tips, tricks, and best practices related to using the Legacy Family Tree software. Presentations by Legacy Family Tree staff. For all levels: Beginners to Advanced users.
- **Wednesday, November 19: Using Evernote for Genealogy**
Presented by Lisa Louise Cooke, she will provide information on this program to help you keep track of your genealogy research. There's a free version of this software, as well as a paid-for version.
- **Wednesday, December 3: Family History for Kids**
If you are trying to interest kids in your genealogy research, Devin Ashby will present information on new products and initiatives to interest those youngsters in your life in becoming involved in genealogy and family research.
- **Friday, December 5: Can You Hear Me Now? Voice Recognition Software for Genealogists**
Give your fingers a break—learn how you can take advantage of voice recognition software to speed up your genealogical writing, etc. Presenter will be Luana Darby.
- **Wednesday, December 10: Researching Your North Carolina Ancestors**
Presenter J. Mark Lowe will guide us through research tactics for our North Carolina ancestors.
- **Wednesday, December 17: Bagging A Live One – Connecting with Cousins You Never Knew You Had**
Mary Kircher Roddy presents information on finding those distant cousins that were previously unknown to you, who may have that missing piece of information you need for your family research.

See <http://familytreewebinars.com/upcoming-webinars.php> for complete webinar descriptions.

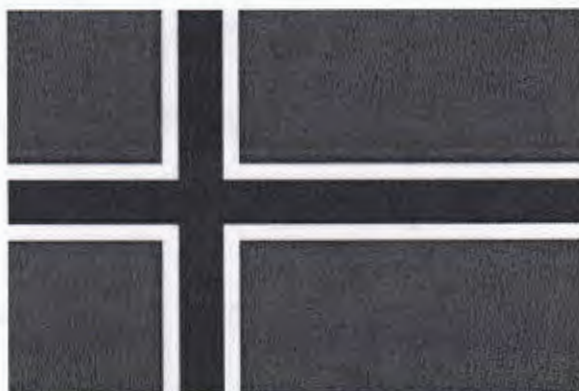
CCGS MEMBERS CAN NOW SUBSCRIBE TO LEGACY WEBINARS FOR HALF-PRICE!!

Anyone can watch these live presentations for free, but to get the syllabus you must be a paid subscriber. Subscribers also have 24-7 access to the more than 260 hours of instructional video and the accompanying 700+ pages of instructor handouts. Additionally subscribers get 5% off any purchase from Legacy Family Tree.

The introductory price is normally \$49.95 for a year subscription. Geoff Rasmussen has provided CCGS with our own discount code that allows a CCGS member to purchase a yearly subscription for ½ price. If this is of interest to you, you may call the CCGS library and a librarian, after verifying you are a current member, will give you the code.

Don't forget to register for the Fall Seminar, Saturday, November 15th from 9-4 at the CCGS Annex

SCANDINAVIAN CORNER



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Welcome to this edition of the Scandinavian Corner. I keep coming across new resources and will share for those doing Swedish research:

1. **Swedish Genealogy Guide.** One of the features of the site is a blog, where you can find information on how to do research in various Swedish cities. Another part of the site is the Swedish Historical Dictionary Database, which is based on a dictionary printed in Sweden in 1814, and where you can find translations in English, German and French.

<http://www.swedishgenealogyguide.com>

2. The Swedish TV Program "Alt förService" is beginning its fourth season. The program has 10 Americans who come to Sweden in search for their Swedish roots. They are involved in some friendly competition as they connect with their Swedish genealogy. You can find the first three seasons on YouTube. Just search by the name of the program.
3. Another site of interest is the "Swedish American Heritage Online" This site has records for Swedish immigrants who settled in the states of Illinois, New York and Massachusetts. <http://www.sweame.org>

Dont forget, our next meeting of the Scandinavian Focus Group will be Thursday, November 13th from 10am to 11:30am. Hope to see you there.

Contact Person: Richard Engstrom rengstro60@yahoo.com

Membership

(Denni Hamilton-Levonian)

Welcome new member: Darlene Pope

See page 7 for more information on the Annual Fall Seminar, with William Dollarhide as our special guest speaker!

Monthly Focus Groups

First Monday:	Legacy Users Group 10 a.m. - 12 noon CCGS Annex
First Thursday:	First Thursday Unfocused Group, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. CCGS Annex
Second Thursday:	Scandinavian Focus Group 10 a.m. - 11:30 at the CCGS Annex
Second Saturday:	Native American Focus Group, 10:30 a.m. - 12 noon, CCGS Library or Annex

New to the CCGS Library

Alice Allen

The following new books have been added to the CCGS collection recently. These books will remain on the "New Shelf" at CCGS for the month of November. Stop by and see what's new!

Donated by Billie Jo Westby

Title: New Englanders in the 1600's' a Guide to Genealogical Research Published Between 1980 & 2005

Author: Martin E. Hollick

Title: Genealogical Notes on the Founding of New England

Author: Ernest Flagg

Title: The Boynton Family, a Genealogy of the Descendants of William and John Boynton

Author: John & Caroline Boynton

Title: History of the Dudley Family with Genealogical Tables, Pedigrees, etc., vol. 1

Author: Dean Dudley

Title: History and Genealogy of the Eastman Family of America, vol. 2

Author: Guy S. Rix

Title: Early Settlers of Rowley, Massachusetts

Author: George Brainard Blodgette

Donated by Dorothy I. VanRiper

Title: Bergen Records, 1666-1788

Author: Dingman Versteed & Thomas E. Vermilye Jr.

Title: Zabriskie Family, vol. 1

Author: George Olin Zabriskie

Title: Zabriskie Family, vol. 2

Author: George Olin Zabriskie

Fall Classes at CCGS

There are two remaining classes on the Fall schedule at CCGS. Both will be held at the CCGS Annex.

Tuesday, Nov. 4th: "Sleuthing the Census," with Larry Dean.

Tuesday, Nov. 18th: "Beginning Genealogy," with Alice Allen.

The census class is a paid class, \$12 for CCGS members and \$15 for non-members. The Beginning class is free. Registration is encouraged, as classes may be cancelled if there isn't a sufficient number of people registered for the class a week before the class. Call the CCGS Library during library hours (see front page for hours and telephone number), then pay at the door on the day of the class.

Join us at the Fall Seminar on Saturday, November 15th, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the CCGS Annex

2014–2015 Free Family History Research Training Series
Presenters are Hal & Barbara Hovorka
Tualatin Oregon LDS Stake Center
22284 Southwest Grahams Ferry Road
Tualatin, OR 97062

With classes on the following Saturdays beginning at 9:30 am. PLEASE ARRIVE 15 minutes EARLY!

While the original information we received encouraged pre-registration, in visiting the web site it says that registration is not necessary. For more information and to download/print the syllabus, go here:

<http://tufamilyhistorycenter.yolasite.com/upcoming-events.php>

We did not receive this information early enough to print the October classes. The following dates (all Saturdays) are still to come.

2014

- Nov 8 - "The Big 3/Google, Family Search & Census"
- Nov 22 - "Out On the Web" - What's new on the Internet and how to use it.
- Dec 6 - "Directories, Newspapers, Obituaries & Cemeteries"

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- Jan 10 - "Court/Land/Wills & Probate" – The how and why of an American Pedigree
- Jan 17 - "Finding the Immigrant" – From 1650 to Ellis Island
- Feb 7 - "British Research and German Research" – Sources from abroad
- Feb 14 - "Out of the Mainstream" – Hidden & unexpected Sources
- Mar 7 - "Wrapping up Loose Ends" – Everything else that's left over/Plus!!!

Something New: We will be offering a "one-on-one" session with a family history consultant, for one hour, following some of the classes. Look for sign-up sheets after the classes. Limited slots available.
PLEASE DOWNLOAD AND PRINT THE LESSON SYLLABUS PRIOR TO EACH CLASS!

Note: The Hovorka's were speakers at our Spring Seminar a couple of years ago, and are a wealth of information on a variety of genealogical subjects.

Fall Seminar Information

You'll find information on the Fall Seminar presentation by William Dollarhide elsewhere in this newsletter, but we do want to make you aware that Mr. Dollarhide will be bringing a selection of his books to sell to seminar attendees. We don't know for sure what he'll be bringing, but some of his titles include "Map Guide to American Migration Routes 1735-1815;" "Map Guide to US Federal Censuses 1790-1920;" "The Census Book: A Genealogist's Guide to Federal Census Facts, Schedules, and Indexes," to name a few. If you're looking to add to your genealogy handbook collection, this is the place to do it.

Cash or checks only; no credit or debit cards can be accepted.

CCGS has a number of his books on our shelves if you'd like to stop in before the seminar and get a preview.

Condolences

We've recently learned that CCGS member Zane Miller passed away on October 14th, in Vancouver. An obituary was published in the October 17th edition of the Columbian. His wife Lela, also a CCGS member, survives, along with two daughters and several sisters and a brother. Condolences have been sent to his wife on behalf of the Society.

Techno-Alert Steve Aberle

Ransomware

<https://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/alerts/TA14-295A>

WHAT IS RANSOMWARE?

Ransomware is a type of malware that infects a computer and restricts a user's access to the infected computer. This type of malware, which has now been observed for several years, attempts to extort money from victims by displaying an on-screen alert. These alerts often state that their computer has been locked or that all of their files have been encrypted, and demand that a ransom is paid to restore access. This ransom is typically in the range of \$100–\$300 dollars, and is sometimes demanded in virtual currency, such as Bitcoin.

Ransomware is typically spread through phishing emails that contain malicious attachments and drive-by downloading. Drive-by downloading occurs when a user unknowingly visits an infected website and malware is downloaded and installed without their knowledge. Crypto ransomware, a variant that encrypts files, is typically spread through similar methods, and has been spread through Web-based instant messaging applications.

Paying the ransom does not guarantee the encrypted files will be released; it only guarantees that the malicious actors receive the victim's money, and in some cases, their banking information. In addition, decrypting files does not mean the malware infection itself has been removed.

SOLUTION:

- * Perform regular backups of all critical information to limit the impact of data or system loss and to help expedite the recovery process. Ideally, this data should be kept on a separate device, and backups should be stored offline.
- * Maintain up-to-date anti-virus software.
- * Keep your operating system and software up-to-date with the latest patches.
- * Do not follow unsolicited web links in email.
- * Use caution when opening email attachments.
- * Follow safe practices when browsing the web.

For more detailed information, refer to the link above.

As an added note, your editor has heard reports of these types of threats coming via telephone calls, reportedly from Microsoft and from someone with a heavy foreign accent. Telling them that you only have a Mac computer, or no computer at all, usually results in the caller hanging up.

Be careful out there, be informed, and never give out personal information to anyone over the telephone or on your computer.



THEY DIDN'T JUST HOP ON A BUS
How your ancestors got there

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FALL SEMINAR

Saturday, November 15th, 2014

9:00 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Held at the CCGS Education Hall,
717 Grand Blvd, Vancouver, WA

Featuring

William Dollarhide

Nationally recognized genealogical lecturer and award winning author **William Dollarhide**, will present a full day of classes that will explore the routes our ancestors travelled as they migrated across early America and how we can track their movements today. Classes will include:

- **Colonial Wagon Roads to 1750:** Discusses the important roads used by the first Colonial Americans. Beginning with the King's Highway and progressing through the other inland roads linked to the huge influx of Scots-Irish immigrants.
- **American Migration Routes, 1750 – 1800:** Identifies the main migration routes followed by early American families.
- **Using Deeds to Trace the Trails of Your Ancestors:** Why the deed books should be the FIRST place you look when you visit the courthouse.
- **You Know About Census Records, But What About Census Substitutes?** Discusses the most important state and local databases; state and county court records, directories, county histories, state militia lists, tax rolls, voter lists and much more.

Register Early – deadline 11:59pm October 31, 2014

LIMITED TO THE FIRST 100 TO REGISTER

\$40 CCGS Members

\$50 Nonmembers

We encourage attendees to bring their own lunch. Desserts will be provided by CCGS.

Clip the registration form below and mail to

CCGS Fall Seminar, P.O. Box 5249,

Vancouver, WA 98668-5249.

You may register in person at The CCGS Library,

717 Grand Blvd., Vancouver, WA

Or register by telephone,

360-750-5688

Please make checks payable to CCGS.

Registration, CCGS Fall Seminar, November 15, 2014

P.O. Box 5249

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CCGS Meetings and Programs

- Nov 3 Legacy Users Group, 10 a.m.-noon, Library Annex
- Nov. 4 **Class:** "Sleuthing the Census," 10 a.m.-12 noon Library Annex; instructor: Larry Dean
- Nov. 6 First Thursday Unfocused Group, 1-3 p.m. CCGS Library Annex
- Nov. 8 Native American Focus Group - 10:30 am - noon
- Nov. 10 Board Meeting, 9-11 a.m. Library Annex
- Nov. 13 Scandinavian Focus Group - 10 - 11:30 am - CCGS Library Annex
- Nov. 15 **Fall Seminar with William Dollarhide; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at CCGS Library annex**
- Nov. 18 **Class:** Beginning Genealogy class (free); 10 a.m.-12 noon at CCGS Library Annex. Instructor: Alice Allen
- Nov. 25-29th **CCGS Library closed for Thanksgiving holiday. Reopens Tuesday, December 2nd**
- Dec. 1 Legacy Users Group, 10 a.m.-noon, Library Annex
- Dec. 3 **Deadline for Dec-Jan newsletter**
- Dec. 4 First Thursday Unfocused Group- 1-3 p.m. Library Annex
- Dec. 8 Board Meeting, 9-11 a.m. Library Annex

General Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month at CCGS Library Annex.
 Morning meetings: Oct - Mar, 10 am - noon. Evening meetings: Apr - Sept, 7 - 9 pm.
No General Meeting is held July, August, or December.

Notify Jeanine Bailiff, our Sunshine Lady, of anyone needing a card from CCGS such as get well, thinking of you, sympathy, etc. [jgmb at pacifier.com](mailto:jgmb@pacifier.com) or call Jeanine at 360-566-9422.