

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Newsletter

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Hours of operation

Closed Sunday & Monday

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

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

Tues, - Fri
10 am to 3:00 pm
3rd Thursday only
6-9 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.

Daylight Savings Time ends on Sunday, November 3rd. Set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night before going to bed.

General Meeting

Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 10:00 am



Jefferson Davis - WWII Historical Photos

He will speak on the unveiling of historic photos from the Vancouver Barracks in World War II. After growing up at the Vancouver Barracks, Jeff spent 32 years in the U. S. Army and Army Reserves. He is one of the founders of the Vancouver Barracks Military Association.

Jeff combines his love of military history, the Vancouver Barracks and the paranormal by giving regular "Spirit Tours of the Vancouver Barracks". He is also the author of eight books on the paranormal.

Clark County Historical Museum,
1511 Main Street, Vancouver, WA
On street parking is available for a fee

Location

Note: Currently this meeting is scheduled to be held at the Clark County Historical Museum, but there is a chance it will be in our new Library instead. Be sure to check our web page and the weekly emails to see if there are any changes.

Daylight Savings Time: a Guide to Setting Your Clocks Back
(from Facebook)

Smart Phone: leave it alone, it does its magic

Sundial: move one house to the left

Oven: you'll need a Masters in Engineering or a hammer

Car radio: not worth it, wait six months

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF LIBRARY

Starting November 6, the CCGS Library will be closed to prepare for the move to the new location. Will re-open in December.

President's Message
Brian Runyan, CCGS President

Well, Happy Autumn, everyone. Most of the President's Message this month will focus on the doin's at our soon-to-be new home, the former Chase bank building at 3205 NE 52nd St in the West Minnehaha district of Vancouver. It's between St Johns and St James across the street from the High School Pharmacy. It's 2-1/2 miles north of our current location, about a ten minute drive. The landscaping has been greatly improved with the removal of English Ivy (30 yd drop box, filled) and three units (~24 cu yds) of hemlock bark dust has been spread. A huge thank-you to McFarland's Bark for donating one of those three units. The much-neglected parking lot has been cleaned, patched, twelve parking spaces striped, handicap parking designated, and directional arrows painted.

The roof has been de-mossed and the gutters cleaned. Exterior wood trim has been refinished. Wall pressure washing has been scheduled. Conversion of the 2560 sq ft of space is picking up steam. All the demolition has been completed, tile repair (heavy safes, ya know) has been done and the new carpet is installed. A big thank-you to Member Randy Studer as he shepherds this important floor covering work to completion. The electrical work is coming along: six new floor outlets will provide easy access for plugging in your laptop and the AV equipment for classes and seminars. The heating/AC equipment has been cleaned, tested and put into service. The Steves (Young and Aberle) assisted by James Siewert are untangling the miles of bank data cabling and routing to make our computer connections things of beauty.

Marcia Grubb has been wrangling the painting: The breakroom, both bathrooms, and data center have been completed. The vault is primed and ready for paint. The main meeting room has also been primed. The wall to divide the library from the meeting room is framed, drywalled, and by the time you read this, mudded, primed and painted. A new door is being cut for access to the classroom along with another new door in the divider wall. The accordion folding door is being delivered. Huge shout-outs to Lowell Kenedy and Lyman and Bea Ritter for hours spent in this effort. All the utilities are now in our name and we have received our first pieces of mail. I guess that almost makes us official.

As you can see, we are well on our way.

CCGS Trip to Salt Lake's Family History Library

Paula Schoenlien

CCGS Salt Lake City Trip to the Family History Library is planned for the week of November 17, 2019. If interested, leave a message for Paula Schoenlein at the CCGS library.

Inclement Weather Alert

As we move into the winter months, please note that as always, if the Vancouver School District is closed due to weather, the CCGS Library will also close. Some of our librarians live in outlying areas where snow or ice can be a problem, even if Vancouver schools are open. Check the web page to see if we are open or closed.



SCANDINAVIAN CORNER

The Scandinavian Focus Group will not meet in November or December. We will begin again in January. I will be sending a survey out to the Focus group members to determine if we should change our meeting time. By January, CCGS will be in our new facility.

Richard Engstrom
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Legacy Family Tree Webinars

During the move to our new location during the month of November, we will not be showing the Wednesday Legacy Family Tree Webinars at our Library. There is one listed for December which we expect to show at our new library: How to Trace your UK Ancestry, presented by Kirsty Gray on Wednesday, December 18th at 11 a.m.

In the meantime, you can register and watch them from your own home, for free. Go to <https://familytreewebinars.com/>

Stay tuned for more information, either in this newsletter or the weekly email.

Membership Report

Bea Ritter, Membership Chair

We would like to welcome these new members and welcome back reinstated members.

NEW MEMBERS

Lee & Jeanne Peterson

Bill and Angela Hall

Donna Ten Eyck

David Briggs & Karen Lewandowski

Judy Zeider & Alex Mintz

Deborah Schwarz

Janet Anderson-Briggs

Renee Newton

Lida Alexander

REINSTATED

Lenore Kennedy

Colonial Dames 17th Century

So you say, you are hooked on genealogy? You want to progress further into your lineage and have the camaraderie of like-minded women, whom also, promote good works.

The Ft. Vancouver Chapter of the Washington State Society of Colonial Dames 17th Century offers you all of this, with your membership into our society.

A patriotic genealogical organization, we accept women applicants 21 years of age or older, who can prove their ancestry, beyond the year 1701. If you are dedicated to working toward such a goal, we are the organization for you.

Meetings are held every 3 months in Vancouver, and prospective members with pending applications may attend. A capable chapter officer awaits your inquiry.

For more information, explore our website online: *The National Society of Colonial Dames 17th Century, Washington, D.C.* Be sure to include the designation: 17th Century, as there are other organizations with like names, but have different missions.

If you like local contact, drop us a note with your contact information to:

Ft. Vancouver Chapter, Colonial Dames 17th Century,
c/o 1365 South 15th Way
Ridgefield, Washington 98642

CCGS Focus Groups

CCGS is home to several Focus groups which meet monthly at the CCGS Library. If you regularly attend one or more of these groups, following is updated information, while we re-locate.

- **Legacy Users Group**: Meets the first Monday of each month at 9:30 a.m. Group members can bring questions and problems to the group for answers, and there is usually a feature of the Legacy genealogy program highlighted. This group will NOT meet in November. Watch for updates for this group in the weekly email, since the next newsletter will not be out until mid-December.
- **Research Book Club Focus Group**: Meets the first Monday of each month at 12 noon, following the Legacy Users Group. Bring a sack lunch and share your thoughts about this month's chapter. Plans are to meet at the current CCGS location on Monday, November 4 at noon. Check the weekly email for future information.
- **First Thursday Unfocused Group**: Meets the first Thursday of each month from 1 to 3 p.m. No special focus (hence the name "Unfocused") for this group. Since the Library will be closed on the first Thursday in November (7th), this group will NOT meet in November. Check the weekly email for future information.
- **Scandinavian Group**: Will NOT be meeting in November or December. The group's moderator will be polling members for their preference as to meeting dates and times.
- **Research Group (not to be confused with Research Book Club)**. Meets the 3rd Monday, no meeting in November.

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

Did you know that the Clark County Genealogical Society has a Facebook page? Ours is one among 4,500 across the nation! People in genealogy are communicating in all sorts of ways and the CCGS Facebook page is another way to notify you about upcoming workshops and seminars, plus other valuable research tips. We hope you will "like" (become a friend and/or join) the CCGS Facebook page. To "like" our page, you must have a personal profile of your own. Even if you aren't very active with your own Facebook profile, we encourage you to "like" the CCGS page – and invite your genealogist friends to do so as well! Plus, you might consider joining the Clark County Genealogical Society Facebook Group Page where you can ask questions, get answers and start conversations. If you don't have a Facebook profile and would like to get started, go to www.Facebook.com and follow the steps to sign up. It's easy! Or, stop by the CCGS library and one of the librarians might be able to help you get started (call first to see if there is a Facebook expert on hand).

CCGS AND FRED MEYER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

Clark County Genealogical Society has been successfully enrolled in the Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program. If you have a Fred Meyer Rewards Card you may designate CCGS to receive a quarterly check based on our purchases at Fred Meyer. You can get more information by visiting www.fredmeyer.com/topic/community-rewards-frequently-asked-questions-for-non-profits

CCGS Volunteers

CCGS is a 100% volunteer-operated organization. We are tremendously grateful for all of our many volunteers and the dedication they bring to the success of our Society. Our volunteers have the opportunity to serve a few hours a month to more hours than they can count and everything in between. Many volunteers speak of how enjoyable their time is rubbing shoulders and sharing enthusiasm with other like-minded researchers. If you're not currently volunteering you're missing out on some really good times. There are currently several opportunities for volunteering that will enhance your connection with your Society. To find out how you can join in the fun, contact our President, Brian Runyan president@ccgs-wa.org or Vice-President, Bea Ritter gensoc@ccgs-wa.org.

**ARE YOU A CLOSET DETECTIVE WITH A PASSION
FOR GENEALOGY AND FAMILY HISTORY?**

JOIN OUR FAMILY TREE!

VOLUNTEER TODAY FOR THE CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

► *Are you a people person? Library volunteers help newbies get started or work on their research goals in genealogy and family history.*

► *Do you love keyboarding and computer work? Opportunities abound for accurate digitizing and indexing of national and local records.*

► *Are you a marketing, writing, publications design, or electronics and technology whiz?*



► *Do you have presentation or teaching abilities? You could teach a class or lead an interest group.*

► *Is event planning your forte? There's a spot for you on our yearly seminar team or membership meetings.*

► *Were you a business manager, fund developer or financial expert? We could use your expertise!*

For Information call Marcia Grubb, Clark County Genealogical Society, 360-750-5688.

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

President: Brian Runyan	Treasurer: Eric Jordahl	http://www.ccg-s-wa.org
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Secretary: Marian Kenedy	Past President: Lethene Parks	360-750-5688

CCGS Meetings and Programs

November 2 **Free! Beginning Genealogy class, 10 a.m. — ~~Cancelled due to the move~~**
November 3 Daylight Savings Time ends, set clocks back 1 hour
November 4 **No Legacy Users Group Meeting. Join us soon in our new location**
Resource Book Club Focus Group, 12 noon, CCGS Library
November 5 **Class:** Updated Vital Records Researching, with Barbara Schrag. 9 – 11 a.m., CCGS Library
November 11 Board Meeting, 10 a.m. – 12 noon, No information as to time or place at this writing
November 17-24 CCGS Research Trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City
November 18 ~~Research Group meeting, **Cancelled!** Most of the group members will be in Salt Lake~~
November 26 General Meeting, 10 a.m., Clark County Historical Museum (location may change, watch weekly email for updated information)
November 28 **Happy Thanksgiving!**
December 4 **Deadline for December-January newsletter**

General Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month
Morning meetings: Oct - Mar, 10 am - noon. Evening meetings: Apr - Sept, 7 - 9 pm.
No General Meetings are 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. [jgmb105 @ gmail.com](mailto:jgmb105@gmail.com) or call Jeanine at 360-566-9422.