

# CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

## Newsletter

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**Vancouver, WA**  
**360-750-5688**

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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

**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday only**  
6-9 pm

#### Saturday

**2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday only**  
10 am to 3 pm

#### How to get here:

From I-5, take the Hwy.  
500 exit east to St. Johns  
Rd. exit. Turn left onto St.  
Johns Rd. and proceed  
over the highway.  
Continue to NE 52<sup>nd</sup> St.,  
turn left and we will be on  
the left, across from Hi-  
School Pharmacy.

### Presidents Message

Eric Jordahl

[President@ccgs-wa.org](mailto:President@ccgs-wa.org)

#### **GOAL: Soft Open the library to our members by Thursday, July 1, 2021.**

This is my personal goal, and depends on Governor Inslee, the Clark County Health Dept, and our volunteer librarians. Appointments will be needed. Masks will need to be worn if not vaccinated.

We will have a free hybrid Beginning Genealogy class on Saturday, June 19 with prior registration required. Registrants are to be masked and social distanced if they come to the Library. The digital registrants will receive a link for GoToMeeting software.

Elections will be held in June and this Newsletter includes a ballot. Two positions need to be filled, Vice President and Assistant Treasurer. We have 2 candidates for Assistant Treasurer and 1 for Vice President. Please send your ballot to CCGS, 3205 NE 52<sup>nd</sup> St., Vancouver, WA 98663 so that we **receive it before June 15, 2021 in accordance with our Bylaws.**

Our new sign should be installed by the June General Meeting. This will announce our presence in a more obvious way and hopefully help us build up our membership. We are grateful to Allen Bauman and his foundation for the funds to purchase a sign that advertises our presence and honors his parents. The June General Meeting will include installation of our newly elected officers, a financial report, and a presentation by our own Barbara Schragg who will speak on the process that she used to identify a female ancestor.

The Landscaping Team cut back and removed vegetation (primarily Oregon Grape and a little blackberry vine) from the entrance to the parking lot. Drive past and see how nice it looks.

The Tech Team continues to work on the website. We are still fortunate to have Jared Schoenlein and Diane Kenedy to help with all of the hundreds of details involved in our website. The Tech Team continues to meet weekly to make decisions and "solve" problems.

Don't forget to vote! I hope you all have a safe and happy summer. Don't forget to renew your membership.



**Tuesday, June 22  
7 p.m. on GoToMeeting  
By Elsie Deatherage**

**Finding An Ancestor Using DNA**

CCGS member, Barb Schrag, will present a case study using autosomal DNA with traditional research to work on a brick wall problem - possibly identifying an unknown third great grandfather.

Please join us virtually for this interesting presentation. Watch for an email from Eric Jordahl the weekend prior to the meeting; it will contain the meeting link.



**John B. Cowell**

**GENEALOGY SCAVENGER HUNT FUNDRAISER IN JUNE**

Look for participation details at [www.ccg-s-wa.org](http://www.ccg-s-wa.org) and join the fun for 5 daily chances to win prizes just for knowing how to find ONLINE family search answers. Summer is coming - let the FUN begin. Click on "Event Calendar" at the top of the page, and click on the arrow to get the June calendar to view. Dates are June 21-25<sup>th</sup>.

**BEGINNING CLASSES RESUME**

on Saturday June 19 in the LIBRARY with Elsie Deatherage. Seating space is LIMITED so REGISTER at [www.ccg-s-wa.org](http://www.ccg-s-wa.org) to reserve you seat.

**ELECTIONS:**

Be sure to vote for our elected officers for 2021 and an additional By-law. We have three excellent nominees for two offices. Steve Young has been nominated for Vice-President and both Ann Rowland and Maria Adler have been nominated for Assistant Treasurer. They are all excellent candidates.

Then the Board is asking for a Legacy Membership to honor some of the children of members who were roped into helping the society and we would like to honor them with a special membership.

Just print out the ballot, mark it for your selections, and drop it off or mail in it. The address is on the ballot. Ballots must be received by June 15.

**Membership Report  
Bea Ritter**

WELCOME NEW MEMBER:  
Sarada Hopkins McClean

Keep sending in your renewal forms. We need your support! If you need a new membership form, send a query to [gensoc@ccgs-wa.org](mailto:gensoc@ccgs-wa.org). or download it from our website. We are all looking forward to meeting again in person in the summer.

**HISTORIAN REPORT  
Bea Ritter**

I want to give a special thanks to Alice Allen and Dolly Merrick for finding obituaries for two of our founders. I am awaiting a picture of one founder and then I will be able to complete the display of our Founders' pictures for the library. I would love to have more pictures and information on special events or memories from 2000 to 2021. We will be celebrating our 50th Anniversary in the fall of 2022. Look for the first stories of our Founders, History and Officers in our 2021 issue of *Trail Breakers* this summer.

**Another Former CCGS Member Has Passed Away**

Long-time former CCGS member, Margaret Palin Denny, passed away on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Her obituary appeared in the May 23<sup>rd</sup> *Columbian*. (Thank you, Pat Bauer, for the heads up). There will be a memorial service on Saturday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m., Evergreen Memorial Gardens on 112<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Margaret was 104 years old.



**CCGS Membership Dues**

Individual Membership	\$40 per year
Joint Membership	\$50 per year
Individual Lifetime	\$750
Joint Lifetime Membership	\$900

# **BALLOT**

**Please vote and return to:**

**CCGS BALLOT, 3205 NE 52<sup>nd</sup> St., Vancouver, Washington 98663 by June 15, 2021.**

## **For Vice President: (Vote one)**

\_\_\_ **Steve Young:** My interest in genealogy started in my teenage years, I didn't look like my brothers or sister and I wanted to find out why. I found, my siblings look like my Dad's side of the family, I look like my Mom's side. Intellectually we are the opposite.

So I got my Bachelor's Degree, other College Degree's and Certifications as well as Professional Interest from my Dad's side.

Professional experience: Professional Photographer—8 years; Technology (Microsoft, Intel)—20 years; Law (Legal Technologist, Paralegal)—14 years; Videographer—5 years.

I joined Clark County Genealogical Society back in 2016. I have been providing technical and maintenance support for CCGS computers ever since, as well as participating in CCGS Board Meetings.

I have found my 10x Great Grandfather Number, John Young, of Southold, England who arrived in 1635, at Plymouth Colony. Now I want to go there.

## **For Assistant Treasurer: (Vote one)**

\_\_\_ **Ann Rowland:** At a family picnic in the late 1970's I was first introduced to family genealogy by a cousin and ever since then have been hooked.

Having my own business since 2013 has been very rewarding as I help folks deal with a variety of medical bills. It includes a lot of work with medical numeric and alphabetic codes verifying that those codes are correct.

At CCGS I have been a participant in two books of the Research Book Club, been part of the UnFocused Group and helped to transcribe tax records.

Because I enjoy working with numbers, I would enjoy being assistant treasurer.

\_\_\_ **Maria Adler:** I have been a CCGS member since 2001, my mother-in-law, Artyce Adler was also a member then. We would go to library and try to find information on our ancestors.

As a former small business owner I have years of experience working within budget guidelines, paying bills, and managing purchases and expenses.

In 2004 I was a co-chair for the spring seminar, bringing in Dr. John Philip Colletta.

After my retirement in 2015, I volunteered as a librarian and helped with projects as needed. I also participate with the Craft Clan and research Book Club.

I would really enjoy the opportunity to become more involved in the genealogy society.

**(For:) \_\_\_ (Against:) \_\_\_ ARTICLE III. Memberships, Contributors and Subscribers, add section (e):**

**(e) Legacy Membership is for children of members who extraordinarily generously give of their time, talents, or finances for the benefit of the society and are approved by the society board.**

Note: Arguments for and against Legacy Memberships appear on page 5 for your convenience in deciding on this vote. This ballot page is all that needs to be returned.

**PRO:** We have a couple of members' offspring who have contributed selflessly to our society. They are adept at manipulating the computer (something those of us older people have a tough time doing) and have spent many hours of their time working on our website. We need to reward them in a special way and thought this would be a way to keep them in touch with the society. They would get our Newsletter and Trailbreaker while away at college or working at their business. And they would have to be approved by the board for this honor.

**CON:** Once the door is open, how do we keep it to what it was designed for? We nixed honorary memberships because back then it cost us a Newsletter and Trailbreaker until the member died. Now the Newsletter and Trailbreaker are on-line and it would cost CCGS nothing.

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*CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED*

President: Eric Jordahl  
Vice President: Bea Ritter  
Secretary: Elsie Deatherage

Treasurer: Lowell Kenedy  
Asst. Treasurer: Tom Farrelly  
Past President: Brian Runyan

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*CCGS Meetings and Programs*

June 3 First Thursday Unfocused Group at 1 p.m., virtual meeting  
June 7 Legacy Users Group, meeting virtually at 10 a.m.  
Book Club Group, meeting virtually at 12 noon  
June 14 Board Meeting, 10 a.m. (virtually)  
June 20 Father's Day  
June 21-25 **Genealogy Scavenger Hunt Fundraiser**, more info to be available on our website  
June 26 CCGS Craft Clan, 11 a.m. held virtually  
June 29 General Meeting, 7 p.m. held virtually

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.