

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Newsletter

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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 Hwy. t east to St. Johns Rd. exit. Turn left onto St. Johns Rd. and proceed over the highway. Continue to NE 52nd St., turn left and we will be on the left, across from Hi-School Pharmacy.

Presidents Message

Eric Jordahl

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SPRING HAS SPRUNG! With Spring in the air, our beginning Genealogy classes have been full. 25 to 30 people have filled our Classroom to capacity. Our speakers Alice Allen, Elsie Deatherage, Marcia Grubb, and Bea Ritter, have done a great job of instructing the class on how to get started DOING GENEALOGY. Unfortunately Dale Deatherage was ill for the last class. His class on Probate Records will be re-scheduled and attendees notified. Bea Ritter graciously stepped in at his scheduled time and showed the books she has used in writing her family histories (note the plural), as well as showing some of the books in the Library.

RootsTech 2023 has come and gone, but the presentations linger on. Most of the presentations are available (free) on YouTube.com. CCGS also has a YouTube channel. Look for Clark County Research Library.

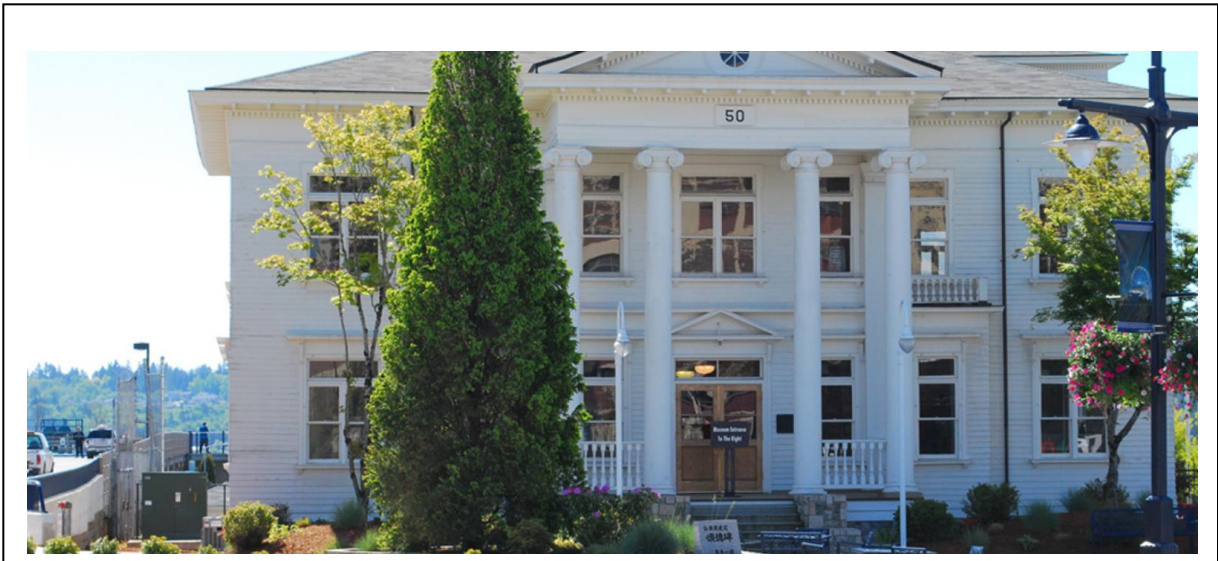
Have you looked at Trail Breakers Volume 48? Our editor Marcia Grubb has spent many hours assembling the articles for our edification. It is easily available on our website and may be downloaded to read later. There is a continuing series on our founders plus other articles.

We have had issues with our binding machine. Sandy Thompson has bound hundreds of obituary and cemetery books for the Library. The machine is no longer working properly on a consistent basis. Sandy and I have made several trips to Hillsboro, Oregon to consult with the technicians at My Binding. Thank you Sandy Thompson for your dedication, time, and service.

In April, the Elizabeth Shown Mills webinars (different subjects) will be shown April 14 (2:00pm) and on April 28 (11:00am). This is for CCGS Members only and is by special permission from Geoff Rasmussen, the Legacy Webinars host

The pandemic is passing. Stay safe. Use the Library often.





**General Meeting
7 p.m. April 25
Presented Virtually**

Military Records For Genealogy Research. Uncover your Sailor's story through military records! Join Puget Sound Naval Museum curator Megan Churchwell to learn about researching military service records, with a focus on records available from the National Archives.

Note: We return to evening meetings this month

RESEARCH BOOK CLUB FOCUS GROUP

Come join the CCGS Research Book Club as we start a new book in May. "Preserving Your Family Photographs" by Maureen A Taylor. We meet virtually on the first Monday of each month at Noon and analyze each book by reading one to two chapters at a time. Focus groups are free and open to CCGS members and non-members. If you would like more information or are interested in joining this group, please contact Paula (facilitator) at paulas@ccgsa.org

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Bea Ritter

I have been so excited with the response to our FREE Classes. Each class had a room filled with enthusiastic and interested students. We have four new members who have attended our classes. We have at least three more who will be listed in the next newsletter. Thank you for all of the members who renew their membership on time. Please continue to return the renewal letter or membership form with your dues.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Sharon Sorensen - Susan Parsons - Robin Lee Albertson - Rosie Brinsek



SCANDINAVIAN CORNER

Welcome to this edition of the Scandinavian Corner. The next meeting of the Scandinavian Focus Group will be Tuesday, April 11, 2023 1:00 pm to 2:30pm. We will meet in the CCGS meeting room. I am pleased to announce that our guest speaker will be David Anderson, President of the organization, Swedish Roots In Oregon. In 2020 he co-authored the book “Swedes In Oregon” with Ann Stuller. He will talk about the impact of Swedish immigrants in Oregon. The book will be available for purchase. I look forward to seeing you on April 11th.

Richard Engstrom rengstro60@yahoo.com



CCGS Membership Dues

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

24 Hour Genealogy Webinar Marathon

Join Legacy and MyHeritage April 13-14, 2023 for our 4th annual 24-Hour Genealogy Webinar Marathon! Pop in for a session or two, or stick around for the full 24 hours – it’s completely up to you. Thanks to MyHeritage and Legacy Family Tree Webinars, the entire event is free.

<https://familytreewebinars.com/24-marathon/>

Information on the webinars and presenters as well as links to register are available at the above link. You’ll find a free webinar from Elizabeth Shown Mills during this event.

**Especially for Legacy Family Tree Members
Special Presentation by Elizabeth Shown Mills**

**THIS IS A CCGS MEMBER-ONLY EVENT
Friday, April 28, 2023: 11AM
BEST OF ESM – METHODOLOGY AND SKILLS**

**Okay, I ‘Got the Neighbors’ –
Now What Do I Do with Them?!
Presented by Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL**

We’ve all heard the mantra *Get the Neighbors!* But exactly how do we use “other people’s” information to solve problems of identity, kinship, and origin for our own ancestors? This session teaches critical skills for building networks around problem ancestors, methods for analyzing and prioritizing associations, and strategies for milking clues from the records those neighbors created. All can be developed into solutions for our toughest research problems

Become a Legacy Family Tree Member

CCGS has entered into an agreement with Legacy Family Tree to get a 50% discount for a Legacy membership for CCGS Members. This allows you to watch ALL Legacy and My Heritage webinars, including the Elizabeth Shown Mills webinars as well as older webinars for free.

Call CCGS during open hours and after verifying your current membership, will give you the special code to use get your 50% discount. Or you can request by email and the code will be sent to you.

23 OGS Spring Seminar

Date: Saturday, April 15, 2023

Speaker: [Judy Russell](#)

Registration (required):

-- [OGS Member Registration](#) (\$40; must be logged into OGS website to access this page.)

[Information for Registered Attendees](#)

Questions: Email us at Events@OlyGenSoc.org

Seminar Program:

Where There Is – or Isn’t – a Will -- Where there’s a will, there’s a probate. And often when there isn’t a will, there’s still a probate. Understanding the process and finding the records created when our ancestors died can help break through those brick walls.

Property Rights and Wrongs – African-Americans at the Courthouse -- From being treated as property to having their children and their property stolen by those who used the law against the freedmen, African Americans’ experience at the courthouse had only one bright spot: it created records for the genealogist-descendants of enslaved and enslavers alike.

Linking the Generations with Court and Land Records -- It’s the single biggest issue genealogists face: how do we connect one generation to the next with evidence we can rely on? Vital records are excellent documentation, but they often don’t exist for the time and place we’re researching. That’s when we have to find workarounds to make sure we’re not simply putting people into family lines because they share the same names. Using court and land records, we can often find the evidence we need to link the generations accurately.

“Don’t Forget the Ladies” – A Genealogist’s Guide to Women and the Law -- In early America, women were all too often the people who just weren’t there: not in the records, not in the censuses, not on juries, not in the voting booth. The common law relegated women to “protected” – second-class – status, and understanding how they were treated under the law provides clues to finding their identities today.

Speaker:

Judy Russell

Judy G. Russell, *The Legal Genealogist*®, is a genealogist with a law degree who provides expert guidance through the murky territory where law and family history intersect. An internationally-known lecturer and award-winning writer, she holds credentials as a Certified Genealogist® and Certified Genealogical LecturerSM from the Board for Certification of Genealogists®. Her blog is at <https://www.legalgenealogist.com>.

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CCGS Meetings and Programs

April 3 Legacy Users group 10 a.m. (meeting virtually)
Book Club Group, 12 noon (meeting virtually)
April 6 First Thursday Unfocused group 1 p.m. (meeting virtually)
April 10 Board meeting 10 a.m. (meeting virtually)
April 11 Scandinavian Focus Group 1:00-3:00 p.m.
April 13-14 Legacy/My Heritage Marathon
April 16 Preparing for a Research Trip Focus Group, 10 a.m. (meeting virtually)
Family Tree Makers' Focus Group, 12 noon at the CCGS Library
April 22 Craft Clan, 11 a.m.
April 24 General Meeting, 10 a.m. (Virtual Meeting)

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.