

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Newsletter

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Closed Sunday & Monday

*Check the on-line
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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.



May General Meeting



Joan Zuber (Solheim)
7 p.m. May 23 In Person at CCGS

Joan Zuber (Solheim) was one of the founders of the Clark County Genealogical Society. Join us as her daughter, Kathy Solheim, shares with us details of her life. She plans to cover her life growing up, her talents, her education, family stories, her recollection of her at the beginning of CCGS, and her areas of research. Please join us!

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@ccgswa.org

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Bea Ritter
May 2013

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Glenn Alleman
Margaret Shefner
Kathy Kidd

Helen Krouse
Sheila Thayer
Barbara Jo Olson

WELCOME BACK REINSTATED MEMBER

Delores Carlson

CCGS Membership Dues

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

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

THIS IS A CCGS MEMBER-ONLY EVENT

Friday, May 26, 2023: 11AM

BEST OF ESM – METHODOLOGY AND SKILLS

Samuel Witter vs. Samuel Witter:

Separating Same-Name Soldiers, War of 1812

Presented by Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL

Online research today is immensely rewarding. Major genealogical data sites and software perform automatic searches for us and suggest documents bearing the names of people we are pursuing.

However, *every document we collect presents an identity issue we have to resolve before we can validly use it to build our family tree*. This presentation demonstrates why, using three men named Samuel Witter whose descendants have all claimed for him the same War of 1812 service. As Mills separates the three Samuels, she explores the standards that govern our development of evidence, the Congressional laws that must guide our decisions, and the strategies needed to differentiate between men and correctly assign military service.



SCANDINAVIAN CORNER

Welcome to this edition of the Scandinavian Corner. The Scandinavian Focus Group will not meet in May, June, July or August of this year. We will re-convene in September. Have a great summer. I wanted to let you know about an upcoming Swedish Genealogy Workshop scheduled for Saturday, June 10, 2023. It will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Central Time. The workshop is hosted by the Lindsborg Old Mill & Swedish Heritage Museum in Lindsborg, Kansas and is hosted by ArkivDigital. You can register online at: <https://www.oldmillmuseum.org>. This will be a virtual presentation. The cost is \$50.00 for non-museum members. The sessions will be recorded and will be sent to all registrants.

Richard Engstrom
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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee is presenting the following slate of officers to be elected at the May 23rd General Membership meeting.

Vice President: Paula Schoenlein
Assistant Treasurer: Maria Adler

The terms of office are for two years-July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2025. As per the CCGS By Laws, nominations may be made from the floor at the May 23rd meeting if prior consent of the nominee has been obtained and they are members in good standing.

Respectfully Submitted: Richard Engstrom, Nominating Committee Chair.

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President: Eric Jordahl
Vice President: Paula Schoenlein
Secretary: Richard Engstrom

Treasurer: Lowell Kenedy
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Past President: Brian Runyan

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CCGS Meetings and Programs

May 1 Legacy Users group 10 a.m. (meeting virtually)
Book Club Group, 12 noon (meeting virtually)
May 4 First Thursday Unfocused group 1 p.m. (meeting virtually)
May 8 Board meeting 10 a.m. (meeting virtually)
May 13 Family Foto Stories Interest Group, 11 a.m. (NEW)
May 21 Preparing for a Research Trip Focus Group, 10 a.m. (meeting virtually)
Family Tree Makers' Focus Group, 12 noon at the CCGS Library
May 27 Craft Clan, 11 a.m.
May 23 General Meeting, 7 p.m. (in person Meeting)
May 29 Memorial Day holiday

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.