

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Newsletter

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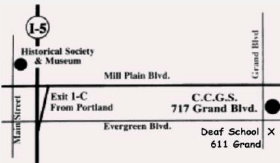
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Hours of operation

Closed Sunday & Monday



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

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

Tues, Wed & Thurs:
10 am to 4:30 pm

Friday
10 am to 3 pm

Saturday
2nd & 3rd Saturdays 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.

Our library
will be closed for the holidays beginning
Sunday, December 18.
We will reopen
Tuesday, January 3, 2012.

January General Meeting

Tuesday, January 24, 2012
10 am - noon
CCGS Library Annex
715 Grand Blvd.

The public is invited to attend.



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Feasting on Family Traditions

A sharing of the favorite foods and/or activities of your family.
Plan to share a taste, including a recipe and the story about this food.
Or, bring a description and/or pictures of an activity enjoyed by your family during the holidays.

Getting to know . . . **GLORIA MACHAJEWSKI SCULLIN**



I was born and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. My husband Bob and I moved from Milwaukee to the Pacific Northwest almost 40 years ago and made our home in Camas, Washington. We have two children. Our son Shanon lives near Seattle. Our daughter Kira and her family moved to near Schenectady, New York, just over a year ago. She has two boys, ages three and five, our grandsons. We miss them, of course, but we also now have a reason to travel to the East Coast. In July of 2009, I retired after 30 years with Daimler Trucks of North America (Freightliner) in Portland, where I worked as Manager of Budgeting, Planning, and Management, reporting in the Finance Department.

My real start in family history began when I purchased a family tree program from Costco in the early nineties. I am researching both my family and my husband's. All my family is in Wisconsin, where my research covers not only Milwaukee, but also Chicago, Elkhorn, Fort Atkinson, Park Falls, and Butternut, Wisconsin. The latter two are in northern Wisconsin. The family names I am focusing on are Machajewski, Kurczewski, and Kowalski on my side, and the Scullin, Schondlmaier, and Schade families on my husband's side.

The mix of technology and computers and software like Photoshop has helped expand my interest. I am a wanna-be geek. Since retirement, I have convinced family to clean out closets, scan in old photos, and set up a website to share with both my family and my husband's family. The latest effort is to get young people interested. Recently I have started a blog and a Facebook page, and after only a few weeks there has been some response from the thirty-somethings in the family.



We sadly announce the recent deaths of three CCGS members:

Carol Clark - November 18 at age 66
Irene Page - December 5 at age 78
Dorothy Person - October 27 at age 87

And of three former members:

Joanne Metcalfe - October 31 at age 95
Oma "Amy" Singer - in November at age 94
Helen Beseda - November 10 at age 85

HEIRS ARE HERE!

Sherry Warren (CCGS Secretary) and Dolly Merrick (CCGS VP) have formed an informal group called HEIRS. Their focus is "Harvesting Electronic Innovations (as) Research Sources." Dolly reports, "We will become familiar with (not experts on) Skype, Facebook, Twitter, blogs, and, of course, the NEXT new electronic innovation!"

Contact Sherry or Dolly if you'd like to join them. Watch the Sunday Blurb and the CCGS *Newsletter* for more info. Email Sherry: allMYmessages at live.com or Email Dolly: dolly_m1 at yahoo.com. Remove the "space at space" and replace with @. Or you can phone the library and leave a message at 360-750-5688.

Welcome!

New Members:

Nira Lang
Margaret Lubbers
Betty Davenport
Norma Loughry
DeCody Marble
Don Steinke
Lea Donaldson

Reinstated Members:

Carolyn Ellertson
Martha Cieglo
June Nack
Joan DeCamara
Jerry Oliver

FALL SEMINAR REPORT

Darla Brock, Chairman

The Fall seminar was a success because of the following members: Chuck and Marian Thompson, Marian and Lowell Kenedy, Dolly Merrick, Lillian Fullerton, Jo Dean, Jim and Bev Crossman, Lethene Parks, Dorothy Wear, Alice Allen, Elsie Deatherage, Barb Baker, Wayne Turholksi, De Ann Wilson, Richard Engstrom, Pat Bauer, Denni Hamilton-Levonian, and Steve Cornick. The program was well planned and received, thanks to Larry Dean. Many thanks to you all!

There were 44 paid attendees and we cleared \$243 on the raffle.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Larry Dean

The committee is busy working on the spring schedule and expect to start classes in mid-February. Watch the web page and the February CCGS Newsletter for more information

VOLUNTEER DAYS AT CCGS

January Volunteer Day: Monday, January 16, 10 am to 2 pm.

On Nov 21st the following members volunteered at CCGS: Eric Jordahl, Yvonne Muchmore, Barbara Baker, and Larry Germann came in to do Treasurer things. Elinor Perlich, Judith Peterson, Lillian Fullerton, and Lethene Parks worked in the library. Richard Engstrom, Steve Cornick, and Jane Germann also volunteered.

In December, Volunteer Day was on December 7th, the 70th anniversary of Pearl Harbor, Updating Donor Books was really a big job. Sally Morello, Bea Ritter, Lyman Ritter, and Vicki Schwab all worked hard with Elinor and Lethene - ALL DAY!

In January, please plan to show up on the Monday the 16th to volunteer - unless winter weather closes CCGS down. Jane will be back and have things to work on, as well as the library which always has work to be done. Hope to see YOU then.

INTERESTING SITES - WORTH VISITING!

Steve Aberle sent us two links to interesting sites worth visiting! Plan to spend some time on each one.

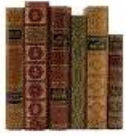
The first one is about the War of 1812. Lots of links on the page to much information.
<http://www.warof1812.ca/index.html>

Another site worth looking at is: <http://genealogyjamboree.us/>

This web site has an interesting heading:

*DESTINATION CUMBERLAND GAP TENNESSEE
WHERE GENEALOGY AND HISTORY
RUNS THROUGH THE STREETS.*

They will tell you of the *Genealogy Jamboree*, June 7th, 8th, and 9th 2012, at Cumberland Gap, Tennessee



New Additions to Our Library Collection

Compiled by Alice Aultman Allen

The following books were added to our Library collection during the month of December. You can see them on the "New" shelf at the CCGS Library. They will remain there for the month of January.

Donated by the Estate of Jean Langowski
Wayne County Tax List, 1826 (Indiana)
By Richard G. Smith

History of Morris County 1820-1890 (Kansas)
By John Maloy

The John Whitcomb Family in Indiana 1830-1978
By Margaret Whitcomb Baird

Donated by Virginia Holter
1820 Census of the Territory of Arkansas, Reconstructed
By James Logan Morgan

Abstract of Catholic Register of Arkansas
By Dorothy Jones Core

Donated by Erdine Nugent
Altoona, Wahkiakum County, Washington
By Carlton E. Appelo

Cottardi Station, Wahkiakum County, Washington
By Carleton E. Appelo

Western Wahkiakum County Telephone Directory, 1986-1987
By Western Wahkiakum County Telephone Co.

Donated by Helen Bales
The Alki, Vancouver High School Yearbook 1928-1929
By Vancouver High School

The Alki, 1942, Vancouver High School Yearbook
By Vancouver High School

Donated by Glen Jones
Early Days on the McKenzie
By Leroy B. Inman

Images of America: Prineville
By Steve Lent

Donated by Ramona Bennett
Genealogical Periodical Annual Index, vol. 24
By Laird C. Towle

Donated by Dorothy Wear
Clarke County Washington Territory 1885
By B.F. Alley; J.P. Munro-Fraser

Donated by Madeline Mesplay
The Shivelys
By Esther Shively Keeney

Books compiled by CCGS
East County Obituaries 2003
By CCGS Research & Preservation (compilers)

Periodicals bound into books by CCGS:
American-Canadian Genealogist, vol 31-32; vol 33-34 and vol 35-36.
By American-Canadian Genealogical Society

Unknown Donors:
Checklist of Parish Registers, 1986
By National Archives of Canada

Confederate Dead: Hollywood Cemetery 1869
By Hollywood Memorial Association

WANTED!

Family food stories, photographs, artifacts--for the library window, to go along with our January program theme: "Feasting on Family Traditions." I already have a nice mincemeat pie story from Lillian Fullerton and some ideas of my own, but I need more. Recipes could also be used, and photos of people eating and/or cooking at different times and in different settings, so if you have any of these that you think others might find interesting, please let me know. As for artifacts, I would especially like to find the following: iron skillet, small hand-operated butter churn, granite-ware coffee pot, or any other such cooking or serving items you might be willing to lend. You may contact me (Lethene) at lethene at comcast.net or call me at 360-260-9369 (If I am not home, please leave a message with contact information).

Getting to know . . . SHARON STOECKLIN HOUCK



I was born 1 Nov 1947 in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Robert Lincoln Stoecklin and Margaret Ruth Gilson, as the eldest child of six (three girls, three boys). We moved to Seattle when I was age two, and my five younger siblings were all born out here. Five of us still live in Washington; one brother is in Nevada.

I attended Mercer Island, Washington, school for grades 1 through 4. Grades 5 through 12 were in Bellevue, I graduated in 1965 from Sammamish High School. I attended Washington State University in Pullman, graduating in 1969 in Office Administration.

In June of 1969, Don Houck and I were married. He then received orders to report to Malmstrom AFB in Great Falls, Montana, where we lived from July 1969 to September 1972. After the Air Force, Don was accepted at Washington University to study physical therapy, and we moved to St. Louis, Missouri, where we lived from Aug 1973 to May 1975. We returned to the West Coast in 1975 and have lived in the Portland-Vancouver area since. Upon our return, I worked at Pendleton Woolen Mills for a few years before accepting a position to do medical transcription at home for 20+ years, allowing me to be at home while our son Kevin grew up. That position was finally discontinued, and I 'retired' in 2005.

Don and I have one son (Kevin born 1972 in Great Falls, Montana), who is married and lives in Thornton, Colorado. He and his wife have one daughter (our granddaughter) who is now 10 years old.

My interest in genealogy was initially sparked by a Christmas present one of my brothers gave all of his siblings. It was a chart of Gilson ancestors he had made for a class project at school. For the project, he had interviewed our grandfather. The chart contained names only – no dates or locations - but provided a starting point for my search. As kids, we had been told of a Norwegian connection; I was curious as to where they fit into the family. I didn't actively take up the search until sometime in the mid to late 1990's after Kevin graduated and moved to Colorado. Unfortunately, by then, many of the people who could have answered my questions had passed away.

Since that beginning, the names and locations that have entered the picture have grown and taken me places I would never have figured. That original chart pointed me in the right direction, although corrections to the chart have been necessary.

Among the principal names I research and watch are:

Paternal – Stoecklin, Armacost, Wyatt, Morin, Shaw, McAdams

Maternal – Gilson, Tucker, Resseguie, Buswell, Lewis, Richardson (Reiersen)

(Editor's note: Sharon led the group on the Salt Lake City trip in October. She has made reservations at the Carlton for the group next time. It will be September 30 to October 7. You can see more details on the CCGS web page.)

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FamilySearch Adds New Free U.S. Records from Illinois, Maine, New Hampshire, Washington State, and Wisconsin

The following announcement was written by FamilySearch:

New Collections Added for Canada, Estonia, Mexico, Russia, South Korea, and Sweden
New records were added to FamilySearch.org this week from Canada, Estonia, Jamaica, Mexico, Russia, South Korea, Sweden, and the U.S. Begin searching for your ancestors now at FamilySearch.org.

Searchable records on FamilySearch.org are made possible by thousands of volunteers from around the world who transcribe (index) the information from handwritten records to make them easily searchable by computer. More volunteers are needed—particularly those who can read foreign languages—to help accelerate this great initiative to preserve and provide free access to the world's historic genealogical records. To learn more about the FamilySearch indexing program, visit indexing.familysearch.org.

Continue reading "FamilySearch Adds New Free U.S. Records from Illinois, Maine, New Hampshire, Washington State, and Wisconsin."

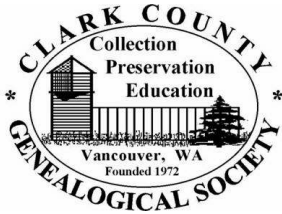
How to Encrypt All Your Data Being Stored on Dropbox

The following Plus Edition article is written by and copyright by Dick Eastman. I love the program called Dropbox and have written about it several times. You can read my earlier articles if you start at <http://goo.gl/dWzhB>. Judging by the feedback that newsletter readers have posted at the end of those articles, many people agree with my opinion of the program. Dropbox appears to be very popular. However, it also has some drawbacks.

Dropbox is a multi-purpose program. It provides off-site backup of files that you select. Those files can be almost anything: text files, word processing documents, genealogy databases, pictures, .mp3 music files, or most anything else.

In addition to backups being stored on Dropbox's servers, the files also can automatically be copied (replicated) to other computers you own or to computers owned by friends or relatives. For instance, if you own both a desktop and a laptop computer, Dropbox can be used to make certain you always have the latest version of a file available on both systems. This can be great for keeping the latest version of your genealogy database on both systems.

(Editor's note: try <https://www.dropbox.com/about> for a direct connection to Dropbox.)



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CCGS Meetings and Programs

Dec 18-Jan 2 CCGS Library closed for the holidays

- Jan 2 Legacy Users Group (LUG) 10 am - noon, CCGS Library Annex
- Jan 2 Computer Clinic - beginning at 1 pm, CCGS Library Annex
- Jan 3 Writing Focus Group - 1:30 - 3:30 pm, CCGS Library
- Jan 4 Scandinavian Focus Group, 10 - 11:30 am - CCGS Library Annex
- Jan 5 First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group, 1:30 - 3:30 pm, CCGS Library Annex
- Jan 9 CCGS Board Meeting - 9 - 11 am, CCGS Library Annex
- Jan 14 British Isles Focus Group - 10:30 am - noon, CCGS Library
- Jan 16 Volunteer Day - 10 am - 2 pm, CCGS Library Annex
- Jan 18 February CCGS Newsletter deadline - copy to both editors please
- Jan 24 General Meeting - 10 am to noon, CCGS Library Annex
- Jan 30 Librarians' Training - 10 am to noon, CCGS 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.