CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY *Newsletter*

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General Meeting Tuesday, June 23, 2009 Beginning at 6:00 pm CCGS Library Annex

This will be our annual potluck meeting with a Show & Tell time.

We will have a short business meeting with the installation of officers to fill two positions.



Afterwards we will enjoy a potluck dinner so bring your favorite dish to share along with table service (plate & tableware).



Also, bring along your newest genealogical treasure. This will be for our "Show and Tell" time. This can be anything that you've found or been given in

the past few years. A photo, maybe a dish that belonged to great great grandma - just anything of interest. OR even an old lamp or a small phonograph. It's a fun time!







Our condolences are sent to **Herb and Beth Femling**. His dad, Norbert "Norb" Femling, passed away March 30 at his home in Vancouver at the age of 80.

Northwest Heritage and History Extravaganza Glen Jones

I attended the Northwest History and Heritage Conference in Portland April 15-18. This extravaganza was the first time for a number of Northwest History and Heritage Associations to be combined into one conference. Groups involved were the Northwest Oral Historians, the Northwest History Conference, and the Northwest Archivists.

The conferences rotate between the states of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. This year it was combined with the Oregon Heritage Commission and Oregon Historic Cemeteries Commission Conference.

There were many workshops presented such as Grant Writing, Oral History, and Volunteer Management. There were also a number of vendors represented, including the Washington State University and the University of Washington selling their publications, as well as Oregon and Montana Universities. NARA and the Northwest Digital Archives both showed what they have available for researchers. In fact, there was so much going on that it is impossible to list everything here.

With approximately 400 attendees, this combined conference was such a huge success that future combined conferences are being considered.

Research & Preservation

Jane Germann

Next Cut and Paste: Monday, June 15, 2009, at the annex, 10 to 4

Wow! What a day! The Research and Preservation team finished getting two books, the 1999 obits and the 2003 vitals, ready for accession by the library. Many volunteers assisted with the effort, but special thanks goes to **Barbara Baker**, who finished proofing and copying the index that Lillian Fullerton had completed for the 1999 obituaries. Then **Diana Cruz** compiled the indexes **DeAnn Wilson** had completed for the 2003 vitals and printed the result. **Jane Germann** completed the covers and got the books ready for the library to bind. So they now are ready for the shelf.

An index of our cemetery books, a project spear-headed by **Larry Dean**, also was made ready for the shelf. And then **Jane Germann** not only finished compiling the indexes done by others into an index for the 1928 township maps, but also assembled the set of laminated maps to go with the index.

Both **Bea Hicks** and **Lillian Fullerton** spent the day putting page numbers on the cut-andpaste pages of 2002 and 2007 vitals, bringing them a step closer to completion. **Gaydena Thompson** worked on pasting up some obituaries that are not yet in a book, but are on-line. **Beth Cross** came by with the 2008 vitals, complete with index and scanned as well. **Pat LaRock** stopped in to see how cut and paste works. **Lorlei Metke** dropped off a month of 2007 obits that she had done at home, which completed 2007! Well done, all of you who worked on any aspect of these projects.

Here's an extra tidbit from Jane Germann TAG YOUR FLASH DRIVE

I was down at the library working on a project and Larry Dean showed me how he adds an address label to his flash (thumb) drive. Alice Allen was there and mentioned that there were drawers-full of unclaimed flash drives at the Salt Lake Family History Center. When I got home a bit later, Larry Dean called me to say he had my flash drive and what would I like done with it. Needless to say, my flash drives now have my address label on them.

Your assistance will be appreciated

Please send information to our editors on the deaths of a member or member's close relative as we don't want to overlook anyone. The information can be sent to gskuech@gmail.com and to apmb@pacifier.com Just put CCGS Newsletter in the subject line please.

Our Sunshine Lady, **Joy Porter**, would also appreciate receiving the information about any members so she can send a condolence card to the family or a get well card to the member. Her e-mail address is always listed, along with her phone number, in the Newsletter just below the monthly calendar of events. Joyfamily6@msn.com

Congratulations!

Congratulations to **Doc and Carol Clark** (Co-Vice-Presidents) and **Cheryl Brooks** and **Larry Germann** (Co-Assistant Secretary-Treasurer). They were all elected at the May 26 general meeting. They will serve in these offices for two years.

2009 WSGS Conference

The 2009 Washington State Genealogical Society State Conference will be held September 11-13 in Spokane, Washington, at the Davenport Hotel. It is being hosted by the Eastern Washington Genealogical Society.

More Information can be found at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~wasgs Or www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waewgs

There are a number of interesting workshops and the main speaker is Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak, who will be speaking on DNA Research and on Techniques for Finding Your Lost Loved Ones There are also tours of the Eastern Washington State Archives, the MAC Museum, and Eastern Washington Historical Research Library.

New-Book Shelf

The following are new additions to the CCGS Library, and will be on the New-Book Shelf behind the desk for the month of June, beginning June 4th.

Donated by Jeanine Bailiff:

Anthony Mitchell Martinell & Margaret Bennett, Ancestors, Genealogy & Family History By Frederick Garth Gregory

Donated by Dorothy Wear:

1930 Yakima Indian Federal Census By Dorothy Wear (compiler)

Donated by Kenneth Johnson

History of Lewis Joseph and Helen Regan Mosier By Kenneth Johnson

Donated by Marian Thompson

Like a Gust of Wind They Came By Marian Thompson

Unknown Donor:

Sesquicentennial Celebration: Van Buren, Ohio

Donated by Steve Cornick

Photoshop Elements 6 For Dummies By Barbara Obermeier, Ted Padova

Donated by Myrtha Hammer:

Writing Family Histories and Memoirs By Kirk Polking

The German Americans By Anne Galicich

Donated by Kenneth Doane

The Annual Register of the Baptist Denomination of North America By John Asplund

Donated by Connie Ronayne

Commanders at Kings Mountain By J.D. Bailey

Donated by the Estate of Jean Langowski

Robert Bain's Clans & Tartans of Scotland By Margaret O. MacDougall

A message from our president Garry Lucas

First of all, congratulations to **Doc And Carol Clark** who were nominated and elected to continue their position as co-vice-presidents of the Society, and **Larry Germann** and **Cheryl Brooks** who were nominated and elected to be the co-assistant secretary/treasurers. Without staid volunteers we would not be able to conduct the business of the Society.

Speaking of staid volunteers, I hear that **Pat LaRock** has stepped up to fill the membership chairmanship. This is a vital position that I am sure Pat can ably fill. Her appointment will be effective with her confirmation.

For many years the Society has been blessed by any number of people who have given of their time, talent, and resources to build the Society into what it is today. We have an outstanding library staffed with knowledgeable librarians. We offer great services to people researching their ancestry, not the least of which is gen-chat, a unique web based service that has not received the publicity it deserves. There are many small businesses who do not have the systems and structures that the Society has institutionalized. None of the activities of the Society would be possible without dedicated people who volunteer to make this a great organization.

Not the least among these volunteers is Diana Cruz. I have no way of knowing how many jobs she has filled, committees she has chaired, and offices she has held for the Society over the years, but they are numerous, and were done well. If there was something to be done, and no one to do it, she stood in the gap. She has opted to move on to other interests. If you have the opportunity, please say thanks to Diana for the contribution she has made to the success of the Society.

Speaking of volunteers and opportunities, the following is a list of them:

WEBSITE MONITOR

This person receives the e-mail forwarded from our web page address and forwards it on to the person or committee involved, or, in some cases, gives the correct answer to the person sending the message.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

We need someone to print the monthly newsletter. The final draft of the newsletter is provided by the newsletter co-editors and needs to be printed for the 10 months that the newsletter is published. Training is available until June 30, 2009.

Please let us know if you are willing to take on this volunteer opportunity. Send an email to: gensoc@ccgs-wa.org

MAILING COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED

This committee folds, tapes, and labels any publications that are being prepared to be sent to Bulk Mail at the Post Office. The Chair's job includes coordinating the printing of labels with the Membership Chair and notifying the other members of the Mailing Committee of the date for folding, taping, and labeling the newsletter or other publication.

The Chair also completes the bulk mail form and calculates the amount of postage needed and transports the items to the Post Office on Caples Ave. On-the-job training is available until June 30, 2009.

Send an email to: gensoc@ccgs-wa.org for additional information or questions about this volunteer opportunity.

ANNEX RENTAL MANAGER NEEDED

Still another volunteer opportunity at CCGS is as manager of Annex rentals. The manager keeps the calendar of requests for use of the CCGS Annex and sends confirmations. The manager also keeps an Excel spreadsheet of rental payments for Annex use, on notification from the Treasurer, and sends invoices to request payment of rent. The job includes arranging help for opening and closing the Annex for groups that do not have a key, keeping the Annex ready for use, the garbage emptied, and cleaning and restroom supplies replenished as needed.

Please contact gensoc@ccgs-wa.org for additional information or questions about volunteering for this job at CCGS. Training and help is available until June 30, 2009.

We are grateful for your membership and your common interest in our 'roots'. If we can assist you in dismantling some of your 'brick walls' that we all have, please let us know.



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President: Garry Lucas Co-vice Presidents: Doc & Carol Clark Secretary: Steve Cornick Treasurer: Karen Frost Co-Asst. Sec-Treas: Cheryl Brooks &Larry Germann Past President: Diana Cruz http://www.ccgs-wa.org Library: 717 Grand Blvd 360-750-5688

CCGS Meetings and Programs

- June 1 Legacy Users Group 10am-noon, CCGS Library Annex
- June 4 First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group 1:30 3:30, CCGS Library Annex
- June 8 CCGS Board Meeting 9am 11am, CCGS Library Annex
- June 13 British Isles Focus Group 10:30 noon, CCGS Library
- June 15 Cut & Paste work party 10am 4pm, CCGS Library Annex
- June 23 GENERAL MEETING Installation and Annual Potluck 6pm
- Aug. 26 CCGS Newsletter deadline copies to editor and co-editor please
- Oct. 4-11 Annual Salt Lake City Research Trip
- Nov 7 Fall Seminar more details later

General Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month at CCGS Library Annex.

Morning meetings: Oct - Mar, 10 a.m. - noon. Evening meetings: Apr-Sept. 7 - 9 p.m..

No General Meeting is held the month of the Spring Seminar, July, August, or December..

Notify Joy Porter, our Sunshine Lady, of anyone needing a card from CCGS such as get well, thinking of you, sympathy, etc. JoyFamily06 at msn.com or call Joy at 360-576-9290.