CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Newsletter

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Tues, Wed & Thurs:

10:00am to 4:30 pm

Friday

10 am to 3 pm

Saturday 2nd & 3rd Saturdays only 10 am to 3 pm

How to get here:

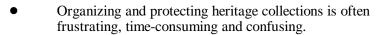
From I-5, take the Mill Plain exit, go east about 1 ½ miles to Grand Blvd and turn right. We are in the strip mall on the left side, north of Evergreen.

CCGS General Meeting November 18, 2008, 10 a.m. - noon CCGS Library Annex, 715 Grand Blvd, Vancouver

Brina Bolanz of Restored Stories will explain and demonstrate about

Taming Wild Photo Collections:
Including how to safely store, handle and showcase your heritage photographs

According to the Restored Stories web page at www.restoredstories.com:





- That's why so many people put it off and put it off... until it's too late.
- Photos fade or become lost. Names and dates slip from memory. Family Heritage Holders pass away, and with them go details of the fascinating past that has shaped your family.

Oh, how true, at least in my family. How about yours? Come to the November meeting to learn what you can do about it.

Notice that the November meeting is a week earlier than usual because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

And yes, the gremlins got into the computer again. The Newsletter gave the wrong date for the October meeting. We apologize. When in doubt, always phone the CCGS Library and ask! If they don't know, they will find out for you.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Ernestine Ray Larry White Judy and Dan Rowlands

(The photo in the information about the meeting is of Charles (Karl) Bauer and his father Michael Frederick Bauer in London about 1890 before Charles came to Clark County. They were both of Wuerttemberg, Germany.)

BEGINNING GENEALOGY CLASS A SUCCESS

Glen Jones, Education Chairman

The Beginning Genealogy Class held October 15th and taught by Jane Germann was a great success. While we only had five people signed up in advance, we had seven walk-ins, for a total of 12 attending the class. They were all very enthusiastic and asked many questions.

Regrettably, the one person who had signed up for the evening class was a no-show, but two who had been in the morning class returned for the evening class. Both are CCGS members and one is training to be a librarian at CCGS. Since they had been in the day class, Jane Germann and I did a little review of the material from the day class and then worked with them more or less one-on-one, showing them many additional things and answering their questions, as well as showing them the Legacy Computer program.

One regret is that I was not as prepared to teach the class as I should have been. Many thanks go to Jane for the class handouts, and to Diana Cruz and Alice Allen for helping during the morning class.

Let's hope the rest of our classes are as successful as the Beginning Genealogy Class.

CCGS FALL AND WINTER CLASSES

Advance registration is highly recommended, or handouts and classes cannot be guaranteed. If there is not enough interest in a class, it may be cancelled.

FREE Beginning Genealogy Classes

December 4. 2008 10am to 12pm January 17, 2009 10am to 12pm

Advanced Classes

\$15.00 members, \$18.00 non-members; Join CCGS at first class and get member price for all classes. All class sessions will be from 10 a.m. to noon. Documentation of sources will be taught in each class.

October 29, 2008 **Libraries and Archives**November 8, 2008 **Court Records**November 22, 2008 **Computer Basics**January 24, 2009 **Organizing your Records**January 31, 2009 **Land Records**

Websites for Genealogy Research

http://www.liveroots.com/

Live Roots is a specialized search engine that assists you with locating genealogical resources, regardless of where they may be stored. Genealogists use Live Roots to find vital records and original publications, share opinions about online repositories, and learn more about tools available to simplify their research projects.

http://www.findagrave.com/

This site can be used to find the graves of ancestors, create virtual memorials, add 'virtual flowers' and a note to a loved one's grave, etc.

http://www.digitalarchives.wa.gov/

The Washington State Digital Archives site has been updated, with many more records now available. Total Records Preserved Online: 74,276,975 Total Records Searchable Online: 62,171,127

A Week of Research in Salt Lake City

Diana Cruz

A group of 10 made the CCGS trip to Salt Lake City for a great week of research time at the Family History Library. Everyone had some success in finding new information and some found the information to eliminate a suspected person from their list. The weather was beautiful and in the 70's for the first several days, and then each day got a little cooler and by Sunday it was 41 degrees and snowing when we left. Each morning at breakfast we had time to get to know the members of the group and added several other people staying at the Carlton Hotel to our list of genealogy friends. Our group dinner was at the Olive Garden on Friday and a few hardy souls went back to the library until closing at 9:00 PM.



A big Thank You to Don and Sharon Houck, Don Houck Sr, Lyndon and Carol Gabriel, Robert Wodal, Carol Clark, and Jim and Sue Cochran for making this a fun group to do research with.

At the left:

Robert Wodal, Diana Cruz (with glassy eyes from all those microfilms) and Carol Clark waiting for the plane to take them home.

Another story of the October Salt Lake trip.

This is from Jim Cochran, a CCGS member living in Santa Rosa, California. Jim is helping with the Clark County Cemetery project by compiling the obituaries we send to him in chronological order for each cemetery. He then compiles an index of the names of the deceased which have obituaries for that cemetery. After all this, he sends the completed files in a PDF format to our webmaster.

This is what Jim said:

This was the first year that I have been to Salt Lake City with the CCGS group. It was also the first time that I had been to SLC since 2004. My wife Sue also went with me to work on her family lines. The preparatory work prior to going (researching the library catalog, etc.) really pays off. I had a list of 45+ films that I wanted to view as a starting point to this year's research. Going with such a list saved a lot of time in SLC. I was able to verify and source numerous items of information that I previously had been given. Death certificates and other publications gave me numerous burial locations. This trip allowed us to meet and get to know other CCGS members. It was a very enjoyable trip for all of us (even with the snow Saturday night and Sunday morning).

SALT LAKE INSTITUTE OF GENEALOGY January 12-16, 2009

Utah Genealogical Association

For more details on the courses, fees, and registration see: http://www.infouga.org

Courses offered:

American Records & Research: Focusing on Localities Research of the Gulf South...Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana,

Arkansas, and Texas

English Research

Research in German Speaking Areas

Colonial American Research

Effective Use of the Internet

Hispanic Research: Discovering Your Ancestors in Spain and Latin America Beyond the Library: Research in Archives, Courthouses & Manuscript Collections Skill Building for Professional Level Research Research Methodology: Genealogical Problem Solving

NEW BOOKS SHELF

Compiled by Alice Aultman Allen



Donated by Myrtha Hammer:

Discovering Your Germanic Ancestors Author: S. Chris Anderson & Ernest Thode

Celebrating the Family Author: Michael Friedman

German Genealogical Research Author: George K. Schweitzer. (It is replacing a worn-out copy of the same book. The original copy on our "Books For Sale" shelf soon.)

Donated by Jeffrey Elmer:

Vitals Information From The Hood River Glacier, 1889-1903

Author: Jeffrey L. Elmer

History of Early Pioneer Families of Hood River, Oregon

Author: Mrs. D. M. Coon

Donated by Lowell & Kathy Amundson:

The History of Baker County, Oregon Author: Baker Co. Historical Society

Donated by Bessie Lagasse:

The Rogue Digger, Spring-Winter 2004; Spring-Winter 2006

Rogue Valley Genealogical Society

The Genealogist, 1991

Author: American-Canadian Genealogical Society

Donated by Nancy Jackson

Virginia's District Courts, 1789-1809 Prince Edward

District

Author: Mary B. Warren & Eve B. Weeks

Donated by Pat Wildman:

The New Cassell's German Dictionary

Author: Harold T. Betteridge

The following were periodicals that were already on our shelves, but were rebound into books.

These will be on the "New Books Shelf" for 30 days:

The Black Hills Nuggets, February 2002-2003

Author: Rapid City Society for Genealogical Research

The Genealogist, 1999-2000, 2001-2002, 2003-2004

Author: American-Canadian Genealogical Society

The following books were generously donated to us by persons unknown as the donation form became separated from the books. If you donated one or more of these books, please let us know so that we can give you proper credit by with a bookplate with your name as the donor.

Origin and History of the Name of Smith

Author: Dr. Aaron Smith

The Descendants of Joel Jones

Author: Elbert Smith

The Loyalists of New Brunswick Author: Esther Clark Wright

A Brief History of Bishop Henry Funck, vol. 1; vol. 2

Author: Rev. A.J. Fretz

1972 WSU Chinook Yearbook

Author: WSU

History of Monterey County, California

Author: Monterey County Historical Advisory

*War of 1812 Genealogy

Author: George K. Schweitzer

*Pennsylvania Genealogical Research

Author: George K. Schweitzer

*These books are on our shelves to replace older edition which will be for sale soon.

Pacific Northwest History and Heritage Conference 2009

Glen Jones

On April 15-18, 2009, the Pacific Northwest History Conference, the Oregon Heritage Conference, and the annual meetings of the Northwest Archivists and the Northwest Oral History Association will all take place as part of a Northwest History and Heritage Extravaganza at the Portland Airport Holiday Inn; activities will also take place at some of the area's historical and heritage sites. There are tours, seminars, workshops, and speakers, and if you have never attended one of these conferences it can be very interesting.

The Pacific Northwest History Conference is organized annually by the Washington State Historical Society. It comprises the States of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho and rotates among those states. Attendees include historians and representatives from museums, historic cemetery associations, and similar groups.

More information will be forthcoming on the Washington State Historical Society website and at www.oregon.gov/oprd/hcd/ohc/conference.html

CLARK COUNTY CEMETERY WEB PROJECT UPDATE

Patricia McKee Bauer

The Clark County Cemeteries web project is coming along nicely with lots of appreciative notes in our guest book on the web page. The latest cemetery to have all the stone photos posted is Northwood Park Cemetery, just south of NE 179th Street in the Salmon Creek area of Ridgefield. Penni Campbell, a non-member, volunteered to photograph the entire cemetery and those photos are now online. Penni is now working on photographing part of the Old City Cemetery which Richard Engstrom has thus far been doing alone He appreciates the help. You can see the entire project at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waclacem/ Click on the name of the cemetery and you will see our progress.

CCGS LIBRARY CALENDAR - MISSING THIS MONTH!

We had news we wanted to include for your information this month so opted to leave the library calendar out of this issue. You can always see the calendar at www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~waccgs/p1433.htm This calendar shows the closures for the Thanksgiving holiday. We will be close beginning Thursday, November 27 and will reopen Tuesday, December 2.

ANTI-VIRUS SCAM

A message from Elinor Perlich said, "Many of you may have already read this in Eastman's e-mail, but I just encountered it - so was prompted to send it out immediately and to everyone. I managed to cut it off quickly, but it is a scary experience - less so if you are forewarned, I think." See the details at:

http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2008/10/scam-an-online.html

CUT AND PASTE A HUGE SUCCESS!

Jane Germann

The next cut and paste will be the third Monday in November - November 17 from 10 am to 4 pm. We have been consistent with the third Monday and will see if there is enough interest to have one in December. Check the Newsletter calendar to see. Lillian Fullerton, DeAnn Wilson, Bill Whaley, Evelyn Campbell, Diana Cruz and Jane Germann showed up for the October work party. Lillian has completed all the 2003 Birth and Marriages she took home to work on. DeAnn shared a bit of trivia from a One Room County School of Kansas book. She said the moon on outhouses signified the girl's restroom and the star signified the boy's restroom. You'll never know what you might pick up at a cut and paste! We have a lot of fun. Thank you for all your hard work.



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CCGS Meetings and Programs

Nov. 3	Legacy Users Group - 10am-noon, CCGS Library Annex
Nov. 6	First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group - 1:30-3:30 - CCGS Library Annex
Nov. 8	British Isles Focus Group - 10:30 am - noon, CCGS Library
Nov. 8	Advanced Genealogy Class - Court Records - 10 am - noon
Nov. 10	CCGS Board Meeting - 9am - 11am, CCGS Library Annex
Nov. 17	Cut & Paste work party - 10 am - 4 pm, CCGS Library Annex
Nov. 18	CCGS General Meeting - 10 am - noon - CCGS Library Annex
Nov. 19	CCGS Newsletter deadline - copies to editor and co-editor please
Nov. 22	Advanced Genealogy Class - Computer Basics - 10 am - noon

General Meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month at CCGS Library Annex, except the month of November. Morning meetings: Oct - Mar, 10 a.m. - noon. Evening meetings: Apr-Sept. 7 - 9 p.m..

No General Meeting is held month of 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.