

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Newsletter

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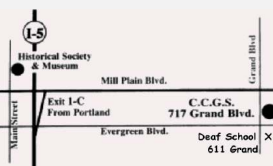
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Hours of operation

Closed Sunday & Monday

Check the on-line library calendar for unexpected closures.

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.

*There is no General Meeting in November
but you can still attend the seminar.*

Fall Seminar **A special event!**

A B C's of Email & the Net

Saturday, November 7, 2009

9:00 - 4:00 pm

CCGS Library Annex
715 Grand Blvd, Vancouver

Your instructors for the email sessions will be the CCGS Newsletter Editors - Gene Swain Kuechmann and Patricia McKee Bauer. They are both long-time computer users. Gene specializes in the use of a Mac and Pat uses a regular Windows PC so they should be able to answer most questions regarding computer use for email. Each has commented how she has learned from the other! We're never too old to learn something new.



Another instructor with a special afternoon session will be Joy Kersteter - our GenChat specialist who has found so many things for the weekly visitors. She continues to amaze us each week with the information she can locate.

Did you ever wonder what is inside your computer? Well, you will get a chance at the 2009 Fall Seminar when CCGS member Steve Aberle will lay out all the pieces on a table in front of you and make sense of it all. **Please plan to arrive a bit early to check in and get to your seat as this demo will begin promptly at 9am.**

*You can find a registration form on the web page at:
<http://www.ccgs-wa.org/Fall2009.pdf>*

*The all-day seminar is \$30 for CCGS members,
\$40 for non-members.*

Bring a sack lunch to enjoy with our attendees.

There are still a few seats left. We hope you can join us.

An email from Don Finel led us to the following information.

GENEALOGICAL BLOGS

First of all, what is a blog? According to Wikipedia, the online encyclopedia: A blog (a contraction of the term "weblog") is a type of website, usually maintained by an individual with regular entries of commentary, descriptions of events, or other material such as graphics or video.

So a genealogical blog is a blog about a subject of genealogical interest. There are huge numbers of genealogical blogs on the Internet. To begin investigating them, go to the web site at: <http://www.geneabloggers.com/about> On the right-hand side of the page is a long list of links about blogs, links to blogs, links to other interesting sites. At the very bottom of the list of links is a link to "What Is Geneabloggers?," where you can find further information about Geneabloggers. And in the list of blogs, you may find one that can lead you to the solution to one of your "brick walls!"

QUICK REFERENCE SOURCE CITATION GUIDE

A link on the Geneabloggers site can also lead you to a handy, printable source citation guide. The guide can be downloaded here: http://www.geneabloggers.com/Citations_Quick_Reference.pdf

The guide covers:

- * basic concepts of source citations
- * the do's and don'ts of using source citations
- * components that comprise a citation
- * popular citation styles
- * bibliography generation websites
- * how to code footnotes for blogs and websites
- * helpful links
- * recommended reads and items

NEW IN THE LIBRARY

Compiled by Alice Aultman Allen

The following books are recent additions to the CCGS Library. They will be found on the "New" Shelf beginning on November 5th, and will be there the rest of the month.

Donated by Deenie Nugent:

Perry County, Ohio, Jackson Township Cemeteries, vol. 7
and
1870 Perry County, Ohio, Census Index
By Perry Co. Chapter, Ohio Genealogical Society

Abstracts of Lancaster Co., PA, Wills 1821-1830
By Edward N. Wevodau

The Marriage Registers of Upper Canada/Canada West, Vol. 7 pt. 1, Newcastle District: 1810-1848 and
Vol. 7 pt. 2, Newcastle District: 1848-1855
By Dan Walker & Fawne Stratford-Devai

Hull Family Association Book of Member Lineages
By David L. Hull

Index of Some Passengers Who Emigrated to Canada between 1817 & 1849
By John A. Acton, FIGRS

Donated by William D. Guiel
all by L. Richard Kocher
A Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Washington Co., Ohio
A Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Meigs Co., Ohio
A Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Athens Co., Ohio
A Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Gallia Co, Ohio

Donated by Kenneth Doane
History of Coshocton County, Ohio
By Coshocton Co. Genealogical Society
Donated by Doris Wastradowski
A Hawks Family History
By William H. Hawks

Donated by Delia Furrer

Some Caser/Castor Genealogies from Western Pennsylvania & Ohio
By Caster Family Association of America

Donated by the CCGS Library Committee

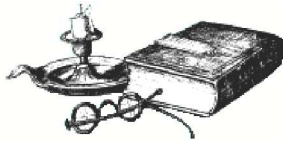
Memoing My Memories
By Emily Aulicino

Unknown Donors

The Great Northwest Flood, February 1996
By Robert D. Shangle

Brief Historical Review of Life and Times on the Northeastern Montana Prairies
By Homesteaders Golden Jubilee Assn

THE OFFICERS' CORNER



Hello again C.C.G.S. members:

Remember last year when we said, "You won't get another request any time soon, at least not until this time next year?" Well, it's next year already.

We are trying something different this time. Instead of going to the time and expense (about \$130 dollars) of sending an appeal letter through the mail, we're reminding you here of our continuing need for additional funds just for operating expenses - you know; rent, lights, taxes, and the copy machine. We are unable to maintain our library based solely on dues from members. The Annex is near the break-even point and we hope to show a small profit in 2010, which will help support the library. We are not there yet. Also, we are currently applying for grant money that will defray our business expenses.

We don't have a lot of options. Our 400+ members have already seen an increase in dues that probably isn't enough to pay the increased cost of utilities. We would like to maintain the level of service we have now at our present location. We are asking those who can, to make a fully tax-exempt donation. (The society is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.) This will help us continue our 36-year tradition of helping you and your neighbors find the stories and facts about your ancestors.

Make checks payable to:
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Thank you again for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Garry Lucas
C.C.G.S. President

Welcome to our new and reinstated members

NEW MEMBERS

Tamara Croft
Virginia Christensen
Katy Hudert
Sharon Walton
April Hess
Eric Jordahl
Jonathan Mills
Scott Hadley

REINSTATED:

Glenna & Rory Bowman
Betty Hawke
Paula Schoenlein
Judith Peterson
Denni Kay Hamilton-Levonian
Pat Holling
Diane Hadley

THREE MEMBERS OF CCGS HONORED

Three members of the Clark County Genealogical Society were recently recognized by the Washington State Genealogical Society for their exceptional and consistent support of the goals and operation of our Society. At the annual meeting of the State Society in September, citations for the achievements of Pat Bauer, Diana Cruz, and Jane Germann were announced by Sue Semenza Ericksen, State Society President.

Following are the citations as presented by the Washington State Genealogical Society:

Patricia (McKee) Bauer, of Ridgefield, Washington, has been an active member of the Clark County Genealogical Society for 20-plus years. She has been tireless in fulfilling a variety of roles for the Society. These have included performing as the webmaster for the Society since 1995. Included in this responsibility has been the realization of the nationally recognized Clark County Cemetery Web Project. This project consists of a web page for each cemetery in Clark County and the posting of photos of stones, histories, obituaries, and maps. She has been Co-Host of the weekly GenChat Forum since 2000. The GenChat Forum is an open Internet forum for anyone interested in researching their family history. It has become a model for other genealogical societies across the USA. She also has been the Co-Editor of the CCGS Newsletter since 2004. Pat has been a long-time CCGS board member. Her knowledge, commitment, and leadership have been crucial in the stability and future development of the organization. As a lifetime Clark County resident, she is a prolific resource regarding the history of the County. Pat comes to each task with a wonderful disposition and great sense of humor. The Society is grateful to have Pat's infectious enthusiasm and leadership skills.

Diana (Erickson) Cruz, of Vancouver, Washington, has been a long-time member of the Clark County Genealogical Society and has been the backbone of the organization. She has served on the Society's Board of Directors in a variety of roles, including most recently a term as President from 2005 to 2007 and as the membership chair for the Society. She has led the Society's annual trip to the Family History Library at Salt Lake City. Diana was the editor for Trail Breakers, the annual publication for the Society, and was instrumental in the provision of genealogical education classes sponsored by the Society. Her knowledge and expertise in genealogical research made her the perfect person to represent the Society. More recently, Diana took on the formidable task of managing the meeting facility that supports the Society's library. The Society has built a significant presence on the Internet, an accomplishment for which Diana deserves much recognition. Diana was also our on-site computer expert. She was the "go-to" person when problems arose. These are only a few of the many jobs that Diana has taken on during her long tenure with the Society. When Diana assumes a task, it is always done well with unexcelled dedication and enthusiasm. Diana's leadership and contributions are greatly appreciated.

Carol Jane (Chappell) Germann, of Vancouver, Washington, is recognized for exceptional and consistent support of the goals and operation of Clark County Genealogical Society (CCGS). Jane Germann has served in a variety of leadership positions, including two terms as President. CCGS has developed an outstanding Genealogy education program. Jane has authored classes in Beginning Genealogy, Organizing Your Records, Court Records, Land Records, and Publishing Your Genealogy. Her lecture preparation is thorough and authoritative. Her presentations of these two-hour lectures are spot-on to the needs of our diverse student audiences. Jane continually updates her lectures and adapts new teaching technology as it becomes available. Currently Jane is the Society's Research and Preservation Committee Chairperson. As such she has worked with the Secretary of State on several projects coordinating our volunteers with the state's Clark County projects. Jane led CCGS in working with three historical museums in preparing a comprehensive inventory of the various collections of genealogical materials in Clark County. Jane led her team in preparing a names index book from 1928 township maps submitted by the North County Historical Museum, a significant contribution to the preservation and publication of genealogical information important to researchers interested in the families of Washington State.



Library Volunteers Needed

CCGS Library is staffed by volunteers. We need more people to share their time and talents. Newer librarians are scheduled with more-seasoned ones for on-the-job training. Please contact Kara Lynn Rankin at 360-901-5331 or kl-rankin@comcast.net to volunteer.

Condolences

Our condolences to the family and many friends of Warren S. MacGregor. He was a longtime Camas, Washington, resident and a CCGS member. Warren died September 18, 2009 at the age of 93. He had been a teacher and later worked in the Chemical Division of the paper mill at Camas where he was employed until he retired. Warren was preceded in death by his wife Cathryn in April. She was also a CCGS member.

Our condolences to the family and many friends of CCGS member Janet Huck who passed away Wednesday, September 30. She succumbed to ovarian cancer at the age of 58. Janet was an avid boater in her native New York state and also in the Northwest. She had been interested in family genealogy for many years. Janet was serving as a volunteer in the CCGS library until just prior to her death. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Our condolences to the family and friends of Juanita Moultrie. While she was not a member of CCGS, many of us remember with gratitude the assistance she gave so willingly when we were meeting at the Family History Center on 5th Street. She passed away September 30.

OLD CITY CEMETERY RESTORATION PROJECT

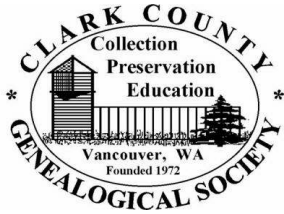
UPDATE

The Old City Cemetery Restoration Project is seeing its first phase of work coming to completion this month. Approximately 40 cemetery markers and stones were repaired during this past summer. This project was supported by a grant from the Clark County Historical Promotion Program and donations from the Vancouver Heritage Ambassadors, Hazel Dell Lions and individual donors.

This is the first phase in our effort to restore this most precious historical resource in our community. The CCGS has submitted a second grant to purchase small granite markers to be placed on grave sites that have seen the markers destroyed by weather, age or vandalism. In addition, if approved, the grant would provide for the development of an educational brochure and walking map for the cemetery.

We will also be working this winter on the organization of a "Friends of the Old City Cemetery". We believe that the development of an ongoing support group for this cemetery would be an important ingredient in the protection and improvement of this wonderful educational and historical site in our community.

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and Cheryl Brooks
Past President: Diana Cruz

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CCGS Meetings and Programs

- Nov. 2 Legacy Users Group - 10am-noon, CCGS Library Annex
Nov. 5 First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group - 1:30 - 3:30pm, CCGS Library Annex
Nov. 7 FALL SEMINAR - ABCs of Email and the Net - 9am - 4pm CCGS Library Annex
Nov. 9 CCGS Board Meeting - 9am - 11am, CCGS Library Annex
Nov. 14 British Isles Focus Group - 10:30am - noon, CCGS Library
Nov. 18 CCGS Newsletter deadline - copies to editor and co-editor please
November NO GENERAL MEETING THIS MONTH

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 usually held the month of any 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.