CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Newsletter

Stephen Cornick, President Patricia Bauer, Co-editor/web Denni Hamilton-Levonian, Gene Kuechmann, Editor Membership gensoc at ccgs-wa.org gskuech at gmail.com apmb at iinet.com mayflwham at gmail.com General Meeting **CCGS** Library Tuesday, October 25, 2011 717 Grand Blvd 10 am - noon Vancouver, WA **CCGS** Library Annex 360-750-5688 715 Grand Blvd. gensoc at ccgs-wa.org The public is invited to attend. Hours of operation Closed Sunday & Monday Nira Lang and Jayne McCarley Daughters of the Pioneers of Washington. will be telling of the history and other information about this organization. Check the on-line library Some information about the group: calendar Active members are female lineal descendants, eighteen years of age or for unexpected closures. older, of pioneers who established their residence in Washington during the year 1870 or prior thereto; or in Oregon during the year 1853 or prior thereto; or in Idaho during the year 1863 or prior thereto; or in Montana Tues, Wed & Thurs: west of the Rocky Mountains during the year 1863 or prior thereto 10 am to 4:30 pm See their web page at: Friday http://www.wapioneerdaughters.org/history.asp 10 am to 3 pm We will have tickets to sell at this meeting for the prizes at the seminar. You don't have to be present to win a prize but you must buy a ticket to be eligible. Saturday All the items will be on display at this meeting. 2nd & 3rd Saturdays only 10 am to 3 pm How to get here: FALL SEMINAR INFORMATION From I-5, take the Mill Plain exit, go east about 1 The CCGS Fall Seminar will be Saturday, November 5, 2011 in the Library $\frac{1}{2}$ miles to Grand Blvd and Annex. The program will be EXPLORE CIVIL WAR HISTORY AND turn right. We are in the GENEALOGY. We have three excellent speakers lined up to present the strip mall on the left side, program. The seminar brochure and registration form are enclosed with this newsletter. north of Evergreen.

ARE YOU HEADING SOUTH FOR THE WINTER?

Denni Hamilton-Levonian, Membership Chair

We want to be sure you receive you monthly newsletters. You have two ways to get your CCGS Newsletter that will keep us from paying fines: 1) Let us know you'd like to read it online; or 2) Give us your winter address and the dates you'll be there. You can phone the CCGS office and ask a Librarian to give the information to the Membership Chair, or you can send an email containing the information to mayflwham at gmail.com. Please be aware that if you do NOT inform us of your temporary address change, the Post Office will charge us 50 cents each time they are unable to deliver the newsletter to your regular address; they DO NOT forward mail under our bulk mail permit. Thanks for taking care of this matter before you leave, and be sure to notify us when you return!

OCTOBER CLASSES

 Free Software - What is Available and How to Find It Saturday, October 8, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, instructor: Steve Aberle
Censuses - beyond U.S. population schedules Tuesday, October 18, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, instructor: Elsie Deatherage
Using Adobe Photoshop Elements Tuesday, November 1, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, instructor: Gloria Scullin

For more details and a registration form see your September CCGS newsletter, the CCGS web page at http://www.ccgs-wa.org/p5291.htm or inquire at the CCGS Library.

1812 Descendants To Form Washington State Chapter



The General Society of the War of 1812 is forming a chapter in Washington State. Established in 1894, this society collects and preserves documents relating to the War of 1812, encourages research and preservation of historical data, cares for graves of veterans of the War of 1812, and participates in veteran celebrations. Membership is open to male descendants who served in the war from November 7, 1811 to July 18, 1815. Females may join the National Society, U.S. Daughters of 1812.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming a charter member of the Washington State Chapter, contact James M. Lindley, Organizing President Washington State, General Society of the War of 1812, 5526 154th Ave SE, Bellevue, Washington 98006 (phone 425-641-3186, or email j.m.lindley at msn.com). His goal is to have the chapter up and running prior to the bicentennial of the War of 1812.

GETTING TO KNOW.... NANCY ELDER PETERSEN



I was born in Eugene, Oregon, in 1940 to Martin Irwin ELDER and Winifred HENRY. I lived in my great-grandparents' house, the HAGGARD/HENRY farm house, at 1387 Onyx Street (now the location of the University of Oregon Student Union).

Father received a Masters in Education from the University of Oregon. Mother graduated from University High School on the campus. Dad taught history, coached football and basketball, then later was principal and superintendent at Scappoose, Oregon, where I graduated from high school in 1958. I attended the University of Oregon twice, in 1961 earning my BA in Languages (German and Russian), then in 1972 earning a Masters in Library Science. I worked as Catalog

Librarian in the Portland School District from 1972 to 1995.

After retirement, I researched my Revolutionary War Soldier, Robert ELDER, who was born in 1730 near Perth, Scotland, and who died in 1807 in Franklin County, Pennsylvania. In 2005 I was approved for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution. Finding DNA matches for my brother's ELDER cousins in Pennsylvania was a big help in confirming that we were on the same paper trail. Our HAGGARD and HENRY families have also been traced back to Virginia and Vermont during the Revolutionary War.

Since 2004, I have enjoyed hosting the ELDER DNA project posted on the FamilyTreeDNA webserver.

For over 10 years, I enjoyed being co-host of the popular CCGS GenChat every Thursday evening. Those transcriptions are still on our web page, which you can search with the FreeFind program located on the homepage at http://www.ccgs-wa.org

GET YOUR 2011 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY NOW!

The 2011 CCGS Membership Directory is ready. It is free to all CCGS members. Contact Bill Whalley (wgwhalley at gmail.com or phone 360-834-4859) for your electronic copy, or stop by the CCGS Library and copy it to your flash drive, or pick up a paper copy at the Library. Donations to defray the cost of a printed copy are always gratefully received.

Those who prefer or need to have a copy mailed, please contact Bill by email or phone or leave him a message at the Library. Again, donations to help defray the cost are always welcome.

Welcome, New Members:

Ray & Susan Garza Carolyn Zenk

Our Condolences

Our condolences to the family and friends of former CCGS member Philo Gregg. He died September 12, at the age of 81, at the Woodland (WA) Assisted Living Center.

CCGS Newsletter Vol. 39 No. 2 (Oct 2011)

GETTING TO KNOW . . . LOIS GUSTAVESON KULLBERG



I think I am one of the "old timers" in CCGS. I joined in 1978 after teaching community education classes in basic genealogy for several groups, including CCGS. I had attended several genealogy seminars and taken a correspondence course from Brigham Young University. Before that time, when I was in my 20s, I lived in Massachusetts, where I was introduced to the New England Historical and Genealogical Society and some other big libraries in the East. In the early 80s I wanted to get a computer and put my info into it. I got a little IBM clone with 64k memory for \$800, a Personal Ancestral File program costing about \$35, and a little sprocket-fed used printer for \$100. I wrote a couple of basic instruction books called *Take a Second Look at Genealogy* and *Take a New Look at Family History*, which I used in the classes I was teaching. I collected everything in print on these subjects, including how to involve children in your research, how to write family newsletters, and planning a family reunion.

My next projects were to write a *History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Oregon and Southwestern Washington from 1850-2000* and I also wrote a Family History of *The Descendants of Vantile Mac Brown and Caroline Sophie Christiansen of Utah, USA, and Alberta, Canada.* After my husband and I served a church mission in Toronto, Canada for a year in 2000-2001, I concentrated on teaching how to write personal and family histories. I also began using the Internet to link my family names together. Since then I have entered over 46,000 names into my database, typing in my sources word for word, including obituaries and written histories into these notes. I now have it all on a little 4 Gigabyte flash drive that works with my laptop computer.

Genealogy never gets boring. I have an account with Ancestry.com which has been a valuable asset to me. It goes through its databases and find all kinds of vital records that I haven't had time to research. It has also put me in touch with distant relatives and other researchers. Just this past month I had an email from a woman who was the granddaughter of the third wife of my grandmother's long lost brother. I've had emails from some second cousins who live in Portland and who will be coming over to meet me soon. That line connected to another line which one of my childhood school friends married into. We've heard from people on my husband's line that we thought was a brick wall. I've learned that another line has an ancestress who was Algonquin Indian princess who married a Portuguese sailor before the Pilgrims came to Cape Cod. Research is speeding up so fast I can hardly keep up with it.

Meanwhile, I served as Secretary for the Venersborg Cemetery Association. I computerized and updated all their records. Over the years I have held several jobs with CCGS including Recording Secretary, Publicity Chairman, Instructor, Trail Breakers Editor, and I even served as a Librarian for a year.

I graduated from, Oregon City High School and worked as a secretary/office assistant in Oregon, California, Washington, and Massachusetts. At age 50 I received an Associates degree from Clark College. I was married to Ben Gassaway and we are parents of six children. I've been married to my present husband, Merle Kullberg, for 40 years. We have a combined family of 25 grandchildren and one very important great-grandson born in June 2011. I have also been active in doing volunteer and church work.

Last year, my husband and I spent 3-1/2 months in Arizona during the winter, and we plan to return in October to stay about five months this time. I will be looking for opportunities to teach classes, scope out the local libraries, and do more on-line family history.



GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY **CLARK COUNTY**

Research Library 717 Grand Blvd. E-mail: <u>gensoc@ccgs-wa.org</u> Phone: 360-750-5688 Vancouver WA 98661 http://www.ccgs-wa.org

CLARK COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

FALL SEMINAR



HISTORY AND GENEALOGY EXPLORE CIVIL WAR Saturday November 5, 2011 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

<u>Afternoon</u> Morning

How the Civil War affected Native Americans in the <u>Civil War</u> – Carolyn Ellertson <u>your ancestors</u> – Ed Demko

How to find records of your Civil

War ancestors – Tricia Oberndorf

to be completed by	Address	
2' 5011	Registration, CCGS Fall Seminar, Nov. Name	
Seminar Schedule 8:30-9:00 Registration 9:00-12:00 Morning Session 12:00-1:15 Lunch/Exhibits 1:15- 4:00 Afternoon Session Register Early - deadline Nov 1, 2011 \$35 Members \$40 Nonmembers \$40 Nonmembers including soup and salad lunch coffee and tea provided soda and bottled water \$.50 Clip the registration form on the right and mail to CCGS 2011 Fall Seminar	P.O. Box 5149 Vancouver, WA 98668-5249 Make checks payable to CCGS Or you may register in person at The CCGS Library 717 Grand Blvd. Vancouver, WA telephone 360-750-5688	
How the Civil War affected your ancestors What were the causes of this terrible war? What were the goals and strategies of the North and the South? How did the reconstruction of the South affect those living there? Ed will aave an interesting talk about the conditions our necestors faced during and after the war. Edward Demko Ed has BA and MA degrees n American History from the University of Washington and Portland State University. He aught history at Evergreen High School for 31 vears and retired from there in 1996. Currently he s active in the Dodds-Edwards Civil War Round Table at Portland State University.	them. A civil war within a civil war. Carolyn Ellertson Carolyn is a member of CGGS. She is an enrolled member of the CCGS. She is an enrolled member of the CCGS. She is an enrolled member of the Cherokee Nation. She has Native American ancestors who fought on both sides of the Civil War. <u>How to find the records of your Civil</u> War ancestor, from <u>Mar ancestors</u> Tricia will discuss techniques for tracing your Civil War ancestor, from iscovering whether you have one to gaining nsight into his (or her!) war experience. She will use the internet to illustrate key points. <u>Patricia Oberndorf</u> Tricia has a MS degree n computer science and currently works in that field. She is pursuing a second career as a professional genealogist. She has been esearching her family and others for over 20 <i>c</i> ears. She has traced ancestors across 25 states and Europe, spanning the $17^{th} - 20^{th}$ centuries.	

Additions to Our Library Shelves

Compiled by Alice Aultman Allen



The following books are new to our Library shelves. They can be found on the "New Shelf" beginning October 6th.

Donated by Lethene Parks:

Images of America: Castle Garden and Battery Park Author: Barry Moropo

Author: Barry Moreno

Guide to Finding Your Ellis Island Ancestors Author: Sharon De Bartolo Carmack

St. Louis Family History Research Guide Author: Ann Carter Fleming

Donated by Sharon Walton:

Knights of the Whip: Stagecoach Days in Oregon Authors: Gary & Gloria Meier

110 Years With Josephine: The History of Josephine County, Oregon Author: Jack Sutton

The Whitman Massacre of 1847 Authors: Catherine, Elizabeth & Matilda Sager

Donated by Erdine Nugent

Hull Family Association Journal, volumes 8-11; 12-14 and 15-17 Author: Hull Family Association

Donated by Richard Schack: Discovering Your Scottish Ancestors Authors: Linda Jonas & Paul Milner

Authors: Linda Jonas & Paul Milner

Donated by Rose Marie Harshman:

The Mantle of Elias Author: Maria Leona Nichols

Donated by the Estate of Jean Langowski:

*Johnson County, Illinois Early Marria*ges *1834-1877, vol. 1* Authors: Carolyn Cromeenes Foss & Judy Foreman Lee

Donated by CCGS in memory of Mike Finley:

Tracing Your Irish Family History Author: Anthony Adolph

Donated by CCGS as an Honorarium to Past President, Garry Lucas:

Crossing the 49th Parallel, Migration from Canada to the United States 1900-1930 Author: Bruno Ramirez

We also received the following books, which we already have on our shelves. These donations make it possible to have one copy to be checked out by CCGS members, while still retaining a copy in the Library:

Donated by Bea Ritter:

Compendium of Historical Sources Author: Ronald A. Bremer

Donated by Judy Hammock:

Looking Back: 100 Years of Camas & Washougal History Author: Mark E. Parsons

An Invitation

Here is your opportunity to join the Library team! We provide individualized training as well as quarterly training sessions. This is a chance to learn more about CCGS and the Library.

The next training will be October 31 from 10-noon. If interested, please e-mail Kara Lynn Rankin at KL-Rankin at comcast.net or call her at 360-901-5331.

2012 Northwest Archivists/Oregon Heritage Conference

The joint 2012 Northwest Archivists/Oregon Heritage Conference will take place April 26-28 in Salem, Oregon. The conference theme is *Fertile Ground: Planting the Seeds for Restoration, Innovation and Collaboration.*

New advances in archives, conservation and preservation, economic development and other sectors, are planting the seeds for new collaborations that increase preservation and access to archival collections, historical materials, buildings, and culture in the Pacific Northwest.

People interested in making presentations at the conference are encouraged to contact the program chair or submit a proposal no later than Oct. 14. Proposals in Word or PDF format should include the following:

- -- A brief description of the topic (no more than 250 words) and suggested title
- -- Organizer (include affiliation, address, email and phone number)
- Presenters (include affiliation, address, email and phone number)
- -- Type of presentation: (panel, case studies, lightning talk, tour, other)
- -- Audiovisual requirements (laptop, projector, screen, etc.)

Submit proposals to: Erin Passehl, Program Committee Chair 2012 NWA/OHC Conference Western Oregon University passehle at wou.edu or (503) 838-8893

People who have a topic idea but cannot find co-presenters should contact the chair, as we can assist with finding others to present on topics with diverse backgrounds. Presenters will be expected to register for the conference.

Information about the conference is available at http://www.oregon.gov/OPRD/HCD/OHC/Conference.shtml

Our Sunday Blurb

If you are a CCGS member and not yet receiving our "Sunday Blurb," please send a note to our webmaster, Patricia McKee Bauer, and ask to be added to the list. She can be contacted at apmb at iinet.com and if you have an item to be added, such as a special meeting, something too late for the Newsletter, etc., just let her know. The "Sunday Blurb" is sent by email almost every week. It's kind of an addition to our Newsletter and the reminders will be about Salt Lake City trips; General Meetings; sometimes urgent news for our members; usually it's about activities during the coming week.

OPEN HOUSE AT THE OREGON STATE ARCHIVES

The Oregon State Archives at 800 Summer St. NE, Salem, OR 97310, will hold an open house Saturday, October 8, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, as part of the celebration of Oregon Archives month.

Tours of the building will be offered on the hour and will provide visitors with a chance to go "behind the scenes," see the records storage area, learn more about the Archives and its holdings, while being guided by an Archives staff member. Tours will last about thirty minutes and include the opportunity to see some of Oregon's most significant historical documents, including the original Oregon Constitution. In addition, visitors will also have an opportunity to conduct research, as additional staff will also be available to assist them and make records available for their use.

The lobby gallery will be open and is currently showing a collection of scenic photographs from around the state. We will also be showing a video in the lobby celebrating 100 years of the Oregon Blue Book. The Blue Book is published by the Archives Division and we will have both the 2011-2012 edition and a facsimile edition of the 1911 Blue Book available for purchase at the event.

Please join us in celebrating National Archives Month and take advantage of this special Saturday opening.

LOTS OF FREE INFORMATION OFFERED BY OUR LOCAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

If you have a library card with the Fort Vancouver Regional Library, you qualify to use their services for FREE from your home computer.

Their site is located at http://www.fvrl.org, where they offer Heritage Quest, Proquest, Sanborn Maps, and many other informative sites. This does NOT include free access to Ancestry.com from home. Visit the FVRL web page soon for some pleasant surprises. At the top of their home page, on the left side, you will see a box that says "Research Databases." Click there and then you can go down the list to see what is offered. In a list to the right side, you will see "Genealogy," which when clicked will quickly take you to a list that includes Heritage Quest. Click on HQ and you will see Census, Persi, and several other available databases. It will ask you for your 14 digit library card number before you can do any researching.

On the FVRL web site is this information about obtaining a card:

Residents of Clark, Skamania, and Klickitat Counties, and the City of Woodland and Yale Valley in Cowlitz County, are eligible for free FVRL cards. The library also offers reciprocity to those who live in a city or county with tax-supported public library service. All others may purchase non-resident cards. You can register for a library card at any library. You'll be asked for photo identification.



Clark County Genealogical Society P.O. Box 5249 Vancouver WA 98668-5249

President: Stephen Cornick	Treasurer: Larry Germann	http://www.ccgs-wa.org
Vice President: Dolly Merrick	Asst. Sec-Treas: Eric Jordahl	Library: 717 Grand Blvd
Secretary: Sherry Warren	Past President: Garry Lucas	360-750-5688

CCGS Meetings and Programs

- Oct. 2-9 Annual Salt Lake City Research Trip
- Oct 3 Legacy Users Group (LUG) 10-noon CCGS Library Annex
- Oct 3 Computer Clinic beginning at 1 pm CCGS Library Annex
- Oct 4 Writing Focus Group 1:30 3:30 pm, CCGS Library
- Oct 5 Scandinavian Focus Group 10 am 11:30 am CCGS Library Annex
- Oct 6 First Thursday Unfocused Genealogy Group 1:30 3:30 pm, CCGS Library Annex
- Oct 8 British Isles Focus Group 10:30 Noon, CCGS Library
- Oct 10 CCGS Board Meeting 9am 11am, CCGS Library Annex
- Oct 17 Volunteer Day 10am 2pm, CCGS Library Annex
- Oct 19 November CCGS Newsletter deadline copy to both editors please
- Oct 25 General Meeting 10 to noon, CCGS Library Annex
- Nov 5 Annual Fall Seminar Topic: Civil War Research see enclosed flyer for information

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 or call Jeanine at 360-566-9422.