

**Next Meeting: July 21, 2018**



Summer 2018

## *20th Year Celebration Party*



ANNUAL MEETING July 21, 2018

FT BORST PARK , HARRISON ST.

EXIT I-5 CENTRALIA, WA

**WE WILL HAVE A POTLUCK LUNCH AND A SPECIAL CAKE AT 11:00 AM WHICH WILL BE FOLLOWED BY A BUSINESS MEETING.**

**AT 1:00 PM WE WILL BE ENTERTAINED BY:  
THE BRIDGETOWN MORRIS MEN and  
BELLADONNA BORDER MORRIS (Seattle & Portland)**

**Morris dancers have celebrated the seasons for hundreds of years in England with music dance, songs and plays. Decked out in ribbons and bells they performed athletic dances with handkerchiefs and sticks to encourage good fortune and fertility for the coming season. The age old traditions are kept alive in Seattle and Portland by these two groups. They have agreed to perform for our 20th Anniversary Celebration.**

**If you have been to Cornwall, please bring your photo albums or display boards to share with everyone. Also bring any genealogy to share with others. Come and Join us to *recognize* our Cornish roots, *celebrate* our heritage, *make* new friends or get *reacquainted* with old friends!**

**Everyone is Welcome,**

**You do not have to be Cornish but just have a love of Cornwall.**

## MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR: Alene Reaugh

Twenty years ago, four women of Cornish decent met on May 23, 1998, to set up an organization to remember and honor their ancestors and to help each other trace their genealogy back to Cornwall. Those women are remembered now twenty years later as our founders, they are Jean Timmermeister, Joan Tregarthen Huston, Marci Rothman and Betty Scott.

The objectives of the society were:

- A) To provide communications regarding heritage/genealogical information pertaining to Cornwall, throughout the states of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.
- B) To promote the preservation of public and private Cornish heritage/genealogical material.
- C) To cooperate with other organizations in the furtherance of mutual objectives.

Since that first meeting, we have grown each year with new people at each meeting. We now have a website and a Facebook page to keep up with what members are doing and to learn new things. We also get some great photographs.

For the past several years we started attending the Celtic Festivals & Games held throughout the Pacific Northwest. We set up the Cornish Booth and then as people walk by we ask them if they have Cornish roots. Most people advise they don't know or are not sure, so we help them determine if any of their ancestral names are Cornish. We help to educate and provide reading material. We also have a few Cornish things to sell.

This year we are scheduled for:

- 1) Skagit Valley Highland Games in Mt. Vernon, WA on July 14-15 (Lynn Carter & Gord'n Perrot)
- 2) Pacific NW Scottish Highland Games in Enumclaw, WA on July 28-29 (Craig Pedlar, Gordon Bennett, Terry Maves)
- 3) Celtic Highland Games in Winston, Or on August 18-19 (Dot Hosking Huntley)
- 4) Hood Canal Highland Celtic Festival on September 1-2 in Belfair, WA (Joan Tregarthen Huston & Claudia Hunt & Annie Laurie Burke)

Several of our members have been to Cornwall, and each person has their own stories and pictures to share. Now as we embark on the next decade, we will continue to grow each year to increase our numbers and hear new family stories. If you have a story, please send me a copy so I can include it in the news.

Finally, three business Items:

- 1) In July of 2017, we misplaced 2 boxes of our library books, tapes and misc. We also misplaced our banner which was made by one of our members. If anyone has seen any of these items, please contact one of the board members.
- 2) DUES: Don't forget that your dues are due by June 30!  
\$15 for a single and \$25 for a couple/family.
- 3) At the July meeting, we will be voting on a change of by-laws. Because our group is spread out from British Columbia, Washington, Oregon, and Idaho, it is becoming increasing more difficult for members in the South to attend the meeting in the North (Puyallup) and for some in the North to attend the meeting in the South (Vancouver). Several things were discussed at the meeting. The most popular solution is to consider a change of the Board – Elect a President and two Vice Presidents. (One for the North and one for the South). The Vice Presidents would confer with the President on the agenda and then the VP would conduct the meeting in the North and the other in the South. We will need an active discussion before voting to change the by-laws. So please come prepared to discuss this change. In addition, we will hold an election for the new Board.

Looking forward to seeing everyone together again at Ft. Borst Park, everyone is welcome, you need not be Cornish, just have a love of Cornwall or your Cornish friends. I am Anxious to see old friends and meet new people.

Pacific Northwest Cornish Society  
**Fall Meeting October 20, 2018**  
 Clark County Genealogy Society  
**717 Grand Blvd. Vancouver, WA 98661**  
 Social time 11-11:30; lunch 11:30 (bring something to share);  
 business meeting at noon, and program:

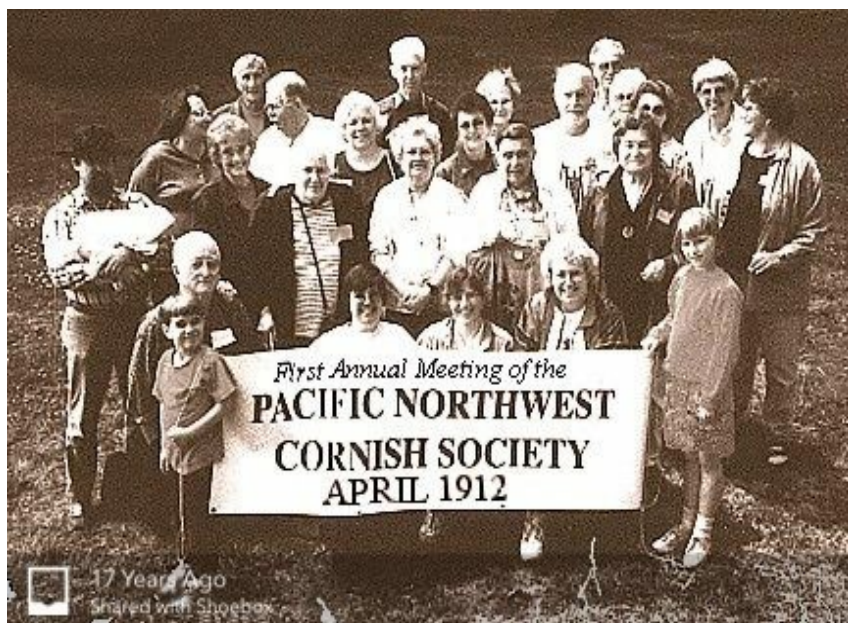
**MEMBERS TRAVELING THIS YEAR INCLUDE:**

Craig & Colleen Pedlar:- New Zealand February 2018 see pg 4

Lupita Duarte Clark is traveling to Camborne, Cornwall on June 29 for a month to visit the places her great-grandfather lived and worked.. see pg 6

Dot Hosking Huntley, pictures pg 5;

“When my daughter-in-law mentioned that my son would love to see Scotland I figured that my next trip was a go. We toured Scotland and Cornwall for two weeks and I was able to introduce my son to his ancestors’ homelands. I have no fear now that my knowledge and information about our family’s history will be lost. My son is hooked just like his mother is!”



Jean Timmermeister, Sequim, WA;  
 Marcia Rothman, Whidbey Island, WA;  
 Harry Tregarthen, Silverdale, WA;  
 Claudia & Don Tillman, Silverdale, WA;  
 John & Betty Scott, Sequim, WA;  
 Joan Huston, Silverdale, WA;  
 Jim & Bonnie Faull, Vancouver, WA;  
 Bonnie LaDoe, Portland, OR;  
 Venn Varcoe, Vancouver, WA;  
 Ann Holiday, Seattle, WA;  
 Wilmot (Willie) Wolford, Puyallup, WA;  
 Beverly Conway, Vancouver, WA;  
 Fran Anderson, Olympia, WA;  
 Tom & Marie Geach, Pt. Townsend, WA;  
 Dave Temby, Kent, WA;  
 Rev Diana Wood & Drury Wood,  
 Westport, WA;  
 Grace Cooper, Pasco, WA;  
 Kathy Hunt, Woodburn, OR;  
 Violet Sunderland, Woodburn, OR;  
 Gene Hoff., Lacy, WA

This picture was “altered” by Thomas Huston (Joan’s son). The picture is from the first picnic, however, that was 1998. (hahaha)

## CRAIG AND COLLEEN - 2018 TRIP TO NEW ZEALAND

Our New Zealand trip started on February 20 with a nonstop flight from Vancouver, BC to Auckland and ended on March 20 with a return through Los Angeles. We flew with Air New Zealand.

After our arrival, we travelled with my brother, sister in law and her mother and were joined by their son, daughter in law and grandson for the last week. The first three days were spent with my cousin and other family members in Hamilton, which is on the North Island. We then flew to Christchurch on the South Island and spent two days there. We took a bus tour, via Mt. Cook, to Queenstown and a bus tour to, and a boat tour of, Milford Sound. One special event in Queenstown was a gondola trip to the top of Bob's Peak which about 1500 feet high. The view of Lake Wakatipu was great. Lake Wakatipu was great.

We used a rental van from March 2 to the 9th to tour parts of the South Island from south to north. This included stays in Invercargill (1nt), Dunedin (2nt), Haast (1nt), Greymouth (1nt) and Nelson(2nt). We stayed in houses, condos and hotels.

We returned to the North Island by ferry across Cook Strait and stayed in Wellington, the capital of New Zealand, for two nights. One special event was a cable car trip up to a nature preserve called Zealandia.

We travelled by train, an 8 hour trip back to Hamilton, on March 11th. The remainder of the trip was spent in and around Hamilton, or at a lake property that belongs to my cousin's daughter and husband. We visited the extensive Hamilton Gardens (cousin is President of the support organization) and the time at the lake included a boat trip and a visit with other relatives whom we had never met before. We departed Auckland on March 20. Virginia Graham, my cousin, is the person responsible for me learning about my Cornish roots. She started doing family research over 40 years ago which resulted in her discovering our ancestral connection. I will forever be grateful to her for causing my curiosity that she initiated in 1997. Prior to this visit in New Zealand, my wife and I have been in Cornwall several times. The main purpose of these trips has been to meet relatives and find places (including some houses) where great-grandparents, grandparents, and my dad were born, or lived.



New Zealand





DOT HOSKING HUNTLEY  
SON—BRUCE ANDERSON  
St. Just Miners' Chapel



DOT WITH  
ANN MULLER OF ANN'S PASTY SHOP



“Which is the right side and which is the wrong side of a Cornish lane?”

## Don Juan a Cornish Miner

By Lupita Duarte Clark

John Davey Clark, my great grandfather, sacrificed his life to save his miners at La Quintera Mine located in La Aduana, municipality of Alamos, state of Sonora, México. His heroic deed would have become a faint memory of the past if all we knew about him was that he died on May 1, 1902 and that he was born on May 2, 1850, in Cornwall. This information is engraved in marble stone on his grave in the grand cemetery of the city of Alamos preserved still today. A story in the collective memory of those who heard it from their parents: *don Jan fue un gran hombre*, don Juan was a great man.

The memory of his life had become a vestige of oral history remembered by the aging few in the historical mining region of southern Sonora.

Don Juan had an honorable and essential story that must be told and remembered. As so many Cornish miners that migrated all over the world from Cornwall seeking a better opportunity he too came to northern California in the 1870s, became a naturalized citizen and mined in Placer County. In 1880 he moved on to Placerville, Colorado as many Cornish miners use to gravitate to the next productive mining region. My g grandfather travelled farther and settled in the Alamos region in 1881, in México. A bachelor then he found a beautiful wife, my g grandmother Dolores Ybarra. He never left, and they had five children, one was my grandfather Guillermo Clark, who was only two years old when his father died in 1902. Of course, we want to know where exactly in Cornwall did he come from and who was his family.

He came from western Cornwall from a tradition of miners that goes back centuries. His paternal grandparents, George Clark and Elizabeth William, came from and married in the Parish of Gwinear and the maternal grandparents John Davey and Elizabeth Rodda, came from the Crowan Parish District and were living in Leeds town in 1841. The Davey family was quite numerous, and you still find many in Cornwall and in Australia where many from the family migrated to. When my g grandfather was born in Cubert in 1850, his father William Clark was employed as a lead miner. He was the 5<sup>th</sup> child. As many miners in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century, parents were migrating in search of mining employment opportunities, and by 1855 they were living in St. Austell where his two youngest sisters were born. Sadly, his father William passed away and his mother Mary Ann Davey returned to Crowan with seven children. One can imagine that supporting a large family would have been difficult for his mother and it not surprising then

that even my g grandfather was the age of ten he was working in a copper mine and his older siblings were also working as tin miners and bal maidens.

My journey to understand and learn who my g grandfather has taken me to appreciate him and to pursue the acknowledgment that he so well deserves in history. Years of of experience and a strong work ethic earned my g grandfather the title of Captain of La Quintera mine, and when he went down the mine to rescue his workers from the fire, it would be unforgiven not to honor his memory with his biography. A folk song was written immediately after and the following verses attest to his noble spirit and moral fortitude:

Don Juan Clark the miner  
sad and disconsolate  
said to his companions  
I will bring them all out

One by one he brought them up  
All in bad shape  
He was not able to come out  
Some people brought him up  
He was already dead.

In brief, this was my great grandfather John Davey Clark, Don Juan, a noble Cornish miner.





The Cornish American Heritage Society (CAHS) promotes and preserves Cornish heritage and culture in North America. We sponsor and participate in events throughout the continent in support of our mission. We are also committed to providing resources and information on Cornish settlement, culture, and history.

## Cornish Global Migration Program



The importance of the Cornish Global Migration Program (CGMP) continues to grow. The growing number of visitors to the Program, both personally and via the mails, encourages the volunteers working with the program. The success of the program depends on the having the names of all migrants from Cornwall, whether to Britain or overseas recorded in the CGMP database.

The mission of the CGMP is to build a database of all emigrants regardless of how little information is available. The main interest comes from the family historian but the data also enables anyone who has a particular interest to establish certain statistics. The CGMP is a non profit organization working for the benefit of Cornwall.

To provide a comprehensive database, the CGMP is dependent on families recording their personal emigration information with the program. The database has about 38.000 names recorded from around the world.

The CGMP database is comprised of information submitted and should you wish to participate in the worthwhile program please contact the CGMP at:

CGMP  
Murdoch House  
Cross Street  
Redruth, Cornwall TR15 2BU  
Great Britain

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**Online Resources CAHS also maintains a collection of online resources for all things Cornwall. Links to official Cornish Gathering and festival pages, as well as sites featuring Cornish history, cemeteries, nature, language, pictures, videos are but some of the offerings we make available.**

*The sea cliffs host many marine bird species with the Cornish chough recently returning to the county after a long absence. This rare bird holds the honour of appearing on the Cornish coat of arms and being the county animal of Cornwall.*

Pyrrhocorax  
pyrrhocorax:  
drawing by Rev F.O. Morris  
1862



One of the oldest and probably most photographed ancient sites in West Cornwall. Dating from about Over 10000 BC to 2000 BC, this Quoit or *Cromlech* was constructed during the Late Mesolithic to Early Neolithic period. It is situated beside the Morvah-Madron road just northwest of Madron Holy Well at Grid ref. SW446328 and lies



**Lanyon Quoit near Morvah in West Penwith Photo by Dot Hosking Huntley**



# Pacific Northwest Cornish Society

## Officers

**President:** ShaSha Alsdorf, [cambridgect16@frontier.com](mailto:cambridgect16@frontier.com)  
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Web site:

[www.nwcornishsociety.com](http://www.nwcornishsociety.com)

## PNCS Meetings

**First Saturday in March, in the North**  
To celebrate St. Piran's Day

**Fourth Saturday in July, Central area**  
Annual Cornish Picnic

**Third Saturday in October, in the South**

## Cornish Country Store

Our Cornish Country Store is open 24 hours on line and three times a year live at our meetings. We have a good variety of items your Cornish cousins will love. Please check the website to see pictures of all these items:

[www.nwcornishsociety.com/Country%20store.htm](http://www.nwcornishsociety.com/Country%20store.htm)

You can place an order by emailing Alene Reaugh at [Softwalk2@yahoo.com](mailto:Softwalk2@yahoo.com) Sweatshirts and T-shirts can be ordered directly from Café Press at <http://cafepress.com/pnwcs>. In addition, PNCS gets a commission on sales made through the website connection to Amazon.com.

## PNCS Library

The PNCS Library is housed with Past President Alene Reaugh. The library welcomes donated books about the Cornish. You can bring donations to one of the meetings or contact Alene at (541-819-2084) or email her at [softwalk2@yahoo.com](mailto:softwalk2@yahoo.com).

## History of Cornwall on CD-ROM

The Parochial History of the County of Cornwall, a four-volume set of books with lots of information on old Cornish families, was donated to us by our Cornish member, Ron Lake, and we had them put on CD-ROM. They are available to borrow or purchase. Contact Joan Huston if interested in obtaining a copy. [Tregarthen@gmail.com](mailto:Tregarthen@gmail.com) or phone (360) 613-1718.

**Visit Pacific Northwest Cornish Society on Facebook for information on Cornish happenings!**

## Pacific Northwest Cornish Society Application for Membership

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Webpage: \_\_\_\_\_

\$15 Individual Member r \$25 Dual Membership r Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

List Cornish names and areas or parishes of interest:

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Send form filled out with check payable to:

**Pacific Northwest Cornish Society**

**486 Plat B Road**

**Sutherlin, OR 97479-9799**

# Cornish Connections

**This is a highly arbitrary list. Feel free to suggest other Cornish Connections**

Cornish Global Migration Programme  
Collects information about Cornishmen and women  
who emigrated to England or elsewhere.  
[www.cornishmigration.org.uk](http://www.cornishmigration.org.uk)

## Cornish Heritage Organizations

Federation of Old Cornwall Societies  
<http://oldcornwall.org>

The Cornish-American Heritage Foundation  
[www.cousinjack.org](http://www.cousinjack.org)

New Zealand Cornish Association  
[www.busby.net/nzca/](http://www.busby.net/nzca/)

The California Cornish Cousins  
[www.califcornishcousins.org](http://www.califcornishcousins.org)

Cornish Association of Victoria (Australia)  
[www.cornishvic.org.au](http://www.cornishvic.org.au)

## Festivals and Events

Newport Celtic Festival and Highland Games  
169 SW Coast Highway  
Newport, Oregon 97365  
[www.newportcelticfestival.com](http://www.newportcelticfestival.com)

## Cornish Websites

Cornwall Connections  
A collection of links to all things Cornish.  
[www.cornwallconnections.peeples.com](http://www.cornwallconnections.peeples.com)

Cornish Global Migration Programme  
Collects information about Cornishmen and women  
who emigrated to England or elsewhere.  
[www.cornishmigration.org.uk](http://www.cornishmigration.org.uk)

myCornwall.tv  
myCornwall magazine (formerly Cornish World)  
Video and print resources seek to make a difference to  
Cornwall by creating entertaining, educational and  
thought-provoking content.  
<http://www.mycornwall.tv>

West Penwith Resources  
Links to resources concerning the far west end of  
Cornwall.

<http://west-penwith.org.uk/index.htm>

## General Genealogy

Washington State Archives  
Has 94 million records preserved, 29 million of which  
are searchable online.  
[www.digitalarchives.wa.gov](http://www.digitalarchives.wa.gov)

Oregon State Archives  
Search for Oregon records on line.  
<http://genealogy.state.or.us>

Cyndi's List  
More than 290,000 links to genealogy sites. The  
founder spoke at the March 2011 PNCS meeting.  
[www.cyndislist.com](http://www.cyndislist.com)

FamilySearch  
Information from Salt Lake City and elsewhere, plus  
videos on how to get started on your genealogy.  
[www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org)

Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island Foundation  
Look up your ancestors who came through New York  
between 1892 and 1924, free.  
[www.ellisland.org](http://www.ellisland.org)

Bureau of Land Management  
Search for land patent records by name and state.  
[www.glorerecords.blm.gov](http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov)

Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society  
Meets the second Tuesday of each month, September  
through May at Bates Technical College, 1101 South  
Yakima Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98405  
[www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~watpcgs/](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~watpcgs/)

BYU Idaho Special Collections  
Western states marriage records, oral histories and  
more from Brigham Young University Idaho.  
<http://abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/>