

**FALL 2009 MEETING IN VANCOUVER  
WITH A PRESENTATION ON DNA FOR GENEALOGY  
BY Emily D. Aulicino, Genetic Genealogist**



## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

February 1, 2010

Dear Cousins and Friends,

Saint Piran's Day is just around the corner and we will once again get together to Celebrate the day of the Patron Saint of Cornwall. We will meet at the *First Presbyterian Church, 412 W. Pioneer, Puyallup, WA* on March 6<sup>th</sup>. In celebration of St. Piran's Day, we will have a special cake, balloons and daffodils. We are hoping that people will wear yellow and black or your PNCS shirts and sweatshirts. Of course we will also have our excellent pot luck lunch. We will meet at 11:00 am for the social hour and lunch followed by the business portion around noon. A presentation will start at 1:00pm



I will be forwarding the agenda to all members in advance of the meeting so that we can accomplish a great deal of business and move on to an interesting presentation.

Our presentation will be by Audry Roley from Eatonville, Washington. The following is what she will present: *"The Whirlwind of Immigration". she says ... "the 17th century was a time when many groups were looking for a better life, and were willing to risk everything. There were seven distinct groups that came to America before the Revolutionary War. As a result of their presence in America they created a new nation, and their better qualities became our national character."*

Hope to see you all at the meeting.

Your Cornish Cousin and Friend, Alene Reaugh, President

Please check out the website if you have access to a computer.

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

### TASTY PASTY

A friend just sent me a page out the January/February 2010 Ancestry Magazine. It was a recipe and a little short story about John Mills. I was most intrigued by his title *"Tasty Pasty, And No That Doesn't Rhyme."* John's family were miners who immigrated to various parts of the States. He stated that Pastys were made by his Great Grandmother, Grandmother, Mother and now he and his siblings make them for their children. What a great legacy.

***PACIFIC NORTHWEST CORNISH SOCIETY MEETING***

***MARCH 6, 2010***

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**412 W. PIONEER, PUYALLUP**

**MEETING FROM 11:00 AM TO 3:00 PM**

**SOCIAL TIME 11-11:30; LUNCH 11:30 (BRING SOMETHING TO SHARE!)**

**BUSINESS MEETING AT NOON**

**& MEETING PRESENTATION AT 1:00 PM**

**THE PACIFIC NW CORNISH SOCIETY PRESENTS AUDREY ROLEY**

On March 6, 2010 at our meeting in Puyallup we will hear a presentation by Audrey Roley from Eatonville. In August 1992 Audrey Roley retired from 27 years of teaching 7th graders in the Franklin Pierce School District. Along the way she helped establish a pre-school in her area and helped establish an English-as-a-Second Language program in the Franklin Pierce District. Upon retiring it was her turn to do her "thing." *GENEALOGY* was calling!

When she was ready to travel, she told her husband that he could come but he couldn't ask "How much longer are you going to be" when she was deep in a library or lost in a cemetery.

Audrey has attended meetings at the Tacoma-Pierce County Genealogical Society for years and served as the Society President, and she has volunteered at the Stakes Family History Center for 10 years. In addition she volunteers at the South Pierce County Historical Society and is director of the Stage Stop Museum.

Her presentation will be:

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## CORNISH MEMORIES

By Shirley Ewart

No - I'm not Cornish, but several extended periods in the Duchy should at least qualify me for "naturalized" status!

During the 1930s, holidays in Cornwall were rare treats for London families such as mine. Fortunately, our grandmother, Eliza Turner was manageress of the Pedn-Olva Hotel in St. Ives which gave us a good reason to stay down there for a week or so during the Christmas school

holidays. In the summer, we rented "Trezion", a lovely little house in town.

Winter at Pedn-Olva was really special. There were rarely any guests and the often rough waves beat against the windows of the downstairs bedrooms. It was such fun, snuggling in bed, listening to wild waters outside. During the daytimes, we children could play on the beach, always hearing, but not always paying attention to, the adults' warnings against going near the waters. Remembering that in those were pre-washing machine days, all clothes had to be rinsed out by hand, it is no wonder that no one was enchanted with children in soaking wet, salt-soaked clothing!

In the summer, of course Pedn-Olva was off limits to us, so we rented Trezion, in the center of St. Ives. I remember the garden rich with marigolds, and the cobblestones of what was St. Ives' principal thoroughfare. And, how, in this warm season, the sea was delightfully cool and the air warm. Of we children, three out of four would soon sport spectacular sun tans; the fourth, poor lamb, would be lobster red and would stay that way for our entire summer!

World War II broke out when I was a teenager and I did not even think of going down to Cornwall. But, the British Army had plans for me, and soon after Basic Training, I received orders to report to Trelissick, on the River Fal. This was a different Duchy! Gentler, greener, with a placid river instead of a pounding shoreline. The time was just before the invasion and several American ships were tied up on the Fal awaiting orders. So as not to alert the enemy as to their presence, they could not use their anti-aircraft guns, instead relying on the British batteries for protection. Those batteries were manned by A.T.S. women, and I had been posted to the headquarters of the anti-aircraft unit as Medical Orderly.

This was indeed a different Duchy. A cosier, greener, more intimate country. I especially enjoyed the vast number and many

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(continued from pg.4) kinds of flowers: daffodils and narcissus in February when I first arrived. Later there would be camellias, gardenias and other semi-tropical delights. With little motorized traffic to worry about, hiking on the narrow, country lanes was sheer delight. Or, of course, one could always hike or hitch-hike into Truro for a restaurant meal or to enjoy a movie. Compared with the turmoil of constant air raids in my London home, the few times we were raided seemed very mild. Too, our social lives were busy, as the nice young Americans on the anchored L.S.T. discovered the pretty young A.T.S. girls, and the young women discovered the good looking boys from Massachusetts and Wisconsin and the Far West. Mine was not the only wedding celebrated between members of the two crews. And, I am sure, mine were not the only half-American children to be brought back to Cornwall to see where "Mom and Dad first met".

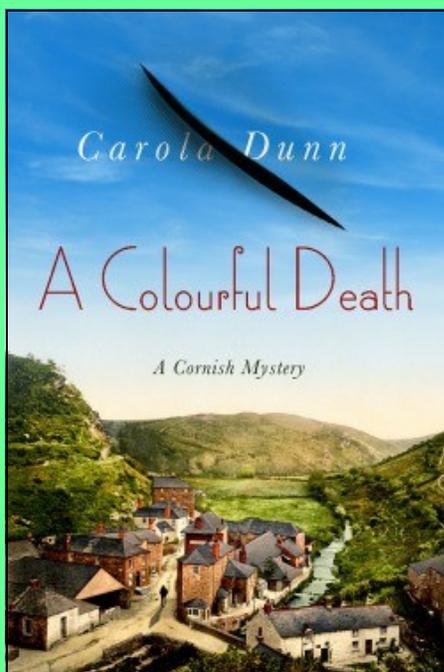
Hi All,

I made an interesting discovery when I was at the Moscow, ID, Rosauers the other day - they now stock Wind's pasties in the frozen meat section of the store! I asked customer service if these are now carried by all Rosauer's stores. They didn't know, but thought this would be the case. Apparently Wind's delivers to the stores, so I would expect that they would be available at least in the Spokane and Coeur d'Alene area stores and maybe also Lewiston, ID. In any case, while Wind's recipe isn't the same as Grandma's, it is great to have these available and hopefully enough will be purchased to make it worthwhile for Wind's to continue to deliver to this area. Wind's pasties are made in Anaconda, MT, and it is a family run operation. I've stopped at their shop in Anaconda many times, and find the owners to be interesting and pleasant people. By the way, reheat these in a conventional oven rather than a microwave for best results (especially regarding the crust).

-- Steve Gill

## A COLOURFUL DEATH By Carola Dunn

The second Cornish Mystery will be out June 10, 2010 and is available for pre-order at Amazon now!



## A 2009 WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Pamela Perrott  
Sharon Cornish-Martin  
Connie Budge  
Helen Ingledew  
Francis Patrick Bawden



## Minutes of PNC 10/10/2009

The meeting was held in Vancouver, WA, at the Clark County Genealogical Library. The gathering began with a potluck lunch.

At 12:15 PM, the Business Meeting was called to order. President Alene Reagh welcomed those attending and introduced the other officers: Craig Pedlar, Vice-President; Carole Lower, Secretary; and Dot Huntley, Treasurer. Alene introduced people attending for the first time. Then each attendee was asked to give his/her Cornish connection.

Minutes of July meeting were read and approved as amended.

Treasurer's report showed an increase in funds, probably as a result of increase in dues: individuals, \$15/yr; dual, \$25/yr and life-time, \$150. There are 7 lifetime members to date. It was moved, seconded and the report was approved.

Country Store: items left will be sold and not restocked.

Café Press ([www.CafePress.com/PNWCS](http://www.CafePress.com/PNWCS)) is the place to buy items with logo and otherwise personalized.

Dot Huntley announced a Family History Expo, Oct 16 & 17, in Redding, CA.

Shirley Ewart is still seeking PNCS family stories which she wishes to compile into a book. Shirley has completed indexing periodicals donated to Society by Jean Timmermeister.

Joan Huston is also still seeking articles for the newsletter.

The Welsh Society sends Alene its newsletter, if any one is interested in reading it, see Alene. There was a question about adding other society newsletters as website links to our website.

Jean Timmermeister continues to work on forming a group in her area, Spokane, WA, vicinity.

The possibility of setting up a Gathering of Cornish Cousins in the NW was brought up by Dot Huntley. She and Joan Huston will work on the idea together and report at the March meeting. Also planned for the March meeting is a slide show of Grass Valley Gathering.

The meeting was adjourned about 1 P.M. because of the guest speaker.

The guest speaker was Emily D. Aulicino; her topic was Genetic Genealogy. She gave an informative and interesting presentation regarding identifying ancestors by using DNA testing. Encouraged all of us to have DNA testing with the organization she works for.

Group disbanded about 3 P.M. We will meet in March, 2010, in Puyallup, WA.

Dear Friends: **December - 2009**

This Christmas greeting comes from two households. One here in Puyallup, the other from our son's home about 14 miles outside Olympia, WA.

It's a long story. I'll do my best to keep it short as possible. At 5:30 pm on Sat., Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, we were about to sit down for dinner and then head for Tacoma to attend the first concert of the Tacoma Concert Band in which Robin Bruce-Aijian (gs) plays trumpet. David and Christine, Sean and Michael were here.

In the process of getting sleeping pads down from a top shelf in the garage, Shirley stepped back down from the ladder, and that's when bad things happened. The tops of her tibia and fibula, weakened by osteoporosis, were broken, a corner of one sliced, the other shattered from the force of the femur coming down on it. This resulted in a fall. She hit her head on the garage floor. We knew nothing about this until later in the emergency room when she lost all vital signs. A CT scan revealed subdural bleeding on the left side. She was rushed to Harbor View hospital in Seattle, where a team of neurosurgeons relieved the pressure and another team of doctors stabilized her leg. About 1:30 a.m. we returned home. The next 10 days were spent in the ICU and Family Room with a couple of days in Extended Care. She was transferred to St. Joseph's Hospital in Tacoma and another transfer to Tacoma General just down the street, where another surgeon did the repair on the badly damaged bones. Only two orthopedic surgeons from Canada to Portland, OR are capable of doing this difficult surgery. Dr. Mayo here in Tacoma and the doctor in Seattle who did the initial work of stabilizing.

Now we can look back and say, "Thank you, God" for skilled surgeons, for the world's best medical support system, and for Shirley's remarkable recovery from Neurosurgery. "Thank you, God" for the love and support of our wonderful family. The care and love of friends and family is what Christmas is all about. On that Sat. night we had (1) Christine, David, and Sean Bruce-Aijian. Chris is now employed full-time as a nuclear tech at St. Peter's Hosp. in Olympia; (2) Dave and Ellen were on their way to Tacoma, so they came to the ER in Puyallup. Anna (gd), Sarah (gd) and her new husband, Steve, and Michael (gs) drove from Portland but didn't go to Seattle 'til the next day. Nathan (gs) drove the two youngest grand-kids (Christina and Timothy) to their aunt Laura's in Kent, and came to Seattle on Sunday. So, camping in the ICU with lap-tops, books, snacks were all of the above. John and Yoli were in England visiting Brittany and her boyfriend, Chris. (They both received their Masters from Southampton U. in Coastal Engineering). John was able to book a flight on British Air. We picked him up at Sea-Tac. Monday night at 5 p.m.

Now the time for my going to Virginia Mason Hospital in Seattle has arrived. Son, David, took me on Monday, Dec. 7 for an over-night at the Inn next to the hospital. Surgery on a lower spinal lumbar to relieve nerve pressure was accomplished on Tues. the 8<sup>th</sup>, with discharge the next day at noon. That Saturday I played in the handbell choir and led singing for a Christmas program at the church. On Sunday I led the choir and then drove myself to Olympia. Shirley had been discharged to our son's home, where Anna (a nursing student), Ellen (trained OT), and Christine could provide the required care, along with some additional hired home-health people. David Aijian has the entire month off from teaching, so he does

the support and lifting as needed.

And so 2009 comes to a close with promise of better days in the New Year. Looking back, June was Sarah's Big Day in Beaverton, Or. as she and Stephen Thorud began life as one. Sarah continues orchestrating Luis Pulau Festivals in major U.S. cities. Steve is a design engineer with Damier Trucks in Portland. We met in July for our 18<sup>th</sup> Reunion at Diamond Lk. Our 19<sup>th</sup> reservations are in.

We have already received letters from some of you and look forward to hearing from all. Our prayers and best wishes for a happy and peaceful New Year.

Bob and Shirley Bruce

(this letter was sent to members in December and here is a follow-up on Shirley's condition.)

*Shirley is recovering nicely but will not be able to use her leg until she sees the surgeon Feb. 23. We are hopeful that soon after that she will return home. The carpet has been removed and the hardwood floors refinished. Hopefully she will not require the wheel chair at home. We are extremely grateful to our son's family for the care she has been receiving. We hope she will feel like putting in an appearance at our March meeting.*

Gratefully, Bob Bruce

*Shirley & Bob at the October meeting 2008 in Vancouver.*

*Photo taken  
by Bonnie LaDoe*



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**PNCS MEETINGS**

**First Saturday in March, in the North**

**To celebrate St. Piran's Day**

**Fourth Saturday in July, Central location**

**Annual Cornish Picnic**

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

**PNCS LIBRARY**

*The PNCS Library is housed with the President. The PNCS Library will always welcome donated books about the Cornish. If you have a Cornish book you would like to donate to the PNCS library you can bring it to one of the meetings or contact Alene Reaugh at (503) 775-9653 or email her at [softwalk2@yahoo.com](mailto:softwalk2@yahoo.com)*

**HISTORY OF CORNWALL on CD**

We have copies of the Parochial History of the County of Cornwall, a four volume set of books with lots and lots of information on old Cornish families. This set of books was donated to us from our Cornish member, Ron Lake, and we had them put on CD, so that all our members could enjoy them! 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.

Or go to [www.archivecdbooks.org](http://www.archivecdbooks.org) and check out all their CDs.

**OUR NEWSLETTER DEADLINES**

**First week in February**

**First week in June**

**First week in September**

Send articles, pictures, ads, notices, whatever, to:

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Or mail to: **Joan Huston, 10116 Stoli Lane NW, Silverdale, WA 98383.** Make sure they get to me prior to the above deadlines to be included in the next newsletter.

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\$10 Individual member    \$15 Dual Membership

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