Next Meeting: October 18 in Vancouver



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Sharing our Cornish heritage



PNCS travels the Celtic circuit

Clockwise from upper left: Joan Huston stabs a Scot at the Hood Canal Highland Games at Belfair; Booths at the Portland Highland Games; Joan and Claudia Hunt carry the PNCS banner at Belfair; Past President Alene Reaugh at the Portland Highland Games; Carolyn Bawden and Margaret English watch over the Cornish Country Store at the Portland games.









Greetings to all Cornish cousins

In July, we had a very good meeting in Centralia for our annual picnic. The next meeting at Clark County Genealogy Library will be October 18, 2014. The meeting starts at 11 a.m. for visiting and potluck. At noon, we will start the business portion and a program presentation by EA Channon. We wish to extend a warm welcome to our new members looking forward to working with you on your Cornish Heritage.

My name is ShaSha Alsdorf and I volunteered to take on the job of the President for one year with Craig Pedlar as Vice President, then in July 2015, we will trade places and Craig will serve as President and I as Vice President. Ann Holiday agreed to continue as Secretary and Newsletter Editor and Producer, Dot

Huntley will continue in her role as Treasurer and Membership Chair.

Everyone can help by submitting articles or suggestions for the newsletter directly to Ann. Please dig down and come up with stories of your families or reports of trips to Cornwall and/or anything related to our mutual interest of all things Cornish. Please also submit suggestions for speakers or program ideas.

At the October meeting, we will discuss the possibility of a holiday or mid-winter celebration. We will also discuss ideas and suggestions on how we can incorporate more groups or individuals from Cornwall people at the October meeting. or other Celtic Nations who are touring or performing.

The Celtic Games were very productive – lots of recognition for the Cornish Society, I was most impressed while working the booth by the well-informed students and their families who had made their heritage an important part of their family life. At the October meeting, I will ask the other participants to give us a report of their experience. Dot will provide a list of the Games for next year and we will sign up volunteers.

The BBC News on April 24, 2014 announced the Cornish people are granted minority status under European rules for the protection of national minorities. EA Channon will speak to us regarding the status changes of the Cornish

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting in October.

Sincerely,

ShaSha Alsdorf President

Orville Daryl Burnett, veteran and dad

The world lost another World War II veteran when Orville Daryl Burnett, M.Sgt. Retired, passed away while on a train trip from Fort Worth, Texas, to visit his daughter, PNCS Past President Alene Reaugh, in Portland.

Alene took the picture an hour before he was taken off the train and admitted to O'Connor Hospital in San Jose.

M.Sgt. Burnet was a veteran of World War II, Korea and Vietnam. He was quite a character, and his smile; laugh and antics will be greatly missed. He was still active and

loved to travel. For a 90-year-old man, he got around a lot.

He was loved by everyone who knew him and especially his family of six children, eleven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

His wife of 58 years and his son Daryl Lee preceded him in death. He is survived by two sisters.

"Dad did not make it to Portland for a last visit but he died doing what he enjoyed most, traveling, and spending time with a daughter he dearly loved," Alene said. "We will all miss you, a great and loving man to the very end."



Orville Daryl Burnett, M.Sgt. Retired April 6, 1924 - September 14, 2014





Cruising the Cornish Coast

Craig Pedlar shares some of his pictures from a trip around Cornwall









Pacific Northwest Cornish Society

Meeting

Saturday, October 18, 2014 Clark County Genealogical Library 717 Grand Boulevard, Vancouver, WA 98661

Program: EA Channon will discuss the ramifications for the Cornish people as they take up their newly granted status under European Union rules for the protection of national minorities

Social time 11-11:30; lunch 11:30 (bring something to share); business meeting at noon,

Minutes of the July Annual Meeting at Fort Borst Park

The Pacific Northwest Cornish Society gathered at Fort Borst Park in Centralia July 12, 2014, for its annual meeting following a potluck lunch, a report on member Shirley Ewart and a discussion about real Cornish Pasties.

President Alene Reaugh reported that she had made pasties for the first time to take to Shirley along with some beer – Shirley's daughter had learned that Shirley likes beer and it makes her speech clearer. Shirley pronounced Alene's pasties "the best in Portland."

President Reaugh officially called the meeting to order at 12:37 p.m.,

Officers were introduced and the minutes were approved as written in the Newsletter.

Treasurer Dot Hosking Huntley reported a balance of \$2,422.47 in the bank, an increase of \$426.48. An independent audit by members Craig Pedlar and Dick Colenso did well. The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

In the Cornish Country Store, Dot reported sales at the various Celtic festivals were reported doing well. Because the Country Store is not part of the president's position, Alene will continue to handle it after her term ends.

A report was made on the summer's Celtic festivals and highland games.

Dot Huntley and ShaSha Alsdorf

tival at Southwest Oregon Community College in Coos Bay.

Newport Celtic Festival, for which Craig made up a storyboard with photos of his trip to Cornwall in Fall 2013.

Other games on the calendar are in Portland, Seattle, Winston, Oregon, and Hood Canal, Washington.

Under New Business, President Reaugh announced donations of a poster -sized laminated map of Cornwall and two large posters of a "wreck sale," a public auction of "sea salvage, mostly pelts and oak timber" in Penzance on November 6, 1810.

Alene and Bonnie La Doe reported a donation of two books on the history of Cornwall. Both were sold at the meeting.

Alene announced that the October meeting would be October 18 at the Clark County Genealogical Library in Vancouver, Washington.

Treasurer Huntley told the group it will need to purchase a new canopy with sides to cut down on theft, sun, wind and rain.

Other business at the Annual Meeting was the election of officers for the next two-year term. President Reaugh has served since 2005, with a two-year

staffed the Southwest Oregon Celtic Fes- break when Joan Tregarthen Huston led the organization. The By-Laws preclude the President from serving more than Colleen and Craig Pedlar handled the two consecutive terms, so Alene won't be able to run again this year.

> Dot Hosking Huntley agreed to continue as Treasurer if no one else volunteers. Dot also orders nametags, keeps the membership list current, and sends checks for festival registrations and meeting venue rentals, and she promised to continue to help the President as she has done in the past.

> Ann Holiday said she would be willing to continue as Secretary and newsletter editor.

> Alene outlined the President's duties, and said it was a very easy job – arrange three meetings a year, send an on-line invitation a month before the meeting, write a President's Letter for the Newsletter and lead the meetings. The Vice President arranges the programs.

> After much discussion ShaSha Alsdorf agreed to run for President, Craig Pedlar for Vice President, Dot Huntley for Treasurer and Ann Holiday for Secretary. It was agreed that ShaSha and Craig will trade duties at the next annual meeting.

> The nominations were accepted by acclimation, and the meeting adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

Pacific Northwest Cornish Society

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Newsletter editor: Ann Holiday, aholiday@seanet.com

Web site:

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

You can place an order by emailing Alene Reaugh at <u>Softwalk2@yahoo.com</u> 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 (503) 775-9653 or email her at 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 or phone (360) 613-1718.

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Cornish Connections

This is a highly arbitrary list. Feel free to suggest other Cornish Connections by e-mailing the Editor

Cornish Global Migration Programme
Collects information about Cornishmen and women who emigrated to England or elsewhere.

www.cornishmigration.org.uk

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

Links to resources concerning the far west end of

Cornish Heritage Organizations

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

The Cornish-American Heritage Foundation
www.cousinjack.org

New Zealand Cornish Association www.busby.net/nzcal

The California Cornish Cousins www.califcornishcousins.org

Cornish Association of Victoria (Australia)
www.cornishvic.org.au

Festivals and Events

Newport Celtic Festival and Highland Games 169 SW Coast Highway Newport, Oregon 97365 www.newportcelticfestival.com

Cornish Websites

Cornwall Connections
A collection of links to all things Cornish.
www.cornwallconnections.peeples.com

Cornish Global Migration Programme
Collects information about Cornishmen and women who emigrated to England or elsewhere.

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.

<u> http://www.mycornwall.tv</u>

West Penwith Resources

General Genealogy

Washington State Archives
Has 94 million records preserved, 29 million of which are searchable online.

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

FamilySearch

Information from Salt Lake City and elsewhere, plus videos on how to get started on your genealogy.

www.familysearch.org

Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island Foundation Look up your ancestors who came through New York between 1892 and 1924, free.

www.ellisisland.org

Bureau of Land Management
Search for land patent records by name and state.
www.glorecords.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/

BYU Idaho Special Collections

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