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April 13th

Thanks  
to all our  
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Vancouver BC April 2018

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## Message from the President

Eunice Robinson #112, [president@bcgs.ca](mailto:president@bcgs.ca)

As April is Volunteer Month, the British Columbia Genealogical Society would like to recognize and thank all our volunteers.



They say that Rome wasn't built in a day, and neither was the BCGS. Since our Society began in 1971, we have always relied on our members to supply their knowledge, expertise and elbow grease to keep it running. In the past three years, the number of volunteer hours has exceeded 10,000 per year. This has been despite COVID.

done from home. Others can take you outside to enjoy the great outdoors. Consider volunteering five hours a week or month. It is all appreciated.

Tasks and projects, large and small, we have it. Many of our projects can be

But for now, we'd like to thank all our current volunteers. Please know that we do appreciate you donating your time and energy to making our Society strong and viable.

**Thank you, merci, grazie, danke!**

### **WEDNESDAY, April 13th BCGS MEMBERS' ZOOM MEETING**

- A Zoom invitation to the BCGS Members Meeting will be sent to members, so watch your inbox for the Zoom link, meeting number and password.
- If you don't receive the email by the day before the meeting, please contact [info@bcgs.ca](mailto:info@bcgs.ca) for assistance.
- A free Zoom account is needed to join these meetings.



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## APRIL 13TH MEETING Claire Williams & Chelsea Shriver from UBC

### A Golden Inheritance: The Wallace B. Chung and Madeline H. Chung Collection

The Wallace B. Chung and Madeline H. Chung Collection, permanently housed at UBC Library's Rare Books and Special Collections (RBSC), contains more than 25,000 rare and unique items, including documents, books, maps, posters, paintings, photographs, tableware and more.

The Chung Collection was donated to the UBC Library in 1999. It represents a unique and extensive research collection of items in various formats, related to early British Columbia history, immigration and settlement, particularly of Chinese people in North America and the Canadian Pacific Railway Company.



Join Chelsea Shriver and Claire Williams for this presentation on the Chung Collection. They will offer an overview of physical and digital materials from the collection available to researchers at RBSC and highlight a few featured items, including some with genealogical research relevance. We will also demonstrate collection resources that will help bring the Chung Collection to life.

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## Begin With Books Workshop

*At the BC Genealogical Library*



The **Begin With Books Workshop** on March 20th was very successful. The day started out with George Caldwell demonstrating to a room full of eager students, how [familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org) works and the advantages of the affiliate library status BCGS holds.

After a short break, he showed the many databases found on the BCGS library computers. He introduced us to a new database on church records that Elizabeth Christie has been indexing and digitizing for over a year.

Many people came to check out the book sale, but the best thing that happened that day was all the networking. I personally met a few newspaper indexers that I had only ever worked with by email. I know Corrine Jubb found a new library volunteer.

There was a welcome hum of activity. Life is getting back to normal and it feels great that the library is open for research.

**As a side note:** The attendees were all impressed with the new flooring and how nice it made the library look.




[REGISTER](#)

## BCGS Spring 2022 Seminar Series

9:30 am to 12:30 pm PDT • [Register at bcgs.ca](https://bcgs.ca)

**BCGS members FREE • Non-members \$25 per seminar**

Attend all seminars for FREE by joining BCGS



**Denyse  
Beaugrand-Champagne  
Saturday, April 30**

### **Slavery in New France and the Trial of Angélique**

This presentation will address the presence of Native and Black slaves in New France through archival documentation (texts and illustrations) and will introduce you to the trial of a Black slave accused by public rumour of being the cause of a terrible fire in Montreal. Angélique was tortured with brodequins and publicly executed on June 21, 1734.

**Denyse Beaugrand-Champagne,**

*BA History, MA History - historian, archivist and professional genealogist.*

As a professional genealogist, Beaugrand-Champagne has researched different cases for the Canadian, American and British version of the TV series "Who Do You Think You Are?" and its Quebec version "Qui êtes-vous?" She was also part of the team behind the TV series *Deuxième Chance* and *Double Vie*, trying to locate lost family members. She recently was nominated for a Gemini Award for Best Documentary Research for the TV series "Le Dernier Soir", about a 1975 unsolved double murder case.

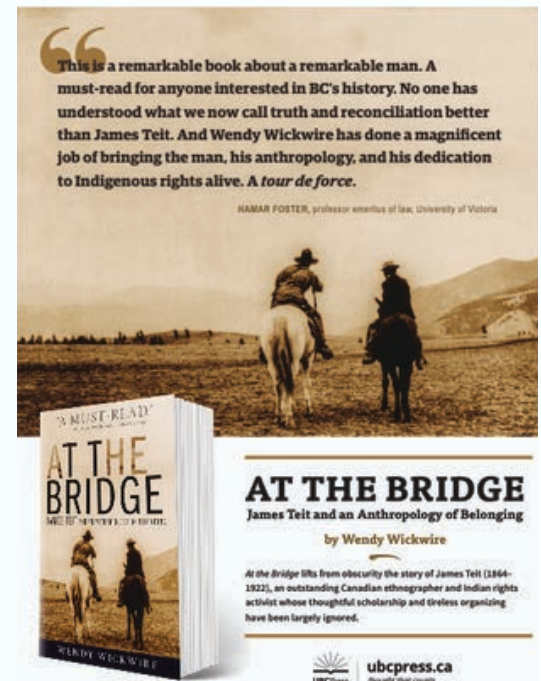
## MAY 11TH MEETING

### From Shetland to British Columbia: James Teit and the Struggle for 'Indian Rights' in Early 20th C. British Columbia

Every once in a while, an important figure makes an appearance, makes a difference and then disappears. James Teit (1864-1922) was such a figure. From his base at Spences Bridge, BC, Teit spent four decades working with and advocating for BC's Indigenous peoples. In this presentation, **Wendy Wickwire** will draw from her 2019 book, *At the Bridge: James Teit and an Anthropology of Belonging*. She will show how Teit's journeys – between Shetland, UK and British Columbia, between Boasian anthropology and Indigenous forms of knowledge, between socialist politics and Indigenous political campaigns – fostered cultural bridges that were rare, even by today's standards.

Wendy Wickwire (emerita) is a member of the Department of History at the University of Victoria. In addition to teaching courses on Indigenous history, oral history, and the history of Anthropology in BC, she has published several other books.

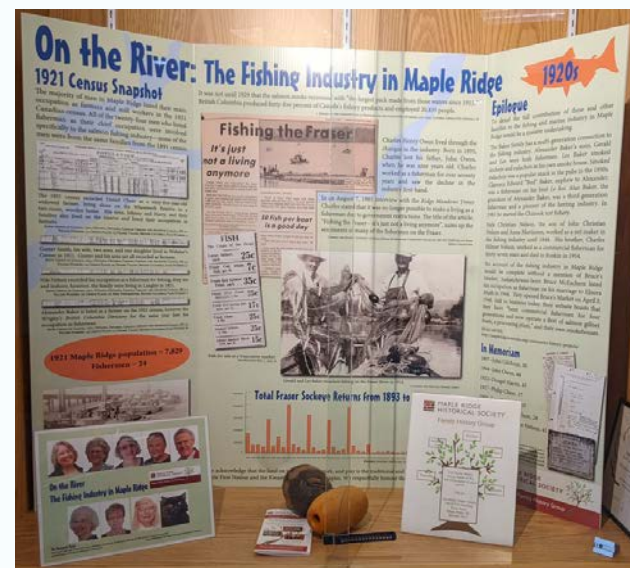
If anyone wants to read the book before the May meeting, our BCGS Genealogical Library has a copy of **At The Bridge**.



## JUNE 8TH MEETING

### On the River: The Fishing Industry in Maple Ridge by the Maple Ridge Community History Team

**On the River: The Fishing Industry in Maple Ridge** is the Maple Ridge Family History Group's fifth community history project. Join the project team to learn how we used our genealogy skills to discover the untold stories of families who were active in our community for generations, but whose voices have not been part of the dominant narratives. Follow the team from transcribing and analyzing the 1891 Census of Canada, to studying the nature of federal census records. Learn how participants expanded the search to find fisher families, by using many record types to reveal six families and a lost industry.



[Website Link](#)





**SATURDAY, MAY 7TH FROM 10 AM – 2 PM**

**BCGS Fundraiser  
Plant Sale & Silent Auction**



**Join us in  
Bill & Sharon Clayton's  
Back Garden  
14431 - 16A Avenue  
South Surrey**

Parking available on 16A and in  
green alley behind the house.

**Silent Auction Items  
Include:  
Plants, Framed Art,  
Vintage Clothing,  
Home Decorations  
and much more**

Plant donations are welcome. Please  
contact [Sharonjmclayton@gmail.com](mailto:Sharonjmclayton@gmail.com)





# Tracking Indigenous Roots Coffee Chat



NEW

A brand new Coffee Chat, facilitated by the **Aboriginal Genealogy Association**, which is one of our *Affiliate Member Societies*.

There are 3 chats scheduled for the **last Tuesday of April, May & June**.

You can find these on the last page of the Newsletter. To request the "Chat Link" please email [coffeechat@bcgs.ca](mailto:coffeechat@bcgs.ca).



## BCGS LIBRARY RECYCLING PROJECT

2022 GOAL  
**\$2750**

TO DATE 2022  
TOTAL:  
**\$752.00**

CAPS ON



Leave your caps on

2022 YTD  
**7,877 PIECES  
DONATED!**

### Eazy-Peazy RETURN-IT Recycling!

Thanks to members (and friends) from all over the province who have been donating their recyclable containers through their local Return-It Centres. They have been printing deposit labels at their local depots and attaching coded labels to clear plastic bags that contain donated bottles and cans. As of Feb 1, milk and plant-based beverages are part of the deposit system!

**604-502-9119** (the BCGS library's phone) **is the code for printing labels at the Return-It Centre.** Return-It employees count the contents of each bag and credit our BCGS bank account.

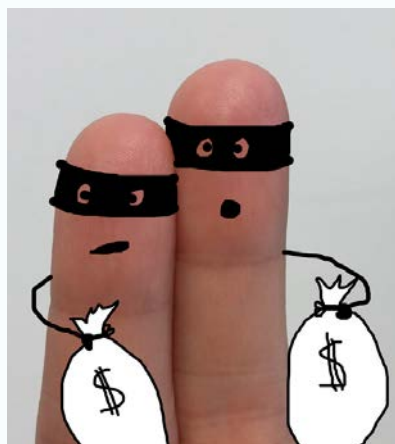
Donations of bottles and cans can still be dropped off at the BCGS Library or in Bill's driveway in South Surrey if that is more convenient. If you have questions or need clarification, please email [billclayton@shaw.ca](mailto:billclayton@shaw.ca) or call 604.329.1721.



# Most Improved Genealogist Contest 2022



Are you making big breakthroughs in your family history research this year? Or have you finally scanned and filed all those stacks of paper on your desk and in your office? Maybe you have completed a training course or published a book detailing your research. Whatever it is you are focusing on this year, consider nominating yourself for our **Most Improved Genealogist!** Keep track of your goals, challenges and successes during the year, and submit a note to Eunice Robinson at [eunice@genbug.ca](mailto:eunice@genbug.ca) by November 30th, outlining your achievements. Winners will be announced at our December members' meeting.



## Working Links:

<https://www.scottishindexes.com>

<https://www.scottishindexes.com/coveragescd.aspx>

[emma@scottishindexes.com](mailto:emma@scottishindexes.com)



## Scottish Indexes releases more Prison Records

10 March 2022

**Glasgow, Scotland** – In a continuation of their Scotland's Criminal Database project, Glasgow based genealogists Emma and Graham Maxwell have released an index to a further 43,000 historical Scottish Prison records. These have been added to [www.scottishindexes.com](http://www.scottishindexes.com). Their ongoing project to open up historical criminal records to help people trace their family history is moving on apace and opening up more stories to the global research community.

These latest prison records are predominantly from the prisons of Aberdeen, Dundee, Glasgow and Paisley, with some updates to other prisons around Scotland. Scotland's Criminal Database now includes over 30 prisons from across Scotland.

You can see a detailed breakdown of coverage here:

<https://www.scottishindexes.com/coveragescd.aspx>

Emma Maxwell, genealogist at [www.scottishindexes.com](http://www.scottishindexes.com) says, "I love the stories people uncover in these records. These missing pieces of the jigsaw give us the details that help us picture the lives of our ancestors. During this indexing project, we found entries for Dumfries civil prisoners relating to the ailment of children. These could be the clue you're looking for to discover the father of an illegitimate child. Another entry we found related to James Gunning, a medical student in Annan, Dumfriesshire, Scotland, who was convicted in 1852 for 'Violating Sepulchres'; better known as 'body snatching'."

Join Emma and Graham at the Scottish Indexes Conference to hear more about their exciting projects: [www.scottishindexes.com](http://www.scottishindexes.com)

Search over 400,000 Scottish  
Criminal Records on  
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# Thank you!

## The BCGS Not Only Appreciates You, It Needs You!

Dear Members,

Our society's active volunteer members help us share our "genealogical gold mine" with people who don't know what we know. They ensure that old information gets updated, and that new information is made easily accessible through our monthly meetings, website, monthly newsletters and quarterly journals.

Flourishing organizations have many people on the front lines and behind the scenes to ensure their ongoing success. Our library building needs funds to pay property taxes and strata fees. Internet costs, speakers' fees and in-house subscriptions also require reliable financial commitments. These costs, and others, are why we need to promote membership in our society and create frequent fundraising opportunities.

When I asked for information to honour our volunteers, BCGS team leaders provided me with names of the people on their teams. You will notice (as I have) that many people volunteer with more than one team. I sent emails to many BCGS volunteers, asking them to send me short bios, but received fewer replies than expected. We all love seeing our names in print, especially when we're being complimented. Perhaps we can publish more volunteer bios next month. Anyone who wants to submit a volunteer bio can send an email to [newsletter@bcgs.ca](mailto:newsletter@bcgs.ca) with "Bio" in the subject.

Please take a moment to read through these volunteer appreciation pages and provide some feedback. If you are not already volunteering with BCGS, please give some serious thought about which volunteer team(s) could best benefit from your time and energy.

**With gratitude to the BCGS Volunteers,**  
Sue Sullivan, *Newsletter Designer and Leader*

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**Eunice Robinson** I joined BCGS in 1974 and have volunteered on several teams over the years.

I have served on the **Board of Directors** for many years, most recently as **President**.

Currently I am the **Education Facilitator**, and I facilitate the **Irish Coffee Chat** and a couple of others, organize seminars, and have been a presenter of many talks and classes. I also volunteer on the **FindaGrave** team; **Newspaper and Book Indexing** team; and the **Facility Maintenance Team**. I've always enjoyed helping people get started on their family history, plus learning myself. The various indexing projects have helped me learn more about our BCGS resources so that we provide our members with access to them.



**Dorothy Jones** I monitor [info@bcgs.ca](mailto:info@bcgs.ca) for any requests or queries; maintaining our **Exchange Journal List** with societies throughout the world; providing backup for downloading Exchange Journals to our library computers; updating the **MailChimp distribution list**; contacting other societies to get Exchange agreements and securing permissions for posting digital journals.

**Jan Graf** I have been a BCGS member for about 10 years. I volunteer on the **Website Team**, which I very much enjoy. I chose the website position because I love technology and its power to bring BCGS resources, information and connection to all of our members, near and far. I also help out with **organizing our seminars**, and am a member of the **Board of Directors (Society Secretary)**.



**Heather Brown-John** I have been involved with **Newspaper Indexing** for 2 years now. I started indexing when Covid erupted in Canada. I find the indexing very interesting, and doing indexing work took my mind off the pandemic.

I have been researching my family history for about 30 years. My Dad and his side of the family have lived on the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island since the mid 1800's. I also grew up on the Lower Mainland.



**Bill Clayton** I have been a **Board Director, Vice-President, President and Past President**. I also represent the BCGS at our **Strata's BOD** meetings. I lead the **Facilities Maintenance Team**. We do carpentry, painting, upgrading light fixtures and hiring plumbers and electricians to modernize and enhance the appearance of our library. Since 2021, I've been fundraising with the **Recycling program**. We exceeded our goal in 2021, and there's an excellent chance we will have an equally good year in 2022.



**Corrine Jubb** I joined BCGS in 2007. I volunteered at the library as a fill-in-shift person and typed many indexes for Betty Allen, the previous Librarian. I also volunteer with the **Facilities Maintenance Team**. I have always enjoyed books and libraries, so was very excited to become the **Library Administrator** four years ago.



**Ann Buchanan** I joined BCGS in 2017. I volunteer on the BCGS **Board of Directors** as the **Website Liaison**. I also volunteer monthly at the BCGS Library, coordinate the **BC Research Team**, the **Newspaper Indexing Project**, and facilitate a **Coffee Chat**. I chose these projects to expand my genealogical knowledge to areas that I am not already experienced in.







**Jacqueline Penney** I have always enjoyed volunteering, whether with children's sports, community activities or animal-centric societies. Currently I volunteer for my strata doing background work, and at YVR, with the Greencoat program, assisting passengers. As a BCGS volunteer, I work with **Catalogue Team updating** the catalogue database and **indexing** our British Columbia books. I believe that without 'on-the-ground' volunteers, many organizations and groups would not be able to function and simply fold, to the detriment of our society as a whole. The conundrum, for our future and in all organizations, is how to encourage folks to take part without an expectation of financial remuneration.



**Janice Kidwell** I initially joined BCGS sometime in the mid seventies, took a break and then rejoined some years later. My volunteer work for BCGS involves: **saving the anniversaries, births, marriages, obits and any other relevant announcements** from The Vancouver Sun, North Delta Reporter and Vancouver is Awesome (*old Vancouver Courier*), newspapers. I also **clip and save** articles that would be appropriate for the BCGS Library's **Clipping Files**. I am the **Team Leader**/contact person for The *Holten Project* (both inside and outside of BCGS) as well as researching a number of soldiers myself. I also am the **Postcard Co-ordinator**, completing administrative work for postcards donated to BCGS. I choose, research and write articles about the postcards for both the BCGS Newsletter and the BCGS Journal.



**Sharon Clayton** I've been volunteering with BCGS for several years, helping out with educational seminars, writing articles and doing copy editing for our newsletter, as well as helping to design, create and distribute two BCGS fundraising calendars. My favourite creative volunteer project was working with Sue Sullivan and George Caldwell to publish and distribute our 50th Anniversary calendar. I still enjoy co-facilitating DNA Coffee Chats, and being a member of the library's **Cataloguing Team**.



**Kathleen Graham** I joined BCGS in 2018 after attending Quebec Questers with my husband Jim Graham, who is a life-long genealogist. I volunteer **cataloguing** for the BCGS Library and enjoy a sneak peak at our new acquisitions. I have always been actively involved with community and academic libraries. I am interested in genetic genealogy and also volunteer with the **Advanced DNA Group**. I have done presentations for that group as well as the **Introduction to Genetic Genealogy** and **Parental Puzzles Coffee Chats**. These volunteer activities provide genial companionship, as well as access to everyone's research expertise and a chance to share the joys and frustrations of finding family links.



**Chris Engstrom** I joined BCGS in 2010 to further my lifelong interest in family history that I inherited from my father and grandfather. From 2014–2019, I volunteered at the **library desk**, with a special project of **indexing the Canada Vertical Files**. In 2015 I worked with a group of volunteers **processing** a large **donation** from the **Estate of Fay Bertrand—the Granny's Garden files**. In 2016 I began training with Jane Stringer, cataloguing the UEL's donations to our library. I followed Jane in 2021 as **Catalogue Team Leader**.



**Sue Sullivan** For a few years I have been lending my professional skills to BCGS: **designing graphics** for the brochure, library door, cruise news, seminars, logos, poster boards, certificates and website bits 'n' bobs. In 2020, I volunteered to design our **BCGS 50th Anniversary calendar**. In 2021, I volunteered to lead the **Newsletter Team**. During my walks, I take photos of memorials and send them to the **Memorial Team**.

**Pearl Phillips** I have **volunteered at the library for over 20 years**. Back in the 1970s, when the **Cemetery Committee** was active, I was one of the people helping Dolly Hannay record the Port Coquitlam and Robinson cemeteries. When BCGS sold our cemetery publications, I was the mail out volunteer.





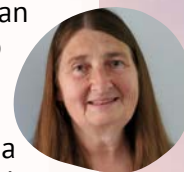
**Susan Snalam** My husband volunteered me for *leading* the **English Group** in 2001, shortly after we joined. From time to time I have also done smaller jobs, like **registering participants** and **distributing tickets** for the live seminars we used to hold each year. I currently am on the **Communications committee**, organizing the **GenBlast** and I collect the 'real' **mail**. Through volunteering a little of my time each month, I have made many lasting friendships with some wonderful people. Most of the jobs I have undertaken do not require a lot of time, but I like to think that "many hands make light work," so I continue to try and help as best I can.

**Sally Funk** Having been a member of BCGS for many years, I agreed a few years ago, to volunteer as one of the *proofreaders* for the Society **Journal** and **Newsletter**. I do not consider myself very proficient at the job, but find that the editors are still appreciative of my contributions. Prior to volunteering I had often just glanced through the documents as they arrived. Now, I find one of the advantages of the work is being required to read and focus on the text which enables me to absorb more knowledge from this material.

**Pam Doke** I joined BCGS in 2020 and although I planned to **volunteer at the library** when I joined, the Covid-19 virus sidelined that plan for a while. Hopefully this year will allow me the time to look through all of the wonderful materials stored there. I've always loved reading and find books about people and their histories fascinating, in particular when the stories are written as first-hand accounts.

**Judy Galpin** I joined in 2018. A year later there was an opportunity help with the **Newsletter** mailout using Mailchimp. I believe in being involved, I felt this would be a good fit! The mailout for the **e-Journal** expanded my duty a bit. With the pandemic more was added: **monthly meeting notices, AGM notices, special seminars** and the **GenBlast**. They all come to you via Mailchimp. My job is an easy one. It is those that work tirelessly and create all the documents that do the hard stuff. I think I can say the learning curve has been steep but getting to know other members and the camaraderie of working as a team, has been a blessing. Now, semi-retired, I recently joined the **Board of Directors** and am looking forward to continuing to work with and for the BCGS.

**Sheila Albrecht** I joined BCGS in 1980. I currently volunteer as the **BCGS Webmaster**. I work with an awesome team, Jan Graf and Ann Buchanan, to maintain and update the website. In addition, the webmaster liaises with *Membership* and is *Administrator* for the **BCGS Gmail accounts**. It is a position that now requires wearing many hats, but it has been very rewarding. I have been able to use skills I brought from my work life and have learned new ones along the way.



**Ann Ryder** I have been **volunteering at the library** since it opened in its current location. I also am active with DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution).

**Margaret Sharon** I have been a BCGS member for 40 years. In the 1980s I enjoyed **cemetery recording** and formatting BCGS publications, and was *Editor* of the **BC Genealogist Journal** for two years. Currently living in Kamloops, I am a member of the **BCGS Newsletter proofreading team** and I also volunteer with *Kamloops Family History Society*, a BCGS affiliate society, as *Editor* of their journal, *Family Footsteps*.



**June Gauntley** I have been a member of BCGS since about 1999, when Marnie Ingvaldson was helping me with my Family History research. I have volunteered in some small ways, but for the past five years mainly with preparing the cover for the newsletter, first with Judith Ueland and Linda Maitland, and now with Sue Sullivan. I love creating these covers, as my hobby, besides Family Research, is Digital Scrapbooking. Judith, Linda and Sue have been a delight to work with, and I will continue to volunteer in this small way.



**Meg McLaughlin** Because I spent a lot of time in the BCGS library, I decided to volunteer there one afternoon a month. I did this for years until the Covid closures came. Shortly after the newsletter started up, I began writing stories about my genealogy journey to share as sharing is one of the joys of being in a family history community.





### Memorial Project Volunteers

Yvette Howard, Eleanore Wellwood, Colin Vanderfluit, Sean Vanderfluit, Denise MacMartin, Susan Sullivan  
J. Amy Newman, Loretta Bogert-O'Brien

These amazing volunteers took photos for this project between 2015 and 2017: **Leslie Eakin**, Peter Claydon, Lorna Smith, D. Rogers, Carole Smythe, Corrine Jubb, Eunice Robinson

### C+ Team vetting donated books for cataloguing

Celia Lewis, Carol Rudek, Corrine Jubb

### Library Volunteers

Claire Belzer, Marvin Mills, Carole Reed, Gary Hamblin, Lois Haasjes, Moyna Laing, Marilyn Ponting

**Book Reviews** Marian Elder

**Map Indexer** Claire Belzer

**Digital Journal Downloads** Robert Holland

**Indexing** Sheryl Wilson

**GenBlast** Judith Ueland, Susan Snalam, Judy Galpin

### Postcards & the Holten Project

Janice Kidwell

**50th Anniversary Book** Lisa Blackburn, Eunice Robinson, Sharon Clayton, June Gauntley

**Computer Team:** George Caldwell,

Keith MacNutt

### Coffee Chat Facilitators:

Eunice Robinson, Judith Ueland, Linda Yip, Sharon Clayton,

Ann Buchanan, Terry Hartley, Jim and

Kathleen Graham, Janet White, Kim Kujawski, Sue Sullivan, Lorraine Irving

**Coffee Chat Zoom Invitations** Christol James

**Facilities Maintenance Team**, Bill Clayton, *Leader*

Claire Belzer, Corrine Jubb, Jim Graham, Laurie Malley, Patrick Keily, Eunice Robinson  
**Digital Journal Exchange**, Yvette Howard and Dorothy Jones.

**Traditional Physical Mail** is handled by Susan Snalam and Colin Stevens

**Email** Dorothy Jones

**FindaGrave Team** led by Marianne Cote-Malley

# Thank you!

**Newspaper Indexing Team**, Ann Buchanan, Celia Lewis, Eunice Robinson, Corrine Jubb, Linda Drake, Heather Brown-John, Denise MacMartin, Sharon Dow, Denise Ingram, Elaine Hasek, Carole Reed, Linda Moorcroft, Anne Smith  
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# The Challenges of Early Ontario Research

by Meg McLaughlin, #3847

It has been a while since I've researched a family line in Ontario. In recent years, I've checked a fact here and there and referred back to the censuses and other documents that I've collected to write about family lines in that province. Lately that hadn't included doing a concerted search through Ontario records to find out about a particular family, but I'm doing that now.

My current quest is reminding me how tricky research in Ontario can be. When I began my ancestor hunt, my first targets were Scottish families who had arrived in 1843 and 1853. It was fairly easy to keep track of them through the censuses as they moved about the province. It was even easier to keep track of them after civil registration began. Unfortunately, those records kicked in too late to document the birth of my great grandmother, Charlotte Tripp, and the death of her mother shortly after that event. It's also frustrating that the only marriage I can find for Charlotte Tripp's father was the one to his second wife, but those are well remembered frustrations with my research. I'm on to a new line now.

The Clark/McPherson line I'm currently tracking down appeared in Ontario at an even earlier time than my previous Scottish families. While extracting information from the letters of Alexander Mathison, I found clues about the McPherson family.

Apparently Mrs. Clark, the woman who put Alex in touch with Margaret, the sister he'd lost for 40 years, was related to Alex and his sister. She was their second cousin and the daughter of Donald McPherson.

According to my previous research on the Mathison family, Alex and Margaret's mother, Ann Ross, had been born a McPherson. My research hasn't turned up any documents to prove the Ross-McPherson connection to date. The information I have comes from written memories, great sources of knowledge, but hardly written proof.

Perhaps, if I successfully link Mrs. Clark to the correct Donald McPherson (not a unique name), I'll be able to find documentation on his line which can take my McPherson line further back. That's the theory, anyway. Whether I can even link Margaret Clark to her father, Donald McPherson, remains to be

seen. So far, the Ontario census records can't even agree where Margaret was born; there are possible records in Scotland, Ontario and PEI. It's a similar story with Ancestry's online family trees, which is probably to be expected if those family historians are looking at the same sources as I am. It appears the search for the Clark/McPherson line will take a while. I'd better get cracking as I have a deadline of sorts. I hope to be delving into the Scottish part of the research on the McPherson line while I'm in Scotland this summer.



*Meg writes about history and genealogy in*  
 A Genealogist's Path to History  
[genihistorypath.blogspot.ca](http://genihistorypath.blogspot.ca)  
*Read more about her findings in her blog.*



# Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden

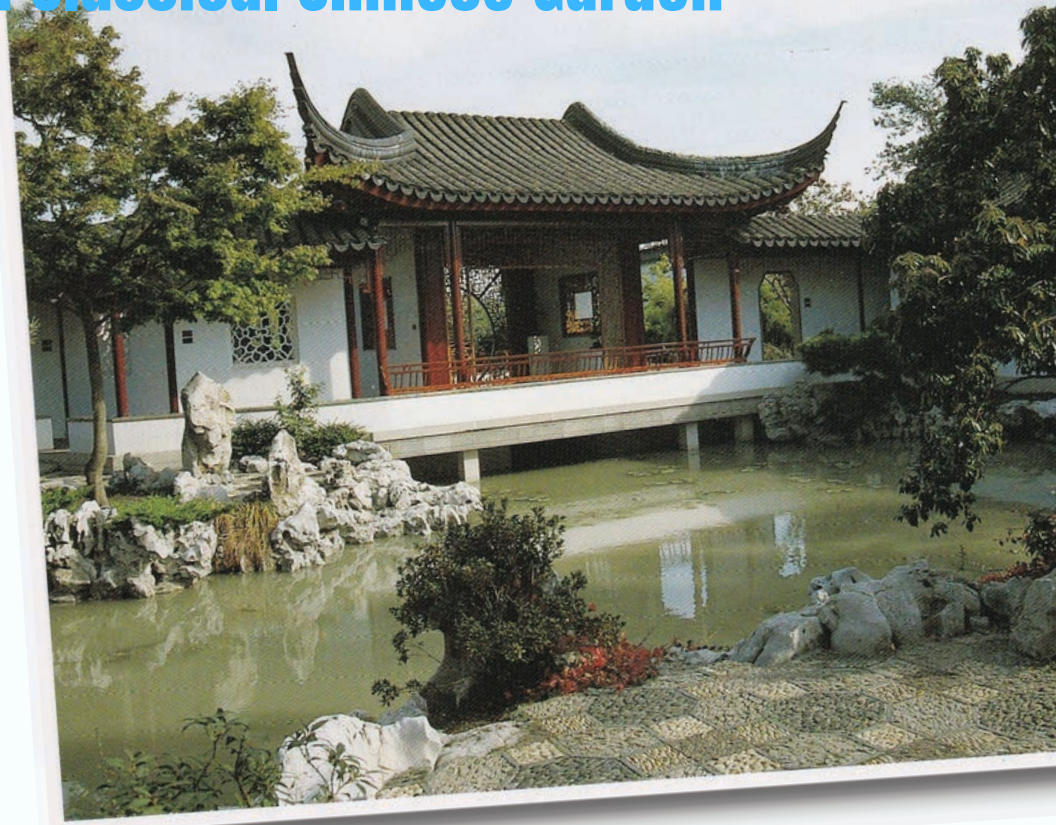
by Janice Kidwell,  
#5033

Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Garden, located in the heart of Vancouver's historic Chinatown neighbourhood is the first Chinese or "scholars" garden built outside of China. It is a unique venue for cultural programming and events, including guided tours, concerts, festivals, exhibitions, receptions, and educational programs. Sharing the same block are the Chinese Cultural Centre, a public park and a courtyard. This Ming Dynasty-style garden-

home is the first of its kind to have been built outside of China, and continues to be unique throughout the world, as the result of a joint collaborative effort of community members, the Canadian Government and the People's Republic of China.

With support from the governments of Canada and the People's Republic of China, 53 master artisans from Suzhou and a team of local architects spent just over a year constructing the garden, employing techniques nearly identical to those used centuries ago in Suzhou. Building materials, including hand-fired roof tiles, carved woodwork, lattice windows and prized limestone rocks from Lake Tai, arrived from China in over 950 wooden crates. Plants were sourced locally, reinforcing the cross-cultural character of the garden and its conception.

The building of the garden began in 1985. It opened on April 24, 1986, in time for Expo '86. The plants were chosen according to their blossom schedules to emphasize



seasonal changes, especially the "awakening" in spring. They were also selected to invoke the symbolic, historical and literary meaning of each plant. Used sparingly, the plants provide colour through all the seasons.

Classical Chinese gardens, using the philosophical principles of **Feng shui** and **Taoism**, strive to achieve harmony and a balance of opposites. Unique formed rocks, for example, are positioned against delicate foliage. Water is also an important element of the garden. The large pond offers stillness, sound, a reflection of the sky and helps to unify the other elements. Fish and turtles live in the garden and also serve a symbolic purpose. Bats, dragons and phoenixes are represented in objects throughout the garden. Numerous large rocks are strategically placed and are intended to represent mountains, concealing and revealing park elements. Also there to enjoy are the garden's winding paths, plants, and beautiful vistas.



Over the years, the garden has received several honours and designations. It is one of the Vancouver Heritage Foundation's "Places That Matter" and was named 'World's Top City Garden' in 2011 by National Geographic. In 2012, it was voted 'Canadian Garden of the Year' by the Canadian Garden Tourism Council.

### **Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Park**

The Garden's next-door neighbour is Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Park, a free public park managed by the City of Vancouver. It was designed by architects **Joe Wai** and **Donald Vaughan**. The inner garden was conceived by Chief Architect **Wang Zu-Xin**, with the help of experts from the **Landscape Architecture Company of Suzhou, China**. Though the park is separate from the Garden, it serves as both an extension and a complement to the garden's design and atmosphere. The park contains mostly plant material; and the garden serves as the architectural heart of a scholar's home, where visitors can explore. They can appreciate, with a guided tour, the details of a classical Chinese garden's design and lifestyle. In the park alongside the garden, visitors can enjoy unique rock forms, the waterlily-covered pond, a pagoda and lush plants.

### **Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Courtyard**

Both the Garden and the Park, as well as the Chinese Cultural Centre, open up into Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Courtyard. The courtyard's open layout and central location make it a key public space in the Chinatown neighbourhood. Although the Courtyard has suffered from neglect and disuse, consultations between the Chinatown community and Vancouver's Park Board are generating plans to reshape and revitalize the courtyard for all to enjoy.

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

**April is National Volunteer Month**, so included in this write-up is a list of volunteer opportunities available at the Sun Yat-Sen Classical Chinese Gardens.

#### ***Docent/Cultural Interpreter***

Docents lead 45-minute public tours for visitors and share information about Chinese gardens, history, culture and philosophy. The position is great for fine tuning public speaking and group facilitation skills. All new Docents are required to shadow a maximum of 3 tours during their training period and be available to lead at least 2 tours per week for a minimum of 6 months.

#### ***Special Events Assistant***

Assist with special events and festivals at the Garden, such as Chinese New Year and the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival. All Event Assistants must be available for a volunteer orientation and help with at least 2 events per year.

#### ***Garden Assistant***

Assist with maintaining the horticultural elements of the garden; ideal for someone interested in horticulture or garden design. Garden Assistants must be available for training and help in the Garden at least once a month for a minimum of 4 months.

#### ***Gift Shop Assistant***

Assist with inventory, display and customer purchases; great for those interested in obtaining retail and customer service experience. All Shop Assistants must be available for training and assist in the shop at least once a week for a minimum of 4 months.

If you are interested in volunteering and/or getting more information on the Gardens, call 604-662-3207

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## My Elementary School Years

Some of my most vivid memories of growing up are from my elementary school years. I was enrolled in a very small school about two miles down the road from our home in the countryside, just outside Preston in Lancashire, England. I am guessing that the first day I arrived at school, the headmistress/teacher was trying to fill out enrollment paperwork. She asked me, "What is your father's name?" and I replied, "Daddy." She tried another tack, "What does your mother call him?" to which I replied, "She doesn't call him anything because she likes him!" This story was relayed to my parents later that day and told back to me on numerous occasions.

At the time, Lea Endowed Church of England School was a two-roomed school with two teachers. In the primary room, we learned to write the alphabet on small slates with wooden frames. We also learned to count and do math with Cowrie shells. I think the teacher had a blackboard, but not much else to help her.

Attached to the two schoolrooms was a small house where the headmistress and her elderly mother lived. The washrooms were located across the outside playground. They were very cold in the middle of winter or when it was raining.

The headmistress, who taught the older children, had a desk at the front of the room, along with a piano and a coal-burning fireplace. This was the only heat source in winter. We could see our breath in the morning, and we were made to jump up and down to keep warm until the fire got going.

We were all very scared of the headmistress, who was very strict, with a volatile temper. Her teaching style was very Victorian; we learned most things by rote and punishments were swift if we didn't comply. We quickly learned to duck if an exercise book or worse, a heavy wooden board eraser was coming our way. Girls who were really bad got hit across the hand with





a ruler. The boys fared worse - they were taken outside and hit on the backs of their legs with a studded leather dog collar. In order to be dismissed at the end of the day, we each had to answer a mental math question. Luckily, I was quite good at this, but some of my friends didn't fare so well.

The 7-12-year old children were all in one large room. The desks each held two students, lined up according to their ages. There were small inkpots in each desk, and the boys took turns filling them every day. The school had roughly 50 students when I was there, ranging from 5 to 12 years old.

Nowadays, the school has at least 6 classrooms and I would hope, a lot more teachers.

Despite everything we endured. Our small school had better than average results when it came to the 11+ exams that we all had to sit to decide what type of school we would attend after we turned 12.

A single decker bus picked up the children from the bottom of the road and transported them to the school, along with Catholic children whose school was a further three miles out into the countryside. After the end of WW II, as the school's population grew, there wasn't enough room for all the children on the bus, so the students from the Church of England school had to walk once they turned 8 years old. It was two miles along a twisty road, over a canal and under a railway bridge. The Catholic children used to jeer at us out of the bus windows when they passed by us. What a great way to cause resentment among religions at an early age.

One year, the teachers took us on a school trip to Gretna Green, on the border with Scotland. This had long been the place where people from England eloped. There was a big anvil, presumably where the wedding ceremonies took place. For some

unknown reason, the person who appeared to be in charge approached me and asked me to marry him, probably as part of a show for the tourists. I refused to do it, because I said he was too old!

The thing that I most disliked about school was "Mr. Smith" the headmistress' dog. He was a large bulldog, whose breathing was horrible and he drooled constantly. During recess and lunch, he was allowed out in the playground with the children. The first day I was in school, my mother had attached my woolen mittens to my coat with a long crocheted chain, so that I wouldn't lose them. Mr. Smith came up behind me and saw a mitten dangling from my sleeve. He took off at a gallop with the mitten. I got it back later, along with his drool. I imagine that my mother wasn't impressed, and to this day, I am scared of dogs unless I get to know them.



I enjoyed singing in school. The headmistress divided us in half when teaching us to sing two-part melodies. We went to the playground when it wasn't our turn to learn. My father always said that she thumped the piano so hard it



*Lea Endowed CofE School about 1953 (I'm seated far left, notice shying away from the dog!)*

was a wonder she didn't break it in half. We used to put on Christmas concerts in the Women's Institute building at the bottom of the playground. I enjoyed performing and found it easy to memorize lines. Occasional special events, like sports days and Maypole dancing, turned into competitions when our parents came to watch. We also planted seeds and grew gardens, but most years, only the radishes were ready for picking before the summer holidays began. I suspect that the headmistress harvested the rest.

We got some gym equipment installed in the playground for a brief period of time. It must have been on loan and sent to another school after our time was up.

Every week, a van arrived that was like a tuck shop. We were allowed to purchase candy and the teachers stocked up on what they needed for their homes.

Once a year, a photographer came to our little school and took individual and group photos. I still have two of the groups, and the children's names that my father

copied down. I made two special friends in this school. Both were called Patricia. I completely lost touch with the Patricia who lived opposite to me, as she married a Smith and I can't find her. I managed to find the second Patricia a few years ago and we keep in touch from time to time. It is great to remember our time spent in school together.





# More Memory Lane Answers!

By Colin Vanderfluit, #5812

## Which forms of transportation have you used during your life?

Ever since I was born, I've always had a fascination for all forms of transportation. In particular, I have had a liking for transit and airlines. As early as 2011, I was riding Translink's Millennium Line and had taken my first airplane ride. I have seen two trams from the Lower Mainland's interurban days, the 1220 and 1223. The former is in Steveston, while the latter resides at the Burnaby Village Museum. As far as my interests go, I would love to visit Sandon, BC to see the hundreds of Brill buses there, waiting for restoration. All in all, transportation is one of my primary interests – besides genealogy!



*Baby Colin's First Airplane Ride, 2011.*

By Sean Vanderfluit, #5530

## Did you ever move house, move to a different town, or even a different country? If so, when and why?

Throughout my childhood we moved many times. On hearing how often we moved, people would ask if my father had been in the army. No, actually, he was a Woolworths and Woolco manager! Part of his training, and the promotions that followed, always involved a transfer to a new town.

Between the time I was born to when I moved away from home, we lived in nine different towns all over western Canada. In many of those towns, we moved house at least once. One time, the Woolworth head office in Toronto decided to move my father to Kirkland Lake, Ontario. However, the bigwigs in the New York headquarters vetoed the transfer, because they thought it was unreasonable to move someone with a young and growing family that far across the country.

After I moved away from home to attend university, Woolworths/Woolco (later bought by Wal-Mart) transferred my father three more times. The first of these I thought was a joke, because my dad told

me about it on April Fool's Day. His last posting was in Hinton, Alberta. My dad left Wal-Mart shortly afterwards. Eighteen months later, he and my mother bought a motel in a small southern Alberta town, which they still operate.

In a bit of an overlap with question three (about elementary school memories), when I was in grade ten in Terrace, a classmate and I realized that we had been together in the same grade one class in Duncan. She brought the class photo to school the next day and, yep, there we both were. We later crossed paths, although not very often, as undergrads at UBC. She was in Engineering, I was in Arts. Years passed without me seeing her, until the day I discovered she lived a block away from me. Fast forward, I ran into her at a law event. She had given up Engineering for Law, so our paths started crossing again. I swear I'll be in the room next to her in an old folks' home.

I've moved a few times since leaving my parents' home, but not with anywhere the same frequency or distance. To this day, I have a hard time fathoming the idea that there are people who have lived in the same house their whole lives. My wife's maternal line has four generations who all lived in the same house, which boggles my mind.

# Monthly Questions

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by Susan Snalam, #4403

## Last month we asked:

1. Did your family celebrate Easter or other religious events? If so how?
2. Did you ever move house, move to a different town, or even a different country? If so, when and why?
3. What are your memories of elementary school? Who were your best friends? Are you still in contact with any of them? What games did you play at lunch time etc.?
4. Which forms of transportation have you used during your life?



The Newsletter team would love to share your reflections. A story will be chosen each month.

### Guidelines for submissions:

**Send to:** [newsletter@bcgs.ca](mailto:newsletter@bcgs.ca)

**Subject heading:** Member Memories

### Include/attach:

- Your name & member #

### Formats to use:

- Typed directly in email **OR**
- a Word doc attachment

**Length:** As long or as short as you like.

**Photos:** optional. *Your own personal photos only, without copyright. Do not send photos found on the Internet, unless you took the photos.*

### Submission deadlines:

The **18th of each month** for publication in the following month.

1.

What are your recollections of high school, good or bad?

Who were your friends, what sports or activities were you involved in?

2.

Do you have any memories of your grandparents or great-grandparents? Or other elderly family members or friends?

3.

Where did you go on vacation with your parents and siblings?

4.

How has shopping changed over the years from your grandparents time?





# ALASKA CRUISE NEWS!

At last, those of us looking forward to the BC Genealogical Society's 50th Anniversary Cruise to Alaska can get excited! **It's less than 6 months away** from when we pull out of port.

If you are still on the fence about booking, contact our Group Travel Agent Robert Marcoux at [robert@travelwithrobert.ca](mailto:robert@travelwithrobert.ca) or 604-401-0484 soon. If you are lucky you can catch a last minute promo.

If you are already booked, sign into your Holland America accounts to learn more and book shore excursions before they fill up. [https://www.hollandamerica.com/en\\_US/log-in/sso-log-in.html?login=olci](https://www.hollandamerica.com/en_US/log-in/sso-log-in.html?login=olci)

## Tips to safeguard your trip:

1. Check that your passport expiry date is *AFTER* March 24, 2023.
2. Contact Robert or your insurance agent for medical, interruption and Covid coverage.
3. Your final payment is due June 19, 2022. You can make a payment at any time.
4. Join the BCGS 50th Anniversary Cruise Facebook group—it is the best way to keep up to date on current cruise news: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/503171243562227>

## Message from the BCGS eJournal Editor

The weather is changing! Spring is on its way, and many families are preparing to plant their gardens, both vegetable and flower, when the soil warms up. With all the bad news of food shortages recently, this practise does seem to be a reasonable precaution, one way to be ready for whatever Mother Nature brings our way this year.

Does your family have a special garden that connects you to ancestors? Perhaps a set of heritage seeds that are carefully collected and saved every year, or special tools that are just used in the garden, ones from a grandfather or grandmother who knew how to make plants thrive.

My Swedish grandmother had a green thumb, and grew the best raspberries I ever tasted. I have many family pictures taken in her front garden, usually in front of the giant cottonwood tress along the fence.

Lynne  
Fletcher  
#5353



**Do you have a picture that connects you to a special ancestor?**

**Would you share that picture and its story with our BCGS members?**

Please send your story, and perhaps a picture, to [Journal@bcgs.ca](mailto:Journal@bcgs.ca)



# Report from between the Library Stacks

Corrine Jubb #5215,  
BCGS Library Administrator



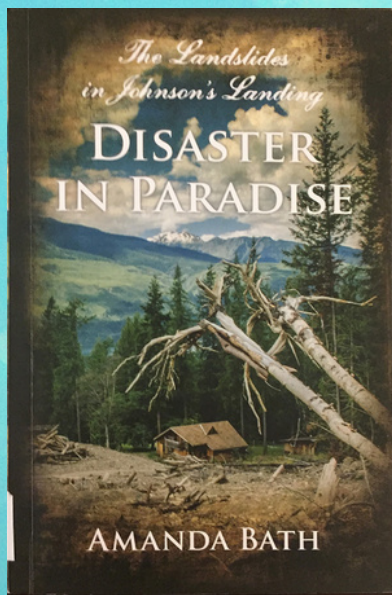
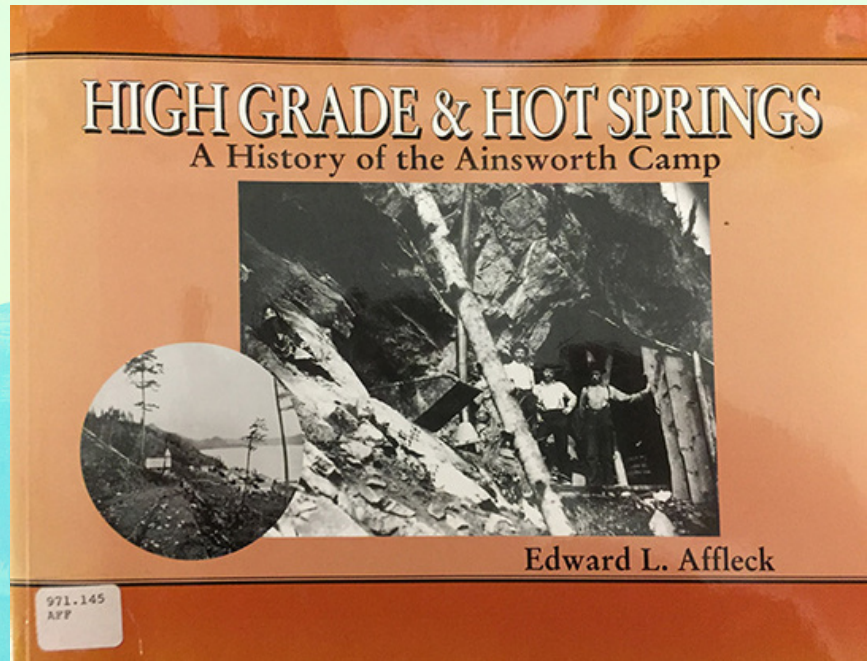
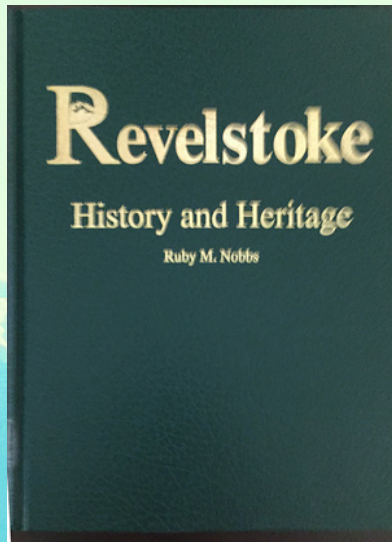
Continuing with Books about BC, the BCGS library's collection includes:

971.144 - **Revelstoke History and Heritage** by Ruby M Nobbs

971.145 BAT - **Disaster in Paradise** (the landslides in Johnson's Landing) by Amanda Bath

971.145 AFF - **High Grade & Hotsprings** (a history of the Ainsworth Camp) by Edward L Affleck

971.144 ALH V 01 - **Faces of the Past** by Arrow Lakes Historical Society







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- Lower Mainland

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## PACIFIC REGION



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Learn more here: <http://www.uelac.org/Vancouver/Leithaward.php>

In 2021 the three new shields were added to the trophy. Betty Compeer UE and her husband Frans Compeer of the Victoria Branch and Jan Ouellet of the Chilliwack Branch shared the award. Although no award was presented in 2020 we will remember that year as one where all volunteers learned new skills to keep our organization active and vibrant during the Covid-19 pandemic.

# Zoom Coffee Chats

**Also known as Special Interest Groups [SIGs].**

If you would like to be included in a chat, please visit the [BCGS website](#) or email the address below to register.



## **EXPLORING GENETIC GENEALOGY**

**Introductory DNA** COFFEE CHAT

**Monday, April 4, 1 to 3 pm**

RSVP Sharon Clayton

[sharonjmclayton@gmail.com](mailto:sharonjmclayton@gmail.com)



## **GOING BEYOND BASICS CHINESE**

**GENEALOGY** COFFEE CHAT

**Thursday, April 7, 10 to 11 am**

RSVP Linda Yip

[hello@past-presence.com](mailto:hello@past-presence.com)



## **BC** COFFEE CHAT

**Thursday, April 7, 7 to 9 pm**

With Janet White

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## **WALES** COFFEE CHAT

**Thursday, April 14, 7 to 9 pm**

With Eunice Robinson

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## **EXPLORING GENETIC GENEALOGY**

**Parental Puzzles (NPE)** COFFEE CHAT

**NO CHAT Monday, April 18 - EASTER**

RSVP Sharon Clayton

[sharonjmclayton@gmail.com](mailto:sharonjmclayton@gmail.com)



## **ADVANCED DNA** COFFEE CHAT

**Tuesday, April 19, 7 to 9 pm**

With Terry Hartley, Jim Graham & Kathleen Graham

RSVP Terry Hartley [terrhart1@gmail.com](mailto:terrhart1@gmail.com)



## **FRENCH CONNECTION**

**(FRENCH-CANADIAN)** COFFEE CHAT

**Tuesday, April 19, 7 to 9 pm**

With Kim Kujawski & Sue Sullivan

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## **ONTARIO** COFFEE CHAT

**Thursday, April 21, 7 to 9 pm**

With Janet White

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## **INDIGENOUS** COFFEE CHAT

**Tuesday, April 26, 10:30 to Noon**

With Aboriginal Genealogy Assoc.

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## **ATLANTIC CANADA** COFFEE CHAT

**Thursday, April 28, 7 to 9 pm**

With Eunice Robinson

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## **ENGLAND** COFFEE CHAT

**Thursday, May 5, 7 to 9 pm**

With Ann Buchanan

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## **IRELAND** COFFEE CHAT

**Thursday, May 12, 7 to 9 pm**

With Eunice Robinson

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## **SCOTLAND** COFFEE CHAT

**Thursday, May 26, 7 to 9 pm**

With Lorraine Irving/Eunice Robinson

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## **USA** COFFEE CHAT

**Thursday, July 7, 7 to 9 pm**

With Judith Ueland

RSVP [coffeechat@bcgs.ca](mailto:coffeechat@bcgs.ca)





Celt Fest at the Surrey Museum, Saturday March 26 was a lot of fun! It was great to see who turned out.

## My Heritage & Legacy Family Tree Webinars co-hosting **24-Hour Webinar Marathon**

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Non-member fee is \$10 per presentation.

**Tuesday April 12th – 7:00 PM PDT via Zoom**

**Pam Vestal** presents "**Beyond Names and Dates:  
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