

## **PNCS enjoys entertainment by Bob Bruce for March Meeting**



We had quite a good turnout at our Puyallup meeting in March. We had several new people who heard about us through different sources. This included Frank & Eileen Lamar, Lacy; Patricia David, Puyallup; Florence Monkman, Redmond; Jim Loughed, Bremerton; Gord'n Perrott of Seattle. We welcome these new people and hope to see them at future meetings.

We enjoyed pictures Doug and Vicki presented of their trip to Cornwall. Carole Lower gave us a history of the China Clay Industry in Cornwall which gave us a better idea of a different lifestyle from that of the miners.

The day was rounded off with Bob Bruce at the piano and everyone sitting around tables with song book in hand singing

Cornish Songs including my favorite "The White Rose" and "Going Up Camborne Hill." An as always the Pot Luck was excellent.

### **10th ANNUAL PNCS PICNIC**

The annual meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2007 at Rotary Riverside Park in Chehalis. It is just East of I5 at Exit 82 off Harrison along Skookumchuck River. Shelter #3. Please note that this is a change from previous years due to the unavailability of Fort Borst Park. The business meeting will begin at 11 a.m. The program and Picnic Lunch will begin at 12 noon until 3 p.m. The Picnic Lunch will be a Potluck and there is always plenty of good food to share. There will be coffee and tea available. Please bring your own utensils and place setting. Bring the whole family, there are plenty of neat things for the kids to play on, a swimming pool and wading pool for the little ones. (see President's letter for program info).

From the President....

We get together three times year to share our heritage and meet our Cornish American cousins and those who are not Cornish but share our interest in all things Cornish. Check our website [www.nwcornishsociety.org](http://www.nwcornishsociety.org)

The annual meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2007 at Rotary Riverside Park in Centralia. The business meeting is scheduled for 11:00 am which will include election of new officers for the board. If you are interested in volunteering for any of the offices, please contact the nominating committee by email, regular mail or phone as follows:

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We will have a Business Meeting at 11:00am to take care of Election of Officers and a discussion on a new project involving a Memorial to Past Members. Please come prepared to offer suggestions for the naming our Memorial. Following the business meeting we will have a wonderful Pot Luck Lunch which is always excellent.

We have lined up a special speaker who will present information to us on researching our ancestors. Jim Johnson is the director of the Heritage Quest Research Library and Bookstore located at 909 Main Street in Sumner, WA.

*" HQRL is a nonprofit genealogy library, managed and staffed entirely by volunteers. HQRL's collection includes books, microfiche, and microfilm, with an emphasis on census films. We have one of the largest microfilm collections in the Pacific Northwest."*

They carry hundreds of genealogy books and genealogy supplies and he will be bringing some of these items for sale at our meeting. They also can be found online at [www.hqrl.com](http://www.hqrl.com)

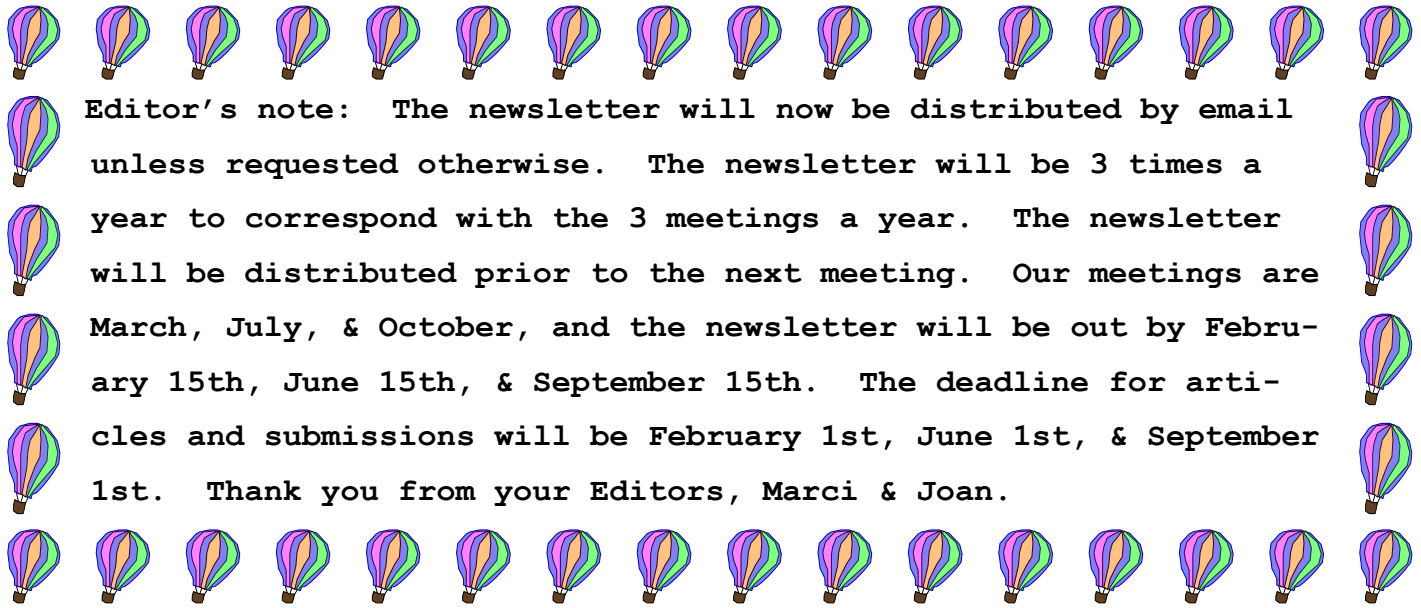
Please mark your calendars for this date and plan on attending. Hope to see you there.

As you browse the website, please check out The Cornish Country Store for the books listed for sale and of course there are still a lot of Flags, Cornish Cups, and Bumper Stickers. I still have T-shirts and Sweatshirts and if I do not have your size I can order them. All of this will be available at the annual meeting.

Please also check the Surname list for accuracy of names and places and update us on your email address.

Hope to see you all at the meeting. Alene, President PNCS





**Editor's note:** The newsletter will now be distributed by email unless requested otherwise. The newsletter will be 3 times a year to correspond with the 3 meetings a year. The newsletter will be distributed prior to the next meeting. Our meetings are March, July, & October, and the newsletter will be out by February 15th, June 15th, & September 15th. The deadline for articles and submissions will be February 1st, June 1st, & September 1st. Thank you from your Editors, Marci & Joan.

**FOR ALL THE GENEALOGISTS OUT THERE, I NEED YOUR HELP!!!**

Please keep a lookout for this guy – he’s everywhere on my tree!!

**1852 NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS TO SOLVE GENEALOGICAL MYSTERIES.**

It is New Year's Eve 1852 and Henry TREMELLION sits at his desk by candlelight. He dips his quill pen in ink and begins to writes his New Year's resolutions.

1. No man is truly well-educated unless he learns to spell his name at least three different ways within the same document. I resolve to give the appearance of being extremely well-educated in the coming year.
2. I resolve to see to it that all of my children will have the same names that my ancestors have used for six generations in a row.
3. My age is no one's business but my own. I hereby resolve to never list the same age or birth year twice on any document.
4. I resolve to have each of my children baptized in a different church -- either in a different faith or in a different parish. Every third child will not be baptized at all or will be baptized by an itinerant minister who keeps no records.
5. I resolve to move to a new town, new county, or new state at least once every 10 years -- just before those pesky enumerators come around asking silly questions.
6. I will make every attempt to reside in counties and towns where no vital records are maintained or where the courthouse burns down every few years.
7. I resolve to join an obscure religious cult that does not believe in record keeping or in participating in military service.
8. When the tax collector comes to my door, I'll loan him my pen, which has been dipped in rapidly fading blue ink.
9. I resolve that if my beloved wife Mary should die, I will marry another Mary.
10. I resolve not to make a will. Who needs to spend money on a lawyer?



## Pacific Northwest Cornish Society Minutes of the March 3rd meeting in Puyallup 2007

Our St. Piran's Day gathering opened with a business meeting, following the order we had earlier agreed upon. Attending the business meeting is optional. Some are planning on coming for the program following lunch at 12:00. At that time we will have introductions around the room, giving us an opportunity to hear from new folks and to be reminded of our members' individual Cornish history.

Our president, Alene Reaugh, called the business meeting to order at 11:10. Minutes of the October 21 meeting in Vancouver were approved as corrected. First name of Joan Floan, deceased, was corrected. It should have been "Claire".

TREASURER'S REPORT: As of February 28, 2007, TOTAL liabilities and equity = \$1,317.52.

Dues: \$245.00, Cornish store \$176.75. Expense from fees, hall rental and newsletter = \$309.10. The report was received and approved.

A reminder to all that our web site is [WWW.NWCORNISHSOCIETY.ORG](http://WWW.NWCORNISHSOCIETY.ORG). To view specifics to members click on PNCS. The password is kernow (small case).

Business cards have been printed and are to be used as a hand-out to encourage new members' attendance.

Moved, seconded, and approved that our Newsletter be distributed by e-mail to those preferring this form of communication, otherwise members and other interested folk will receive copies by regular mail. It is anticipated this will save on postage. We also approved the purchase of appropriate software to improve the appearance and format of the newsletter. All are encouraged to help improve our newsletter with the inclusion of personal vignettes, etc.

Carole Lower and Fran Anderson's cousin both responded to the communication from John Welham of the Camborne Science and Community College. E-mails were sent to the students and letters to Mr. Welham. Unfortunately there has been very little or no acknowledgement.

The following agreed to serve on a nominating committee for new officers: Alene Reaugh, Dot Untley, and Evangeline Anderson.

A discussion was held regarding our desire to memorialize deceased members. Carole Lower agreed to formulate a profile form which all will fill out for future reference. We will do this at our picnic meeting in July. Several agreed to research information on past deceased members, to be presented at our next meeting.

Our summer meeting will be held July 21 in Chehalis at PENNY RECREATION PARK. (just east of exit 76. Go east on 13<sup>th</sup> St. for 0.25 miles. The park is on the left.)

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 for lunch and a power-point presentation by Doug and Vicki Wolford of their trip to Cornwall. Carole Lower will also give a history of the China Clay Industry in Cornwall.

Respectfully submitted, - Bob Bruce, Secretary

NEW MEMBERS PRESENT: Frank & Eileen Lamar, Lacy; Patricia Davis, Puyallup; Florence Markman, Redmond; Jim Loughed, Bremerton; Gord'n Perrott, Seattle MEMBERS: Bob & Shirley Bruce; Shirley Ewart; Carole Lower; Dot & Dan Huntley; Marle & Judith Upton Fran Anderson; Nancy Clark; Les & Delores Randall; Ann Holiday; Craig & Colleen Pedlar; Alene Raugh; Evangeline Anderson; Margaret Porter; Betty Novatney; Doug & Vicki Wolford; Dick & Louise Colenso; Jacquie Smith

## LETTER FROM YOWANN TO THE MEMBERS OF PNCS

I receive the certificate, thank you all very much indeed. I consider it a great honour.

We're all well here, and very busy. We did have a week's holiday in April, when Siaron and I hired a sailboat on Loch Ness. That was excellent fun, although we didn't spot Nessie!

I haven't been down to Cornwall for a while, although I have been very actively involved in the Cornish language spelling controversy, which just keeps getting worse and worse. The big problem is that suddenly, after years and years of hard work by volunteers, there is a huge pot of money available to support Cornish from the European Union, and a bunch of people who know next to nothing about Cornish are trying to muscle in on the act. It's truly heartbreaking. I don't have an article to send you, but I do have a copy of my letter which was published in the Western Morning News recently - you're very welcome to reproduce it in the PNCS newsletter, if you want to, although it may not be of interest to all members. I've copied it below. Many thanks again, and keep in touch. Gans ow gwella gorhemynadow, Yowann

More than twenty years ago, as a teacher, Bard of the Cornish Gorsedh and fluent Cornish speaker living in Cornwall, I suggested Kernewek Kemmyn or Common Cornish as the name of the revised spelling system for our ancient and beautiful language. Since then, with some small revisions, Kernewek Kemmyn has served the Cornish language movement admirably, but it is now under attack from a tiny number of individuals because, finally, after many years of unpaid work and dedication by scores of volunteers, Cornish is now receiving recognition, support and funding at an unprecedented level.

I suggested the name Common Cornish because I hoped that the system would become precisely what the name suggests: the most common, widely used and frequently encountered way of spelling Cornish, and that indeed is what it has become. The vast majority of books, magazines and other published material, the vast majority of dictionaries and vocabularies, the translation of the Bible, the vast majority of classes, both in Cornwall and around the world: all of these are conducted in Kernewek Kemmyn. The reason is very simple: like Spanish, Welsh and a few other languages, the Kernewek Kemmyn spelling system allows new learners to pronounce words quickly, easily and accurately.

It would be a tragedy if the astonishing gains made by the Cornish language movement were now to be thwarted and set back by this tiny minority of disgruntled individuals, who in the same period of twenty-plus years have come nowhere near producing any viable alternative to Kernewek Kemmyn, and are unlikely to produce one even if they were given another twenty years. And we can't wait that long. When I was Education Secretary of the Cornish Language Board, I wrote the very first GCSE examinations in Cornish. I wrote the very first television programme in Cornish, 'An Canker Seth,' which was broadcast by Television South West in the 1980s. There are now far better and worthier Cornish teachers, writers, poets, editors, film-makers and broadcasters hard at work on developing the language, and the vast majority of them support and use Kernewek Kemmyn. For the sake of the children who will be learning Cornish in schools, if for no others, it is vital that we use Common Cornish as the basic, standard spelling system. If the few disgruntled academics prefer to use other systems for themselves, they are perfectly welcome to do so – just as academics read Anglo-Saxon or Chaucer in the original spellings - but the living language of Cornish requires a living, breathing orthography: and that is Kernewek Kemmyn.

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## Members Traveling

### Gay Treglown Knutson writes:

Hi, Yes, I was thinking it would be fun-and we should make it a priority!-to come to the July meeting. Nothing to report of a Cornish flavor, but ....I am planning the Port Angeles Symphony's 7th International tour, which this time will be to Australia in August of 2008. I'm excited because we'll get to meet my "cousin," Robert Treglown, with whom I've been corresponding for about six years. Together we pieced together Treglown lore going back to St. Keverne in the twelfth century. We keep threatening to write an epic novel, as the stories include no less than two murders, countless intrigues, emotional turmoil, immigration, love, sex, and what else does the Lifetime Network need? PS, PNCS members are invited to come along to Oz. We have about 30 seats for non-players!

### Mary Sisson and Ann Holiday

We won't be at the annual meeting because we'll be boarding a plane that day for China. We're meeting my daughter, who's spent the year teaching English in Korea. We all inherited Grandma Uglow's travel genes. I know two people in Vancouver who are going to Cornwall this summer, so I hope to get both of them at the October meeting.

Margaret Porter & Alene Reaugh plan on attending the 14<sup>th</sup> Cornish Gathering in Calumet and Hancock, Michigan on July 24, 2007. They will be taking our banner and the PNCS sign to have on display and for use in the Flag Celebration. They are looking forward to the trip and will have a full report for you at the October meeting with pictures included.



**Lelant Church**

Picture by Charles Winpenny

Cornwallcam.com.uk

*far from 'ome*  
**Immigrant Experiences on the Keweenaw Peninsula - The 14th Gathering of Cornish Cousins**

**July 25 to 29, 2007**

Michigan's Upper Peninsula in Calumet and Central Mine Location

Sponsored by:  
Central Mine Methodist Church Board  
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[Keweenaw County Historical Society](#)  
[Keweenaw Kernewek, the Cornish Connection of the Copper Country](#)  
with assistance from  
[Keweenaw National Historical Park](#)  
[MainStreet Calumet](#)

If there is anyone interested in making this a group trip, please contact me at [soft-walk2@yahoo.com](mailto:soft-walk2@yahoo.com) Alene Reaugh, President  
PNCS

From the newsletter of the **London Cornish Society**

## **WEBSITES FOR YOU TO VISIT**



We all know how beautiful Cornwall is, so it is nice to see websites which celebrate that beauty.

The following websites do just that:

**[www.jacquiewilkes.co.uk](http://www.jacquiewilkes.co.uk)**

This Website has some amazing pictures—and you can purchase greeting cards which have some of the views on them. Family historians might be interested in an offer from Jacquie to photograph places,, buildings graves, etc. which link to their research interests. More information on this offer and contact details can be found on the WEBSITES.

**[www.lookaroundcornwall.com](http://www.lookaroundcornwall.com)**

An interesting WEBSITES with panoramas of various sites in Cornwall. The ability to pan left and right or up and down as well as zoom in and out, enables you to really zoom in on the detail. **[www.cornwallcam.co.uk](http://www.cornwallcam.co.uk)**

Beautiful scenes of villages and the coast. Purchases of CDs, DVDs and calendars can be made on this WEBSITES.

**[www.videoportraits.co.uk](http://www.videoportraits.co.uk)**

Makers of DVDs of various parts of Cornwall or

Devon. DVDs are available to purchase and watch at home or give as gifts. And one for family historians... If you are doing your family history and are interested in the distribution of surnames in the UK, visit:

**[www..spatial-litracy.org](http://www..spatial-litracy.org)**

Here you will be able to compare the results for 1881 and 1998. You never know what you might discover about the movement of your ancestors!

### **Grace Graham long time Charter Member dies**

On Wednesday evening, January 17<sup>th</sup>, Amazing Grace quietly left this life in peace. We celebrated her 98<sup>th</sup> birthday a few days early (on January 9<sup>th</sup>) at Ruby's on the Balboa Pier, where she enjoyed a Birthday Cake Shake and the fresh ocean air. She was born Grace Tregarthen, a Cornish Woman through and through. She was the mother of Judy Berg, charter member # 55, 1st cousin to Harry Tregarthen, charter member #5, and 1st cousin once removed of Joan Tregarthen Huston, founding member #1. Known as Amazing Grace, she will be missed by all.

**Genealogical Codicil to My Last Will and Testament**

To my spouse, children, guardian, administrator and/or executor:  
Upon my demise it is requested that you DO NOT dispose of any or all of my genealogical records, both those prepared personally by me and those records prepared by others which may be in my possession, including but not limited to books, files, notebooks or computer programs for a period of two years.

During this time period, please attempt to identify one or more persons who would be willing to take custody of the said materials and the responsibility of maintaining and continuing the family histories. [If you know whom within your family or friends are likely candidates to accept these materials, please add the following at this point: "I suggest that the persons contacted regarding the assumption of the custody of these items include but not be limited to" and then list the names of those individuals at this point, with their addresses and telephone numbers if known]

In the event you do not find anyone to accept these materials, please contact the various genealogical organizations that I have been a member of and determine if they will accept some parts or all of my genealogical materials. [List of organizations, addresses and phone numbers at bottom; include local chapters, with their addresses, phone numbers and contact persons if available as well as state/national contact information and addresses]

Please remember that my genealogical endeavors consumed a great deal of time, travel, and money. Therefore it is my desire that the products of these endeavors be allowed to continue in a manner that will make them available to others in the future.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_



**CORNISH COUNTRY STORE IS OPEN**  
**WE HAVE A GOOD VARIETY OF ITEMS THAT**  
**YOUR CORNISH COUSINS WILL LOVE.**  
**Please check the website to see pictures of all**  
**of these items [www.nwcornish.org](http://www.nwcornish.org) You can**  
**place an order by emailing me at**  
**[softwalk2@yahoo.com](mailto:softwalk2@yahoo.com) .**

**PNC'S LIBRARY**  
*The PNC'S Library exists, with the President. The PNC'S Library will always welcome donated books about the Cornish. If you have a Cornish book you would like to donate to the PNC'S 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)*

**PNC'S WEB SITE**  
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**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.com](http://www.archivecdbooks.com) and check out all their CDs.

**PNC'S ANNUAL MEETINGS**  
 Members unanimously voted to conduct three meetings each year. The normal schedule will be for a meeting in March (St Piran's Day recognition); July (Annual meeting for election of officers); and October. For planning purposes, the July meeting will normally be at Ft Borst Park and the March and October meetings will be divided between a location in the Olympic Peninsula area for members located in the northwestern parts of the state and the Puyallup-Olympia area for those in the southern locations.

**OUR NEWSLETTER DEADLINES**  
**First week in February**  
**First week in June**  
**First week in September**  
 Send articles, pictures, ads, notices, whatever, to:  
[mjrothman@comcast.net](mailto:mjrothman@comcast.net) or [Tregarthen@gmail.com](mailto:Tregarthen@gmail.com)  
 Or mail to: **Marcia Rothman, 5345 April Dr, Langley, WA 98260**  
 Make sure they get to us prior to the above deadlines to be included in the next newsletter.

**Pacific Northwest Cornish Society Application for Membership**

Name:

Address:

City:

State/Province:

Zip:

Phone:

Email address:

Webpage:

\$10 Individual member    \$15 Dual Membership

List Cornish names and areas or Parishes interested in?

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*The purpose of this society, organized as a non-profit Corporation, shall be educational.  
It shall be devoted to furthering Cornish heritage genealogical research in the states of  
Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.*

**MEMBERSHIP:** Individual Membership: \$10.00  
Dual Membership: \$15.00  
Lifetime Membership: a one-time payment equal to fifteen (15) times the current annual dues.  
Annual dues are payable as of 1 July.  
Send dues payable to: Pacific Northwest Cornish Society  
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