



Spring
2025

**Next Meeting is a Zoom Meeting Saturday,
March 8th at 4pm Pacific time. We will be
celebrating St. Piran's Day.**

St. Piran's Day will be celebrated around the globe this March 5. This will take place within Cornwall and throughout the diaspora.

Piran was a 5th Century Cornish abbot and saint. He is regarded as the Patron Saint of Cornwall and tin-miners. It is believed that he was of Irish origins and spent time in Wales. You may remember the legend of him being tied to a millstone which was rolled over the edge of a cliff into a stormy sea. The sea immediately became calm, and the saint floated safely over the water to land upon the sandy beach of [Perranzabuloe](#) in Cornwall.¹ That is where he built a small private chapel where he continued his work, spreading the word.



President's Message by Doug Wolford

With immigration in the news lately, here's how one Cornish family, my great-uncle William Edwin "Ed" Rosevear did it.

Ed was my grandmother's elder brother, one of 10 children of John and Mary Rosevear. John had told his boys that there was not enough work in Cornwall, so they should look elsewhere. Two sons left for America in the early 20th century. ED stayed in Par as a baker with his wife Alice and four children. In October 1929, the family decided to join the one brother, Albert, in Aberdeen, WA. This was not the best time to look for work, as the Great Depression was just getting started. Unable to find suitable employment in Aberdeen, the family moved to Seattle, which was not financially successful. Brother Stanley suggested they come to Ogden, Utah to work in the city shops. Once settled in Ogden, unable to find a city job, he found work stocking shelves at Walgreens. The older 3 children also found work to help the family income. Ed later got a job at the Methodist church as a janitor.

He for some reason became frustrated with the work situation and took the family back to England, this time to Slough, where they stayed with his sister Mabel. He found employment at the John Lewis Partnership, likely in the food division. Having returned from America, the authorities gave him one year to decide if he was going to stay or return to America. In 1934, the entire family moved back to Ogden. They moved into the basement of a large residence on the grounds of the Methodist church, where he was once again the janitor. The children, all now adults, also found work and they were able to buy a house in Ogden. The children, 3 daughters and a son, were successful, and the eldest daughter, Kathleen, lived to the age of 105 ½. At her passing, she was the oldest person in Utah. Her daughter, my cousin Charlene Krell, relayed this information to me when we visited her in California on February 10.

The depression changed the lives of millions of people. This is just one story of many. We need to get them while those that remember them are still with us.

The End

Treasurer's Report

12:48 PM

09/09/24

Accrual Basis

Pacific Northwest Cornish Society Balance Sheet As of August 31, 2024

	Aug 31, 24	Aug 31, 23
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
Umpqua Bank - Checking	4,638.73	3,913.73
Total Checking/Savings	4,638.73	3,913.73
Accounts Receivable		
Accounts receivable	-53.89	-48.89
Total Accounts Receivable	-53.89	-48.89
Other Current Assets		
Undeposited Funds	30.00	0.00
Total Other Current Assets	30.00	0.00
Total Current Assets	4,614.84	3,864.84
TOTAL ASSETS	4,614.84	3,864.84
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
Accts Payable	-2.15	-2.15
Total Accounts Payable	-2.15	-2.15
Other Current Liabilities		
Prepaid Dues	-260.00	-260.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	-260.00	-260.00
Total Current Liabilities	-262.15	-262.15
Total Liabilities	-262.15	-262.15
Equity		
Opening Bal Equity	1,364.03	1,364.03
Unrestrict (retained earnings)	3,097.96	2,593.96
Net Income	415.00	169.00
Total Equity	4,876.99	4,126.99
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	4,614.84	3,864.84



Cornish Language Group

Dydh da! Fatla genes?

Looking forward to our next Kernewek (Cornish) Language Group

We will build upon and review details of our first meeting. Additionally, we will move forward and begin to learn useful sayings and phrases in Kernewek.

Terry Moyle, a member who teaches beginner Kernewek classes, will continue to collaborate and teach during group sessions.

Come be a part of the KERNEWEK REVIVAL!

Please see the Power Point presentations from four first and second sessions!

Topic: Cornish Learning Language Group

Time: March 16, 2025, 2pm Pacific, 4pm Central, 5pm Eastern, 10pm GMT

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88108416008?pwd=DnVaFjUvJR4agQ6Pm326bdPbdvdsb.1>

See materials covered so far [here](#).

CAHS Book Club

<https://www.cousinjack.org/events/cahs-book-club>

The Long Winter Ends, by Newton G. Thomas, tells the story of a year in the life of a young emigrant miner who leaves Cornwall to work in the copper mines of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Typical of emigrant miners drawn to the new mines in America after copper and tin mine closings in Cornwall, Jim Holman journeys to Michigan from Stoke, Cornwall, and spends his first year living in a boarding house with other Cornish miners. Through Jim's story, The Long Winter Ends offers a glimpse into the lives of an often neglected immigrant group that played an important role in the development of the Great Lakes and American mining industries since the 1840s. Drawing on his own experience as a young Cornish immigrant in the mining communities of the Upper Peninsula, Thomas incorporated firsthand knowledge of the work routines of underground mining, as well as the inflections and patterns of Cornish speech into this novel. With an introduction providing information about the cultural history of the Cornish, this narrative traces a Cornish emigrant's experience from the failure of the mines in Cornwall, his hopes to preserve Cornish traditions in America, and then finally his acceptance of a future in America.

Topic: CAHS Book Club - The Long Winter Ends by Newton G. Thomas

Time: Mar 9, 2025 8pm Eastern Daylight Time, 07:00pm Central Daylight Time, 5:00pm Pacific Daylight Time.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81211281833?pwd=q1erqYZJ7heOAU5qm4S3K5UqhfWbHb.1>



Since 2011 our members have been automatically enrolled in membership in Cornish American Heritage Society (CAHS). Their membership structure changed recently and dues are no long charged.

CAHS is the umbrella organization for all Cornish societies in the US and offers benefits to all members, such as a blog, a book club, a quarterly (soon to be monthly!) newsletter, and access to hundred of other members interested in their Cornish culture.

I am no longer able to enroll anyone but myself, so I'm letting you know that this opportunity is available and worth the effort. You can become a member simply by completing the "Join" form on their website at [cousinjack.org](https://www.cousinjack.org).

Check out their website and consider joining this wonderful organization.

Pacific Northwest Cornish Society Application for Membership

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Province _____

ZIP/Postal Code: _____

Phone: (____) _____

E-mail address: _____

Webpage: _____

\$20 Individual Member \$30 Family Membership

Amount Enclosed: _____

List Cornish names and areas or parishes of interest: _____

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PNCS MEETINGS ARE HELD 3 TIMES A YEAR

ST. PIRAN'S DAY CELEBRATION

ZOOM MEETING ON 1ST SATURDAY OF MARCH

ANNUAL CORNISH PICNIC AT FORT BORST PARK *IN PERSON*

PICNIC AT FORT BORST PARK IN CENTRALIA, WA , THE 2ND SATURDAY IN AUGUST.

FALL MEETING

ZOOM MEETING ON 3RD SATURDAY OF OCTOBER

President - Doug Wolford dvwolford@centurylink.net

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