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How Littleton Got Many of its Street Names

Richard LITTLE named his town's streets after people, places, and things that held personal importance to him. His original plat map of Littleton, done in 1872, included:

Berry Street – Benjamin J. BERRY was the father-in-law of Julius HILL, the owner of the first general store in Littleton.

Church Street – St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Littleton's first church, was on this street.

Curtice Street – Named after LITTLE's close friend, Rodney CURTIS.

Malinda Street – Named after a LITTLE acquaintance; See Alamo Avenue below.

Prince Street – The name of LITTLE's favorite horse.

Rapp Street – Named after another LITTLE close friend, Charles RAPP.

Vermont Street – Named after the state where LITTLE's college was located.

Other street names which were added later included:

Alamo Avenue - In 1910 the Littleton Women's Club was successful in changing Malinda Street to Alamo, the Spanish word for "cottonwood", in reference to the cottonwood trees that lined it.

Bowles Avenue - Joseph W. BOWLES, an 1862 Littleton settler, was a county sheriff and a state legislator.

Bradbury Lane – Thomas W. BRADBURY was a prominent cattle and wheat grower and developer.

Caley Street – Frank T. CALEY founded the Ideal Cheese Company, and his efforts made it possible for Littleton to become the Arapahoe County seat.

Crocker Street – Martha R. CROCKER was the first president of the 1897 Littleton Library Board.

Gallup Street – Named for Avery and Charlotte GALLUP.

Hill Street – O.G. HILL operated a drugstore and then a feed supply store, and Julius HILL built Littleton's first general store (see Berry St. above).

Jackass Hill Road – Named for a World War I entrepreneur's abandoned mules.

Lilley Street – John G. LILLEY was one of LITTLE's original partners in the Rough and Ready Flour Mill.

Louthan Street – Charles LOUTHAN was a contractor, popular citizen and Littleton mayor three times.

Noble Road – Gus NOBLES, a Littleton resident, worked as a

Denver policeman.

Patterson Place – Charles B. PATTERSON, an 1859 settler, served as the first president of the South Arapahoe County Board of Commissioners.

Powers Street – William A. POWERS worked as a school janitor.

Prescott Street – Daniel PRESCOTT was a judge in Denver, an Arapahoe County attorney and was successful in his efforts to get the trolley from Denver to Littleton.

Sheppard Street – Colonel Hampden H. SHEPPERD, a railroad man, was a Littleton mayor four times. Hampden Avenue in Englewood is named for him.

Spotswood Avenue - Colonel Robert J. SPOTSWOOD, a pioneer stage line operator, owned a lot of Fort Logan and Mullen real estate.

Sterne Boulevard – William "Billy" STERNE was the owner of Arapahoe Light and Power. In 1903 he brought electricity to Littleton.

Weaver Avenue – George W. WEAVER, a First National Bank employee for 34 years, owned the land where this street was.

Windermere Street – Windermere Lake, the largest lake in England, means "clear water lake". Avery GALLUP owned the land near this street.

Now the next time you drive through Littleton, you will know the origins and backgrounds of its streets, avenues and roads.

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Programs & Workshops

13 January 1 p.m. “Show and Tech” by Librarians and Technology Specialists from Arapahoe Library District

Experience how libraries are changing; learn about the new resources available from Ancestry databases to filming studios. We will have the opportunity to go “hands on” with new technology, such as Google Glass, 3D Printing and Flying Drones.

20 January 1 p.m. “Beyond the Census: The Non-Population Schedules” by Deena Coutant, Professional Genealogist and Owner of DigiDeena Consulting

Go beyond the U.S. Federal Census population schedules and use the 6 “non-population” schedules taken during 1880-1885, including the agricultural, defective/dependent/delinquent, manufacturing/industrial, mortality, slave, and social statistics schedules. Discover where to locate these schedules, the clues they contain, and strategies for use.

10 February 1 p.m. “Finding Old Maps on the Internet” by Ted Bainbridge, PhD.

Dr. Bainbridge suggests how to find old and modern maps on the Internet for free. He includes lots of real research puzzles solved by using maps.

17 February 1 p.m. “Special Projects at the Littleton History Museum” by Bob Jenkins, CGHS Project Chairman, AND “Riverside Cemetery” by Steve Johnson, CGHS Newsletter Editor and Photographer

Bob will share the results of the CGHS multi-year project of his and other members’ indexing of obituaries from the Littleton Independent newspapers from 1899 to 2000. Steve will share the history of Riverside Cemetery in Denver, CO. with his photographs in his PowerPoint presentation.

10 March 1 p.m. “Genealogy DNA Testing—What’s this all about?” by Ric Morgan, Attorney, Genealogist, Goat Farmer

This session will focus on the following questions: What is genealogy DNA testing, and how does it work? Can I really find my ancestors using genealogy DNA testing? How can genealogy DNA testing prove or disprove my family tree research?

17 March 9:30 a.m. EARLY BIRD “Organizing and Digitizing Physical and Digital Photos” by Deena Coutant, Professional Genealogist and Owner of DigiDeena Consulting

Learn to improve your organization skills by applying the best practices for organizing digital and physical items. This presentation also includes ideas for digitizing, storing and backing up important information.

17 March 1 p.m. “They Weren’t All Prostitutes and Gamblers” by Sandra F. Mather, Ph.D., Professor Emerita, Author and Historian

Celebrate Women’s History Month by learning about the lives of early Colorado women, in particular, the diary of Anna Sadler Hamilton from the years 1885-1887.

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CGHS President's Letter

Joyce Lohse

January 2015

In the spring of 1997, I left my job as public school secretary and library tech to pursue a writing career. Plans were sharply diverted when I learned I had breast cancer, and a new battle began. A summer of chemo left me sick, scared, bored, and looking for diversion. That is when I found Columbine. It was the perfect distraction. I studied and learned about family history and new research methods, which blended splendidly with my journalism background.

By winter, my health improved, and I began hiking outdoors, mostly in cemeteries. My mother in Chicago was alarmed. What was I thinking? How on earth would I get better by loitering in cemeteries? When I explained my activities, she responded by planning a spring car trip to country cemeteries in Illinois. Although she would stay in the car due to her fear of snakes, Mom waited patiently while my sister and I studied the final resting places of our ancestors. We reveled in the journey, taking notes and photos, and making gravestone rubbings.

At some point, I read in an Illinois history book that my ancestral cousin, Eliza Pickrell Routt, was Colorado's original first lady and first registered woman voter. When the library revealed very little about Governor Routt and his wife, Eliza, my focus changed from a genealogical challenge to a historical search. I dug up every piece of information I could find, and assembled the puzzle to write my first biography. It was published by Filter Press, an independent commercial publisher. More biographies followed, along with many presentations. All the while, Columbine cheered me on. While I introduced the group to historical stories and tales of success and failure in genealogical research, Columbine audiences bravely and graciously endured my struggling early attempts at public speaking.

After serving on Columbine's board of directors for twelve of the past sixteen years, I have been elected as president for 2015. I am pleased and honored to accept the position. Columbine has enhanced my life in countless ways. I am committed to keep the group strong while we help each other enjoy and learn from our special blend of genealogy and history. We work hard on the board, but I have never considered it a hardship. With joy and optimism, we enter a new year, in which we anticipate surprises that are bound to unfold along the road to genealogical discovery.



Marilyn Elrod and Joyce Lohse



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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW OFFICERS

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Joyce Lohse, Julie McKenny, Stan Harms, Joetta Williams & Ken Beets



2015 marks the 50th anniversary of the 1965 South Platte flood. Remember that?

IN MEMORIAM

Gladys Gallagher, CGHS member since 1985, was born on 21 December 1920 and died on 18 December 2013. She helped with transcribing the Littleton church records. CGHS only recently learned of her death, when her newsletter was returned.

Mel White, 1925-2014, the husband of CGHS member, Connie White, passed away on 19 October, 2014. He was also the uncle of CGHS member, Diane White.

COOKIE THANK YOU'S

for September, October and November

From the Refreshment Committee

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| Debi Clark | Lorraine Tharp |
| Paula Davis | Eleanor Spence |
| Betty Pratt | Cheryl Floberg |
| Ginger VanZyl | Steve Johnson |
| Peg Brady | Sally Taylor |
| Patsy Parker 2 xs –donation | Diane Hall |
| Chris Fleischacker | Joetta Williams |
| Sharon Feeley | Marilyn Dobrowski |

WELCOME NEW/RETURNING CGHS MEMBERS!

By Marilyn Elrod, Membership Coordinator
New members and surnames of whom they are searching:

- Mary Bahde – Monahan, Carroll, Stream
- Gail Beets - Beets
- Kristin Burgess – Stewart, Green, Schultz
- Ginny Gelbach – Pokorny, Stavel
- Patricia Graham – Graham, Loutzenhiser
- Leslie Modesitt – Raley, Mechau, Abel
- Virg Musil – Musil, Perkins, Nykodyn
- Nancy Reubert – Reubert, Jay, Southworth, Hanson, Fidance (Fidanza), Chickadel (Cicatelli)
- Ruth Ross – Bean, (MacBean, McBean), Griffiths, Thomas, Grover, Drowatzky
- Diane Thompson – Hedger, Cooper, Thompson, Lewis
- Returning Member!
Vicki Grunsk - Grunsk

BIOS of 20- & 40-YEAR MEMBERS of CGHS

Betty Bartlett

I was born in December, 1927, in Englewood, CO to Fred W. Lardent and Mary Coyne Lardent. I spent most of my life in the Denver area, presently living just a mile from where I was born. I am a true native Coloradan. My father was from Landon and my mother was an orphan so I grew up not having grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. I really never gave it much thought. I married my high school sweetheart when he came home from the Navy after World War II. We raised two daughters, had four grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Life has been good.

My husband and I were active at Malley Senior Center in Englewood, and some 20 odd years ago he noticed a genealogy class and decided to sign us up. He knew his father was from “down south,” but nothing else about him. His parents divorced when he was ten, and he never saw his father again. We went to the class given by our own Ann Lisa Pearson. That did it. I was hooked. We found out my husband’s father was from Sieverville, TN and decided to take a trip there. I met Jean Brown at an exercise class and mentioned to her that we were taking a trip to Sieverville. She said, “Then we’re related – everyone from Sieverville is related.” Jean suggested I come with her to a Columbine meeting, which was held at Bemis Library at that time, and I soon joined CGHS. So it started. Jean and I went to the Federal Center, Bemis and Denver libraries, Family History Center, etc. My husband found he is related to the Ogles, who are everywhere there with that surname on restaurants, service stations, and historical sites. One day Jean called and said, “I’m your husband’s fourth cousin.” Since then, I’ve found relatives in England, and we have made several trips there to see them. Several of them have visited us here in our beautiful Colorado. One even sent her sixteen-year-old hippie daughter to spend three weeks with us one summer. That was fun!

Ruth Christian

I apologize for my slowness. In addition to the years piling up on me, I fell the last of April, broke two bones in my wrist, and am not completely recovered from that. I would enjoy being with you, but I doubt that I will be able to make the trip from Monument, where I live. Memory is not what it once was, and I have not been able to come up with a biographical paragraph. I remember that some one I respected was a member of CGHS at the time I was active at the State level serving as parliamentarian for several years, and that was my reason for joining. It is hard to believe that 20 years have gone by! I appreciate the recognition.

Peggy Harris Dionne

It is hard to believe that CGHS has been part of my life for 20 years. I first learned of it almost 30 years ago when I was serendipitously asked to write an article on family history for the Colorado Heritage News, the Colorado Historical Society’s newspaper in March, 1986. Life in the US Air Force took us to other places shortly thereafter, but in 1994 we moved back to Denver and I finally attended CGHS. At that time only about a dozen or so attended the meetings, but it was good to find a community of like-minded people.

I was fortunate to know all four of my grandparents, even though our contact was intermittent and only on family visits. Little did I know at twelve years old, when I wanted to see pictures of my grandmother when she was my age, that I had already been bitten by the “family history bug”! Not everyone shares this “affliction” so it has been a wonderful source of inspiration and encouragement to attend and participate in CGHS as much as possible over the years. It was my honor to serve as Treasurer for two years and as Auditor for four years, as well as contribute in small ways to census and cemetery projects. It has been my pleasure to meet many dedicated and enthusiastic members and attend many inspirational and informative programs throughout the years. Thank you, Columbine, for being here!

Marilyn G. Schalge

I joined the Columbine G&H Society in 1974 during a period of about ten years when I spent at least twenty hours per week reading genealogical records at the Mormon reading room on Easter Ave, and at the Denver Library. But that stopped when I went back to full-time work, and later to law school followed by 25 years in that profession. I don’t recall how I learned about CGHS, possibly from reports in the Littleton Independent. I have not been able to be active in the Society during my work years, or even to attend daytime meetings, but I kept up my membership just to stay in touch with genealogy and with people who were active in their own genealogical research. In 2014 I retired from my work as a lawyer for the State Judicial Department and am looking forward to active genealogical research, and to active membership in the Society.

Two of our 20-Year Members



Peggy Dionne



Terry McLaughlin



Pinehurst – A Great Place with A Great Past

Before it was annexed to Denver, Pinehurst Country Club, located at 6255 West Quincy Avenue and just north of Marston Lake and Bow Mar, was part of Littleton. Its history reflects the synergistic efforts of a triumvirate of businessmen.

Carl A. NORGREN, a South Dakota farm boy, moved to Rifle, Colorado, where he worked on a ranch as a cure for his tuberculosis from 1920-1925. In 1926 he moved to Denver, where he founded the C.A. NORGREN Company, a pneumatic tool manufacturer. In 1947 NORGREN decided to become a gentleman farmer and purchased a 320-acre farm from the prominent HILLIARD family, who had bought it from Charles D. VAIL, after whom Vail Pass was named. NORGREN called his new estate Pinehurst Farm, which was located just north of Marston Lake and which included VAIL's original log house, a swimming pool and a lake stocked with rainbow trout. During the late 50s NORGREN, his wife, and children decided to move their Hereford cattle business to Platteville and turn their Pinehurst Farm into a golf course with houses built around it, a new idea in real estate development at the time.

NORGREN, a visionary, recognized the middle class as an emerging force in the late 50s. He wanted a place for businessmen and their families to socialize in the expanding, southwest metro area. He felt that a smaller initiation fee and modest dues would attract more members, unlike the dozen other country clubs in the Denver area that each allowed only about fifty wealthy members. He enlisted Walter A. KOELBEL, his son-in-law, as the Founder and Director of Pinehurst to make Pinehurst Country Club happen. A management company was formed to develop the club, sell memberships and run Pinehurst. Ed HUBBARD was hired as General Manager in 1958, along with a secretary, several salesmen and a bookkeeper. Laurice T. "Bud"

HALL was hired as the General Manager of Pinehurst Country Club in 1959, and he continued in that position until 1996.

In the spring of 1959 Pinehurst Country Club came to be, and the building of an eighteen-hole championship golf course and a full-size, nine-hole golf course to accommodate 2,000 members was begun based on the designs of renowned golf course architect, J. Press MAXWELL. On 25 June 1960 NORGREN became the first golfer to tee off when he hit a gold golf ball to mark the occasion. One of NORGREN's friends, former President Dwight D. EISENHOWER, received the first membership card to Pinehurst Country Club. The golf course had four artificial lakes, 65 sand traps, 5,000 new trees, six tons of grass, 37 miles of water pipes, two putting greens and two indoor driving ranges. The windmill on the golf course became a symbolic reminder of Pinehurst Farm, along with VAIL's log house at the north side of the sixth fairway. (See Photos.) By December, 1960, the clubhouse, sprawling over one and one-fourth acres, was completed at a cost of four million dollars with 7,030 square feet of moss rock, 4,000 square feet of wood paneling, eighteen customized chandeliers, 13,000 square feet of carpeting and 7,877 square feet of window glass. It even included a stainless steel kitchen for the chef and his staff. The clubhouse was situated on a hilltop overlooking the rolling hills of its golf course.

Pinehurst provided "a complete environment for leading the good life" and appealed to those middle class businessmen who wanted to socialize and entertain for business. It was a private club with personalized service. In actuality only about one-third of its members were golfers. It became known as a place with so many activities that a newcomer to the city could become acquainted quickly with others. Members and their guests formed card groups for bridge and gin rummy. They danced at parties, such as A Night in Venice with gondoliers, a luau with an honest-to-goodness outrigger canoe, the Carnation Ball, the Roaring 20's, and a Prospector's Party. Members attended holiday-themed events, such as a Valentine's Ball, visits from the Easter Bunny and Santa, fireworks, a Christmas LGB model train set-up (on display now in December, 2014), and the New Year's Eve Ball. They went to travelogues, fishing instruction and painting

classes. Women enjoyed the annual spring fashion show. Pinehurst provided bus trips with box lunches for 800-1,000 of its members to the Central City Opera House, the National Western Stock Show, Air Force Academy football games, the University of Denver hockey games, and Bronco games. Members' children participated in social and sports activities, like cotillion, teen dances, tennis, and swimming. Pinehurst held a weekly Family Film Festival, where popcorn and punch were served. Large crowds of members attended the Pinehurst Family Chicken Dinner on Sundays. Pinehurst even had its own bowling league. The country club celebrated its birthday each November 20th by providing complimentary pieces of birthday cake to its members and guests. Its congenial atmosphere was conducive to the members' new leisure-time activities. In November, 1964, a monthly newsletter, the Pine Needle, began publication and was distributed to all members to keep them apprised of all of the activities available to them. One businessman compared being Pinehurst members to being on an island somewhere in that they could let themselves go and have a wonderful time.

Pinehurst employees contributed to the members' satisfaction. In 1960 there were 100 employees. Country Club Management provided training, a manual and a co-worker-sponsor for each of its new hires. Employees participated in a retirement plan, unemployment and disability insurance, wore uniforms, earned paid vacations and sick leave, and received free meals. Members reciprocated by contributing to an Employees' Christmas Fund, based on longevity and tenure. As General Manager HALL stated in 1962, "Everything is done with the idea in mind that the club's membership is provided with the best we have to offer in service and attendance." One of our own CGHS members worked there for 42 years. A consultant for this article worked there for 38 years. Such longevity proved that members benefitted from Pinehurst's good team of employees who were treated well.

Pinehurst Country Club changed with the times. It boasted an Olympic-size swimming pool. In 1985 a four-court, indoor tennis center at a cost of \$1.8 million was completed to enhance the twelve outdoor tennis courts. In 1996 the members bought Pinehurst Country Club from the management corporation. The October/November, 2014

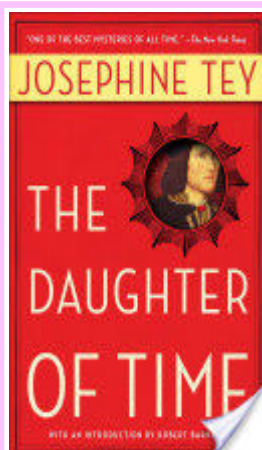
Pine Needle lists the club's adaptations for the future and its carryovers from the past: The Club arranged for Family Christmas photos for members, and a Member Appreciation Reception was held. Pinehurst's new private mobile communication app is available, along with a website and a blog. It has book clubs. Thursday night is now Prime Rib Night at Pinehurst. In October the second annual free Pumpkin Patch Harvest Trailer Ride was limited to forty children, a Haunted House was constructed for adults only and a Halloween party was available to everyone. It offered a Grand Buffet on Thanksgiving Day with boxes of leftovers available and an Annual Holiday Bazaar. Finally, Pinehurst even provided flu shots to its members and their families.

Thus, Pinehurst Country Club still epitomizes Carl A. NORGREN's vision. Even today it reflects the values of NORGREN, the philanthropist, the foresight of KOELBEL, the real estate developer, and the philosophy of HALL, the people person. It was the latter who explained, "Pinehurst is not just a social club with athletic facilities, nor are we just in the food and beverage business... People and pride are the important ingredients." Fortunately this credo still exists today at Pinehurst Country Club (and at our own CGHS.)

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Book Review by Susan Hollis, CGHS Member

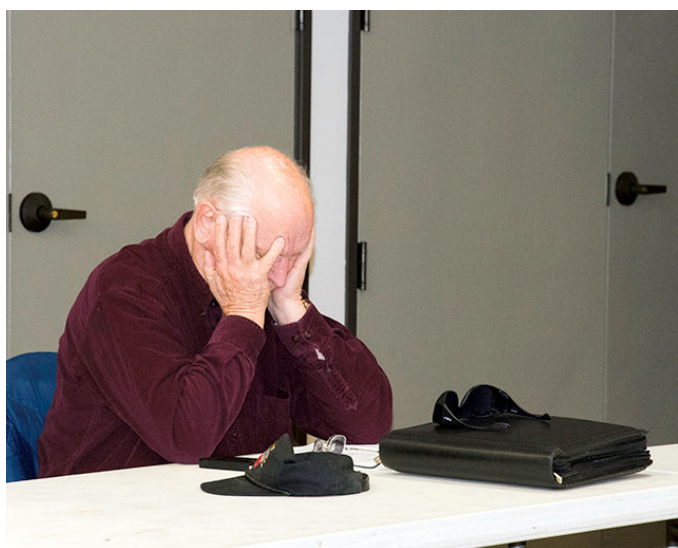


Are you an Anglophile? Have you been following the news about the remains and DNA of Richard III being found in a car park in Leicestershire? Did you read or watch “The White Queen?” If so, then you will want to get a copy of The Daughter of Time by Josephine Tey (Elizabeth Mackintosh).

In this mystery a detective, Alan Grant, of Scotland Yard, is laid up with a broken leg, and since the story takes place about 1950, Grant is kept in a hospital bed for weeks in order for his leg to heal. His nurse brings in books and pictures to occupy his time, and he becomes fascinated with figures in the War of the Roses and the intrigue surrounding the English crown.

A friend of one of the nurses is an American engaged in research in the British Museum and he acts as chief researcher, courier, and co-detective as the two join forces to delve into documents and books pertaining to the life and times of Edward, Richard, and Henry, all sons of Edward IV and his wife Elizabeth Woodville (the White Queen). Who has the legitimate claim to the throne? What will each of them be willing to do to attain ultimate power?

The New York Times called this book “One of the best mysteries of all time.” James Jeffrey agreed and recommended it when he spoke to us in the fall!



Richard Evans at a Bored Meeting.



Cheryl Floberg at a Board Meeting.



Speaker John Mears



Speakers Gary and Nancy Ratay



Speaker Tom Tyler with Jean Adams



Holiday Luncheon in our newly renovated meeting place. Front table is reserved for Santa & his elves.

CGHS BOOK DONATIONS for Fall-Winter 2014**By Marilyn Lyle and Julie Haynie, Public Acquisitions**To the DENVER PUBLIC LIBRARY:

Emigrants In Chains. Peter Wilson Coldham, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1992, 188 pp. A story of the recruitment of labor into the American colonies from English jails, workhouses, brothels and houses of correction. These involuntary emigrants were sent mostly to Virginia and Maryland and eventually assimilated into colonial society.

Family Tree Historical Maps Book. Allison Dolan, Family Tree Books, 2014, 222 pp. Detailed, full-color historical maps of all 50 U.S. states showing their historical boundaries and timelines throughout their histories. Many city maps and special-interest maps are included to help family historians and researchers.

Finding Your Irish Ancestors In New York City. Joseph Buggy, Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 2014, 165 pp. A comprehensive overview of resources to help trace ancestors in the five boroughs of New York City from the beginning of the 19th century to the early 20th century.

Genetic Genealogy, The Basics and Beyond. Emily D. Aulicino, AuthorHouse, 2013, 251 pp. This book explains how DNA testing helps after written records stop. It shows how DNA testing can prove or disprove oral family history. It helps us understand those DNA results.

Genealogy Offline: A beginner's guide to family history records that are not online. Claudia C. Breland, CreateSpace, 2013, 120 pp. The author is a professional genealogist who has many years of experience. She is a career librarian who has used various online resources for years and now offers a guide to offline resources to help those new to genealogy.

Genealogy Online for Dummies, 7th Edition. Matthew L. Helm & April Leigh Helm. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2014, 418 pp. Updated guide for researching your genealogy in the digital age. This book gives useful information on locating information in a variety of resources. A basic beginning genealogy guide to help with new online tools and DNA research.

Genealogy Standards, 50 Anniversary Ed. Board For Certification of Genealogists, Ancestry.com, 2014, 79 pp. A manual to use as a guide to accurate genealogical research. Lists the standards used by the Board of Certified Genealogists. Chapters include such topics as: Why Did They Leave? How Did They Go? Social History and Community Genealogy, etc.

History of Ancient Families of New Amsterdam and New York. Edwin R. Purple, New England Historic Genealogical Society,

2013, 138 pp. First copyright 1881. Details up to the first 4 generations of several families. A few surnames are: Van Schaick, Brevoort, Varleth, Stuyesant.

The History and Antiquities of Boston (1630 to 1770). Samuel G. Drake, New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2013, 840 pp. First copyright 1856. Includes information on the city's founding to its first churches; natural disasters to outbreaks; witchcraft to Freemasonry. Provides detailed historical context for anyone with early Boston ancestors.

History for Genealogists: Using Chronological Time Lines to Find and Understand Your Ancestors. Judy Jacobson, Clearfield Company, 2009, 286 pp.

Missing Pieces, How to Find Birth Parents and Adopted Children. Paul Drake & Beth Sherrill, Heritage Books. 2008, 280 pp. Learn a few secrets to help in searching in the adoption system. This is a personal journey that may guide you in your own research for birth parents or children.

New England Captives Carried to Canada Between 1677 and 1760. Emma Lewis Coleman, New England Historic Genealogical Society, 2012, 452 pp. First copyright 1925. This work lists all the captives the author discovered, provides biographical information for each, and paints a detailed picture of the Indian attacks on New England communities during that time period.

Understanding Documents for Genealogy & Local History. Bruce Durie, The History Press, 2013, 448 pp. This book gives detailed information on how to find and comprehend documents from 1560-1860, including wills, contracts, land records, church papers and others. Includes help with dates, numbers, calendars, abbreviations and many other complexities in research.

Unofficial Guide To Ancestry.Com, How to Find Your Family History On The #1 Genealogy Website. Nancy Hendrickson, Family Tree Books, 2014, 253pp. A guide to help you get the most out of Ancestry.com. It provides step-by-step strategies to use while researching on Ancestry.com.

To BEMIS LIBRARY:

Courthouse Research for Family Historians. Christine Rose, CR Publications, 2004, 219 pp. This book tells researchers what records can be found in county courthouses and how to prepare to locate them. The author gives us confidence and guidance to untangle information.

The Family Tree German Genealogy Guide. James M. Beidler, Family Tree Books, 2014, 238 pp. A guide to help you trace your family roots back to Germany. The book includes modern

Germany as well as German speaking areas of Austria, Switzerland, and parts of Eastern Europe.

The Galvanized Yankees. Dee Brown, University of Nebraska Press, 1963, 243 pp. An account of a group of men who served a great need for our nation in a time of transition. They were Confederate soldiers who were recruited from Union prison camps and served the Union in a number of ways from 1864-1860.

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How To Archive Family Keepsakes. Denise May Levenick, Family Tree Books, 2012, 206 pp. How-to book on organizing your family photos, heirlooms and genealogy records to preserve them for future generations.

Military Bounty Land 1776-1855. Christine Rose, CR Publications, 2011, 156 pp. This book provides a detailed account to help understand military bounty land records. The background and laws regarding bounty lands are explained, and there is guidance to help locate the actual copies.

On Your Own. How to Design and Construct a Family History Book To Inform and Captivate Readers. Elayne & Stephen Denker, Self Published, 2013, 77 pp. Practical guide to help anyone combine written information with images to create an informative and interesting family history book "on your own."

Researching Scots-Irish Ancestors. William J. Roulston, Ulster Historical Foundations, 2005, 262 pp. A genealogical guide to help research in Ulster, 1600-1800. A range of sources and location of the records for this time period is noted and guidance on how effectively they can be used for your research.

Turning Memories Into Memoirs, A Handbook for Writing Lifestories. Denis Ledoux, Soleil Press, 2006, 172 pp. Step-by-Step guide to help preserve your family history from remembering to writing to publishing.

Understanding Documents for Genealogy & Local History. Bruce Durie, The History Press, 2013, 448 pp. This book gives detailed information on how to find and comprehend documents from 1560-1860 including wills, contracts, land records, church papers and others. Includes help with dates, numbers, calendars, abbreviations and many other complexities in research.

Unofficial Guide To Ancestry.Com. How to Find Your Family History On The #1 Genealogy Website. Nancy Hendrickson, Family Tree Books, 2014, 253pp. A Guide to help you get the most out of Ancestry.com. It provides step-by-step strategies to use while researching on Ancestry.com.



Susan Hollis, Marilyn Lyle, and Marylee Hagen



Chris Fleischhacker, CJ Backus and Joyce Lohse.

BITS & PIECES

According to Genealogy Bank, a **genealogist's #1 New Year's Resolution** should be to put one's family tree online. Read more at: <http://www.genealogybank.com/static/newsletter/1412/actives/discoveries-article.html?spMailingID=11496184&spUserID=NTU0NTczMjU0NzAS1&spJobID=403785027&spReportId=NDazNzg1MDI3S0>

January 26, 2015 marks the 100th birthday of Rocky Mountain National Park. It was established by President Woodrow Wilson on that date in 1915. Official dedication of the park occurred on September 15, 1915.

2015 also marks the 125th birthday of Littleton. Residents voted to incorporate the Town of Littleton in 1890.

Wondering how you are related to another person who shares the same ancestor? Check out **A New Cousins Chart** which can be found at: <http://blog.eogn.com/2014/11/22/second-cousins-once-removed-and-more-explained-in-chart-form/>

15 simple ways to improve your genealogy productivity can be found at: http://www.genealogyintime.com/articles/simple-ways-to-improve-your-genealogy-productivity-page1.html?awt_1=KzyMo&awt_m=IeNu0Ww43Ak.Vy

“The first woman to cast a ballot in Colorado under the state law, giving the sex the right of suffrage, was Mrs. Emma J. Webber. She voted at an election held in Globeville last Saturday (sic) to decide whether or not the town should be bonded for \$40,000 to obtain a water works plant. Ten ladies voted in the election.” (Taken from the Littleton Independent, 5 Jan 1894, page 4. Submitted by Woody Trosper, CGHS Queries Chairperson).

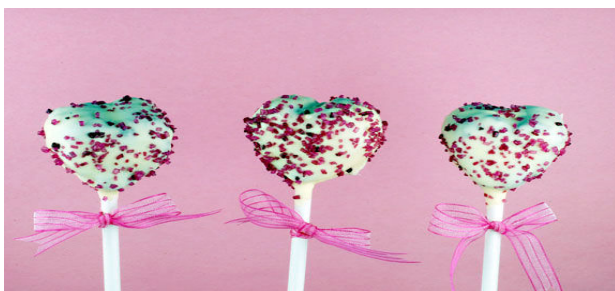
The 6th season of **“Who Do You Think You Are?”** premieres on Tuesday night, 24 Feb 2015 on the TLC Channel. The 8 episodes include celebrities Julie Chen, Angie Harmon, Sean Hayes and Bill Paxton.



Elmar Fend & Alison Gibbens in front of Eva Macaj's Quilt..



Diane White and Connie White.



New lifetime member Sandi Klein.

The Genealogist's Prayer

Genealogy is my pastime; I shall not stray. It maketh me to lie down and examine half-buried tombstones; It restoreth my ancestral knowledge...It leadeth me into the paths of census records and ship passenger lists for my Surnames' sake.

Yea, though I wade through the shadows of research libraries

And microfilm readers, I shall fear no discouragement, for a strong urge is with me. Curiosity and motivation, they comfort me.

It demandeth preparation of storage space; For the acquisition of countless documents. It annointest my head with burning, midnight oils, My family group sheets runneth over.

Surely, birth, marriage and death record dates shall follow me

All the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the House of the Family History Center forever..."

Recently the CGHS newsletter editors visited the Cherokee Ranch (where CGHS Vice President Jean Adams is a volunteer) for its free Winter Solstice program and noticed on a front gate a placard indicating that Cherokee Ranch is on the National Register of Historic Places. Further searching for more historic places in Denver/Littleton/Arapahoe county led to this list:

The David W. Brown House, 2303 E. Dartmouth, Englewood – a prairie house.

The Curtis School, 2349 E. Orchard Road, Greenwood Village – a rural school building.

The DeLaney Barn, 200 So. Chambers Road,, Aurora – a round barn.

The Englewood Post Office, 3332 So Broadway, Englewood – 1940 mural.

The Foster-Buell Estate, 2700 E. Hampden Avenue, Cherry Hills Village – Colonial Revival architecture.

The Geneva Home, 2305 W. Berry Avenue, Littleton – Sanitarium from 1927-1948.

The Gully Homestead, 200 So. Chambers Road, Aurora – agricultural beginnings.

The Hopkins Farm, 4400 E. Quincy Avenue, Englewood – classic cottage.

The Knight-Wood House, 1860 W. Littleton Boulevard, Littleton – craftsman style.

The Little Estate, 1 Littleridge Lane, Cherry Hills Village – Tudor Revival architecture.

The Littleton Main Street from South Curtice Street to South Sycamore Street – eclectic mix of architecture.

The Littleton Town Hall, 2450 W. Main Street, Littleton - inspired by Italian architecture with columbines sculpted on the second story.

The Mayfield-Maitland Estate, 9 Sunset Drive, Cherry Hills Village – Tudor Revival architecture.

The Melvin School, 4950 So. Laredo Street, Aurora – frame schoolhouse.

The Owen Estate, 3901 So. Gilpin, Cherry Hills Village – English country manor.

The Seventeen Mile House, 8181 So. Parker Road, Aurora – Western frontier structure.

The William Smith house, 412 Oswego Court, Aurora – Foursquare style.

For further information and photos of the above historic places, go to www.historycolorado.org/archaeologists/Arapahoe-county

The National Register of Historic Places came into existence with the National Historic Preservation Act in 1966. It provides preservationists with a legal framework for planning on a national scale and for stopping harmful actions to raze historic buildings. It is administered by the National Park Service under the Secretary of the Interior. The National Register currently has 90,540 total listings. 1,030 properties were listed in Fiscal Year 2014.

Here are some of the common MYTHS about the National Register:

Myth 1: If a house/building/object doesn't look distinguished, it can't be eligible for the National Register.

Myth 2: "They can't tear it down; it's on the National Register."

Myth 3: If my house/building is listed on the National Register, the government will dictate how I use or dispose of my property.

Myth 4: The National Register takes buildings off the tax rolls (or reduces property taxes).

Myth 5: All National Register properties are open to the public.

Myth 6: There is a thick leather-bound volume in Washington, D.C. written in calligraphy with all of the National Register listings.

For information in a bulletin on researching/registering a Historic Property go to:

<http://www.cr.nps.gov/nr/publications/bulletins/nrb39/>

For the National Register of Historic Places go to:

<http://www.nps.gov/nr/>

Since 1997 Colorado Preservation, Inc. has produced an annual list of Colorado's Most Endangered Places to make its citizens aware of and provide assistance to save Colorado's historically significant places. You may have heard on the news or been to some of those places, like the Colorado State Capitol Dome, Denver's Sixteenth Street Mall, Riverside Cemetery, Civic Center Park, Hangar 61, the City Ditch, Grant Avenue Church, Currihan Exhibition Hall, Evans School, or Cherokee Ranch. For further information go to:

www.coloradopreservation.org/programs/endangered-places/

If you want to research the history of your own house, you can find publication #1522 available to print as a PDF file from the Colorado Historical Society Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation by going to:

<http://www.coloradohistory-cahp.org/publications/identifying.htm>

In addition, if one goes to the 5th floor of the Denver Public Library, one can find a list of the previous owners of one's very own house.

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