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## Programs and Workshops

CJ Backus Program Chairman  
January through May 2009

13 Jan 2009 1:00 Program  
"World War II in the South Pacific"  
Columbine Member Spence Klein

20 Jan 2009 9:30 Early Bird  
"An Obituary Obsession"  
Boulder Genealogical Society Cari Taplin

20 Jan 2009 1:00 Program  
"Finding Obituaries On Line"  
Boulder Genealogical Society Cari Taplin

10 Feb 2009 1:00 Program  
"Where Do We Go From Here?  
Finding Your Way in the World of Maps"  
Denver Public Library Wendel Cox

17 Feb 2009 1:00 Program  
"City Directories and Beyond"  
Denver Public Library Janice Prater

10 Mar 2009 1:00 Program  
"Brick Walls: Brick by Brick"  
Columbine 1st VP CJ Backus and Columbine Members

17 Mar 2009 1:00 Program  
"The Marshalls: A Civil War Family"  
Columbine Member Sandra Olsson

14 Apr 2009 1:00 Program  
"Tracing Your Ancestors Footsteps:  
Following Migration Routes"  
Columbine Member Marylee Hagen  
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## CELEBRATE COLUMBINE'S TWENTY-YEAR MEMBERS

They have done so much with us

### Phyllis Clark

I was born and grew up in Windom, Kansas, graduating from Marquette H. S. I earned my B.A. at Old Dominion in Norfolk, VA in 1953 after having three children, and earned my M.A. at Denver U. in 1975.

My husband, Frank, (we met in St. Louis) and I joined the Society together. We made a couple of trips to Salt Lake City to do research with some success. Frank passed away in January, 1993.

I stayed active serving on the Nominating Committee and did the audit for two years.

I am now 91. I sold my home and moved to WindCrest in September, 2007.

In November, 2007, the femur in my right leg shattered and I was in Rehab for six weeks. My leg has healed but I don't get out much so I have not been active for the past year. That's alright, though, because everything I need is right here at WindCrest

### Marlene Quinnild Hackstaff

I was born in Moorhead, Minnesota. I attended school there and graduated from high school in 1952. After that, I went to St. Luke's Hospital School of Nursing in Fargo, North Dakota which included classes there and at Concordia College in Moorhead, and Cook County Hospital in Chicago, Illinois.

After graduating, I moved to Denver where I

worked and met Dale whom I married in 1956.

I have been interested in and worked on genealogy for thirty years. All of my grandparents came from Norway which has made it fun to meet and gather information about. The main families I have been researching are Quinnild, Oftedahl, Hackstaff, and Taussig.

I developed macular degeneration a few years ago, so I'm now only collecting information on the families.

Thank you for your kind wishes on being a member of Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society for twenty years. Time goes by too fast.

### Jane Fosdick

Jane grew up in Cleveland Heights, Ohio. She graduated from Cornell University in 1948 in the college of home economics majoring in institution management. She later became a dietetic intern at the University of Michigan Hospital in

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Ann Arbor. It was here that she met her husband-to-be, George. Later, Jane obtained a masters degree in Adult Christian Community Development at Regis University in Denver.

Her first employment was as a dietician at the University of Michigan Hospital. Later, she worked as a dietician at Denver Health and Hospitals. She has done volunteer work as leaders of both Girl Scouts and Campfire Girls, taught Sunday School and is currently volunteering at Cherrelyn Manor Nursing Home. She was a member of Toastmasters International for 20 years. She has also served as Diocesan Coordinator in the Episcopal Church's Education for Ministry Program following four years of study in that program.

She is currently a member of Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society, The Wales, Ireland, Scotland and England Genealogical Society and the New England Historic Society. Jane and George have 8 children, 20 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

**George Fosdick**

George grew up in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Yale University in mechanical engineering in 1948. He also obtained a Masters Degree in aeronautical engineering from the University of Michigan in 1950. In 1975 he obtained a PhD in Earth Resources from Colorado State University. He was employed by Martin Marietta (now Lockheed Martin) as an aeronautical engineer for 29 years, and later by the C-b Shale Oil Project as an environmental engineer for 10 years. Following his retirement from industry, he taught algebra part-time at Arapahoe Community College for 10 years. He is a retired volunteer tutor in the GED program at the Arapahoe County Prison and has retired from Toastmasters International after 28 years.

He is currently a member of Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society, W.I.S.E. (Wales, Ireland, Scotland, and England) Genealogical Society, and the New England Historic Genealogical Society. He has given approximately 13

**Welcome Aboard**

**New Members**

by Paula Davis  
Membership Coordinator

Patsy Parker  
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Surnames: Warner, Carlin, McCourt,  
Evans

presentations in the subject. In early 2007 he published a book, *The History of the Fosdick Family*. He is married to Betty Jane Lawrence and they have 8 children, 20 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

**Don Elliott**

Donald R. Elliott was born and raised in Hurley, a small farming community in

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**Programs and  
Workshops**

21 Apr 2009 1:00 Program  
"Lurking in Cemeteries: A Researcher's  
Guide"  
Columbine Member Joyce Lohse

12 May 2009 1:00 Program  
"Beginning German Research"  
Aurora Genealogical Society Richard  
Kautt

19 May 12:00 Luncheon/1:00 Program  
"What I'm Doing for Summer Vacation"  
Columbine 1st VP CJ Backus and Col-  
umbine Members

**Web Master**

Donald Elliot



It is time to use the new Website address and save it as a favorite.

New on the Columbine site are the databases:

- 1) Pedigree/Surnames from Joyce B. Lohse, Archivist.
- 2) Littleton Cemetery Records from the Projects Committee.
- 3) Arapahoe Marriages from the earlier publications.
- 4) Also, there is a search engine specifically set up for the Columbine site. The most recent additions to the Columbine Website are the following [Go to Online Ar-

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**...AND THERE ARE VOLUNTEERS WHO KEEP COLUMBINE INTERESTING BY DOING THE EXTRAS THIS YEAR (and probably many other years)**

Columbine is a society of volunteers. There are always those who give more than they are asked, and who keep our society thriving. Board and Committee Chairs have greatly appreciated all of the extra help during this 35th anniversary year. They give a big THANK YOU to the following members:

- Archivist, Joyce Lohse--Don Elliott
- Historian, Shirley Stertz--Livie Grogran and CJ Backus
- Refreshments, Shirley Terry--Don Everett
- Littleton Obituary Index Project, Woody Trosper--Don Elliott and Gary Routh
- Programs, CJ Backus--Don Everett, Richard Evans, Ron Floberg, Carol Stall
- Bemis Library Seminar, Jane Monroe--Marilyn Elrod, JoMarie McKinnis, Ron & Cheryl Floberg, Paula Davis, Phyllis Larison, Gary Routh, Shirley Stertz
- Thirty fifth Anniversary Booklet, Gary Routh & CJ Backus---Marilyn Elrod, Don & Doris Elliott, Doris Hulse, Mary Lou King, Sandi Klein, Joyce Lohse, Ann Lisa Pearson, George MacDonald, Judy Phelps, Jan Routh, Bonnie Toland, Woody Trosper, Jean Wilson.
- Equipment, Bob Huegel--Don Everett and Richard Evans

October 28, 2008

FamilySearch indexing - 100 million names indexed this year

FamilySearch announced today that the FamilySearch Indexing project has indexed 100 million names this year alone. Congratulations to all of the indexing volunteers!

Results of the indexing projects are published at <http://pilot.familysearch.org> (<http://pilot.familysearch.org/>) and includes records from the United States, Canada, Mexico, France, United Kingdom, Norway, Germany, Czech Republic, Spain, Argentina, Peru, Brazil, and Russia.

Anyone can participate in the world's grandest volunteer indexing project. You can even choose which records you want to help index. Current projects are listed here: ([http://www.familysearchindexing.org/en/projects/current\\_projects.jsf?pname=projectsTab](http://www.familysearchindexing.org/en/projects/current_projects.jsf?pname=projectsTab)) .

Upcoming projects are listed here: ([http://www.familysearchindexing.org/en/projects/upcoming\\_projects.jsf?name=upcomingProjects](http://www.familysearchindexing.org/en/projects/upcoming_projects.jsf?name=upcomingProjects)).

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For more information, or to volunteer, visit [www.FamilySearchIndexing.com](http://www.FamilySearchIndexing.com)

(<http://www.familysearchindexing.com/>).

*Mary Lou King*



We would like to thank the many members who provided us with encouragement and support while we served on the Refreshment Committee. During the last four years, we met so many members and made friends with so many of you. We leave this position knowing that you will welcome and show your support to the new committee members, Eleanor Spence and Susanne Foley. Again, we enjoyed serving all of you.

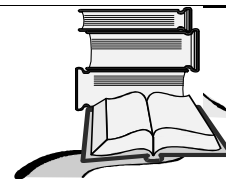
Rita Elmore, Diane Hall and Shirley Terry

**2008 BEMIS LIBRARY PROJECT HAS BEEN & IS A LARGE COLUMBINE EFFORT**  
 The following members have either volunteered or assisted with the Bemis bibliography project.

Diane Adams, Joe Clements, Paula Davis, Louise Durbala, Marion Dwyer, Don & Doris Elliott, Richard Evans, Nedra Fortune, Shirley Gilmore, Bob Jenkins, Sandi Klein, Marilyn Lyle, Joan McGrane, Jane Monroe, Jan Routh, Eleanor Spence, Bonnie Toland, Woody Trosper and Ginger Van Zyl

## Book Reviews

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### Book Review

By Marilyn K. Lyle

## Google Hacks 100 Industrial-Strength Tips & Tools

By Tara Calishain & Rael Dornfest

Available in English and Spanish Published by O'Reilly

In 1996 Google was born and has become the most widely used search engine. It is constantly being developed to make it and the WEB more useful. The book Google Hacks 100 Industrial-Strength tips & Tools by Tara Calishain & Rael Dornfest was written as a collection of shortcuts of quick solutions and techniques for searching Google syntax. Tara is an editor of search engine technical literature and Rael is a technology expert for various companies. They have utilized input from many people who are consultants and developers of computer software, search engines and other IT services to write this book.

The "Hacks" were put together as shortcuts for searching Google syntax and would be especially useful to computer experts, but it is not user friendly for everyday users of the Internet. It is extremely challenging to those of us who want simple quick searches and I would not recommend this book to the casual Internet user. If your goal is to know all the ins and outs of Google Searching—this book is for you.

Google is a full-text search engine that indexes full web pages, not just titles and or descriptions. Google is used most often because it has the greatest number of pages to search. It has newsgroups, stock quotes, dictionary definitions, and directories of all kinds including phone books. You are able to search up to ten keywords at a time and get useful results.

Using search syntax allows you to refine your searches and get more options. This book gives an insight into the workings of a search engine and offers clever programming tricks, shortcuts and inside information. It requires a fair amount of technical knowledge and is most useful for webmasters and or programmers who can fine-tune their uses of the Google search engine. This is a comprehensive book of Google information that provides users strategies for greater uses of this search engine and of course more information and effectiveness.

Reading the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter will satisfy the casual Internet researcher. Leave the rest of the book to the experts unless you're up to the challenge of "Google" Syntax. In any case, you should be prepared to become frustrated while trying to understand the language of computer "geeks" and information "techies" along the way.

If your goal is to advance your "Google knowledge" for your research you will want to check out this book.

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southeastern South Dakota. He came to Colorado to attend college at Colorado A & M, graduating in 1957 from Colorado State University. In June, following his graduation he married Doris LaVonne Salmen. Later in the year he reported to the US Navy in Pensacola, Florida, to train as a Naval Aviator, later going on two cruises to the Far East on the USS Hornet.

Don and Doris have four daughters, Julia Ann, Janet Lee, Jodie Lynn and Jennifer Sue; and eight grandchildren. His career was in the marketing end of the computer industry, primarily in sales and sales and general management for large and specialized computers.

He has been active in the genealogical community since joining Columbine Genealogy & Historical Society in 1989. Once again, after numerous interruptions, he plans to document his genealogy so that his earlier research can be passed on to his descendants.

Hello and Happy New Year to you all,

I wanted to let you know that the final phase of the Evergreen Cemetery Project is coming to an end. I'm preparing the database to send it to the web hosts for it to be uploaded on the website. I hope to get them the file by this weekend.

Once I know it is online, I will send you a formal announcement and ask that you publish it in your next newsletter or blog. I appreciate your help in getting the word out.

If anyone knows of national publications (i.e. APG, NGS, etc.) that I can send the announcement to, by all means let me know - and please give me the contact name and email addy.

This final phase includes all burials from 1996 to 2006. I say FINAL because I am pretty much done with this project. It's been a long haul for me (doing this since 1992) and I'm exhausted!!! <hee hee> I'll be happy to turn over everything to a new person to take on the project for the burials from 2007 into the future!!!!

So.....look for the announcement to publish soon. Again, thank you for all your help in getting the word out.

:o) Valerie

Valerie Eichler Lair  
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chives]:

- 1) Drinkwine Mortuary Records 1915-1950
- 2) Colorado Territory Civil War Volunteers Records 1861-1865

The Drinkwine project was the very first one completed by Columbine (back in the 1970s).

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**Query Corner**

Woody Trosper, Queries Coordinator

For a minimum donation to Columbine Book Fund of \$10.00 per surname. The Query Committee will research Colorado records at local sources in the Denver Area. Send request and S.A.S.E. and a check payable to CGHS, Inc. to Query Coordinator.



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**April 28 – May 3, 2009**

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Single occupancy - \$496.00  
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April 28, 2009 Depart Denver - Southwest #134 9:40am arrive Salt Lake City 11:15am  
May 03, 2009 Depart Salt Lake City – Southwest #999 10:40am arrive Denver 12:15pm  
Roundtrip airfare is \$159.00  
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## **Columbine Donated 55 Books to Libraries in 2008**

By Gary W. Routh

Columbine donated a total of 55 books to libraries during 2008. A combined total of 45 useful research books were donated to Bemis Public Library and Denver Public Library Genealogy Collection this year. Copies of our 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary booklet were donated to ten museums and libraries throughout the country.

Book purchase recommendations from members are always welcome; please contact me by email or phone: [grouth@grouth.org](mailto:grouth@grouth.org) or 303-794-3790

### **Bemis Public Library Donations – November 2008**

**Hopewell Friends History, 1734-1934, Frederick County, Virginia**, compiled by a Joint Committee of Hopewell Friends, 1936, Clearfield reprint 2007, 671 p. Comprehensive history of important early Shenandoah Valley settlement, this work includes extensive history, numerous marriages, membership certificates, family records, disownments, and more. Massive 120 page, two-column, small print book index!

**The Dead Horse Investigation, Forensic Photo Analysis**, by Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD, 2008, 244 p. Photo analysis examples are carried to the ultimate in this delightful exercise to date and place unknown historic photographs. Colleen presented a few examples from this interesting book in her morning talk at Bemis Library last September. Book contains hundreds of photos, including many close-ups to illustrate her examination.

**You Can Write Your Family History**, by Sharon DeBartolo Carmack, 2003, 245 p. Author explains how to create a compelling and highly readable family history narrative, reaching beyond the cold facts of census, death and tax records. Book contains dozens of helpful tips and ideas. Gift of Jan and Gary Routh.

**Guide to Genealogical and Historical Research in Kansas**, by Mary Clement Douglass, CG, 2008, 50 p. Compiled with the help of many Kansas librarians, archivist and genealogical society volunteers, this up-to-date work points genealogy researchers to repositories holding useful records throughout Kansas. Contains thirteen historic Kansas maps showing early trails, settlement patterns, railroad land grants, etc. Gift of Woody Trosper.

### **Denver Public Library Donations – November 2008**

**Pennsylvania Births, Lancaster County Vol. 2, 1778-1800**, John T. Humphrey, 1997, 398 p. Comprehensive index of 25,000 births extracted from thirty-one churches in Lancaster County, PA (Lutheran, German Reformed, Moravian, Quaker, Catholic, and Anglican). Includes birth dates, names of both parents, maiden names when available and source of registers.

**Resolution, Laws, and Ordinances for Officers and Soldiers of the Revolution**, Compiled by Walter S. Franklin, 1998, 519 p. Collection of U.S. Congress Resolutions and Acts defining entitlements of Revolutionary War soldiers from 1793 to 1838. Valuable resource for the pension researcher, contains complete descriptions of benefit details along with hundreds of claims, and full index.

**The Way We Lived in North Carolina**, edited by Joe A. Mobley, 2003, Univ. North Carolina Press, 614 p. Combines texts from five N. Carolina Dept. of Cultural Resources 1983 volumes with hundreds of new archive maps, photos and illustrations. This award winning book paints a compelling image of North Carolina's rich history. Fully indexed plus extensive fifteen page bibliography referencing over 500 books.

**Guide to Genealogical and Historical Research in Kansas**, by Mary Clement Douglass, CG, 2008, 50 p. Compiled with the help of many Kansas librarians, archivist and genealogical society volunteers, this up-to-date work points genealogy researchers to repositories holding useful records throughout Kansas. Contains thirteen historic Kansas maps showing early trails, settlement patterns, railroad land grants, etc. Gift of Woody Trosper.

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2nd & 3rd Tuesdays  
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If you are concerned as to whether a meeting will take place, you are asked to call one of the officers of the Society. They will be able to inform you of any cancellations or other changes. Call before 9:00 a.m. on the 2nd Tuesday as Board Meetings begin at 9:30. Please do not call the Church office. The list of officers is on page two of every newsletter.

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