



# Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society Newsletter

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## PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

### 13 April, 2010—1:00 Program

*"Exploring County Histories: Hidden Treasures"*

Nancy Ratay,  
Colorado Genealogical Society

### 20 April, 2010—9:30 Early Bird

*"The Civil War: On How Many Sides Were Your Ancestors"*

Barbara Fines Price

### 20 April, 2010—1:00 Program

*"The Creaky Duff Tour of the British Isles"*

Sandra Carter Duff, WISE

### 11 May, 2010—1:00 Program

*"Probate for the Genealogist"*

Richard Kautt,  
Aurora Genealogical Society

### 18 May, 2010—1:00 Program

Book Sale 11:00

Luncheon 12:00

*"Summer: Time for Research"*

### Saturday, 5 June 2010

#### CGHS Symposium

**Laura G. Prescott**

Saturday 9:00-3:15

Douglas H. Buck Recreation Center

(See page 11 for more details.)

*For more information contact:*

- CJ Backus, Program Chair
- Barb Walker/Judy Phelps, Education Co-Chairs

You can find handouts from our past programs on the CGHS website at <http://www.columbinegenealogy.com>.

## CGHS Honors Newest Twenty-Year Members



Since 1994 CGHS annually honors members who are celebrating twenty years of membership in CGHS. Following are brief bios shared with us by some of this year's honorees.

*Members receive awards for twenty year membership in CGHS (Pictured L to R): Ray Harrell, John Mossman, Dorry Rice and Edith Lange-Smith. Not pictured: Lily Budd and Lynn Mullins.*

### Lily Wright Budd

Lily served as CGHS President from 1993 to 1997 and Historian from 1991 to 1993. Lily's membership in CGHS and other lineage societies gave her an appreciation for American History.

Since her husband Clarence retired in 1990, the couple has enjoyed history and genealogy research trips including travelling along the Lewis and Clark Trail, spending two months in Alaska and several trips to New England and the South.

In 2003 Lily and Clarence relocated their home base from Colorado to their new home near Raton, New Mexico. Last September, they celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with a month-long trip to Ohio's Amish Country and the Nashville, Tennessee area.

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at Columbine*

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**2010 Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society Elected Officers**

Back from left: George MacDonald, Doris Elliott, Judy Phelps, Joetta Williams, Jo Marie McKinnis, CJ Backus. Front from left: Bob Jenkins, Sandi Klein, Ron Floberg, Cheryl Floberg, Bonnie Toland. Not present: Dave Miller, Mary Heinritz and Barb Walker.



**2010 Columbine Standing Committee Chairs**

Back from left: Richard Evans (Equipment Manager), Nedra Fortune (Colorado Council Representative), Woody Trosper (Queries), Alison Gibbens (Nominating), Carolyn Lemonier (Mailing), Don Elliot (Webmaster). Front from left: Eleanor Spence (Refreshments), Paula Davis (Archivist), Marilyn Elrod (Projects), Shirley Sterz (Historian), Livie Grogan (Photographer). Not Shown: Ginger vanZyl (Bulletin Board Manager), Joe Clements & Gordon Johnson (Audit), Diane Hall (Mailing), Shirley Jenkins (Nominating) and Betty Marsland (Nominating).

*Twenty year Members (continued)***Ray Harrell**

Born in 1931 in Kearney, Nebraska, Ray was the second of four sons of Arthur G. and Margaret E. (Weinle) Harrell. Ray graduated high school in Jefferson City, Missouri. He married Delores McKay in 1955; they had three daughters.

Ray served in the USAF for four years. In 1958 he received his engineering degree from Wichita University. His first job was as a design engineer for Chance Vought Aircraft in Dallas, Texas. Ray moved to Denver in 1960 and began working for The Martin Company (now Lockheed Martin). He retired from Lockheed in 1989.

Ray started in genealogy after finding out about an ancestor who fought in the Revolutionary War. He joined CGHS and learned the "how to" from classes and the wonderful people at the society. The past several years he has been extracting death dates from the Denver Post and Rocky Mountain News for the Denver Public Library's death index.

**John Mossman**

John Mossman has loved history since he was a youngster. His history professor in college suggested he might consider changing his major (he didn't).

About a year before retirement John decided to take up researching his family history. He now belongs to six genealogical societies across the country including CGHS, where he served two terms as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. John is also a member of the "Sons of the American Revolution", "First Family of Gallia County, Ohio". A member of "First Family of Colorado", John's Colorado roots date back to 1835.

John is now doing genealogy research for his wife Bettie's family and his grandchildren as well as helping several other family members with genealogy.

**Bev Nelson**

"There are three passions in my life: my family of one husband, three children, three in-law children, and five living grandchildren; the Native American Indian art and culture; and genealogical research."

Bev is a graduate of the University of Colorado with a BS of Ed and is retired owner/director of the Southwestern Gallery. In May she concluded two years as Regent of the Mount Rosa Chapter of the NSDAR. She is currently serving as President of the US Daughters of 1812 and Registrar for the Colorado Chapter of the Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America. (She uses the archives of the lineage societies to preserve her research.) Since all of her ancestors (less one) were on these shores prior to 1776, the research has concentrated in twelve of the original thirteen colonies (no Rhode Island). Just a year and a half ago she published her family history: "The Ancestors and Descendants of Clinton M. Ellison and Edna Hazel Conover." Bev still feels that one of the best decisions of her life was to sign up for Ann Lisa Pearson's genealogy class a little over 20 years ago.

**Dorry Rice**

Dorry joined CGHS in 1989 soon after she retired from teaching primary grades for Littleton School District for 20 years. Genealogy has been a favorite pastime for Dorry since she was 12 years old when she pestered her grandmother with questions about their lineage. Researching her answers enabled her to join the National Society Colonial Dames XVII Century and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Last year, Dorry published a poetry book, "What Was Dorry Thinking? My Life in Blank Verse." She has also printed two family histories: Jacobson Family History Jacob, Jesse and Eugene Jacobson 1722-1998 and The Hills (1802-1985) of Upwell, Norfolk England, Waukesha, Wisconsin and Omaha, Nebraska and the Bingham (1784-

1944) and Evisons (1828-1909) of Navenby, Lincoln, England, Waukesha, Wisconsin, and Omaha, Nebraska. She is presently working on a history of the Hales and Burwells of Virginia from Colonial times.

Dorry is 76 and just became a great-grandmother on November 25. She has four children and eight grandchildren. Her oldest daughter married a Virginian who grew up fifty miles from her families' home place in Elk Creek, Virginia.

**Edith Lange Smith**

Edith was born and raised in Rockville Centre, Long Island, New York where she graduated from South Side High School. She then went on to Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, New York where she received a BA degree in Liberal Arts in 1949. The following year Edith married Everard Smith who graduated from Princeton University in 1947 after spending three years in the Army.

Everard was a Field Engineer with Sperry Gyroscope and the couple spent the first five years of their married life travelling between New York, Texas, and California. In 1960 the family moved to Littleton, Colorado and have lived here since. Their family of four (three daughters and one son) now includes ten grandsons (four married), and six great-grands. (Fifteen Smiths with one more on the way in March.)

Edith joined CGHS in 1990, volunteered as a Shelf Reader at Bemis Library and worked on the Methodist Church Book. She began her genealogical research with Everard's paternal family who came to the United States in about 1660 and settled in Dorchester County, Maryland. Researching her own roots has been more difficult, as Edith is a first generation American whose father came from Latvia and mother came from Lithuania.



## Our Condolences to the families of

**Gary W. Routh and Sharon Ann Gravina**

### Gary W. Routh (9 September 1942 – 14 February 2010)

Gary Wayne Routh passed away from congestive heart failure on the evening of February 14. Gary, the youngest of three boys, was born September 9, 1942, in Lamar, Colorado, to Earl Randolph Routh and Eva Revenna Lamle. His brothers are Elmer Leroy Routh and his wife, Joan, of Rutherfordton, North Carolina, and Melvin Eugene Routh and wife, Lois, of Castle Rock, Colorado.

After high school Gary enlisted in the U.S. Army and spent four years in England working for the NSA. He went back as a civilian for an additional two years and was able to tour most of Europe. He lived outside of Harrogate, England, very near the area his Routh ancestors lived. He said the cemeteries there were populated with numerous Rouths.

After returning to Colorado, he attended college at Southern Colorado State College in Pueblo and Otero Junior College in La Junta with a leaning towards art classes in which he excelled.

He married Sally Turner in Las Animas in 1971. Sally passed away in 1988. He married Janice LaBorde on March 21, 1993 in Denver. He is survived by his wife Janice; sons Odie (Kristin) of Vermont and Jon (Lisa) of Oregon; brothers, Roy (Joan) of NC and Mel (Lois) of CO; grandchildren Wylie and Cade of OR, Quinn, Elliott and Delia of VT, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Gary worked at Martin Marietta for 13 years then worked for Colorado SuperNet developing websites for a couple of years before going back to work for Lockheed Martin. Jan retired from Lockheed Martin in 2000; Gary retired in 2002.

After retirement Gary and Jan became passionate genealogists, spending most of their time researching information about their ancestors online and making genealogy trips to Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Nebraska, and the genealogy library in Salt Lake City. Gary compiled a family history of his mother's Lamle family.

Gary valued knowledge and learning and dedicated his life to the pursuit. His many contributions to CGHS included Acquisitions Committee Chair, contributions to the CGHS 35th Anniversary Book and the CGHS website and much more. To share a memory of Gary please visit [www.MEM.com](http://www.MEM.com).

### Sharon Ann Gravina

Age 70, passed away on January 1, 2010. Sharon is survived by her beloved husband Larry; children Michael Kling, Gary Kling, Laurie Green, Robert Kling, Gina Gravina and Nick Gravina; grandchildren Samantha Kling, Heather Green, Micki Kling, Steven Green and Torri Kling and brother Russell Stirling. She was preceded in death by her aunt Ellen Reynolds.

## Welcome New Members

### Kathy Brigham

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### Barbara Diemer

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Surnames: McCubbin, Duncan, Light, Macauley

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### Gail Patrick

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Surnames: Temple, Burns, Patrick

## Bemis Public Library Bibliography Project

Under the guidance and leadership of Standing Committee Chair, Marilyn Elrod, the editing portion of the Bemis project has been completed on all the records!

This has been a time consuming task as the database includes approximately 4,400 items comprised of books, periodicals, magazines, microfilms, microfiche and miscellaneous vertical files in the Bemis Library collection.

Before you receive this newsletter, Don Elliott will have formatted and placed the records on the CGHS site ([www.columbinegenealogy.com](http://www.columbinegenealogy.com).) This will be a great service to genealogists as they will be able to search the website by country, state, county, or subject.

The project now moves into a new phase: final check of catalog numbers and titles from a printed copy. After the final check, proofreading will be the last step before publishing the bibliography.

This presents a great opportunity to those members who have not had the privilege of giving their time to a Columbine project. Not only is there great satisfaction in knowing that you have been a contributing member of our society, but as you work with Marilyn, you just might come across some materials that will help you in your research. If you can participate with either of these final steps, please email Marilyn at [ramiel@msn.com](mailto:ramiel@msn.com). She says any help would be appreciated.

## Query Corner

The CGHS Query Committee will research Colorado records at local sources in the Denver Area.

Please note there is a minimum donation to the Columbine Book Fund for \$20.00 per surname.

Send request along with a S.A.S.E. and a check payable to "CGHS, Inc." to:

CGHS Query Coordinator  
Woody Trosper  
P. O. Box 2074  
Littleton, CO 80161-2074

## COLORADO COUNCIL REPORT OF EVENTS

By Nedra Fortune, CGHS Council Representative

Find out more about these historical and genealogical society events by clicking on society links at the Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies member page at <http://www.cogensoc.us/>. Please verify dates, times and places before attending.

- April 6 Boulder GS—"Finding Female Maiden Names", Valerie Lair
- April 10 German GS—"German History and Heritage in New York", Dr. Joseph Lieby
- April 10 Parker GS—"Not Your Average Internet Genealogy Research", Mona Lambrecht
- April 11 Jewish GS—"Encore! Give My Regards to Broadway: New York Records", Joe Cahn
- April 14 Colorado GS—"Aches and Pains Tour Denver Public Library Tour
- April 14 Longmont GS—"Dr. Ben Benoit "Acadia, History's Forgotten Atrocity"
- April 14 Foothills GS—"Hanah's Story - Bohemia to Colorado Presented by Nancy Prince
- April 16 Colorado GS—"The Lay of the Land: USGS Topographic Maps for Genealogists", J. Wendel Cox, PhD
- April 17 CGS—"Ships Passenger Lists, Canadian Crossings, Hamburg Emigration", Carol Darrow
- April 17 Aurora GS—"What you can learn from old wills" by Dick Kautt
- May 8 Parker GS—"Researching on the World Catalog" by *Janis Prater*
- May 12 Colorado GS—"Aches and Pains Walking Tour of LoDo (Denver), Karen Shuman
- May 15 Colorado GS—Special Interest Class, Carol Darrow
- May 15 Broomfield GS—"Researching Genealogy on the Internet", Barbara Fines Price
- May 21 Colorado GS—"Preserving Your Family Photos", Roger Dudley;
- Colorado GS—"GEM Program: AniMap software for tracking land locations and boundary changes", Carol Darrow, CG
- May 23 Jewish GS—"Jewish Family Tree Initiative "Show, Tell and Solve"
- June 12 Colorado GS—"Learn how to get started in Genealogy"
- June 18 Colorado GS—"Heirloom Sharing" by CGS members
- June 19 Colorado GS—"I Still Can't Find Them! Wrong Time, Wrong Place, Wrong Name", Lou-Jean Rehn, CG
- June 25/26 Larimer CGS—CO Family History Expo, Longmont, CO; <http://fhexpos.com/expos/>

## April 20 Early Bird Workshop

### "The Civil War: On How Many Sides Were Your Ancestors?"



Barbara Fines Price will teach us where we can find Civil War records for both the Confederate and Union Armies. Learn which records are accessible online, where to find them, and which ones are free. Find out how to use gaps in your family tree to determine the likelihood of a relative's Civil War service.

Barbara Fines Price is a well-known speaker in Denver genealogical circles and works at the Monaco and Yale Family History Center.

— CGHS Education Co-Chairs  
*Barb Walker & Judy Phelps*

## Research News and Tips



### FamilySearch Online Classes

Several of the FamilySearch Family History Library classes are now available free at FamilySearch.org. There are currently 23 Family History Library classes available online, with subjects ranging from European research to United States military records. The classes vary in length from 6 to 58 minutes, with most lasting about 25 minutes. To view the classes, click on the Free Online Classes link at [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org).

### Registering Loved Ones Names at the World War II Memorial

Did you know that the names of persons who served in World War II are not automatically added to the beautiful WW II memorial in Washington DC? You may register your own name, the name of a family member or friend. Anyone who served in the armed forces during World War II, and any American who helped on the home front is eligible for the Registry. Home front activities included working in defense-related industries, recycling of materials needed for the war effort and more. You may enter a name in the registry via the internet or by mail. To register a name via the internet, go to [www.wwiimemorial.com](http://www.wwiimemorial.com). Click on the "WWII Registry" button on the left. Follow the online instructions to enter the name you wish to honor. To register a name via mail, call 1-800-639-4992 and a form will be mailed to you with instructions.

### Following County Boundary Changes

The Newberry Library has been producing the Atlas of Historical County Boundaries, which shows how county boundaries have changed over the years. Now the maps are available online for free at <http://www.newberry.org/ahcbp/>

*If you know of an interesting website, send your suggestion to me at*



## CGHS SPRING LUNCHEON



**MAY 18, 2010  
12:00 PM**



The members of the CGHS Refreshment Committee invite you to "Gather May Flowers" of friends old and new at our annual lunch on May 12, 2010.



Please bring your salad, dessert or casserole by 11:30. (But leave your silverware at home and be sure to put your name on your serving dish.) CGHS will provide punch, coffee, tea and utensils.



Hope to see you there!

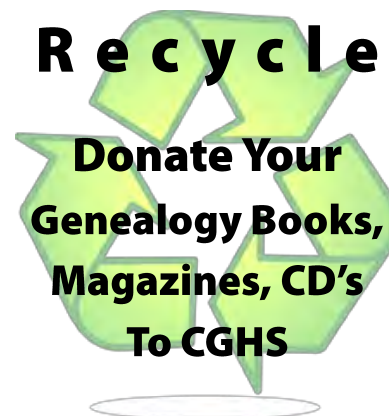


Shirley, Suzanne and Eleanor (L to R)

## SAVE MONEY: Shop the CGHS Annual Book Sale on May 18, 2010

The CGHS Ways and Means Committee will host our annual book sale on Tuesday, May 18 beginning at 11:00 a.m. Looking for a way to buy discounted research/reference books, periodicals or other genealogy related materials? This year's selection includes like-new books from the Barbara Brown collection as well as books published by Columbine over the years.

If you would like to donate materials, bring them to the April meetings or contact Ron and Cheryl Floberg. Money collected from the sale goes into the acquisition fund for purchasing books for local libraries.





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## LAURA G. PRESCOTT

- ◆ Locating Digitized Images Online
- ◆ Publishing Your Genealogy Online
- ◆ Treasures Within the Ivory Tower:  
Finding Family in Academic Archives
- ◆ The Rest of the Story:  
Using Manuscripts to Create a Family History



**Laura G. Prescott**, professional researcher, writer, and speaker, worked for the New England Historic Genealogical Society for seven years. She is president of the Association of Professional Genealogists and a graduate of Dartmouth College. Her work has appeared in *Ancestry*, *Digital Genealogist*, and *New England Ancestors*. ([www.lauraprescott.com](http://www.lauraprescott.com))

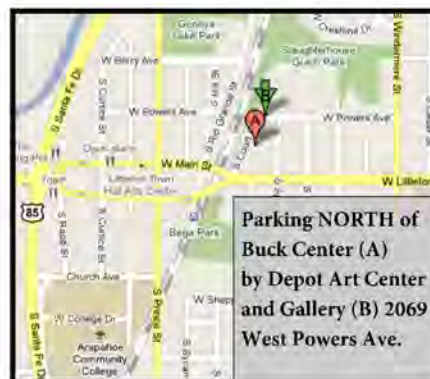
### JUNE 5, 2010

REGISTRATION AT 8:30 A. M.

SEMINAR 9:00 A. M. —3:15 P. M.

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SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION	
<p><b>Limited Seating! Registration deadline is May 15, 2010.</b>                      Registration Fee: \$40.00                      (Fee covers materials, breakfast, lunch, beverage and parking.)</p>	
Name	
Street Address	
City	Zip ( ) Phone
Email	
(Confirmation will be sent by email unless otherwise requested.)	

SYMPOSIUM LUNCH ORDER			
Registrant Name (Last Name, First Name)			
<u>Meat</u>	<u>Bread</u>	<u>Cheese</u>	<u>Requests</u>
Turkey	White	Swiss	
Ham	Wheat	Provolone	
Roast Beef		American	
<u>Condiments</u>	<u>Veggies</u>	<u>Chips</u>	
Mustard	Lettuce	Plain	
Mayo	Tomato	Baked	
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\*South Suburban does not endorse the content or the instructor for this class or program held at the Douglas H. Buck Community Recreation Center.

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Meetings  
1:00 p.m.  
2nd & 3rd Tuesdays  
January thru May  
and

September thru November

No Meetings in June, July & August

Social only in December

2nd Tuesday

South Wing, South Entrance

Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit

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**Annual Dues**

Individual.....\$15.00

Individual and Spouse....\$20.00

**VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME**

**BAD WEATHER PROCEDURE**

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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