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The Gallups GREENified Littleton

If you drive by Bemis Public Library and the Littleton Museum east of Windermere Street, you will find Gallup Street, Gallup Park and Gallup Gardens. Who came galloping into Littleton to change its eastern landscape from its original riverside boundaries? Both Avery Gallup (1847-1894) and Charlotte R. Pierce (1842-1930) were from Ohio, and they married there in 1871. Prior to her marriage, Charlotte had made two visits to Denver to clerk for her surveyor brother. After her marriage to Avery she persuaded him to move to Denver, Colorado. They built a house between 22nd and 23rd on Stout Street. In 1879 they lived at Broadway and Alameda, where Avery, the real estate developer, sold lots and built greenhouses. Charlotte used her business savvy of floral decor to establish the Gallup Floral Company, whose first greenhouses were at Champa and 21st Streets in Denver. In 1881 Charlotte bought twenty-five acres of land with water rights under the City Ditch for one hundred dollars an acre. In 1887 they moved to 2050 South Saint Paul Street, where they had ten acres of nursery stock, and Charlotte ran twelve greenhouses there in the University Park area. That house still exists today, and its 2011 real estate listing claimed it as the site of Denver's oldest Pioneer Rose.

Also in 1887 the Gallups purchased 720 acres on the east side of Littleton with artesian wells and a thirty-five-acre lake for \$40,000. Avery platted the area between Windermere and Gallup Streets and sold five-acre sites for country homes in a development he called Windermere after the lake in England. In 1889 he platted another two hundred acres for single-acre lots for sale as Windermere Heights and Windermere Gardens. However, the Gallups kept seventy-five acres for orchards, a nursery and vineyards. In addition, they envisioned a suburban, luxury hotel with numerous cottages on thirty acres adjoining the lake, but that never came to fruition.

Avery advised Stark Nursery to plant an apple orchard with fifteen thousand fruit trees, where Woodlawn Shopping Center exists today. The Gallups established the Merry Canning and Pickle Factory on South Nevada Street to take advantage of Pickletown's produce and the orchard's fruit. Avery even designed Wolhurst for Senator Wolcott.

The Gallups had six sons. Four of them died early deaths: George Pierce Gallup (1872-1873), Edmond Pierce Gallup



(1878-1890); Elwood Gallup (1879-1880), and Avery Thompson Gallup (1881-1890). Two sons survived: Perry Cushman Gallup (1873-1951) and Rockwell "Rocky" Loring Gallup (1882-1968), both of whom eventually moved to and died in San Diego, California.

After Avery's death and burial at Riverside Cemetery in 1894, Charlotte took charge of all of their businesses. In 1910 she moved to Littleton and built a large house, although others describe it as a bungalow at 6177 South Gallup. The house still exists today and is across the street to the south from Gallup Park and to the west of the Carmelite Monastery. There Charlotte died on 11 Oct 1930, and she was buried beside her husband at Riverside Cemetery in Denver. (Cont'd on page 4.)

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Programs & Workshops

14 October 1:00 P.M. “WorldCat.org” by John Mears

This program will focus on the family history uses of the World Catalog, a database of 100 million entries in the holdings of libraries in the United States and in many foreign countries. You will learn how to access books and other media about your ancestors’ churches, communities and, perhaps, families.

21 October 9:30 A.M. EARLY BIRD Using Family Tree Maker 2014 Software (Part 2 of 3) by Deena Coutant, Professional Genealogist, DigiDeena Consulting

Session 2 covers the Media, Sources, and Publish workspaces of Family Tree Maker software.

21 October 1:00 P.M. “Organized Chaos,” by Nancy & Gary Ratay

Finding your family history is often like organizing chaos. In this presentation we will cover naming and organizing scans, photos and .pdf documents so that finding them will not involve another family search.

**11 November 1:00 P.M. Annual Business Meeting and Elections
“Your Military Ancestor,” by Marilyn Elrod**

Trace your military ancestors in various wars through the Internet and at Federal, state, and local levels. Along the way, you will find interesting stories and documents. Share your military memorabilia to honor your ancestor on Veterans Day.

18 November 9:30 A.M. EARLY BIRD Using Family Tree Maker 2014 Software (Part 3 of 3) by Deena Coutant, Professional Genealogist, DigiDeena Consulting

Session 3 covers the Web Search workspace, Ancestry.com TreeSync, and other maintenance tasks such as backups and exports of Family Tree Maker’s software.

18 November 1:00 P.M. “Heirlooms & History: Glimpses into 19th Century Lives from Unique Family Documents” by Tom Tyler, Denver University Professor

Journals of an ancestor’s two voyages on a Nantucket whaling ship in the 1820s and 1830s led to a family history quest that is still ongoing. A more complete biography of the Nantucket whaler and his family emerged. A museum database available online provided useful facts but also raised questions. The Google Books library, online historic maps and newspapers, as well as other internet resources, yielded narrative material as well as explaining old skeletons (e.g. slave ownership, murder, divorce, etc.).

9 December Noon Holiday Luncheon and Program “Christmas Memories”



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Marilyn Lyle likes the Church Remodel.

**President's Farewell Message
A Great Big Thank You!**

Where did the time go? Wasn't it just yesterday that the board and standing committee chairs gathered to begin the 2013 year?



According to our bylaws, the number one objective of our society is to promote an interest in genealogy and history, and there are so many folks who have worked with me these past two years to keep this in focus and help make Columbine what it is today.

The officers are listed in this newsletter, but the entire board which includes the standing committee and appointments are only in the directory.

To thank each one individually and share their accomplishments would take up this entire newsletter. Therefore, I'd like to ask those reading this, members and friends, to look at the list of these people in the back of a Columbine directory---those who have volunteered their time and talents to Columbine. This means looking at the directory for 2013 and 2014 as people have changed positions. If you don't have a directory, then ask to look at one at the sign-in table at any meeting. We'll have both directories on the bulletin board and as you enjoy a yummy refreshment, you can check it out. Or ask me, and I'll open up my notebook and you can see just who to thank!

We are a great group and one that shares a passion for all things genealogical and historical. Please take the time to thank each and everyone of them for all that they do or have done.

As you read this in the October 2014 newsletter, this will be my last message as president. In January of 2015, I'll still be on the board as I'll begin my next two-year term as past president, so I'm not really going anywhere. I know that the incoming officers will be splendid, with some continuing and some new folks joining in. One of the best aspects of our society is we continue to have great people behind the scenes, in the audience and presenting our programs. Don't be surprised if you hear me thanking folks in public and in private, as everyone's participation has been greatly appreciated.

One last thing, there are so many who have served on the board in previous years and now are enjoying attending the programs. I thank them too, for without them---well, you get the idea.

Enjoy the programs for the rest of the year and THANK YOU!

CJ...and Babalu, too

Thus, both Gallups were pioneers in greenfying Littleton. Avery Gallup developed the area residentially and agriculturally, while Charlotte became the state's first florist. So the next time you see Gallup Street, Gallup Gardens or Gallup Park, you will know the story of the Gallups and how they contributed to Littleton's history.

(The Co-Editors would like to give a big THANK YOU to Jennifer Hankinson, Assistant Curator of Collections at the Littleton Museum, for her research contributions to this article.)



A happy group of Columbine genealogists on September 9th.

SLATE OF OFFICERS

Submitted from the Nominating Committee composed of Susan Hollis, Chris Yaros and Shirley Stertz. Elections to be held at the 11 November 2014 Meeting

For President	Joyce Lohse
For 2nd VP, Publicity	Mike Reberry
For Recording Secretary	Dawn Bunyak
For Treasurer	Stan Harms
For Nominating Committee	Ann Lisa Pearson Joetta Williams Mary Bayard
For Auditing Committee	Julie McKemy Ken Beets Christine Fleischhacker

Congratulations to the following CGHS Members who will be honored in 2015

40-Year Members:

Betty Kaufamn
Marilyn Schalge

20-Year Members:

Betty Bartlett
Ruth Christian
Peggy Dionne
Bob Horton
Terry McLaughlin

SEPTEMBER COOKIE THANK YOU'S

From the Refreshment Committee

Debi Clark
Paula Davis
Betty Pratt
Ginger Van Zyl
Peg Brady

CHANGES PROPOSED FOR THE 2014 STANDING RULES

Delete #3. "New members are encouraged to submit two (2) copies of their pedigree charts. Pedigree chart information may be duplicated or extracted for publication at the discretion of the membership." The reasoning behind this deletion is that we no longer have an Archivist.

Delete the 2nd sentence of #4. "Materials not accepted by repositories shall be returned to the donor."

Delete the following in #6: "and approval of" and "at the October Board Meeting" so that it reads, "The selection of a gift for the outgoing President shall be determined by the First Vice President and others."

Change #10 to: "Standing Rules shall be reviewed every year. Bylaws shall be reviewed every year."

**Columbine Genealogical & Historical Society
2015 OPERATING BUDGET**

Acct	Description	2015 Budget
101	Membership Dues	\$3,950
102	Interest Income-C.D.	\$30
105	Query Income	\$0
112	Newsletter Mailing Surcharge	\$125
	TOTAL INCOME	\$4,105
200	President	\$25
205	1st VP-Programs	\$700
210	2nd VP Publicity	\$150
220	Recording Secretary	\$25
225	Corresponding Secretary	\$25
230	Treasurer	\$40
235	Newsletter Editor	\$365
240	Membership	\$225
245	Education	\$300
250	Officer Stationery	\$25
305	Equipment Purchases	\$100
310	Historian	\$20
315	Hospitality	\$200
320	Newsletter Mailing	\$215
330	Public Acquisitions	\$250
350	Web Master	\$300
400	Bank Fees-Lock Box	\$35
405	Church Cleaning	\$865
410	Society Memberships	\$10
415	Miscellaneous	\$25
421	Stern-NARA Donations	\$100
425	Postal Box Rent	\$80
	Bookstore Operation	
103	Income from Sales	-\$1,000
435	Purchases for Resale	\$1,000
430	Taxes & Licenses	\$25
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4,105
	NET CASH FLOW from OPERATIONS	\$0
	Special Projects--Board Approved	\$0
	OVERALL CASH FLOW	\$0

**PROPOSED CHANGES to BYLAWS
From Sandi Klein, Bylaws Review Committee Chairman**

The Columbine Genealogical & Historical Society Bylaws were reviewed in July, 2014 by the Bylaw Review Committee. The following changes were submitted to the Columbine Board of Directors. These changes were approved at the August 19, 2014 Board Meeting. At this time the Columbine Board of Directors is recommending the membership of Columbine approve these changes to our Bylaws at the November, 2014 Business Meeting.

ARTICLES VIII DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS pages 4 and 5

Section A. DUTIES:

6. Recording Secretary shall:

Eliminate d. Notify officers and committees of their appointments. / change lettering.

7. Corresponding Secretary shall:

Add d. Create all certificates handed out by the Society

Add e. Maintain and distribute updates of the duties of officers and chairpersons in the Procedure Manual.

Section C. Procedure Manual

#1. Eliminate entire paragraph and replace with: President shall have a master copy of the Procedural Manual in digital format.

By 1st of January President shall give each new officer and chairperson a copy of their respective duties.

ARTICLE IX – STANDING COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS page 5

Section A. Standing Committees:

1. Standing Committees shall be:

#1. Eliminate Archivist and Bemis Library Liaison .



Alison Gibbens making a point on Sept 16th.

Welcome New Members!

From Marilyn Elrod, Membership Coordinator

Karen Jarrett – Linstrum, Focacci

Newell Nesheim – Nesheim, Lamson

Kaye Penn – Griffis, Treat, Webb, Weathers, Henderson

Marilynn Vernon – Egyed, Fatyor, Dvfala, Kelemen

Welcome Returning Members!

Barbara Diemer – Goodwin, Carter, Preston, Dodd, Dunfee

Marylee Hagen – Hagen, Lovett, Higgins, Mahony, O’Connell

Our Joe's Legacy: Using Genealogy and Social Media to Unlock Adoption Secrets

By Carol Johnson, CGHS Member

(Editor's Note: Names have been changed to protect others.)

This summer our oldest child, Joe, age thirty-seven, died on the streets of Denver after ingesting a lethal combination of too much alcohol, too many painkillers and too much heroin. Steve and I had adopted Joe and his biological brother. When they were rebellious teenagers and troubled young adults, neither of them expressed an interest in searching for their biological parents. Ten days after Joe's death I began a search for their birth parents in Ancestry, Family Search, Find A Grave and Google, while my biological daughter used Google and Facebook. We found the boys' birth parents and their life stories in less than two days! Had I known what we would find, I realize now that I should have searched decades ago.

In 1979 after four years of marriage and no children, Steve and I registered to adopt with the Denver Department of Social Services. In May, 1980, our case worker contacted us with an adoption possibility of two biological brothers, ages three and almost two, of a Hispanic father and a Caucasian mother. The brothers had developmental and physical disabilities. She explained to us that our chances for adoption were enhanced if we adopted two older children as most potential adoptive parents wanted "perfect" Caucasian newborns. At an appointment later that week she told us their story.

The older boy, our Joe, was born in 1977 in San Francisco, CA. As the first child born to his biological parents, he received much attention. The Hispanic father was at least ten years older than their mother and had been married before. The Caucasian mother was in her teens, and her first name was Gloria. After the birth of the second son fifteen months later in Denver the father abandoned the family. On several occasions neighbors who heard the babies crying in an apartment late at night called the police. Finally, after finding the boys alone rolling on the dirty floor with a ham bone and crying, the Denver Social Services agency was called in to counsel the mother. At the urging of the boys' maternal grandmother their mother relinquished her rights. The boys were placed in a foster home in north Denver in the late summer of 1979. In April, 1980, both boys were evaluated at Children's Hospital in Denver, and a report on each advised immediate placement together in an adoptive home. Our Joe was described in that report at the age of three as "a very shy, withdrawn child with no recognizable language. He did not voluntarily complete any activities and was very primitive in his daily

living skills, such as eating and sleeping." We were given copies of the reports with their surnames whited-out, but with their biological first names, Jose and PJ.

Steve and I accepted the challenge of being foster parents to the brothers until they were legally clear for us to adopt, which could take up to a year. On a mid-May Monday, 1980, we observed the two boys at a McDonald's in north Denver. On Tuesday we interacted with the boys at their foster home. On Wednesday the boys' social worker and our social worker brought them to our house for playtime, lunch and naps. On Friday the brothers moved to our house. Each had only the clothes on his back, a cheap necklace with a cross and a tattered stuffed animal. Meanwhile, Denver Social Services attempted to find their biological father and published notices for him to come forward. When he didn't do so, legal termination of the father's rights was started. As foster parents we received both boys' Immunization Records. Jose's had his complete birth name on it so we knew their surname, Gutierrez. In addition, his Medicaid card was given to us, and the name on that was the same as on the Immunization Record. His younger brother's Child Health Record showed his name to be Paul Gutierrez, Jr. Inside, the mother's name was written as Gloria Gutierrez, and the father's name was written as Paul Gutierrez, Sr. So we knew the biological mother's first name and the biological father's full name. It is interesting to note that both boys had the same first and middle name, but one was the Hispanic version and the other was the Anglo version with the first and middle names switched. The firstborn son was Jose Pablo Gutierrez. The second son was Paul Joseph Gutierrez, Jr. At the time we found it odd that the second-born son was designated as a junior. Now because of doing genealogy we know that any offspring can be a junior. It took a year, but in the spring of 1981 we formally adopted Jose and Paul. Ten days after the final adoption, I found out that I was pregnant with our biological daughter, Chrissy. A few months later the boys' birth certificates were re-issued with their new names and with Steve and me as their parents. We called them Joey and PJ. In later years we amended their names to Joe and Paul.

We were always open with Joe, Paul and others about what we knew of their heritage. As a teacher in Denver Public Schools, I was told by one of my teacher friends in the late 1990s that there was a female paraprofessional, named Alice Gutierrez, working at a Denver middle school. I researched and found that Paul J. Gutierrez and Alice Roma were married in Denver in 1984. I thought about contacting her as I thought she might be another wife. However, I was scared about what to say and how to approach her so I never touched bases with her.

Last summer when Joe returned to Denver after ten years of travelling, I talked with him about searching for his parents. I

thought it might be something we could do together and give him a purpose or direction, but he didn't show any interest. Using my computer's Google Search I found that Alice Gutierrez had died in 2009, and she was buried at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Wheat Ridge, CO. Using Ancestry, I found that the 1977 San Francisco Directory showed Paul J. Gutierrez and Gloria living in an apartment. Looking for Gutierrez in the online Denver white pages I found some other people with alternate anglicized spellings of the Hispanic surname. I made trips to Bemis and Koebel libraries to look in old Denver phone books, but I found none. When I asked a Koebel librarian about old phone books, she told me everything can be found online so the library no longer keeps phone books. Knowing that wasn't quite true, I thanked her anyway. I thought about going to the fifth floor of the Denver Public Library, but life events got in the way, and I never went.

Ten days after Joe's death and with time on my hands I found my old research notes on Paul, Gloria and Alice to begin searching for answers or for genetic reasons for Joe's early death. Googling the name "Alice Gutierrez", I found her date of birth in 1953 and her date of death in 2009 in Denver, CO. Obituaries appeared in the Denver Post and mentioned viewing at Trevino Chapel of Roses, mass at Sacred Heart Church and burial at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Wheat Ridge, CO. FindAGrave showed her headstone with her nickname and "We'll always love you, Mommy". I noticed that the "We'll" meant she had more than one child. Radaris.com showed relatives: a daughter from a previous marriage; Paul Gutierrez, Jennifer Gutierrez and various addresses, including a house which she and Paul had owned. Radaris indicated that her previous married name was Roma. Peoplefinders showed Alice B. Gutierrez with relatives, among whom were Paul J. Gutierrez and Jennifer Gutierrez. Courtinja/profiles showed Alice's middle name. BlockShopper indicated that Paul J. and Alice B. Gutierrez had purchased a home in 1991 at a bank sale. Google Search showed a Muslim writing, "I lost my mother, Alice B. Gutierrez, Saturday night. I am alone because my father..."

In Ancestry I searched for Paul Gutierrez. Public records showed him living at the same address in Denver, CO in 1991 as was mentioned in the bank sale information and being born in 1945. Then the U.S. Social Security Death Index showed Paul J. Gutierrez born in 1945 and dying in 2006. I found that a Paul Gutierrez, born in 1945 in Denver County, Colorado, had information listed in a private tree by a person who did not want to make the eleven people in the member tree publicly viewable. Using Ancestry's anonymous Connection Service I immediately sent a message to that member saying I was the adoptive mother of two boys who might be the sons of Paul Gutierrez and to contact me.

When our daughter came by that night, I showed her my notes and told her of my Ancestry finds. When she got home, Chrissy began searching on her computer. Using my information and Social

Media, Chrissy, our amateur private detective, found several of the missing puzzle pieces within a couple of hours. She typed "Gutierrez" in Facebook. Then she methodically went through any of those people named Jennifer Gutierrez with a Denver connection, looked at facial characteristics similar to Joe's in photos, honed in on one of them, messaged her on Facebook and asked her to become a Facebook friend. She called me to say she had found a half sister of the boys, and we composed a statement with the utmost care explaining about our Joe's adoption and demise and saying that we would certainly understand if she needed time to process this information. Jennifer accepted Chrissy as a Facebook friend, they exchanged phone numbers, and they arranged to talk the next day.

Looking through the Facebook Photos of another person with the surname Gutierrez, Chrissy found a photo of a memorial card for "Paul J. Gutierrez. Sunrise: 1945; Sunset: 2006," followed by a photo of him. He looked just like our younger son! Clicking on that memorial card brought up further information from a woman named Janet: "My brother Paul Gutierrez, father of Penelope Gutierrez, Pamela Gutierrez, Pablo Gutierrez, and Jennifer Gutierrez...RIP BROTHER." Bingo! Now we knew why our Paul was not given the Hispanic name of Pablo Jose Gutierrez; there already was a son by that name from a previous marriage. Chrissy called me later that night to tell me this and to ask what she should say in her message to Janet. We decided that she should send the same message to the boy's aunt that she had sent to their half sister. Then she requested Janet to be her friend. Janet accepted her friendship on Facebook and messaged back that her half brother was Paul J. Gutierrez, Sr. and that they had different mothers because their father was a womanizer who abused drugs and alcohol. Chrissy messaged Janet about Joe's Facebook page, where there were a lot of photos of him. They exchanged phone numbers and talked. Janet related how when she was twelve years old, she met Paul's wife, Gloria, whom she described as being young, petite, blond, shy and between the ages of sixteen and eighteen. Our daughter gave Janet her and our contact information, in addition to our Paul's information. Janet messaged me on Facebook: "It has taken some time to absorb all of this information. Thank you and your husband for adopting my nephews. I only met the oldest Joe when I was 12 years old and always wondered where Gloria had went. But God is amazing and they were raised by a wonderful family."

The next afternoon Chrissy called to tell me about her conversation with Jennifer, the boys' half sister. According to her, their father, Paul J. Gutierrez, Sr. was an angry addict, who died of a heroin overdose (just like our Joe!). He was cremated, and his ashes were scattered, just like our Joe's will be! He had a kind heart, enjoyed gardening and especially loved flowers, just like our Joe who was congenial and liked science. There were a lot of domestic violence issues, and Jennifer and her mother, Alice, often hid in a closet

while waiting for the police. He was often jailed for that, alcoholism and possession of various drugs. She explained that her father had been married to an Elaine and had two daughters, Penelope, who is now forty, and Pamela. Alice told Jennifer once that her father had been married before and had two sons with a woman named Gloria. In spite of spousal abuse, Alice remained married to him. After the death of her parents Jennifer married a Muslim and no longer lives in Denver. Jennifer emailed our daughter a photo of her dad and her, when she was about two or three years old. Both images of father and daughter look like our younger son, Paul. After Chrissy told me about this, Jennifer called me, and we spoke. She explained that she was the one who put the family tree information with her father's name on Ancestry. However, because she is no longer a member of Ancestry, she never received my message. We exchanged email addresses, and I promised that I would send her our Joe's biography, taken from Family Tree Maker. She was planning to speak to our Paul, her newly-found half brother. In various conversations that afternoon between Chrissy, Paul, and me, we decided that the next plan was to find the boys' mother, and so our daughter started a computer search for Gloria.

That evening Chrissy called to tell me to type "Paul Joseph Gutierrez" in Google. I did so, and the following Voy Forums' message popped up: "Missing Son's, 1981 Denver, Colorado, please I am searching for 2 Boys who were adopted in Denver in 81, they were adopted by one family, who were apparently foster parents. Last name may be Johnson. Eldest Boy's name was Jose Pablo, younger one was Paul Joseph Jr. Last name was Gutierrez until adoption. Birth Mother's first name is Gloria and she has been looking for a long time. Please if anyone can help me, at NO CHARGE email me at kathie...Thank You." In addition, Mocavo showed Joe's Birth Record in the California Birth Record Index, 1905-1995. We had never known that the boys' mother was searching for them! Chrissy found Kathie by tracking her email name. Kathie explained that she had been a friend of Gloria's and did genealogy. She lives on the other side of the country now, but she promised to contact Gloria. A little while later, she sent Chrissy the birth mother's current name and contact information.

In the wee hours of the next morning, Chrissy emailed her brother, Paul, and called me to say, "I found the boys' mother, and she is alive!" Again using Facebook she had typed in "Gloria" and her middle initial. She used the same methodical methods, befriended her and messaged her. The boys' biological mother is remarried, has a daughter and granddaughter and lives in another western state now. The next morning Gloria posted on Facebook the following: "I am so very Blessed. This morning I woke up to my phone being blown up with messages. After 30 plus years I have been found by my son. God is good. He answered my prayers after 30 some years. Thank you Jesus." In addition, Gloria's father is 78 and

lives in Denver. He is our Joe and Paul's biological, paternal grandfather and our grandson's biological, paternal, great-grandfather. He even has a Facebook profile. His photos from last year look eerily like our Joe's photos in the past year with long hair, a long beard and tattoos!

The morning of Joe's death Steve had picked him up for a meeting at the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless for Joe to get housing again and dropped off Joe at a McDonald's with arrangements to meet a day later. How ironic that we first saw our Joe at a McDonald's and the last place Steve saw our Joe alive was at a McDonald's. Steve and I made cremation arrangements and visited the spot where Joe died. I wrote an online obituary for him. Chrissy and one of Joe's traveling friends arranged a memorial for him at the Harm Reduction Action Center, where he was well-liked by the staff and where his photo was posted as another victim of drugs. Janet, Joe's newfound, biological half aunt, attended the memorial there, met us, and later wrote on Joe's Facebook page, "...he and his brother Paul got a family who truly loved both of them..."

Fear of the unknown kept me from finding Joe and Paul's biological parents. I take comfort now in knowing that Chrissy's and my efforts have helped Joe's surviving brother to reconnect with his biological family. Joe looked like his mother, his smile hid troublesome genetic demons and Joe ended his life like his biological father. I hope that our Paul and his son realize how the detrimental effects of Joe's heredity overpowered the positive effects of his adoptive environment, and they break their biological family's genetic cycle of drug usage, alcohol abuse and parental abandonment. Meanwhile, those of us who do genealogy must use whatever social media and genealogical methods we can as soon as we can to solve life's puzzles and unlock the secrets of adoption. That, my CGHS friends, is our Joe's legacy.

(Editor's Note: Our Joe and Paul's biological mother will be in Colorado the last week of September to meet her surviving son and grandson and to scatter Joe's ashes with us.)



Chrissy and Joe in 2013

BITS & PIECES

Henry Louis Gates, Jr.'s PBS series, "**Finding Your Roots**" began its second , 10-part season on Tuesday, September 23rd and goes through November 25th at 7 p.m. (MountainTime). For more information go to at <http://www.pbs.org/wnet/finding-your-roots>.

Arcadia Publishing's Littleton book by Mike Butler will be on sale on January 26, 2015. It is a softcover book of 128 pages, and it will be available online, at bookstores, and at Walgreen's.

For information on the Littleton area called **Wolhurst**, go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tcjgYSmLh_c

For a **downtown Littleton virtual tour**, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dWhLOIOv6TM>

For **another downtown Littleton virtual tour**, go to <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BpSMqUWLXSk>

For further information on Legacy Family Tree 's **Cruise** in June, 2015, go to http://www.legacyfamilytree.com/CruiseInfo_2015.asp

Watch "What Is the **Cloud**?" at <http://youtu.be/gu4FYsFeWqg>

For further information on the **Minnesota** Genealogical Society's proposals for its webinar series in 2015, go to <http://blog.eogn.com/2014/09/13/minnesota-genealogical-society-2015-webinar-series-call-for-papers/>

Justin Pot's article in the MakeUseOf website describes useful tools for **U.S. census** data. Read more at <http://www.makeuseof.com/tag/town-story-heres-census-data-can-help-see>

MARY LOU KING's tip: On Ancestry go to Search & Card Catalog, put in Photos in the Surname Field, and you will come up with 7 different sites with photos and scanned documents.



Dina Carson kicked off our 2014-2015 season of programs on 9 Sep.



James K. Jeffrey entertained us with his presentation of "She's Not Dead... He Took Another Bride" on 16 Sep.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2015

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