



# Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society Newsletter

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## Programs and Workshops

CJ Backus Program Chairman

### •April 8th 1:00 pm speaker

“Genetic Genealogy: The Basics”

Earl Beaty Regional Coordinator

International Society of Genetic Genealogy

### •April 15th 1:00 pm speaker

“What You Can Learn from Old Wills”

Richard Kautt, attorney

Treasurer of Aurora Genealogy Society

### •May 13th 1:00 pm speaker

“ The Variety of Lineage Societies and Some of their Benefits”

Bill Nix Columbine Member

### •May 20th Luncheon/Celebration

**11:00 am** Book Sale

**12:00 pm** Salad Luncheon

**1:00 pm** Charter Members will lead the trip down Memory Lane for our 35th Year Anniversary Celebration

June, July and August summer break to find your ancestors.

**Columbine Genealogical & Historical Society  
Celebrating its 35th year !**

## Two Brothers Who Chose Very Different Paths for Their Adult Lives

By William G. Nix

In the Summer of 1752 two brothers, the Reverend Bernard Michael Hausihl/Housihl/ Houseal and William Frederick Hasihl/Housihl/ Houseal/, arrived in Annapolis, Maryland aboard the *Patience*. They immigrated from Rotterdam, Holland with the Christopher Bartholomew Mayer family, a family of five. The Mayers Family was from the Free Imperial City of Ulm, Wutteremberg and the Houseals were from Heilbronn, Neckarkreis, Wuerttemberg, the place of their birth. Bernard was born in 1728 and William Frederick in 1730. The Mayers and the brothers traveled to the Hague in Holland to arrange transportation to the American colonies. The Mayers were bent on emigrating to Ebenezer, a community in Ogelthorpe's colony, while the Reverend Houseal was going to Maryland on a Lutheran religious mission.

In the Spring of 1752, while both parties were arranging for passage to America, Bernard Houseal married Sybilla Margaretha Mayer, daughter of Christopher Barthaolomew Mayer. Almost immediately upon arrival in Annapolis, the entire party left Annapolis and traveled to Frederick Town, also known as Monocacy Station.

There the Reverend Houseal became the pastor of a frontier Evangelical Lutheran Church. Shortly thereafter William Frederick Houseal departed for South Carolina. He walked across the Blue Ridge Mountains into South Carolina where he joined a community of German speaking colonists. In November 1752 Christopher Mayer died. Shortly thereafter the Mayer family members split up. Some move to Lancaster, Pennsylvania and some to Philadelphia. The Reverend Houseal remained at Frederick Town until 1763 when he

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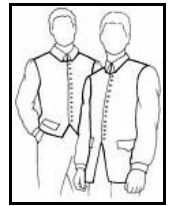
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was moved to Reading Town, Pennsylvania, where he was pastor of the Trinity Lutheran Church until 1758. He left Reading and visited William Frederick in South Carolina and then moved to Easton, Pennsylvania. In 1765 he was in Philadelphia.



In 1770 the Reverend Bernard Michael Houseal was transferred to New York and became the Senior Minister of the old Hollandish Lutheran Church in mid-city New York. He became one of the Governors of the New York College (now Columbia University) and a trustee of the New York Hospital. The Reverend Houseal was a learned man and preached in several languages including Dutch, French, German and English. He held a prominent position among the people and was a very vocal supporter of the British. After Cornwallis surrendered and the British began to leave New York the Reverend Houseal's church and home were burned. He and his family sought safety aboard a British ship and with many of his congregation, the entire Houseal family was evacuated by the British to Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Here the British welcomed him and his family and provided for them. Later he was sent to England where he preached in a popular London chapel and gained the approval of a member of the Royal family. He was ordained to the Church of England by the Bishop of London in 1785 and sent back to Nova Scotia. In Halifax he officiated until his death, in a small church and acted as a missionary to the Germans of St. George's Parish. The church he served is still standing. It is known as the "*Old Dutch Chicken-Cock Church*." He served this church for 16 years and died on Easter Sunday morning 9 March 1799. He is buried in a vault in the floor of the church. Following his death his widow and most of the family was provided transport to England by the Duke of Kent. One or two members of the family went to Charleston, South Carolina.

Earlier when the younger Houseal brother arrived in South Carolina he acquired a 400 acre Royal Grant and settled in Lexington near Orangeburg. Here he, William Frederick Houseal, my 5<sup>th</sup> great grandfather, married Maria Elizabeth Straumann/Stroman, my 5<sup>th</sup> great grandmother. They had two girls before Maria Elizabeth died ca. 1769. Following her death he moved a short distance away to Newberry County and located in "Dutch Fork," the German speaking community founded around 1740 in the fork of the Broad and Saluda Rivers. He had friends there. About 1722 he married his 2<sup>nd</sup> wife Anna Maria Geiselhart. They had four sons and one daughter. As the conflict and turmoil that led to the Revolutionary War was manifested in this community by British harassment and the plundering of the prosperous German immigrant farmers William Frederick Houseal raised and equipped a troop of citizen horsemen to protect his "Dutch Fork" neighbors. He

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became an active raider with Marion and Sumter in their partisan warfare. He acquired the title of "Captain of Horse" and was a zealous fighter for American Independence serving under regimental commanders Colonels James Lyle, Jonas Beard and Philemon Waters. He fought off and on in command of militia companies throughout the War (1776 to 1783). The roster of his troop of horse, in his personal handwriting, is among the Revolutionary records of the South Carolina Historical Commission in the State House.

Following the War he lived quietly serving his community as a Magistrate, Justice of the Peace and Sheriff. He was well educated, liberal, good tempered, and charitable man. He endowed St. Paul's Lutheran Church, near Columbia and Greenville Railroad, with its glebe and parsonage lands. He died in 1806/07.

This is enough but it is not all. Another twist in this story is that I was born and raised in Alabama. My wife Evelyn Jost was born in Utah and grew up in Denver. The Reverend Bernard Houseal was pastor to several of Evelyn's ancestors in Nova Scotia and the brother of my GGGGG grandfather.

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### ANNUAL USED BOOK S, MAGAZINES, CD'S SALE

**MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> 11:00AM**

Recycle your genealogy books, magazines and other genealogy related material at the May 20<sup>th</sup> sale. Great bargains to be had !!! Bring your materials in ahead of time and leave them with Cheryl and Ron Floberg at Ways & Means. They will have them priced marked and ready for the sale or bring them in the day of the sale. The money collected from the sale goes into the acquisition fund for purchasing books for the libraries.



### SPRING LUNCHEON MAY 20th 12:00

The Refreshment Committee is busy organizing the Spring Luncheon which will be held on May 20th. We will set up several serving tables for the delicious salads, casseroles and desserts that you so willingly prepare. Please be sure to put your name on your serving dish. Our committee will provide punch, coffee, tea and utensils. The church lets us use their silverware, so it's best to use theirs and leave yours at home. That way, you don't risk losing one of your favorite serving spoons or forks. The luncheon is always a fun activity that provides everyone an opportunity to meet new members, mingle with friends and sample the wide variety of foods. We will start serving at 12:00, and we hope to see a huge crowd at this annual function.

*Rita Elmore, Diane Hall and Shirley Terry*

## The Great Beyond

By Doris Elliott



While doing some research in newspapers in the Midwest of the 1920's and 30's I was fascinated by the obituary writers flowery language and their absolute avoidance of saying the word died.

It must have taxed the writer of the obituaries every week to come up with something new. Here are some samples.

ON TUESDAY OF THIS WEEK JOHN/JANE BROWN————

Left his place of earthy abode

Called away from the church below to the church above

Summoned from our midst

Spirits went above

Passed on to that other land

Called to the home above

The final summons came

Gave up the struggle

Answered the final call

A career of honor closed

Called away

Laid down the battle of life

Passed on into the great beyond

Met her summons

Joined the hosts above

Called to her reward

Overpowered by irresistible forces to yield up that which was mortal

The immortal spirit took its departure

Left the family circle for a better land

Lay his burdens down

Closed his eyes in sleep

Called from above

Fell asleep

Is no more

Passed from time to eternity

Removed from this to a better life

Gone to await the resurrection morn

Departed this life

Called above to wait

Called home

Called from this world

Left the house of his earthly habitation to help swell the more exalted praise of the Redeemer in the heavenly choir

CALLED

LEFT

GONE



We all grow up with the weight of history on us. Our ancestors dwell in the attics of our brains as they do in the spiraling chains of knowledge hidden in every cell of our bodies.

~Shirley Abbott

## Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies

Jan Routh Council Representative



12 February 2008 meeting held at the Denver Public Library, Fourth floor conference room 10:00 am.

Charlotte Weiler conducted the meeting in lieu of Pat Roberts. The first and second vice president positions were consolidated. Bylaw discussion/changes were tabled until next meeting. Also tabled was whether or not to require annual reports from members—it is not in the bylaws.

### Reports:

**Family Recognition**—Ann Lisa Pearson

**Jewish Genealogy Society**—Terry Laske—nearing completion of compilation on of all Jewish burials in Colorado as part of national effort to record Jewish burial world-wide.

**Historical Society of Germans from Russia**—Ken Hawkins—new group; willing to help others with German/Russian ancestry; consider themselves more a historical than a genealogical society; working with national SORD (Saving Our Ancestral Records) digitizing obits, etc.

**Palantines**—Dick Spielman/Duane Kniebes—will have two large seminars, one on 26 April and another on 25 October with Dr. Rolland Paul, Director of Archives for southeaster Germany; on-going cemetery project, i.e. Latitude and longitude for every cemetery in Colorado, working from 1985 CO directory, need volunteers.

**Pikes Peak Genealogy Society**—J Richards—J has been contracted to teach five high school sessions of genealogy for Palmer School District.

**Larimer Genealogy Society**—Marilyn Rudd—on-going obituary collection (1950-60s).

**Boulder Genealogy Society**—Cari Taplin—130 members; working on obituary collection (1960s) almost complete; planning for 40th anniversary in 2009 along with Boulder's sesquicentennial; looking at moving to electronic newspapers.

**Broomfield Genealogy Society**—Mabel Massey—15 members

**Foothills Genealogy Society**—Karen Overholt—finished digitizing 40,000 cards at NARA, proofed and indexed; digitized 120,000 Colorado WWII "Old Man Draft Registration" draft cards; 926 Golden cemetery photos added to their website.

**Longmont Genealogy Society**—Working Ryssby Cemetery (photos and obits).

**Highlands Ranch Genealogy**—Gini

**Parker Genealogy Society**—Cathy Summers—56 members

**Columbine Genealogical & Historical Society**—Jan Routh

**Aurora Genealogy Society**—Mary Thayer—promotional article in *Your Hub-North*.

**WISE**—Duane Woodard—working on bibliography of all British Isles works held at DPL.

**Swedish Genealogy Society**—Kate Johnson—46 members

**CIG**—Char Weiler—Bill Nix will be VP for next six months.

The theme for discussion at the meeting was nominating committees and how to manage a society by nominating the right people. Discussion included the nominating committee itself, the kind of person desired for nomination, and how to entice someone to accept a nomination.

Some of the items discussed were:

- talk with the officers
- include someone who's been on other committees
- talk to the person face to face
- give a written job description to the person

## Books Donated to Bemis and Denver Public Libraries

Gary W Routh, Acquisitions



First quarter 2008 library donations were made in February with special thanks to Woody Trosper, Doris Hulse and Mary Lou King for their assistance this quarter. 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 – February 2008

**Forensic Genealogy**, by Colleen Fitzpatrick, PhD, 220 p. Contains: Digital Detective, Database Detective, and DNA Detective sections with case study of each. Using forensic investigation techniques to unlock hidden information for genealogists. Author is scheduled speaker at Bemis Public Library in September 2008.

**Western New York Land Transactions, 1825-1835**, compiled by Karen E. Livsey, 812 p. Second volume of a two-volume set (Bemis has first volume). 70,000 transactions from Archives of the Holland Land Company in western New York. Full surname index. Recommendation of Doris Hulse.

**Map Guide to Parish Registers, Kingdom of Wurttemberg, Vol. 6**, by Kevan M. Hansen, 211 p. Detailed map charts of Neckarkreis and Hohenzollern regions for both Lutheran and Catholic oberamt parish records including Family History Library film numbers. Useful reference guide for advanced researchers.

**The Granville District of North Carolina, 1748-1763, Abstracts of Misc. Land Office Records, Vol. 5**, by Margaret M. Hofman, 400 p. Completes the five-volume Granville series (Bemis has Vols. 1-4) with abstracts from ten counties. Indexed by surname and place name. Recommendation of Doris Hulse.

**The Surnames of Wales**, by John and Sheila Rowlands, 217 p. Provides detailed insight into the origins and occurrence of common Welsh surnames with numerous maps. Includes a comprehensive survey of Welsh surnames and a glossary of terms. Gift of Woody Trosper.

**Official Guide to Rootsweb.com**, by Myra Vanderpool Gormley and Tana Pederson Lord, 115 p. A to Z guide for using Rootsweb features more effectively as well as posting your own family files. Modern, easy to understand text with numerous graphic aids. Gift of Woody Trosper.

**NGS 1998 Colorado Conference of the States Program Syllabus**, 575 p. Contains a wealth of informative program materials compiled from over 100 expert genealogical speakers at the Denver convention.

### Denver Public Library Donations – February 2008

**Polk County, Missouri, Court Dockets, Six Volumes**, transcribed by Rex Brown and Mike Jones, Polk County Genealogical Society. Full transcriptions of earliest county court clerk's minutes, records of a wide range of activities such as child guardianship, pension proofs, estate activities, merchant licenses, road building contracts, warrants issued, etc. Each dated entry contains one or more names of early settlers in the county; hundreds of names indexed in each volume. Joint purchase of Gary Routh.

**Polk County Court Docket, November 13, 1837 to March 9, 1840, Book No. 1**, 2006, 84 p.

**Polk County Court Docket, May 4, 1840 to December 4, 1841, Book No. 2**, 2006, 92 p.

**Polk County Court Docket, February 7, 1842 to March 7, 1844, Book No. 3**, 2006, 102 p.

**Polk County Court Docket, May 6, 1844 to August 11, 1847, Book No. 4**, 2007, 128 p.

**Polk County Court Docket, August 12, 1847 to December 19, 1849, Book No. 5**, 2007, 84 p.

**Polk County Court Docket, February 4, 1850 to December 22, 1852, Book No. 6**, 2007, 144 p.

**The Grassroots History of Racine County, Wisconsin**, by Racine County Historical Museum, 1978, 660 p. Features stories, histories and photos of families, businesses, organizations and towns with thousands of names in the full index. Gift of Mary Lou King in memory of Alan Norval Barnes 1913-1995.

## Out of the Past

WorldVitalRecords

Tyrone Hearld (Tyrone, Pennsylvania)

25 October 1867 pg 5 column 2

**The Interment of Lincoln Murderers**— On Tuesday last, in accordance with orders received at the Washington Arsenal by General Ramsey, commandant at the post, from General Grant, Secretary of War, the bodies of the assassination conspirators, as also the body of Werze, the Andersonville jailor, were removed from their grave and re-interred in another portion of the grounds. This removal was rendered necessary in consequence of the projected improvement of the arsenal grounds, and as the contractor for the removal of the old penitentiary building was about to commence that work.

The body of Booth was buried in what was known as the wareroom of the penitentiary building. It was enclosed in an ammunition box, and after the grave was filled up with dirt, the brick flooring was replaced. The burial having been accomplished, the windows were boarded up, and the door was made secure. Secretary Stanton taking the key with him. The key was kept at the war Department until a few days since, when it was returned to the Arsenal officers.

On the receipt of the order for the removal of the bodies, including that of Booth, on Tuesday, laborers were at once set to work, and soon the accomplished the task, taking the bodies from the graves before mentioned, and carrying them to Wareroom No. 1, when a trench was dug a few feet from the north wall in which the bodies were placed, and as secrecy was enjoined, but few persons were aware that the removal had been made. It would seem from this account, that the government does not intend to give up the bodies to the relatives. The bodies of Booth, Payne, Harold, Werze, Atzeroth, and Mrs. Surrat now rest in a common grave.

**Google** these names to find more history and images.

Mary Surrat was supposedly the first woman ever executed by the Federal government.

## Welcome Aboard

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Ann Lisa Pearson FGS Representative

Joyce Lohse Archivist



## Columbine Member Profile

Gordon D. Johnson, Treasurer

I was born in Kansas in the small town of Leonardville and graduated from Kansas State University. Following graduation I served in the Army spending 14 months in Korea in a combat engineering company.



Once again as a civilian, I worked for a consulting engineering firm as a structural engineer for the next six year. I spent the next 33 years in pre-stressed concrete field and retired from Rocla Concrete Tie Co. in 1933 after building several new pre-stressed concrete plants.

After retirement my wife Gretta and I traveled to many countries. We made several trips to Sweden where I did genealogical research on my four grandparents. This I really enjoyed doing and have continued it. I joined Columbine Genealogical Society and have enjoyed learning more about genealogy. I recently joined the newly formed Swedish Genealogy Society and find this a very informative group.

My wife and I have three sons and recently celebrated our 53 wedding anniversary.

I have enjoyed the past year working as your treasurer and it has been a learning experience and look forward to serving another year.

## Book Reviews

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### **The Official Guide to Rootsweb.com**

By Myra Vanderpool Gormley, CG and  
Tana Pederson Lord  
Ancestry Publishing

Reviewed by Anita Burbank-Jenkins

Rootsweb.com is one of the most valuable resources and it's free! The site is sponsored by Ancestry.com. The authors have written this book as a guide to help the new and experienced genealogists get the most out of their visits to this site. You will learn how to put your family tree on line, navigate and create message board posts, and connect with others involved with similar research. This book has many success stories from members of the Rootsweb community.

Included are suggestions and tips on how to search little known databases and how to access your search results. Have you ever heard of a "Search Thingy", page 12? Try it, you might be surprised! This book has charts and forms to expedite your research. These include the Social Security Death Index (SSDI), the US Town/County Database, and a Soundex Converter.

There are also links to free genealogy newsletters, tutorials, and volunteer projects. As a newbie, I have not only found two new cousins, but I have learned a great deal of my family's history just from this web site. Even though Rootsweb has links on each page for easy access, using this guide will allow you to be more efficient and save time. This guide will be with me to help me get the most out of my research.

### **The Official Guide to Ancestry.com**

by George G. Morgan

Reviewed by Marilyn K. Lyle

Some genealogists have used Ancestry.com for years to do research and others are just beginning to learn about this useful website. A new book entitled The Official Guide to Ancestry.com by George G. Morgan is a comprehensive guide to using the Ancestry.com website. It provides a great overview to anyone using this research tool. There are many aspects of this website that have been added over the years and experienced researchers will find some new ideas to try also. Those new to the website may be overwhelmed with possibilities, but reading the chapters on the basics will help. Working through these chapters will give beginning genealogists the confidence to continue their research.

Very little of Ancestry.com is free and since it is basically a subscriber website, it can be quite costly for individuals. Many libraries are now subscribers and provide free access for patrons. This is a good way to learn about this website before deciding to sign up.

Ancestry.com is part of a larger company called Generation Network Inc., which continues to add to its numerous databases. New features include Learning Center, Family Trees, and Database Card Catalog. Reading this helpful guide will encourage all researchers to try them out. Genealogists are always willing to learn new techniques for research and this book serves us well in that regard.

### **Aurora Genealogy Library**

The only independent Genealogy Library is located near the Anschutz Medical Campus (Formerly Fitzsimmons). In the basement of Hoffman Heights Branch of the Aurora Public Library at 1298 Peoria Street.

Access to more than 8,000 library items are available on:

Thursday 1:00-4:00 pm

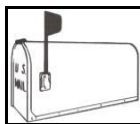
Saturday 10:00 am—1:00 pm

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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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## Columbine 35th Year Anniversary Booklet at Printers by Gary Routh

After ten months of work the 35th Year Anniversary booklet is finished and at the printers. The 96-page booklet contains 82 photographs, 30 special feature items and a full index. Our objective was to produce an interesting, professionally printed, 'quick read' booklet of less than 100 pages to appeal to both current and future members of Columbine. We think we got pretty close to that goal and hope our members agree by purchasing a copy.

The booklet content covers a wide spectrum of Columbine accomplishments and activities, from our April 1973 founding, through the years at Bemis Public Library, up to and including the exciting things going on today. One section covers our national awards and book publishing projects with names of volunteers who were involved. Special features include educational programs, year-by-year events, interesting newsletter extracts and member testimonials. Many members are sure to be surprised at learning all the things Columbine has done.

*"An amazing amount of information is packed into this unabashed tooting of our horn for the accomplishments of this 35-year-old Society. Congratulations to all !"* Doris Hulse, Feb. 28, 2008

We're hoping the booklets will be available at Ways & Means bookstore in time for our April meetings.

## Columbine Membership

by Paula Davis, Membership

**Welcome**

### New Members

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Surnames: Adams, Batdorf, Bender, Clark, Kerster, Hiner, Martin, Kennedy, Cashman and Stevenson.

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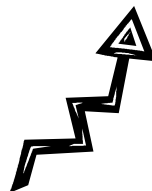
Donald Elliot



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. More is coming.

<http://www.columbinegenealogy.com/>



SAVE ME TO YOUR FAVORITES

## Columbine Member Profile

Judith Schaefer Phelps, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Publicity

Judith Schaefer Phelps grew up in Missouri, spent time in Montana as a military wife, and calls Colorado home. On a senior class tour of the Smithsonian, the United Nations, and other places of national interest, she dipped her toe in the Atlantic Ocean. Upon hearing of her excitement about travel, a sister invited her to Colorado with a promise of a trip to Oregon to dip a toe in the Pacific Ocean. So, using money she was awarded in an American Legion oratory contest, Judy boarded a train and headed to Colorado. No, she never returned (to Missouri) and her fate is still unlearned.



Two months into her first job in Denver, Judy was fired when she asked for a day off to take her college boards. This farmer's daughter had no money and no plans for college at the time; however, this was the push she needed. While working diverse jobs in industry, government, and academia, she gained a husband, a son, and two degrees. She accrued nearly 25 years of service before retiring from Marathon's Technology Center amid rumors that the facility would close.

As a child, Judy attended family reunions wondering how anyone ever kept all those cousins straight. (A paternal uncle married a maternal aunt and they had 140 grandchildren!) As an adult Judy inherited boxes of loose papers and clippings from two aunts who had tried to sort out all those cousins in the days before computers. Always curious, Judy met the challenge and the rest is history — notebooks full of family history from across the wide Missouri.

Judy is a member of several genealogical societies. She is currently serving as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President for Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society. And, an exhibit at the Smithsonian features one of their son's work projects. It is a small world, after all !

**Check Cyndi's List**  
<http://www.cyndislist.com/>  
Canada — Census

## Eliza Routt is in the Hall

**On March 11, 2008, Eliza Pickrell Routt will be inducted into the Colorado Women's Hall of Fame.** The induction ceremony will take place at the Seawell Ballroom of the Denver Center for the Performing Arts. Centennial author Joyce B. Lohse, Mrs. Routt's biographer, nominated her for the honor and will speak at the ceremony. A member of the Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society, Lohse began researching the Routts when she found Eliza in her family tree.

As wife of John Routt, Colorado's first state governor, Eliza Routt became Colorado's original first lady, and an active community volunteer. She was a founding member of the Central Christian Church, Women's Home Club, and Young Woman's Christian Association. Orphaned at an early age, Eliza helped establish the Denver Orphan's Home Association in 1881. She served on the first board of trustees for Colorado Woman's College in 1888.

Eliza Routt was a pioneer in the struggle for women's rights. She joined the Non-Partisan Suffrage Association of Colorado, and became president of the City League of Denver branch. In 1893, when Colorado was the second state after Wyoming to allow women to vote, Eliza Routt was honored as the first woman registered to vote in Colorado.

In 1895, Eliza became the first woman to serve on the Colorado Board of Agriculture at the State Agricultural College, which became Colorado State University. During her decade on that board, she established the School of Domestic Economy, which allowed young women a foothold in higher education, and she obtained the first professorship for a female instructor.

Described as queenly in manner, Mrs. Routt was referred to as the "Martha Washington of Colorado."

**First Governor, First Lady**, Joyce Lohse's dual biography of John and Eliza Routt is available from you favorite bookseller and online at [www.lohseworks.com](http://www.lohseworks.com). Joyce Lohse will present "**Eliza Routt: An Unpretentious Activist**" at the Colorado Springs, Pioneers Museum on Saturday, June 21, at 2 p.m.



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## New Genealogy Guide for Finland Research

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—FamilySearch announced today the release of a free new research tool that will help those with Finnish roots to find their ancestors. The research guide, *Finding Records of Your Ancestors, Finland*, features easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions, colorful graphics, and tear-out worksheets. A free copy can be viewed or printed online at FamilySearch.org.

The *Finding Records of Your Ancestors, Finland* helps take the guesswork out of Finnish genealogical research by simplifying the process and giving users a specific, proven strategy to use. In an inviting workbook style, the guide will show users which records to search, what to look for, and what tools to use. It colorfully outlines the steps and tools needed to navigate Finnish records to find ancestors. Users will learn where to start, how to find and use Finnish records, and what unique elements to look for in the records. The booklet provides expert advice every step of the way in a highly illustrative, user-friendly manner.

The guide explains different types of records in Finland and instructs the user when and how to use specific records. A real-life case study allows readers to see for themselves how the research process works. Expert search tips, including tips on how to use the Family History Library Catalog, are included. Also included are maps, key dates in Finnish history, and guides for reading Finnish genealogical records.

Additional guides in the Finding Records of Your Ancestors series published previously include African American, Denmark, France, Iceland, Italy, Jewish, Mexico, Norway, and Sweden.

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## INTERNET SITES

► <http://www.genesearch.com/ports.html>

### US Ports of Entry - their Immigration Records and Passenger Lists - A Genealogy Guide by Joe Beine

A list of many United States sea ports and land border ports that have published immigration records (passenger arrival lists) 1820-1957, organized by state. Included are Canadian border crossing records, which are listed under each border state, with further information in a separate section at the end of this web page. Mexican border crossing records are also listed here for California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. The rest are for ship passenger arrival records (and a select few for airplane passenger lists).

► <http://www.newhorizonsgenealogicalservices.com/va-census-tp.htm>

### Virginia State Census Transcription Project

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► <http://www.ipl.org/div/subject/browse/ref40.00.00/>

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