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My Time in a Brothel

by Charleen Roberts

I have a confession to make. I spent some time in a bordello. I got the story from my Uncle Jonathan, my mother's brother. He said that when my father came home from going to Diesel School at the caterpillar factory in Peoria, IL, I didn't recognize him. That I do remember. But he said that one day not long after that he was called to drive to Cody WY to pick up his pay check and see about some things for the upcoming major job. That was to put in the first all weather road to Jackson Hole, WY. My mother was a little sad that I hadn't recognized my father, even though I was only two years old. She suggested that instead of staying with my grandmother while Mother taught, my father take me to Cody with him for the day. Well, when he got to Cody, about 45 miles from where we lived, there was some sort of crisis in the camp where they were assembling everything they were going to need for building the new road into Jackson Hole. My father was desperately needed there, and immediately. He took me by one cousin's house to see if he could leave me there, but her children had whooping cough, so Dad didn't think that would be a good idea.

He then went by the house of another cousin, who wasn't home. He didn't know what to do. It was still winter in the mountains, there was no one to watch me, it was too far to take me home and come back so what was he to do? Someone suggested the Madam at the local brothel. She was very nice, the house was warm, there would be room for me and I'd be cared for. So off my father took me. They were happy to have me and I was always happy to be the center of attention.

I didn't have a change of clothes, so they even

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bought some for me. Dad

My Time in a Brothel

called Mother and said he had to go off, was leaving me well cared for and not to worry. When he collected me and took me home he said something sort of vague about where I'd been. Later Mother thanked one of his cousins for the clothes and for caring for me. That cousin explained that while Dad had stopped by, he hadn't left me there. My dad didn't want me to catch whooping cough. Even later mother saw his other cousin and thanked her, but she denied taking me in. So my mother really pushed my dad on where exactly he'd left me. When he confessed, my uncle said my mother let out a scream that could have been heard all the way to Cody.

"My Presbyterian mother asked YOU LEFT HER WHERE?"

As a genealogist I confirmed this story with a cousin on my Dad's side. He said Dad told him at the time, as he thought it was funny but swore him to secrecy.

Don and I have a tradition of taking each grandchild when ten years old for ten days of special time with Grandma and Grandpa. When the granddaughter who lives in England was ten I thought she should be shown some of her American heritage. We took her to Wyoming where she was able to visit the family farm where I was born and see the graves of her ggrandparents as well as the graves of her gggrandparents before taking her to a dude ranch outside Cody. When given directions I was told to drive through town, look for the Wal-Mart on my right, then Cassie's restaurant on my left and turn down that road. I asked if the restaurant had anything to do with Cassie's house of ill repute and was told that the restaurant was on the site of Cassie's Brothel.

So the name was confirmed, and I even found out where I spent some time.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

2007 is now just a memory. It's hard for me to imagine I have been President of Columbine for one year. I've felt privileged to take on the responsibilities.

2008 will be bringing in some new officers and chairpersons. Consequently there will also be change, which is always good. Looking over the schedule of programs and workshops it seems like there will be some very informative sessions.

One of the events that is going to make 2008 exciting & special is that it is the beginning of Columbines 35th year. I'm looking forward to having a celebration.

My hope for the New Year is that all of you are looking forward to the coming year as much as I am and that everyone will learn at least one new way to either do their research or make it more meaningful. See you at Columbine !!

Sandi Kline, President



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 8th 1:00 PM Speaker

"What Genealogists should know about the National Archives & Records Administration"

NARA Education Specialist Lori-Cox-Paul

Lori Cox-Paul is the Education Specialist for the National Archives & Records Administration-Rocky Mountain Region in Denver, CO. Over the course of her nineteen-year career, she has worked at museums both large and small. She has worked as a Research Historian at the Nebraska State Historical Society (Lincoln, NE), Education and Volunteer coordinator at the Denver Museum of Miniatures, Dolls & Toys (Denver, CO), Docent Liaison and Weekend Site Supervisor at the Frick Art and Historical Center (Pittsburgh, PA), as Executive Director of the John Wornall House Museum (Kansas City, MO), and as an Archives Specialist at the National Archives' Central Plains Region branch in Kansas City. Lori has a B.A. in English and History from Hastings College and a M.A. in Historical Administration from Eastern Illinois University. She is active in numerous professional organizations.

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"Resources at the Littleton FHC and How to Prepare for a Visit to Salt Lake"

Wallace Carroll, the Director of the Littleton Family History Center, will be speaking at the early bird and the afternoon workshops. Whether you are a novice or veteran researcher, these presentations will have something for everyone. The morning will show us how to use the FHC and the FHL, while the afternoon will have resources at the FHC and what to do to prepare for a trip to Salt Lake.

January 29th Tour of the National Archives

Where: Denver Branch of the National Archives

When: Tuesday, January 29, 2008 at 10:00AM

On Tuesday, January 8th, 2008 there will be a program at CGHS on "Things to Know About Nara", given by Lori-Cox-Paul and a follow-up to this program will be a tour of Building 48 at the Federal Center, where many records are kept that will be of interest to our members. You will be guided by a staff member at the archives.

After the tour, which will be about one hour, some people may want to go to Bldg. 46 to do research. If you have never been there, someone from our society will be there to guide you.

Maximum number of people is 20.

A sign up sheet will be at both meetings in January. You will need to provide your own transportation and show a picture ID at the entry gate.

If you have any questions I can be reached at 303-791-4148 or email djswilson@msn.co

Jean Wilson, Tour Coordinator

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Meet Wendel Cox. Wendel is the new face in the Western History and Genealogy Department at the Denver Public Library. He started work at DPL the beginning of March, 2007. Wendel came to DPL from the University of Kentucky where he managed a project to digitize Kentucky newspapers, circa 1900-1910. Before that he taught at Arizona State University and University of Minnesota at Morris.

He has a degree in history from the University of Winnipeg, a doctorate in history from the University of Minnesota, and a MLIS from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Wendel was born and grew up in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada with his brother.

■ **February 12th 1:00 PM**

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■ **February 27th at 10:00 AM Tour Denver Public Library**

Tour at the Western History Section of DPL on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. Wendell Cox will be our guide. The tour will last for about 90 minutes. It should be an interesting tour with Wendell showing us the public section as well as the archives. A sign up sheet will be available at the January meeting.

■ **March 11, 2008 1:00 PM PROGRAM**

“Now is the Time to go to Salt Lake” by Marilyn Elrod
Columbine Member



Bob Larson has been practicing genealogy for over eight years. He is a member of four local genealogy societies in different states, and is newsletter editor for two societies (Larimer County Genealogical Society & Triplet Pearson-Pierson Society). He has written one family history book, published in 2007. He is a member of the National Genealogical Society and the International Society of Family History Writers.

■ **March 18, 2008 9:30-11:30 AM Early Bird Workshop**

Family Tree Maker Basics by Bob Larson: Creating and backing up family files, Adding ancestors and descendants, Navigating the menu items, Using the built-in web resources, adding and editing pictures to the scrapbook, citing your sources and adding document images for each ancestor, creating and printing different reports and charts, and great publishing features review. Live demonstration of Family Tree Maker software with Internet access is shown. Includes handouts.

■ **March 18, 2008 1:00 PM Work Shop**

Using Family Tree Maker with Ancestry.com database by Bob Larson: This workshop will focus on using the Ancestry.com database in finding ancestors. He has many tips and tricks in using this great search engine feature. Live demonstration of Family Tree Maker software with Internet access is shown. Includes handouts.

BOOKS DONATED TO BEMIS AND DENVER PUBLIC LIBRARIES

By Gary W. Routh



Fourth quarter 2007 library donations were completed in November. Special thanks to Mary Lou King for a private book donation and Woody Trosper for helpful Query donations to the book budget this quarter. I was especially delighted with the joint-purchase request from Doris Livingston. I welcome all book purchase suggestions from members; please contact me by email or phone: grouth@grouth.org or 303-794-3790

Bemis Public Library Donations – November 2007

Evidence Explained, Citing History Sources from Artifacts to Cyberspace, by Elizabeth Shown Mills, 885 p., 2007 Ten years after her first publication of *Evidence!*, this new expanded guide demonstrates how to handle almost every source a researcher might encounter. A recent reviewer of this book encouraged every serious genealogist to at least read Chapter One: *Fundamentals of Evidence Analysis* (pages 15-38). I agree!

The Origins of the British, A Genetic Detective Story, by Stephen Oppenheimer, 534 p., 2006 An in-depth analysis of pre-history peoples who populated the British Isles. Based on genetic DNA groups, this work contains fascinating charts and maps showing early European migration paths from 15,000 years ago when all of Britain was connected to Europe as a single land mass. He finds twelve unique R1b haplogroups in the U.K.

Revolutionary War Bounty Land Grants Awarded by State Governments, by Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, 608 p., 2005 Over 35,000 names covering early land grants to soldiers, heirs, representatives and assignees by nine state governments for war services. This new work is compiled from various state manuscript records and printed sources not accessible to the average researcher – data that has not been previously available.

German-American Names, 3rd Edition, by George F. Jones, 354 p., 2006 Text consists of 66-page narrative treatise on German surnames and their American revisions followed by 287 pages of German names and their meanings with reference back to the opening text. Good explanation of High and Low German dialects.

More Psychic Roots, Adventures in Serendipity & Intuition, by Henry Z. Jones, Jr., 261 p., 2003 Packed with entertaining and unusual genealogy stories, collected and told by a master story teller.

Denver Public Library Donations – November 2007

Virginia Immigrants and Adventurers 1607-1635, by Martha W. McCartney, 833 p., 2007 A new collection of over 5,000 men, women, and children; whites, blacks, and Indians; freeholders, slaveholders, and bondsmen. Every class and profession is represented along with 78 early settlements along Virginia's James River. Many entries contain lengthy extractions from a broad variety of primary sources. A rare and incredible book.

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Denver Public Library Book Donations

Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska Civil War Veterans from G.A.R. Death Rolls, by Dennis Northcott, 658 p. Latest in a series of his Grand Army of the Republic member death roll compilations. Each of the 36,000 entries contain useful information like military company, post, death date and place, etc.

North American Wills Registered in London 1611-1857, Compiled by Peter Wilson Coldham, 156 p., 2007 These 2,000 early North American items have been extracted from the thousands of Prerogative Court of Canterbury (PCC) records in England. Alphabetical by surname, entries contain an assortment of useful details.

The Bunnell/Bonnell Family in America, Second Edition, Compiled by William R. Austin, 520 p., 2007 Family history comprising full accounts of the first six generations of William Bunnell of Massachusetts Bay and New Haven Colonies. Fully indexed and well documented accounts. Joint purchase by Doris Livingston.

Descendants of William Judson of Connecticut, Compiled by Linda-Jeanne Dolby, 512 p., 1999 Hard bound family history consisting of fourteen generations; sources, photos, and fully indexed. Gift of Mary Lou King.

Columbine 35th Year History Booklet Project - Phase III, Final Draft Status

By Gary Routh

In October, eight Columbine volunteers reviewed our 70-page early draft of the Columbine 35th Year History Booklet, providing excellent suggestions and corrections. Their input led to our current November and December 2007 final rewriting and design phase. Dozens of additional photographs have been scanned and processed for the booklet and page layout is being finalized. Page design and fonts have been influenced by requirements at lulu.com, a print-on-demand candidate for publishing our booklet. We are seeking to make the booklet attractive, interesting, and a pleasant reading experience.

January and February 2008 milestones are final reviews, cover design, and indexing. Printing details like paper, pricing, and publisher contracts will be finalized and approved in February. Our goal is to go to the printer in March and have our printed booklets in hand for Columbine's April meeting to help us celebrate our 35th anniversary.

Members can read project status postings at <http://www.growth.org/booklet/>



Blog

This is the slang term for web log. It is a journal that is kept on the internet. Someone who keeps a journal on the internet like this is called a blogger. They are typically updated daily or on a regular basis.

<http://blogfinder.genealogue.com/> Genealogy Blog Finder

<http://www.cyndislist.com/blogs.htm> Cindi's List of Blogs

IS THERE A BLOG ON YOUR SURNAME ?

Book Review from Columbine Bookstore

A beginners perspective and an experienced researchers thoughts.

Your Guide to the Federal Census by Kathleen W. Hinckley

Reviewed by Anita Burbank-Jenkins, Columbine Member

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The federal census is a basic tool for researching and constructing family groups and for developing a family tree used from beginning genealogists to family historians. Deciphering census data is not always easy. This guide and reference book gives the reader the information on where to find the records, what information is there, and how to use the information. If you are a beginning genealogist, it can be your personal research assistant. This book offers step-by-step instructions covering most situations for tracing family histories in census records. Each federal census was unique because of the information solicited. Knowing why censuses were conducted and how our ancestors viewed them is informative.

Part one is the introduction to the census that includes a history of federal census, and census media from handwritten to electronic. Part two has sections on finding census records and indexes. Part three includes chapters on using the census and includes suggestions on how to get organized, various research strategies, and case studies. The appendix has National Archives and Its Regional Facilities, Census Maps and Questions, Abbreviations, the Census on the Internet, and a bibliography.

As a beginning genealogist I found this book to be is very readable with an informative and humorous style. Anyone doing American genealogy will find this book invaluable.

Reviewed by Marilyn K. Lyle, Columbine Member

The first United States Federal Census in 1790 was mandated by The United States Congress to determine representation in the House of Representatives. From that time on, these population schedules have been taken on regular intervals, though many changes have taken place in the enumerations and methodologies.

Census records are the basic beginning resource for genealogists and a referral point to the other research that will follow. **Your Guide to the Federal Census** written by Kathleen W. Hinckley is an excellent reference book that will guide genealogists in basic research. This book gives a historical context of the census and then details a step-by-step approach to census research. It also provides strategies for success with that research. In Ms. Hinckley's book you will find charts, diagrams, illustrations, case studies, a glossary and an extensive bibliography. There are descriptions and details of each ten-year census information that will save time during your research. The census helps us establish ages; relationships and locations of household members and can also help locate emigration and naturalization dates and records. The author advises us to do extensive preliminary research on our research subjects and the geographical area(s) where we expect to find them. Many of us now search the census through on-line sources such as Ancestry.com or Heritage Quest, but you should also know that the actual films are available at the Federal Centers and other Research Centers. This book also explains how to use the Soundex, which may help locate a person. Remember that spelling errors can and do occur, and be aware that whole counties and households could be missed so it is a good idea to check both on-line and film sources. This book gives us some guidelines to alternate sources. There are some state census enumerations, and some non-population schedules to search--mortality schedules, agricultural and veteran schedules, slave schedules and other supplemental sources. Since most of the 1890 census was lost, there could be large gaps in your research, and some of these resources may be helpful. The chapter on census anomalies details unusual "irregularities" of the census. It is quite interesting and adds a bit of humor. This book is a must-have resource for census work whether you are a beginning or seasoned researcher.

I highly recommend that you have your own copy.

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Maya Angelou

History, despite its wrenching pain, cannot be unlived, but if faced with courage, need not be lived again.

Columbine Membership

by Paula Davis, Membership

Welcome

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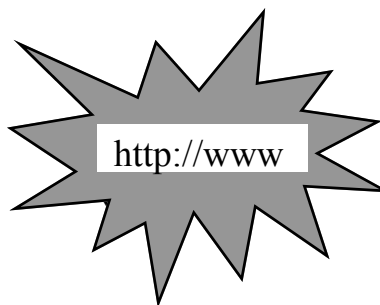
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COLUMBINE
WEB SITE<http://www.rootsweb.com/~cocghs/>

Don Elliott has taken over the assignment as Columbine Web Master. With the assistance of Gary Routh, the website has been completely revamped and is up and going. Please take a look...it details Activities, Meeting Schedule, Newsletters, Publications, Book Store, Queries, Officers and Board, By-Laws and Membership Form. One new item is that there will be an attempt to put up the handouts from meetings on the website for those unable to attend. Place the URL in your bookmarks or favorites and refer to it often.

Columbine member profiles

Charleen Roberts, Corresponding Secretary

I was born on the Davis family farm outside Greybull, Wyoming. My mother's brother, Jonathan Davis still lives there. He says he was born on that farm and will die on it. At age 92 his wish may be granted. His father, Jonathan Green Davis moved to the farm in 1908. My father, John Doty's parents settled in Cowley Wyoming in 1901. My father worked for Taggart Construction Company building roads in Wyoming. Work could only be done in the summer. When his brothers asked him to come to California and start a small construction company doing grading and excavating that sounded interesting. In California one could work all year. We moved to San Juan Capistrano while my dad tried working with his brothers. That went well so we moved to Los Angeles County where there would be work closer at hand.

While I was at Stanford I met Don Roberts. He did his postgraduate work at the Imperial College in London. I always said he needed someone to type his thesis so I joined him and we were married in Devon, England in 1951.

When he got his diploma we moved to San Francisco where he worked for Dames & Moore, a pioneer in the Soil and Foundation Engineering field. They transferred us to Southern California several years later. We had a brief stay in New York City between those two places. From Southern California we were transferred to London, England. I've heard "You Can't Go Home Again" but believe me, going back is sometimes better. I loved London when Don was a poor student and we rented a room in someone's home and shared a bathroom and kitchen. It's much nicer to have one's own home and money enough to enjoy the country. We moved back to Southern California, then outside Washington, D.C. when Don went to work for CH2MHill. They moved their headquarters to Denver, and we soon followed.

That's why we are still here. One daughter lives in England where she works for the World Wildlife Fund. The next daughter lives outside Baltimore, Maryland, and is a professor at Johns Hopkins. Each daughter has two children. Our sons live in Eugene Oregon and Boston Massachusetts. The one in Oregon writes science fiction and the one in Massachusetts is in development for Sun Microsystems.



BEMIS LIBRARY

Jane Monroe, Bemis Library Liaison

This has been a busy fall for Columbine and Bemis Library. Both were represented with tables at the October Genealogical Fair held at Highlands Ranch. The attendance was very good and we made many new contacts with researchers who had been hearing about Bemis Library's Genealogical Reference Center but were not sure where it was located. We provided maps, pamphlets on what Bemis offers and a photo presentation of what Bemis provides to aid in their researching. We also had a computer demonstration set up by Don Elliott at Columbine's table. By using CDs, he was able to look up surnames of interest in his Colorado Cemetery Index Book and Columbine's Pedigree Charts. Thanks to all who volunteered to help at the tables, we each got a chance to attend some of the interesting and informative sessions.

We are really needing shelf readers to keep our growing collection of books organized on the shelves. The library has noticed a marked increase in the use of these books and could use our help once again. If you can donate an hour or two of your time to this worthwhile project, please contact me. And who knows--you might spot a book you need to help in your research!



The Refreshment Committee wishes to thank the members for their positive support. So many of you continue to sign up to help with refreshments at the meetings, and we really appreciate your positive support. For those of you who have not had the opportunity to sign up, we encourage you to do so. It's a good way to meet and mingle with the members.

The holiday luncheon was such a success! As usual, you all came through with a wide assortment of delicious salads and desserts. Everyone seemed to enjoy the camaraderie, food, and festive atmosphere.

Rita Elmore, Diane Hall and Shirley Terry

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They will be recognized and given certificates at the January 8th meeting.

Bemis Bibliography Project

Marylin Elrod, Project Chair

The Bemis Library bibliography project is in progress. The Library personnel are currently in the process of transferring genealogy related information to Don Elliott. Don will build the database for us to work from and we will be ready to go full speed ahead come the beginning of next year.

Abbreviations found in Genealogy

ASG American Society of Genealogists
BLM Bureau of Land management
CSA Confederate States of America
DB Domesday Book
E.D. Enumeration District

**In Remembrance**

Frank Charney 1980-2007

Out of the Past

Hanover Enterprise

Hanover, Kansas, Friday, April 28, 1899

Mixing advertisements and news together.

News In General.

—o—
Curtain polls 15c, at D. Michel-son's.

Don't forget to go to the Bee Hive for hot or cold lunch.

Go to H. W. Overstake for fine watch repairing. Prices all right.

Wm J. Schwartz always pays the highest price for poultry, cash or trade.

Two houses for sale in good locality, in city of Hanover. Enquire of H. R. Fulton.

Bring your poultry and produce to Imming & Co, and get the highest market price.

FOUND:—Package of shirts. Owner can have same by proving property and paying for this notice.

Uncle Jimmy McGuirt came over from Washington this week and visited with his son Andy a few days.

Dr J. L. Allison, the dentist, does work in all branches of dentistry. Satisfaction guaranteed. Office 1st door west of Postoffice.

Come to this office for job work, and you will find we use the best of stock, do good work and make prices which compete with any city office west of the Missouri river.

MAMMA, I WANT A PAIR OF THOSE PRIESMEYER SHOES, YOU KNOW THEY FIT BEST. WHO SELLS THEM CLARA?
M. TRISKA.

Mrs. Hans Molt and son had the misfortune to have their team run away Saturday, throwing them out of the wagon and badly injuring Mrs Molt in the back and side. The boy escaped with but slight bruises.



Family History
Library
familysearch.org

23 October 2007

U.S. National Archives and FamilySearch Team Up to Digitize and Index Mountains of Historic Documents

Landmark agreement will lead to the digitization of millions of genealogical and historical documents.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) of the United States and FamilySearch today announced an agreement that will lead to the digitization of millions of historical documents over time. The bulk of the digital images and related indices will be freely accessible through www.FamilySearch.org as well as 4,500 family history centers worldwide, or at the National Archives and its Regional Centers.

The agreement is the result of several years of discussions between the two organizations and NARA's new long-term strategy for digitizing and making available major segments of its vast collection online to the public. Ultimately, the records digitized by FamilySearch will consist of court, military, land, and other government records that include information of genealogical significance for family historians. The records date as early as 1754 to as late as the 1990s.

Georgia Death Certificates Now Viewable Online

15 October 2007

275,000 death certificates from 1919 to 1927 linked with index and images

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—FamilySearch and the Georgia Archives announced today that Georgia's death index from 1919 to 1927 can be accessed for free online. The online index is linked to digital images of the original death certificates. This free database will open doors to additional information for family historians and genealogists with Georgia ties. The index and images can be searched and viewed at www.GeorgiaArchives.org (Virtual Vault link) or labs.familysearch.org.

INTERNET SITES

► <http://www.alanmann.com/England.htm>
English Family History Research on the Internet

An Overview by Alan E. Mann AG
Numerous sites and guidelines.

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

Iowa State Census Transcription Project
New Horizons Genealogical Services has launched the Iowa State Census Transcription Project. We have links on our site to most known records already transcribed.

► <http://www.alabamapioneers.com/AlabamaPioneers>

The information on this website is the result of over 10 years of research in Alabama records and from a database of over 40,000 related families. Free GEDCOMS in PDF format can be downloaded to your computer.

► <http://home.att.net/~arnielang/shipguide.html>

Immigration and Ships Passenger List Research Guide

Procedure and examples are included to help those who are new to this research, however, numerous tips, help and links to other sites are provided for advanced research.

► <http://genealogy.az.gov/ArizonaGenealogyBirthandDeathCertificates>
Arizona Genealogy Birth and Death Certificates
Online searchable database of scanned images for birth records 1887-1928 & death records 1878-1953

► <http://www.cogenblog.com>
COGEN BLOG

News and tips about genealogy in Colorado by Birdie Holsclaw

► www.ColoradoHistoricNewspapers.org
Colorado's Historic Newspaper Collection

Covering Colorado from 1859-1923
Check out the featured topics.



Check them out



Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies

By Jan Routh, Columbine Representative to Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies

Meeting held 13 October 2007 Denver Public Library, Fourth floor conference room, 10:00 am

The treasurer, Mary Thayer, looked into whether or not Council would have to pay the Denver occupational privilege tax. Since Council's P.O. Box is not considered an official business, they do not have to pay the tax.

Council's membership dues are annual, due in January, and based on the number of members. Do not use the form on Council's website, it is being revised.

The 2008 budget was proposed and accepted.

The societies of Pagosa Springs and Pueblo are rejoining and one new society, Swedish Genealogy Society of Colorado, has joined Council making a total of 30 member societies.

The January meeting will be chaired by Charlotte Weiler. It was voted that Council's bylaws be changed to eliminate the 2nd Vice President, leaving only the Vice President (Char) who will also handle the 2nd VP's responsibilities.

Dick Spielman brought up the issue that Council should be more proactive in avoiding conflicts such as the multiple functions concurrently scheduled for Saturday, October 27, i.e., the Palatine's all-day seminar, CIG's all-day seminar on genealogy software, and the Family History fair at the Highlands Ranch Library.

Member reports:

CIG—Charlotte Weiler – all-day seminar October 27

Foothills—Karen Overholt – projects in process: 1) photographs of Golden Cemetery tombstones online – over 350 added last month, 300 more to be added; 2) Colorado naturalization records from NARA digitized and indexed (over 40,000), Counties Clear Creek, Park, Jefferson, and Gilpin are all digitized, indexed, Gilpin remains to be proofed, will be a book; 3) Colorado WWII "Old Man Draft Registration" draft cards (over 120,000) about 1/3 complete

Swedish—Kate Johnson – 30 members, began in April, focus on education and networking, will have website rollout; donated complete set of Swedish National Magazines to DPL; a couple came from Sweden in Swedish costume for one of their field trips (smorgasbord at a church); projects in process: 1) digitizing 1910 Swedish directory of Denver; 2) extracting Colorado Swedish WWI draft cards on Ancestry and, in conjunction with Foothills' project, WWII draft cards

Broomfield—Mabel Massey – 50 members

Longmont—Helen Weber – 121 members; Hank Jones seminar well attended; Longmont Mountain View Cemetery book and CD completed; project in process: Ryssby Cemetery info plus photos of stones being readied for publication

Palatines—Dick Spielman – having all-day seminar and dinner meeting Saturday, October 27, with speakers, Martin A. Diestler, and Herbert Schemmerling, both authors/lecturers; next fall will have a seminar with speaker, Roland Paul, Director of Archives for Southeastern Germany

WISE—Thelma Woodard – 111 members; project in process: Bibliography of all British Isles works held at DPL.

Larimer—Marilyn Rudd – gave grant to Fort Collins Library District to resume Ancestry Library Edition database at both Fort Collins Main and Harmony Libraries

Parker—Cathy Summers – projects both postponed since software not developed for completion of 1) 1885 census for Douglas County, 2) Douglas County obituaries to include Parker Chronicle newspaper, to expand to other County newspapers.

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CAPG—Birdie Holsclaw – tour of CU map library

Weld—Shirley Soenksen – burial records are indexed; over 30,000 items Tribune clippings indexed

CGS—Pam Smith – *Aches & Pains* tours: November 7, lunch at Buckhorn Exchange; 2) December 4, Button Museum and Wholesale Warehouse

Jewish—Terry Lasky – projects in process: 1) Jewish consumptive (TB) patients database, 90% complete, working on for 4 years; 2) compiling Colorado's Jewish burials as part of national effort to record all Jewish burials in the world (JewishGen website); when these books are published, will be supplied to DPL

Colorado Springs—J Richards – Lewis Palmer High School wants genealogy curriculum

Aurora—Mary Thayer – 67 members; AGS library database has 10,000 entries, currently about half finished; working on their website, library assisting

The subject for this quarter was *Newsletters*. Most societies, except WISE, have the problem that their membership does not submit many, if any, articles for their newsletters, perhaps forgetting that the definition of *editor* is to edit already-written text, not necessarily to write text.

WISE editor, John Mossman, said he puts out an email about six weeks in advance of deadline and their members respond. J Richards, president of Colorado Springs, reminds his membership monthly, telling them, "Everyone has a story." J stated that everyone looks forward to seeing the new book list for Penrose Library in their newsletter. Mary Thayer, Aurora editor, limits their newsletter to eight pages and admits to usually having to be author as well as editor.

Foothills' newsletter includes a tip sheet with info from websites, Eastman's blog, Ancestry. Including photos was considered good in a newsletter to provide eye interest. Pushing people to submit articles was suggested. Asking them, "You're invited to write an article on your family," was considered a positive way to obtain submittals. Suggestions were voiced, such as running a series of articles (like Columbine's historical house series in the '90s); interviews with older club members or family members (tape them); archive information; lists of authors; reviews of libraries around the state (Don Elliott), FHC archives (what's on permanent loan).

Cost of doing things was discussed, i.e., postage, paper, printing; society news versus human interest, general genealogy info, and republishing. It was agreed that it is okay to republish articles only if permission is obtained. Most agreed that, in general, people do not want an electronic newsletter but prefer a paper one. Boulder's newsletter is inserted into their quarterly, and their newsletter is on their website. Boulder has a committee looking at going electronic only and testing for a year, but Birdie believes they will always have a paper newsletter. Swedish demands every member have an email, use a mail list and, in a blog-like fashion, exchange information.

Pam Smith passed around Bobbi King's notebook of *Strategy Papers* which are online on the NGS website for members only. Pam Smith provided two handouts, *Topics to Inspire*, a listing of topics, and *Society Strategies: Newsletter Editors*, listing online resources to help the editor and suggested two books, *Editing Your Newsletter: How to Produce Effective Publications Using Traditional Tools and Computers* by Mark Beach, Coast to Coast Books, Portland, OR 1988, and *The Non-Designer's Design Book: Design and Typographic Principles for the Visual Novice* by Robin Williams, Peachpit Press, CA 1994. Pam considers these books to be extremely helpful to newsletter editors.



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