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CGS Potluck, Election, Annual Meeting June 19

The Colorado Genealogical Society will hold its Annual Meeting, potluck supper and election of officers on Friday, June 19 at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2300 S. Patton Court, Denver. The Annual Meeting will include acceptance of the 2009-10 proposed budget and election of officers.

The potluck supper will begin at 6 pm and the meeting will start at 7 pm. Bring a dish to share with the group. Plates, utensils, and beverages will be provided.

The program will feature heirloom sharing by several members of CGS and a GEM presentation by Lynette Dick on making a family history quilt.

The proposed budget, shown at right, indicates that the major sources of income for CGS are membership dues and seminar registrations. The major expenses for the society are printing and mailing the Quarterly and the seminar.

The nominating committee, including Sandy Carter-Duff, Gwen Mayer, and Roger Dudley, has nominated the following candidates for election:

Vice-President: Gretchen Perryman

Treasurer: Teresa Campbell

Secretary (one-year term):

2010 Nominating Committee: Pam Smith, Jan Prater, Sandy Ronayne.

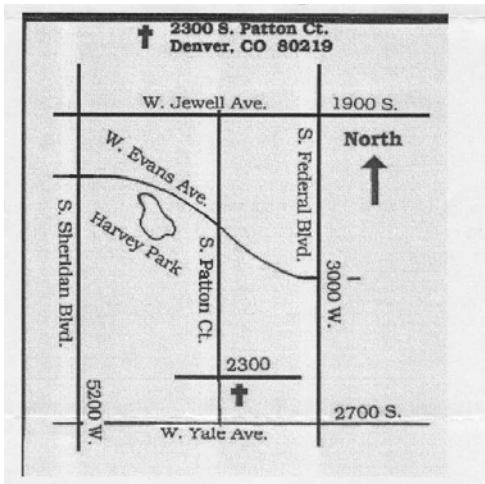
Family History Expo Set for Loveland, June 12-13

The Colorado Family History Expo, featuring more than 88 classes presented by 30 national and regional speakers as well as staff from the National Archives and the Family History Library will kick off at 8 am on Friday, June 12 at the Embassy Suites and Conference Center in Loveland, Colorado. The two-day event will feature a vendors' area and lots of informational booths. Classes will range from beginner to advanced topics and include several presentations on Swedish genealogy and separate presentations on Eastern European

research and Germanic genealogy. The complete schedule for the Colorado Expo is available online at www.FHExpos.com. Advance registration is \$75 for the two-day session. At the door the price will be \$85 for both days or \$45 for one day. Hotel rooms are available at the conference rate for \$119/night at the Embassy Suites Hotel.

Proposed Budget for 2009-2010

Income:		
Membership Dues	\$6,300	
Interest Income	600	
Publications, CDs	300	
Research Fees	75	
Programs		
Seminar Registrations		3,300
Seminar Lunches		<u>800</u>
Total Seminar Income	4,100	
TOTAL INCOME	\$11,375	
Expenses:		
Membership Service	\$ 150	
Quarterly	4,500	
Mailing Expenses	800	
Programs		
Seminar Expenses		2,900
Seminar Lunches		<u>800</u>
Total Seminar Expenses	3,700	
Programs/Education Classes	500	
Meeting Room Rent	450	
Bank Fees	60	
Dues & Publications	300	
Licenses & Fees	100	
Miscellaneous	175	
Publication Exchange	20	
Publicity (web site)	100	
Research Expenses	50	
Memorial Book Donations	300	
Volunteer Coordinator	50	
President	40	
Vice-President	10	
Secretary	40	
Treasurer	30	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$11,375	



Meeting Location

**Christ the King Lutheran Church,
2300 S. Patton Court, Denver**

The Colorado Genealogical Society holds its monthly meetings on the third Friday evening of each month (except December, July and August) at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2300 S. Patton Ct., in Denver. Patton Court is between W. Jewell, W. Yale, South Sheridan and South Federal near Harvey Park.

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Upcoming CGS Programs and Education Classes

Saturday, May 9, 2009: CGS Beginning Genealogy Class

Downtown Denver Public Library, 5th Floor, Gates Room, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm Learn how to get started in genealogy.

Friday, May 15, 2009: CGS Program Meeting, 7 pm – 9 pm.

Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2300 S. Patton Ct. Speaker: Andy Dolan on “Evaluating Dead Witnesses: Lessons from the Hearsay Rule in Evidence.” GEM: “Not So Admirable Behavior: Using a Civil War Pension Record to Reconstruct the Life of John H. Admire,” presented by Corinne Knasinski.

Saturday, May 16, 2009: CGS Special Interest Class,

Downtown Denver Public Library, 5th Floor, Gates Room, 10 am – noon. Free class. “Researching Back Before 1850” includes probate records, court records, Revolutionary War pension applications, and more. Presented by Carol Darrow. Hands-on research at DPL from 1-2 pm.

Monday, June 1: CGS Board Meeting, 6-8 pm, 10th Mt. Room, Denver Public Library. All members welcome.

Saturday, June 13, 2009: CGS Beginning Genealogy Class

Downtown Denver Public Library, 5th Floor, Gates Room, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm Free. Learn how to get started in genealogy.

Friday, June 19, 2009: CGS Potluck Supper, Annual Meeting, Election of Officers. 6 pm–9 pm. Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2300 S. Patton Ct., Denver. “Heirloom Sharing” by CGS members. GEM: Lynette Dick, “Making a Family History Quilt.” Potluck starts at 6 pm.

Saturday, June 20, 2009: CGS Special Interest Class,

Downtown Denver Public Library, 5th Floor, Gates Room, 10 am – noon. “Can the Genealogical Proof Standard Help to Break Through Brick Walls?” Lou-Jean Rehn. Afternoon session from 1-2:30 pm, “Writing the Family Narrative.”

No Beginning Genealogy Class in July or August

Monday, Aug. 24, 2009: CGS Board Meeting, 6-8 pm, 10th Mt. Room, Denver Public Library. All members welcome.

Saturday, Sept. 12, 2009: CGS Beginning Genealogy Class

Downtown Denver Public Library, 5th Floor, Gates Room, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Learn how to get started in genealogy.

Friday, Sept. 18, 2009: CGS Program Meeting, 7 pm – 9 pm.

Christ the King Lutheran Church, 2300 S. Patton Ct. Ice Cream Social and Kick-off of the 2008-09 Program Year celebrating CGS’s 85th Birthday. Speaker: Nancy Prince, “Freighter, Baker, Music Maker, and Colorado Pioneer.”

Beginners' Corner

By Carol Cooke Darrow, CG

The first piece of advice a beginner in genealogy receives is "Start With Yourself and Work Backwards." Sounds easy enough but what does that really mean?

You might say, "I already know everything about myself. I don't have to write that down!" True enough, but what about those who come after you? On your death certificate, the informant will be asked to supply the maiden name of your mother and the birth places of your mother and father. Do you have that written down for them to access that information?

What about the places where you've lived – addresses and dates? Is that something they might need to trace your personal migration trail?

What about vital records for yourself (birth certificate, marriage license, death certificates, military discharge paper), your parents and your children? Do you have a medical family history you, your parents, and your children?

And what about the family stories that you've heard over the years. Are they written down somewhere so that future generations can learn from them?

Now, to work backwards, where were your family members located in 1930? Had they always lived there or were they on the move? Did they serve in Korea, World War II, or World War I? When did your grandparents marry and do you have those records? Who were their siblings?

At this point you should have enough information to complete at least five family group sheets and have a good start on your pedigree chart. Now you're ready to move backward step by step on the next leg of your journey.

DPL to Digitize Denver Records

More than 100 volumes of marriage records and real estate transactions, ranging from 1859 to 1900, are being digitized by the Denver Public Library. The digital images will be stored in the Colorado Alliance of Research Libraries' Alliance Digital Repository and will be accessible through a Web interface on the DPL Web site. The project was partially funded with a grant of \$779,000 from the Washington-based federal Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Computer Interest Group (C.I.G.)

(a Special Interest Group of CGS)

Meets on 2nd Monday Night of Each Month
at Christ the King Lutheran Church
2300 S. Patton Court, Denver

Visitors Welcome

Welcome New Members!

Since January, CGS has welcomed the following new members:

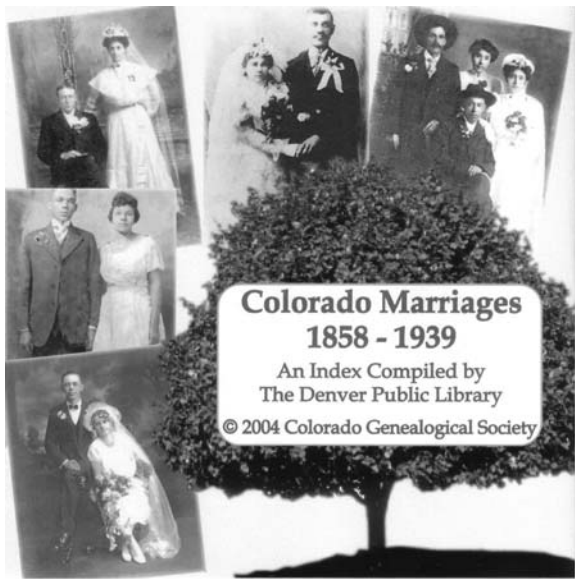
- ❖ P:atty & Gary Apple, Thornton
- ❖ Deb Armer, Denver
- ❖ Jane Arni, Littleton
- ❖ Lois Bushnell, Golden
- ❖ Diana Copsey, Denver
- ❖ Bob Dean, Aurora
- ❖ Kathleen Fletcher, Denver
- ❖ Tina Francis, Centennial
- ❖ Jackie Gibbons, Denver
- ❖ Nancy Helms, Aurora
- ❖ Mary Kendzierski, Wheat Ridge
- ❖ Roger Kinney, Denver
- ❖ Lori & Mark Leyba, Arvada
- ❖ Sharon Mahler, Denver
- ❖ Clyde Martinez, Denver
- ❖ Teresa McNeal, Aurora
- ❖ Charlotte Smith, Aurora
- ❖ Margaret Spetnagel, Denver
- ❖ Judy Taylor, Brush
- ❖ Diane Wilson, Denver

Shawers Highlight CGS Spring Seminar

The CGS Annual Seminar, held February 20-21, featured speakers Thomas Shawker, M.D. and Patricia Shawker, CG, nationally recognized historian and speaker. In the Friday night presentation, Dr. Shawker spoke about "Your Health and Your Genealogy."

Saturday's presentations included two lectures by Dr. Tom Shawker on DNA and lectures by Patricia Shawker on territorial records and family footprints in federal records. There were 109 attendees for the day-long event.

Lou-Jean Rehn served as seminar chair. Volunteers who helped with registration, greeting, and food service included: Mary Thayer, registrar; Bobbi King, publicity and door prizes; Lynette Dick, refreshments; and Teresa Campbell, Carolyn Thomason, Denise and Gary Williams, Iris Hawkins, Sandy Ronayne, Jan Prater, Jim Rogers, Sharon Mahler, Maggie Spetnagel, Margaret Weiland, and Nancy Ratay.



Colorado Marriages CD available by mail

Denver Public Library volunteers compiled a complete cross-referenced index to Colorado Marriages 1858-1939, based on the Works Progress Administration (WPA) index cards. Every Colorado county is represented and there are more than 912,000 separate entries. The CD was published by the Colorado Genealogical Society and is available by mail for \$10 plus \$1 shipping and handling charge.

Address orders to CGS-Colorado Marriages CD, P.O. Box 9218, Denver, CO 80209-0218.

Colorado Marriages, 1858-1939

Number of CD's in order @ \$10 each _____

Shipping @ \$1.00 each _____

Total _____

Make Check to "CGS-Colorado Marriage CD"

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CGS Members Publish Books

Sherry Broderick completed 30 years of research to write her family genealogy titled *From Sea to Shining Sea: Footprints from the Past, Bartlett-Plummer Genealogy and Allied Branches including France and Drysdale in the United States, 1500-2008*.

Roger L. Kinney has published a fictionalized treatment of 20 generations of the Kinney family in *Kinship: A Story of the Kinneys, an English/American Family*. The story starts with the crowning of William the Conqueror in 1066. He's based his story on documents from the Kinney family archives and used those facts to create a personal story for each generation of his family.

Mark Your Calendar

NGS Conference in the States, May 13-16, 2009, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Family History Expo, June 12-13, 2009. Loveland, Colorado. (see page 1 for more details)

Institute of Genealogical & Historical Research, June 14-19, 2009. A week of in-depth genealogical instruction on the campus of Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama.

FGS Conference, Sept. 1-5, 2009, Little Rock, Ark. 2010, Salt Lake City, Utah.

150th Anniversary of Jewish Denver, Sunday, Sept. 13, 2009. Denver Jewish Community Center. Afternoon beginning workshop on Jewish genealogy; evening reception featuring Keynote Speaker Arthur Kurzweil.

Fall Germanic Research Seminar, Saturday, Oct. 17, 2009, with speaker Lois Edwards, author of *Beginner's Guide to Germanic Genealogy*.

CGS Book Donations Made to DPL in Memory of Past Members

CGS has donated books to the Downtown Denver Public Library in memory of deceased CGS members. Those volumes include:

Eastern Cherokee by Blood, 1906-1910, Vol. X, Applications

Ancestors of American Presidents, 2009 Edition

Family Maps of Logan County, Colorado

Family Maps of Morgan County, Colorado

Family Maps of Ouray County, Colorado

Family Maps of Pueblo County, Colorado