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PROGRAMS & WORKSHOPS

9 April 2013 1 p.m.
"Location is the Key to Finding Your Ancestors"
 By Carol Darrow, past CGS president, certified genealogist and author
 Most genealogy records are created on the local level so it is vital that we learn as much as possible about the county.

16 April 2013 9:30 a.m.
EARLY BIRD: "What is a 'Reasonably Exhaustive Search?'"
 by Michael Hiatt.
 Watch a webinar-on-CD followed by Handouts and Discussion.

1 p.m. "The History of Littleton from its Founding to 1959"
 By Lorena Donohue, Deputy Director/ Curator of Collections at the Littleton Museum
CGHS 40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

14 May 2013 1 p.m.
"Recollections of a Genealogist's Daughter" and "What the Arapahoe Library District has to offer Genealogists"
 By Pamela Bagby, Reference Librarian for the Arapahoe Library District,

21 May 2013
 11 a.m. Book Fair,
 12 noon Potluck and
 1 p.m. Program: Panel on
"Tips on Trips for Genealogy"

Happy Summer!



HOW WE STARTED

WHY? Three genealogy friends, Geraldine "Gerry" White, Virginia Rothfus and Barbara Brown, decided to form a genealogical society that met during the day.

WHEN? On 4 April 1973 a preliminary meeting was hosted at Virginia Rothfus' house. The name and amount of annual dues (\$3) were decided upon. The first meeting of a "free genealogy workshop" was held on 19 June 1973 at the Littleton National Bank Community Room .

WHAT? The Bylaw Objectives were to: promote an interest in genealogy and history, which is why Columbine's name is Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society; encourage and instruct members in genealogical research through informative programs, careful documentation and mainte-

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Spring! ~Be A Friend, Bring A Friend~ to Columbine!

I've asked Steve Johnson, our newsletter editor and photographer, to include the photo of your 2013 Board of Directors and Chairmen this month. Thanks to Steve (and of course, his wife, Carol) for presenting this great newsletter for us.

I hope everyone has had a chance to go on the Columbine Genealogical & Historical Society web page. (See why we refer to the society as Columbine? That title is quite a mouthful; but I digress on my message this month.) I hope you have visited columbinegenealogy.com for a few reasons. First, you can find out what is happening with us. Second, we are in the process of making a few changes, and if you haven't visited, you won't know the difference when we announce our updates.

When you are on the site, I'd also invite you to go to "contact us" and click on "our president". I'm very sincere in the message printed there-- we are a society of fun and friendly folks who enjoy sharing our passion for genealogy.

At the March 2013 Columbine Board Meeting, I asked what I should write about for this newsletter. I heard a resounding response of "be a friend, bring a friend". So in the theme of this being our 40th anniversary year, I'd like to encourage anyone reading this to join us, or come back if you've been away, or bring a friend and introduce them to us and the amazing world of finding out just what those ancestors were doing back when.

We have yummy refreshments and a time to chat after the great and varied programs. One of Columbine's claims to fame has been the strength of our speakers and their topics. There is always something to learn, enjoy or remind you of someplace to search that you might have forgotten about. And we all know that being with like-minded researchers will give you the opportunity to increase your knowledge base, keep

those cognitive skills alive and well, volunteer to preserve historical records and have fun, all at the same time.

Be a friend, bring a friend, and we will be happy to see you at Columbine!

Sincerely,
CJ Backus

How We Started - Cont'd from page 1:

nance of quality genealogical standards; locate, preserve and index public and private genealogical and historical records and make such available to members and the public; assist and support those genealogical libraries, archives, and historical museums in Colorado which are open to the public, and publish genealogical and historical information in a regular newsletter and any other publications as directed by the membership.

WHERE? Eventually by August, 1973, CGHS moved its meetings to the Bemis Library.

WHO? Charter members numbered 31. Today, charter members Margaret B. Weiland and Lorraine J. Tharp still attend CGHS meetings.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Information for this article was taken from Celebrating Our 35th Anniversary 1975-2008 by Co-Editors Gary W. Routh and CJ Backus, published in 2008 by Columbine Genealogical and Historical Society, Inc. This book is available at our bookstore during meetings.



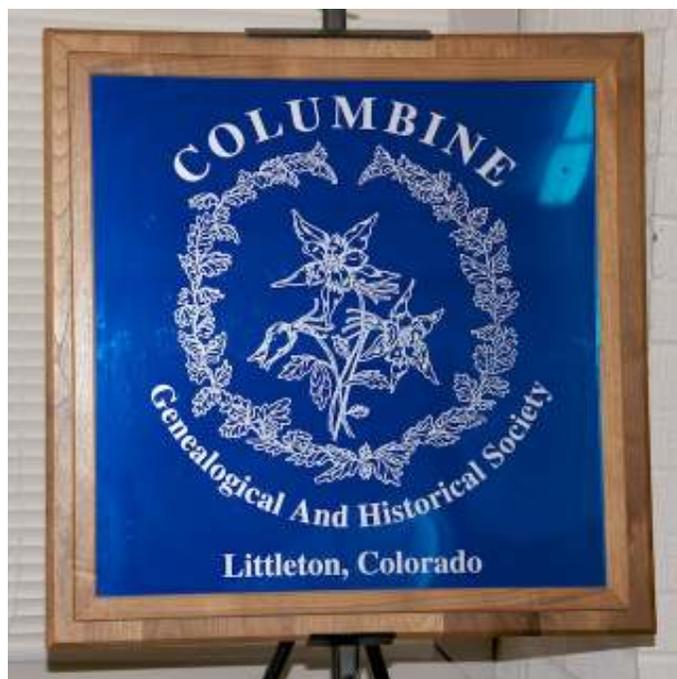
Best Wishes and Good Thoughts
to the Following Members

Jim Dennison

Ray Harrell

Mary Lou & Earl King

Don Elliott



Welcome New Members!

Jean Adams - surnames: Larson, Nelson, Anderson, Englund and Oman

Ed Doyle - surnames: Clark and Merrifield

Sam Dykstra - surnames: Day, Taylor, Dykstra and Hichens

Marshall Ferrill - surnames: Ferrill, Powell, Howell and Sims

Pat Jacobson - surnames: Jacobsen, Littleton and Rickert

Barbara Metzger - surnames: Metzger, Stigers, Stivers, Young, Keyes, Finlay, Higgins, Thornton, Enteman and Horning

Barbara and Terry Ohnstad - surnames: Ohnstad, Flesche, McCready, Rooney and Berg

Ginger Schlote - surname: Murray

Membership Report

By Alison Gibbens and Marilyn Elrod

CGHS Membership as of 12 March 2013 includes 127 individual members, 16 couples (for a total of 32 members), 2 couples and 9 individual members as Honorary Life members (for a total of 13 members), 1 couple and 11 individual Paid Life Members (for a total of 13 members), and 3 Honorary Associate members for a grand total of 188 members in 2013 so far.

The 2013 CGHS Membership Directory was distributed to those members in attendance at the 19 March 2013 meeting.



Early Bird WEBINARS

By Carol Johnson, 1st Vice President, Programs

Our first Early Bird WEBINAR was held at 9:30 a.m. on 19 February 2013. Approximately 35 members watched Leland K. Meitzler's online seminar entitled "Chasing Women: Finding Your Female Ancestors," which coincided with March being Women's History month. Four pages of handouts listing over 30 places to find information on genealogically illusive females were distributed. Discussion followed the 60-minute CD viewing.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: For more sources, go to www.genealogyblog.com/?p=21263)

On 16 April 2013 our next Early Bird WEBINAR will be held at 9:30 a.m. It is entitled "What is a 'Reasonably Exhaustive Search'?" and is given by Michael Hait, a certified genealogist. The presentation lasts 62 minutes. The first 30 minutes will be an explanation of the first step of the Genealogical Proof Standard relative to one's research objective. The remaining 30 minutes is a case study showing that if one fails to identify all records and neglects important information, the result can be inaccurate conclusions. Two pages of handouts will be available. Ann Lisa Pearson, Education Coordinator, will lead discussion following the viewing.

Next fall on 15 October 2013 our final Early Bird WEBINAR of the year will be held at 9:30 a.m. It will be "Reverse Genealogy: Finding the Living" by well-known author, Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak (not a typo!). The online seminar will focus on working from the past to the present to find family photos, reunions, DNA relatives, and living relatives. Literature on this Webinar indicates rave reviews from people who actually watched the original seminar.

As mentioned at the recent RootsTech conference, webinars are the future of programs for genealogy societies. They provide access to well-known, national speakers for a low cost. So CGHS has jumped on the WEBINAR bandwagon. If you haven't done so, join us at 9:30 am on 16 April!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

New FREE online magazine for genealogists – <http://theindepthgenealogist.com>

(Our January speaker, Jennifer Baldwin, is the Director of Operations.)

3 websites for Researching Female Ancestors:

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammen/awhhtml/>

Library of Congress – Table of Contents: Married Women’s Property Laws, Women’s Map Collections, American Memory Collection (WPA), California – Women on the Move: Overland Journeys to California.

<http://www.archives.gov/research/alic/reference/womens-history.html>

This includes Bibliographies, African-American Women, Biographies, Politics and Women, Women’s Suffrage, Women in the Military, and other Research.

<http://ocp.hul.harvard.edu/ww/>

This includes women working 1800-1930.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

4 May 2013 9 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. **Colorado Chapter of the Palatines to America All Day Seminar** at the Ramada Plaza Denver Central, 4849 Bannock Street, Denver will feature **Kory L. Meyerink** speaking on Gazetteers of Germany: Getting the Most from Meyers and Other German Geographic Tools; Has It Already Been Done? German Compiled Records, and Finding the Hometown of Colonial Germans. \$40 member fee; \$50 non-member fee.

For more information contact Sandy Carter-Duff at 303-777-1391 or email her at sandy@carduff.com or Gina Moore, Program Chair at 303-779-8762 ginaswets@comcast.net

SAVE THE DATE: 19 October 2013

All-Day Seminar with Barbara Vines Little at the Denver, CO Family History Center, 2710 South Monaco Parkway, Denver, CO 80224. 303-756-0220. Registration will begin in July.

Speaker’s specialties include Virginia, West Virginia, Women, Manuscript Records, Land Platting and Problem Solving.



STREAMING
ROOTSTECH



In case you missed the 13 live streams from the RootsTech Family History and Technology Conference, held March 21-23, you can watch the videos of the sessions on <http://www.rootstech.org>. or check out Dick Eastman’s synopsis at http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2013/03/rootstech2013-wrap-up-report.html.

COLUMBINE GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOOK DONATIONS TO DPL & BEMIS LIBRARIES 2012-13

By Marilyn Lyle, Acquisitions Chairperson

An Atlas Of Appalachian Trails to the Ohio River, Carolyn Eldridge, 1998, 40pp.

The Attic: A Memoir, Curtis Harnack, Burr Oak Books, Univ of Iowa Press, 1993, 190pp.

Central Pennsylvania Marriages, 1700-1896, Charles Fisher, Genealogical Pub. Co., 2005, 90pp.

Emigrants on the Overland Trail, Michael LaSalle, Truman State Univ Press, 2011, 516pp.

The Family Tree Sourcebook: Your Essential Directory To American County and Town Records, Family Tree Books, 2010, 746pp.

The Family Tree Problem Solver: Tried-and-True Tactics for Tracing Elusive Ancestors, Marsha Hoffman Rising, Family Tree Books, 2011, 255pp.

German Maps & Facts for Genealogy 2nd ed., Wendy Uncapher & Linda Herrick, Origins, 2002, 72pp.

The Great Wagon Road- From Philadelphia to the South, Parke Rouse Jr., Dietz Press, 2008, 292pp.

Henry County (Kentucky) Cemeteries: Parts I, II, III, Robert Johnson & Willada Dent, Clearfield Pub., 2006, 297pp.

Hispanic Confederates 3rd Ed., John O'Donnell Rosales, Clearfield Pub., 2006, 154pp.

History for Genealogists, Using Chronological Time Lines to Find and Understand Your Ancestors, Judy Jacobson, Clearfield Pub, 2009, 286pp.

Jamestown People to 1880: Landowners, Public Officials, Minorities, And Native Leaders, Martha W. McCartney, Genealogical Pub. CO., 2012, 514pp.

Journeys In Family History, David Hey, National Archives, 2004, 306pp.

Kinship: It's All Relative 2nd ed., Jackie Arnold, Genealogical Pub. Co., 1990, 1994, 2012, 144pp.

Life During the Civil War, David Norris, History Magazine, 2009, 95pp.

Life in Civil War America, Michael O. Varhola, Family Tree Books, 2011, 319pp.

A New Genealogical Atlas of Ireland, 2nd Ed., Brian Mitchell, Genealogical Pub. CO. 2002, 175pp.

The Pension List of 1820 (indexed), Murtie June Clark, U.S. War Dept., 1820, Reprinted 1991 & 2000, 748pp.

Surnames of North Ireland, Concise Histories of the Major Surnames of Gaelic and Planter Origin, Brian Mitchell, Clearfield Pub., 2010, 326pp.

West from Salt Lake: Diaries from the Central Overland Trail, American Trails Series, ed. Jesse Peterson, Univ of Oklahoma Press, 2012, 328pp.

Ginger Van Zyl



Refreshments Thank You

From the hospitality group for Columbine Cookie Volunteers:

Thank you to D.J. Inman, Peg Brady, Eleanor Spence, Cheryl Floberg, Carol Welch and Sally Taylor for cookies in January, 2013.

Sandi Klein, Paula Davis, Julia Gill, Marilyn Elrod, Marilyn Lyle and Rita Elmore for February, 2013.

Julie Haynie, Ginger Van Zyl, Connie Strandberg, Ann Kerr, Doris Livingston, and Woody Trosper for March, 2013.

Thank you for your support from the Refreshment Committee.



Refreshments



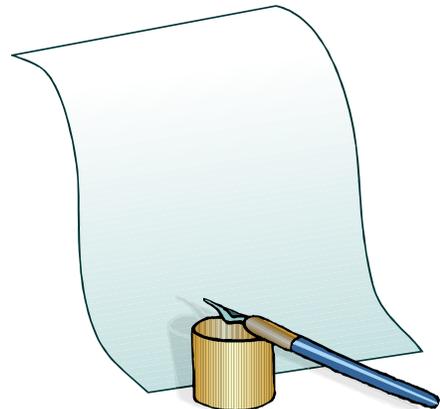
Debra Faulkner signing copies of her book.

NEW WRITERS GROUP FORMED

By Anita Burbank-Jenkins,
Corresponding Secretary

Members of CGHS have started an informal writers group. Our first meeting was Tuesday, March 19, 2013, at the Lutheran Church, where we hold our monthly meetings. Twelve people attended. We decided that we will meet at the church on a monthly basis on the last Tuesday of each month. The meeting will start around 3:00 p.m. and will last an hour or so. We plan on researching different types of writing, as well as what will be the end product of our efforts. Our plan is to critique each others' writing, give suggestions and support. Guest speakers will be invited to share their experiences. We feel that writing about our ancestors will add a new dimension to our research. Please contact Anita Burbank-Jenkins, if you are interested in joining our group.

Find an interesting article on strong family narratives at: <http://goo.gl/jsxbM>.



The Genealogist's Bookshelf

By Carol Johnson, CGHS Member

March was Women's History month. About ten days ago I made a trip to some of the local bookstores to see what they had in the way of books relating to genealogy and women. I didn't find much of anything in the Genealogy section at the Tattered Cover in Highlands Ranch, but as I was preparing to leave I scanned the magazines. Of course I picked two up, skimmed them, and eventually purchased both.

The March/April issue of Family Chronicle magazine had an article on "Establishing a Timeline in 6 Steps". I did a timeline once for some of my husband's relatives, but *it reminded me that I really should make a timeline for more of my relatives as a way to break down some brick walls.* Another article, "Picture Perfect" gave me clues on how to solve research mysteries through photographs, and another article "All You Need to Know About Research Logs" *reminded me of keeping a list of all actions taken in doing research and the results of those actions. I knew these pieces of information, but sometimes as years pass, I forget. So these articles were good reminders.*

The February/March issue of Internet Genealogy magazine included an article on "10 Time Management Tools" or apps to keep one's research on track. What I found most interesting, though, in this magazine was an ad for a new book, The Quack's Daughter by Greta Nettleton. The blurb indicated that everything in the book was true because in 2006 the author saved a 19th century Saratoga trunk filled with photo albums, diaries, sheet music, and scrapbooks and then spent seven years writing a true story about the private life of a Victorian girl who left Davenport, IA to attend Vassar College and who just happened to be her great-grandmother. She included a pedigree chart at the beginning of the book and filled the book with photos and other documents. Needless to say, I couldn't find the book anywhere at the nearby libraries or bookstores so I had to order it from Amazon. When the book arrived this week, my eyes were watering to read it, but I needed to write this article and so I just read the Prologue. I will read the rest of the book

when I finish the next book I will mention.

I noticed a table of books relating to Downton Abbey, the PBS mini-series about an English family during the early 20th century, similar to Upstairs, Downstairs. There I found The Forgotten Garden by Kate Morton so I purchased it because the back of the book promised that it was "a novel that takes the reader on an unforgettable journey through generations and across continents as two women try to uncover their family's secret past." A 4-year-old girl arrives in Australia from England in 1913, all alone with only a suitcase containing clothes and a book of fairy tales. The childless dockmaster and his wife adopt her, and name her Nell, but on her twenty-first birthday they tell her the truth. The genealogical mystery of 549 pages begins with Nell starting the search for her family and her granddaughter, Cassandra, solving it. My only problem with this book was the fact that it jumped back and forth from the early 1900s to 1975 to 2005, and I had to make an annotated family tree of the many characters.

I belong to a genealogical society in Minnesota, and its newsletter indicates a spring program will be presented by H. Elaine Lindgren on her paperback, LAND IN HER OWN NAME Women as Homesteaders in North Dakota, published by the University of Oklahoma Press in 1996. I could not attend the presentation in Fargo. I could not find the nonfiction book anywhere locally at book stores nor at libraries in North Dakota, Colorado, Minnesota or Oklahoma so I ordered the book from Amazon. It arrived this week. So far, I have only perused it, but *it is a scholarly book sprinkled with case studies, photos, tables and an appendix that alphabetically lists women homesteaders in North Dakota and facts from homesteading records about them.* In other words, it reads like a research paper. Browsing the books for sale at Southglenn Library, I found a paperback called Letters of a Woman Homesteader by Elinore Pruitt Stewart with a Foreword by Jessamyn West. It was published in 1961 and centers on female homesteaders in Wyoming. The previous owner noted on the flyleaf, "Review said more imagination than fact." I hope to have both of these books read by 19 November for the Wolfes' program on

“Homesteading Records’ Research” to CGHS.

In his online genealogy newsletter Dick Eastman mentioned Zap the Grandma Gap Connect With Your Family by Connecting Them To Their Family History by Janet Hovorka. I’m always interested in seeing how to infect the younger members of our family with the genealogy virus. So I ordered the book. On February 24th, Colorado’s own Bobbi King wrote a book review of it for Eastman’s Online Genealogy Newsletter in her new role as book reviewer for his column. The book is divided into various idea sections, like Genius Grandma, Gorgeous Grandma, Geek Grandma, Gifted Grandma, Groovy Grandma, Gutsy Grandma, and Glorious Grandma. To be quite honest, I haven’t read it yet because I have been too busy sewing my Super Grandma outfit from the book’s cover to wear as I read it. Last week I received notification that Hovorka has also written a workbook to accompany her above mentioned book. I think I should have ordered the workbook instead of her book, but isn’t that how it goes?



2 OPENINGS

IN BEGINNING GENEALOGY CLASS

By Ann Lisa Pearson, Education Coordinator

This spring Ann Lisa Pearson and Marilyn Elrod are teaching a Beginning Genealogy class at Bemis Library on five Fridays from 9:30 a.m. until noon. While the first class met on Friday, 22 March 2013, there are still two vacancies in the class. In addition, two people could not attend last Friday or this Friday (29 March) so Ann Lisa indicates that there will be make-up class sessions on a Friday afternoon in the future. If you hurry, **THERE IS STILL TIME TO TAKE THIS CLASS!**

The cost of the class is \$40 and includes a notebook with a wealth of materials, along with the book, How to Do Everything Genealogy by George Morgan. The group meets in the library’s basement classroom, but also uses the library’s basement computer lab for the Internet portion of the class taught by Marilyn Elrod. The class will conclude in the sixth week with a field trip to the Denver Public Library.

Chuck Livermore, CGHS Historian/Bulletin Board Coordinator and Bemis Library Liaison, is taking the class. He rates the first session last Friday as “outstanding”.

Ann Lisa thinks all of us benefit from a beginning class in order to refresh our methods. In addition, other levels of genealogy classes will be held in the future. So if you have hit a brick wall and need a refresher, you might contact Ann Lisa Pearson or Marilyn Elrod about this class.



Littleton Cemetery's Cannibal

By Steve Johnson, Newsletter Editor

Denver's Riverside Cemetery, founded in 1876, is believed by many to be the oldest active cemetery in the Denver Metro Area. However, unofficial burials occurred at the Littleton Cemetery as early as 1869. In 1875, the cemetery was deeded to the Weston Masonic Lodge. While Riverside has stopped selling plots for new burials, Littleton Cemetery is still selling new lots.

Many early pioneer settlers of Littleton are buried in the Littleton Cemetery, along with one of Colorado's most notorious citizens, Alfred Packer. It is believed that some people spell his name "Alferd" instead of "Alfred" because the former was a misspelled tattoo on one of his arms.

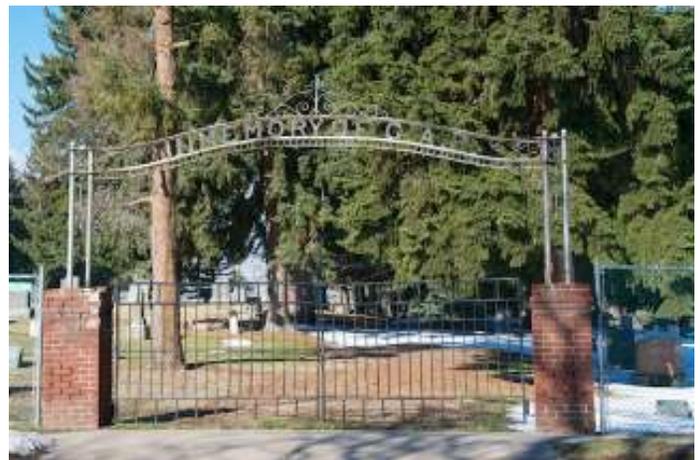
The photo below, which was taken in March, 2013, of Alfred Packer's grave shows the cement slab placed on it to protect it from grave robbers. The grave marker indicates Alfred Packer was originally a Union Army soldier during the Civil War who served in Company F, 16th U.S. Infantry Regiment, out of Winona, MN. If you look closely at the concrete slab, you can see pennies, dimes, quarters and rocks around its edge as a homage to mark visits to his grave.

More information about the Littleton Cemetery can be found at: www.littletongov.org/Index.aspx?page=370.

More info about Alfred G. (Alferd) Packer can be found at: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alferd_Packer.



One of Littleton Cemetery's Entrance Gates



Gate at Littleton Cemetery saying "In Memory of G.A.R."

For Uncle Pete's Sake by Carol Johnson

According to family information and my 95-year-old mother's recollections, my Uncle Pete by marriage, Clayton A. PETERSON, was an orphan born in North Dakota in 1905. His biological surname was STACK. His mother, Cora STACK, placed him and his sister, Fern STACK, who was two years younger than Clayton, in an orphanage. He was adopted by the PETERSON family and never knew what happened to his little sister, Fern. When he tried to find her, he was told the courthouse with all of the adoption records had burned. Uncle Pete died in 1960 without ever knowing anything else. This sounds like the inspiration for a Charles Dickens' novel, doesn't it? So in the past year thanks to Ancestry, Family Search and other sources on the Internet, this is what I found:

I traced Cora STACK's family of parents and siblings in North Dakota. She appears in the 1900 Federal Census in Mooreton, Richland, North Dakota, done 5 June 1900, as the 15-year-old daughter of John STACK and his wife, Ellen. She is a white female who was born in February, 1885, and is single. She was born in North Dakota of a father born in Illinois and a mother born in New York. Also living with her and her parents are 6 of her 9 brothers and sisters. I traced as many of them as I could on Ancestry.

Now remember that in 1905 Cora gave birth to a son, Clayton, and in 1907-8 she bore a daughter, Fern.

The North Dakota Marriage License Index, found as a database on Ancestry, shows that Cora STACK and Mohamed JOSEPH obtained Marriage License #01536 in Cass, North Dakota and were married on 4 August 1909. I ordered a copy of the marriage license from the North Dakota State University Library Archives. Cora, a resident of Leonard, Cass, North Dakota, and Mohamed, a resident of Fargo, Cass, North Dakota, were married by Albert KDARY, a Mohammedan Priest of the city of Fargo in Fargo, Cass County, North Dakota. Albert KDARY made his mark on the marriage license, which was witnessed by Harold whose surname is unreadable, but might be SWENSON. Both bridegroom and bride were listed as being 24 years old. Witnesses to the marriage were Mostafa OSMAN and Albert ASSEL. I can find no death certificate for Mohamed JOSEPH, nor any further information on anyone named Mohamed JOSEPH or even Joseph MOHAMED. Was he a resident of North Dakota who converted to Islam? Was he a Syrian immigrant? Was he the biological father of Clayton and Fern? At this point, *Mohamed JOSEPH disappears*, and I can find nothing else on him.

Next, the 1910 Federal Census for Greenland, Barnes, North Dakota, done 2 May 1910, shows Cora STACK living with Ben HALLAND, a Norwegian farmer who has been married for 8 years, although no wife is listed living with him. Cora is a servant who is a widow. She is a white female who was born in North Dakota of a father born in Illinois and a mother born in New York. She had 3 children, but only 2 are living in 1910: Clayton STACK is 4 years old and was born in North Dakota of a father whose birthplace is unknown and a mother who was born in North Dakota. Ida STACK is 2 years old and was born in North Dakota of a father whose birthplace is unknown and a mother who was born in North Dakota.

Now, Cora STACK disappears.

The 1920 Federal Census for Walters, Stutsman, North Dakota, done 19 January 1920, lists Clayton PETERSON as the adopted son of Victor N. and Anna F. PETERSON who live

on a farm. Clayton is 14 years old and was born in North Dakota about 1906 of parents born in North Dakota. He is a single white male who is able to read and write. Of note is the fact that Victor and Anna have one daughter, Elsie M., living with them. Speculation for them adopting Clayton might be that they knew him as he might have been a classmate of Elsie's or that because they were farmers they needed the help of a young man on their farm.

Sometime toward the end of the 1920s Clayton PETERSON entered the U.S. Army and was stationed at Fort Snelling, Hennepin, Minnesota, where he met and married the oldest of my maternal aunts, Dorothy HALLER. Their first daughter was born on 20 November 1929. My mother remembers her sister taking her infant daughter to North Dakota to meet Anna PETERSON, Clayton's adoptive mother.

Now turning my attention to Uncle Pete's sister, Fern, the Ancestry database for South Dakota Marriages, 1905-1949, shows Fern STACK as a 21-year-old female who married 22-year-old Arnold PRESTENADE on 24 December 1929 in Codington, South Dakota. Both of their counties of residence were Hamlin, and the post offices were Estelline.

The 1930 Federal Census for Estelline, Hamlin, South Dakota, done 7-8 April 1930, lists Fern as the wife of Arnold PRESTRUDE, which is into what his PRESTENADE name evolved. She is a white female who is 21 years old. It says she was born in South Dakota of a father born in Germany and a mother born in South Dakota. She is a Public School Teacher. The 1935 South Dakota Census still has them married. Then, Arnold, a divorced man, marries Evelyn E. Jones on 14 Nov 1942.

At this point Fern disappears, just like Mohamed JOSEPH and Cora STACK. Thus, the more I find out, the more questions I have, and the more information I need. In the meantime, my Uncle Pete still rests at peace in Evergreen Cemetery in Colorado Springs.

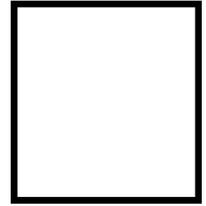
In March, 2013, I found further information on Fern, but need to substantiate it. Look for further results in the 3rd Quarter newsletter.





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

No Meetings in June, July & August

Social only in December

2nd Tuesday

South Wing, South Entrance

Lutheran Church of the Holy Spirit

6400 S University Blvd

Centennial, CO

Annual Dues

Individual.....\$25.00

Individual and Spouse....\$35.00

VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME

BAD WEATHER PROCEDURE

If the President postpones a meeting due to an emergency or bad weather, the VP of Publicity will send emails to members, and a sign will be put on the door of the church. Board Meetings begin at 9:30 am on the second Tuesday of the month. Please **do not** call the Church office.

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