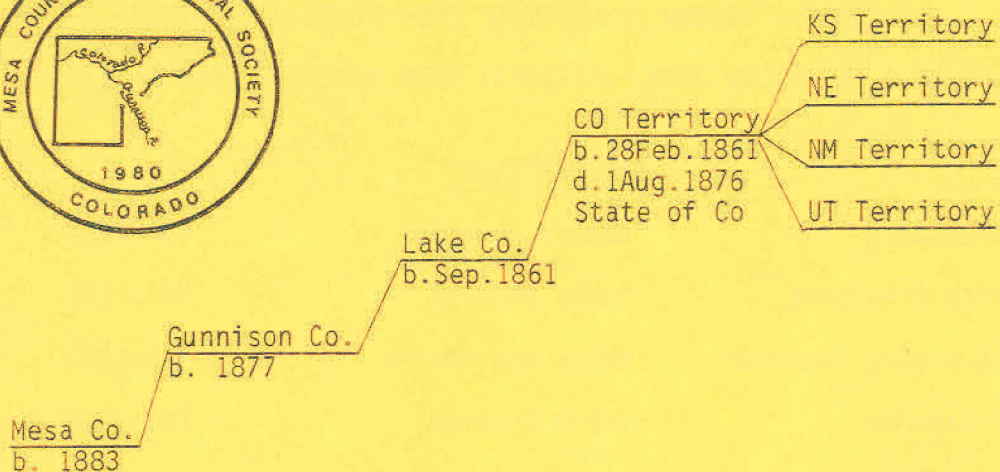
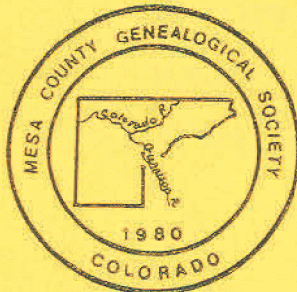


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ANNUAL DUES: \$10.00 SINGLE, \$12.00 FAMILY

MEETINGS: SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH - 7:00 P.M.

HELD: E. L. BACON ROOM, INTRAWEEST BANK BUILDING, 359 MAIN

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

To begin with, I would like to thank all of the Society members who helped out at the Genealogical Fair in April. Even though we were given a poor location at the Mall, I feel that we were able to help quite a few people and we also added a few new members.

The first part of May, I attended a Genealogical seminar in Pueblo and one of the topics covered by Dr. George Schweitzer was about the use of major genealogical indexes. Indexes are one genealogical tool we have all used at some time. In fact, if you are like me, you go immediately to the back of a new book or volume and check the index for your ancestor's surnames. There are a few pitfalls to this habit. The next time you pick up a book, consider looking first at the introduction. You might get some insight about how the index is organized and thus save yourself some extra work. What you might find is that the index is not alphabetized the way you expected. You may also find that each section of a volume is indexed separately, or that the index for one volume is contained in another volume. Once you are looking at an index, it is a timesaving habit to be aware of and consider the different spelling variations for your ancestor's surname.

Below I have listed some of the indexes you should be utilizing. Some are available locally while others are either in eastern slope libraries or in the Salt Lake City Genealogical Library.

International Genealogical Index (IGI) - 105,000,000 entries	Salt Lake City & LDS Branch Library
Family Registry (FR) updated on microfiche every 3-4 months	Salt Lake City & LDS Branch Library
Microfilm Card Catalog (MCC)	Salt Lake City & LDS Branch Library
Microfiche Computer Genealogical Library Card Catalog (GLC)	Salt Lake City & LDS Branch Library
Accelerated Indexing System (AIS) Integrated Index	Salt Lake City & LDS Branch Library
National Union Catalog of Manu- script Collections (NUCMC)	Denver Public Library
Newberry Library Index 600,000 entries	Salt Lake City Library
DAR Patron Index & Supplements	LDS Branch Library
Index to American Genealogies (Muncell's Index) 12 volumes	LDS Branch Library

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE (continued)

Heads of Families of 1790 Census (the 1st census)	LDS Branch Library
Computerized "Roots" Cellar (Genealogical Helper)	Mesa County Library & Ancestry Shop
Passenger & Immigration Lists Index (Filby & Meyer) 1,100,000 entries	LDS Branch Library
The American Genealogical Biographical Index (AGBI) Rider's Index Series 1 - 48 volumes Series 2 - 136 + volumes (12 million entries)	Denver Public Library & Pueblo Public Library
Biography and Genealogy Master Index (3.2 million biographical sketches)	Salt Lake City Library
Federal Land Series - by Clifford Neal Smith (4 volumes)	Mesa County Public Library

For further information about indexes, consult Chapter 13, Genealogical Tools and Indexes, in The Source, edited by Arlene Eakle and Johni Cerney pages 429 - 443. This reference book is located at the Mesa County Public Library or at The Ancestry Shop

Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies Seminar

September 19 - 20, 1986

Denver - Applewood Inn

Topics to be covered -- Preparing for Publication
Closed Records
Burned Records
Genealogical Evidence
N U C M C
Immigrant Ancestors
Preservation of Old Photographs
and more

Cost -- \$35.00 for Both Days (includes two meals)

Limited Attendance - 200

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- June 7, 1986 - Seminar sponsored by Mesa County Genealogical Society and Pathfinders Genealogy Books of Pueblo, Colorado. Burke Denis and Marie Berckefeldt, Speakers - 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. - Howard Johnson Motor Inn - \$10.00 registration fee
- June 12, 1986 Regular meeting - Susan Ricks of Snyder Memorial speaker - 7:00 P.M. - E. L. Bacon room - IntraWest Bank Building
- June 19, 1986 Board Meeting - 7:00 P. M. - Ancestor Shop - 1460 North Avenue
- July 10, 1986 Regular Meeting - Tour of L.D.S. Genealogical Branch Library and exhibition of new computerized genealogy program - 7:00 P.M. - L.D.S. Branch Library - 543 Melody Lane
- Sept. 23 - 26, 1986 Tour to L.D.S. Genealogy Library at Salt Lake City Utah - reservations must be made by June 12th meeting - see registration form in this quarterly.

With the upcoming tour of the L.D.S. Genealogy Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, the following information from the pamphlet "A Guide to Research - Genealogical Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints" seems appropriate.

Library Hours:

The library is open during the following hours:

Monday - 7:30 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.
Tuesday through Friday - 7:30 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.
Saturday - 7:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Closed Sundays and some holidays

Information counters on each floor open at 8:00 A.M. each day the library is open and close at --

6:00 P.M. Monday
9:00 P.M. Tuesday through Friday
5:00 P.M. Saturday

Since its beginning in 1894, the library has become the largest of its kind in the world. It has a collection of over one and a half million rolls of microfilm, one hundred sixty thousand books, eight million Family Group Record forms and many other records. While this is a private library, it is offered for use by the public.

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MESA COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
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Grand Junction, CO

14 Apr 1986

Fellow Genealogists:

We are planning a trip to Salt Lake City, UT to do research at the L. D. S. Genealogical Library.

We will leave Grand Junction at 9:00 A.M. 23 Sep, and return 26 Sep leaving Salt Lake City at 1:00 P.M.

We have chartered a bus for 40 passengers and we will make motel reservations for you because of the group discount.

The cost for transportation and lodging will be \$81.00 each (four persons to the room) or \$111.00 each (two persons to the room) plus \$2.00 each for baggage handling if so desired.

The above amounts do not cover meals, spending money or change needed for the copy machines.

Reservations must be made by 10 Jun 1986 and full payment by 1 Aug 1986.

Refunds will not be made after 1 Aug 1986 unless they can be replaced by another person or couple.

Should there be any questions, call Dorothy Layman, ⁵⁸¹⁶ [REDACTED] or Phyllis George, [REDACTED].

Fill out and return this slip with \$20.00 deposit per person, to the Mesa County Genealogical Society.

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

Amount Enclosed _____

Names of other persons in party _____ Persons to a room: 2 ☐ 4 ☐

Make checks payable to Mesa County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 1506, Grand Junction, CO, 81502

MESA COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Proposed Budget

1986

Brought forward from audit March 4, 1986 \$572.50

Income

Dues		\$500.00	
Interest from bank account		25.00	
Research		35.00	
Birthday book fund		25.00	
Society Fair (donations, sale of books, forms)		75.00	
Seminar (Books)		100.00	
Misc. income (forms, etc)		15.00	
			775.00

Expenses

Quarterly		275.00	
Printing	180.00		
Postage	70.00		
Cover	25.00		
Subscriptions		32.00	
Council dues (50c per person)		40.00	
Copy expense (other)		15.00	
Brochures		15.00	
Administrative Supplies		101.00	
Postage	21.00		
Stationary	60.00		
Misc.	20.00		
Supplies (resale)		100.00	
Forms	50.00		
Books	50.00		
Post office box rent		29.00	
Seminar		25.00	
Fair		75.00	
Publication Expense		100.00	
Reference books & films		200.00	
Misc. expenses		25.00	
			1032.00

Total Forwarded after budget \$315.50

The Following pages are copies of Mesa County Marriage Records:

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2880	379	Harley Beckel	Nellie Smith	22 Mar 1912
2884	379	Eugene B. LaHaye Rochester, Monroe Co., NY	Helen T. Herrington Telluride, San Miguel Co., CO	27 Mar 1912
2881	379	W. D. Kauffman Telluride, San Miguel Co., CO	Kate L. Angell Butte, Silver Bow Co., MT	22 Mar 1912
2870	380	Leslie E. Wright	Mamie E. Jones	2 Mar 1912
2873	380	R. A. Montz	Emma Richmond	6 Mar 1912
2888	380	John Cox Grand Valley, Garfield Co., CO	Jacqueline Wiseman Rifle, Garfield Co., CO	5/6 Mar 1912
2887	381	E. R. Mulvihill	Vida E. Abair	7 Mar 1912
2891	381	William McEwen	Harriet Bromley	14 Mar 1912
2892	381	Foster B. Sykes	Laetitia B. Wheeler	10 Apr 1912
2886	382	G. H. Gregg	Nora Nesbitt Pueblo, Pueblo Co., CO	2 Apr 1912
2895	382	Arthur Richmond	Jennie B. Dille	20 Apr 1912
2893	382	Francis C. Wimer	Laura L. Hill	17 Apr 1912
2899	383	C. M. Van Zayen	Cornelia Gerreppi Schippers	1 May 1912
3001	383	Ervin W. Hickman	Martha Doerfert	26 Apr 1912
3000	383	Percy A. Hoff	Ruth Mills	1 May 1912
2894	384	Park W. Parkison	Petra F. Johnson	17 Apr 1912
3008	384	U. Earl Ozbun	Ruth Carpenter	15 May 1912
3007	384	Perry Meecham Hadley, LaPeer Co., CO?	Minnie Steele Bedford, Lyons Co., IN	15 May 1912
2897	385	T. J. Anderson	Rachel Frye	27 Apr 1912
2896	385	Frank A. Robertson Grand Forks, Grand Forks Co., ND	Anna McCoy	22 Apr 1912
3002	385	Jacob Bates	Julianna Getmann	19 May 1912
3009	386	John W. McKee	Burleigh A. Berry	22 May 1912
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3013	386	Edward Kennedy	Violet E. Zellers	21 May 1912
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3010	387	Linns E. Strom	Vera N. Walton	17 May 1912
3006	388	Jonathan C. Baughman	Jessie Evelyn Hulbert	13 May 1912
3005	388	Milton N. Gifford	Emma B. Joss	14 May 1912
3003	388	W. D. Roberts	Annora Sears	9 May 1912
3004	389	John T. Benge	Ora L. Snook	12 May 1912
3012	389	A. N. Gray Altoona, Wilson Co., KS	Cora Mae Baker	21 May 1912
3029	389	J. Reader	Tilda Haller	12 Jun 1912
3024	390	Gordon M. Hill	Erna Ludgens Fredricks	6 Jan 1912
3021	390	Clendon S. Walton	Blanche Pearl Andrus	2 Jun 1912
3022	390	Fred H. Groves	Orsa E. Garrard	4 Jun 1912
3016	391	Harvey Barger	Ida Pearl Eisenhauer	26 May 1912
3027	391	A. W. Lenardson	Mrs. Frances Wainright Washington D. C.	10 Jun 1912
3018	391	Ora H. Snider	Flora Snyder	16 Jun 1912
3026	392	Asa G. Hodgson	Bessie M. Williams	16 Jun 1912
3034	392	William R. Bukitt	Mary Ethel MacTaggart	20 Jun 1912
3031	392	Earl I. Peugh	Fay F. Pierce	16 Jun 1912
3032	393	Thomas O. Parks	Clairice Pearl Hibbs	16 Jun 1912
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3023	393	Perin Dewey	Deloris Harris	4 Jun 1912
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3041	396	I. C. Edmonds	Laura A. Allen	3 Jun 1912
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3033	396	Rex Barber	Nelle Blye Green	18 Jun 1912
3047	397	Herbert F. Moore	Nellie Grace McCoy	11 Jun 1912
3038	397	Glen McNeal	Bessie Henry	22 Jun 1912
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3044	397	John Wurzen	Catherine Ivins	13 Jul 1912
3042	398	J. B. Du(a)rrah	Nellie R. Holland	3 Jul 1912
		Hiawatha, Carbon Co., UT		
3050	398	Claude E. Blaney	Ida H. Horsley	21 Jul 1912
3053	398	Clarence Denney	Carrie Taylor	26 Jul 1912
			Hotchkiss, Delta Co., CO	

This issue ends the publication of Mesa County,s marriage records from the first recording on 20 Mar 1883 through Dec 1912. It is appropriate that we pass along the story of the first wedding which has been shared with us by members of the descendants of this marriage.

Mesa County was barely five weeks old when Moses GRAHAM and Rachel GORDON recorded their marriage on line one in the new county,s Marriage Book. The groom was a young railroad surveyor from Iowa. Rachel, age 16, had reached the new settlement site on 8 Sep 1881 with her father Patrick Henry GORDON and several brothers and sisters.

"The bride wore a new gown, made and brought to her by a sister who had come from California to join the family. It was a gay little dream of green, pleating of the same material at the throat and wrists. A long row of buttons extended from the high collar down the long skirt that completely obscured the high black button shoes. Though her hair still hung in a heavy black braid down her back, the bride wore hoops and a bustle in honor of the occasion."

The guest list for the wedding included only the brothers and sisters of the bride. The settlement,s first mayor, Justice of the Peace, Charles F. Shanks, rowed across the river to the Gordon home and preformed the ceremony. The little group stood solemnly about the fireplace during the ceremony and immediately afterwards, gathered about the campfire while the new Mrs. Graham tied an apron over her wedding gown and prepared the wedding breakfast.

Mr. and Mrs. Graham settled down to housekeeping in the cabin built by Patrick Gordon and lived there for some time before building their own home nearby.

Some members of the Ukele, Raley, Fry, Green, Burns, Hubbard, Joslin, Kipp, Casto, Sanford, Rose, Spencer, Katzenberger, Foy, Eisenach, Cheedle, Massey families still residing in Mesa County descend from this union.