

# Larimer County Genealogical Society

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Details and /or registration for all events may be found on our website at [www.lcgsc.org/calendar-of-events](http://www.lcgsc.org/calendar-of-events)

Classes are Free unless noted otherwise. Some Require Advance Registration.

No Classes for the month of December.

**Dec 9, Annual Holiday Dinner Party** at Mimi's Café, 1450 Fall River Drive, Loveland, CO. 80538; 5:30 –8:30 pm. Mimi's is a few blocks West of I-25 off Eisenhower Blvd. on the north side

The Larimer County Genealogy Society invites members and their spouses, companions or guests to our Annual Christmas Party in the private meeting room at Mimi's Cafe in Loveland.

Registration is requested by going to our LCGS website (or you can click on link above) or contact Stacey at 493-4241. However, each person will order for themselves from the menu, and we have lots of room this year, so last minute attendees are welcome.

Lots of food from their menu, entertainment, and door prizes for holders purchasing raffle tickets. Members can purchase raffle tickets for \$5 each at the party. Limit one prize per member!

Many wonderful door prizes will be raffled including several restaurant certificates, genealogy books, LCGS membership, Genealogy Quest DVD set, and our grand prize for an annual worldwide subscription to Ancestry.com. This is an overall value of over \$500 in prizes this year! Raffle tickets cost \$5 each and go for a great cause of purchasing genealogy or family history books for our Fort Collins and Loveland libraries.

**January 2015 Classes have not been scheduled.**

### COME SEE US !!

#### WE WELCOME VISITORS

Larimer County Genealogical Society meets at 6:15 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month (no meeting in December) at the Old Town Public Library, Community Meeting Room, 201 Peterson St. in Ft. Collins, CO.

Dues are \$18.00 per year for an individual or \$27.00 per year for a family. Lifetime dues are also available.

The Newsletter is published 6 times a year. Please submit your articles and announcements to The Newsletter Committee at: [Newsletter\\_editor@lcgsc.org](mailto:Newsletter_editor@lcgsc.org) or in writing to:

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All submissions are subject to editing.

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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Stacey Wallace Rehbein



Hello Everyone,

Hope you all had a “Happy Thanksgiving”! Now we gear up for the rest of the Holiday Season. My question is always, “What kind of Family History gift can I give?”. It always seems to revolve around making something with old pictures, but I want to put every picture I can into the project. It always gets too over whelming and ends up unaccomplished. After some thought, I downscaled that idea. Now I’m choosing one ancestor and creating a holiday card showcasing their photo and a story or information that I have about that person. It’s simple and not overwhelming to either me or the receiver. Hopefully, sparking an unfounded or dormant interest in our family history. You can easily put a card like this together on “Shutterfly” or even on the “Walgreens” website. It’s quick, it’s easy and it’s not very expensive. You can choose a new relative to showcase every year.

**FAMILY HISTORY CENTER NEWS**

BY: PAT JOHNSON

**Patron Favorites**

Tip: To see an interesting collection of favorites collected from Family History Library patrons go to:



[http://www.fhlfavorites.com/individual\\_bookmarks.htm](http://www.fhlfavorites.com/individual_bookmarks.htm)

**Family History Center Contact info:**

**Fort Collins FHC** 226-5999  
 Tue and Wed: 10 am - 4 pm & 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm  
 Sat: 9 am to Noon

**Loveland FHC:** 669-6498  
 Tue and Wed: 9 am - 3 pm  
 Wed: 7pm - 9pm  
 Sat: 9 am to Noon

**Berthoud FHC:** 532-2155 (for appointment)

Remember the LCGS Holiday Party at Mimi’s Cafe on December 9th. If you haven’t already RSVP’d you can go to the “Evite” you received in your email or send it to [LCGS74@gmail.com](mailto:LCGS74@gmail.com). It begins at 6:00 pm; there is plenty of parking and the address is 1450 Fall River Dr, Loveland. Here is a link to the menu <http://www.mimiscafe.com/Dinner.aspx> . Hope to see you all there for good company, a short program and some great door prizes too. (\$5 per ticket)

Also, be reminded that the next LCGS General Meeting will be January 15, 2015; 6:15 pm at **Council Tree Library**, Front Range Village, 2733 Council Tree Ave, Fort Collins. Check the LCGS website for details.

Happy Holiday’s !!

Stacey Wallace Rehbein  
 LCGS President

## Society News

### New Members & Visitors!

Our November 20th program had 43 persons in attendance, including 4 visitors and one new member. And, we have room to grow!

We welcome the following new member to the LCGS in November. Our membership now totals 179, including one institutional member.

**Todd Block**

We hope you find our society provides more information, training, services, friendship and fun than you expected.

Current members — look for new member name tags and please say “hello” and welcome them.

**Visitors!** Our records show 21 visitors in the August and September meetings. Let’s be sure we welcome them and invite them back. New members can be a great resource of new knowledge and friendship.

## CLICKING & SHARING

**Editor’s Note:** The links in this newsletter should all be live, however, you may need to sit straight up in your chair and clench your jaw to get them to work. Suggestion: first do one click on the link anywhere, then while holding down the control key, double click the linked phrase. OR, perhaps much easier depending on your computer, click on the link phrase anywhere, then right-click; in the drop-down window select “open hyperlink” or a similar phrase.



If you have a paper newsletter or other link problems, look for the main website address. Typing that in your browser should get you to the right area, then just look around for links to what you want. Example: FamilyTreeWebinars.com in bold in the article to the right on Legacy Family Tree Webinars.

**SHARE** your interesting stories and experiences with us. What interesting thing did you just discover?

## FREE LEGACY WEBINARS

### 2014 Legacy Family Tree Webinar Schedule Announced

Millennia Corporation and FamilyTreeWebinars.com are pleased to announce registration is open for the last of its 2014 Legacy Family Tree Webinar Series.

Sign up for one or all of them and you’ll receive a reminder email both one day and one hour prior to the live event. Now you can sign up for multiple webinars at the same time by [clicking here](#) or visit: [www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com](http://www.FamilyTreeWebinars.com).

#### December 2014:

**Family History for Kids** by Devin Ashby. 12/3

**Can You Hear Me Now? Voice Recognition Software for Genealogists** by Luana Darby. 12/5

**Researching Your North Carolina ancestors** by J. Mark Lowe. 12/14

**Bagging a Live One - Connecting with Cousins You Never Knew You Had** by Mary Kircher Roddy. 12/17

#### FamilyTreeWebinars.com memberships

All live webinars are free, and their recordings are free to watch for the next 7 days. If you missed a previous webinar you can have access to the entire archives (now more than 200 hours) and instructors' handouts (more than 500 pages) through a monthly or annual webinar membership. [Click here](#) for more information or to subscribe.

## How do you Pronounce That?

It’s very likely you have ancestors whose non-English name you are not sure or don’t have a clue how to pronounce. Whala! Shazamm! Pronouncenames.com is at your command. This gem find comes from a cousin of Kathy Patrick. They were unsure how to correctly pronounce some of the French names of their ancestors. Try it out! If you do not get an audio/video result, scroll down to a syllable/accent guide; and you can upload a .wav file on how you think a name is pronounced. Kathy hopes you find it helpful.

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

## RESEARCH NEWS & CLUES



### *A Name by Any Other Name*

By Tammie Gregori

Multiple ways of spelling a surname can be a thorn in the side for a genealogist. Perseverance and creative thinking are sometimes needed. Perhaps this case from my own research will provide others with some hints on how to proceed.

The surname of my grandfather is Coxon. Of course, one would expect that it might be spelled with different vowels for the second 'o', such as Coxen, Coxan, Coxin, all of which I have found. You can use the asterisk symbol when searching databases to stand for any of those possibilities, Cox\*n. I have also found it once where the first 'o' was mistaken for an 'a', Caxon.

The middle letter 'x', was once mistaken for a 'p'. Looking at the original census record showed that the 'x' in manuscript had one arm extending well below the line, so I could see how the indexer thought it might have been a 'p'. But they also misread the first vowel so it was indexed under Capon in the 1920 census.

I did not expect to ever find it indexed under a different first letter, but in 1910 it was Doxon. In looking at the manuscript writing again, it looked like a 'C' to me, but I knew what it was supposed to be. I could see how the indexer thought it might have been a 'D'.

I had been quite perplexed because I knew that family lived on the same farm in Muscatine County, Iowa their whole lives. I found them there in 1900 and in 1930, but in 1910 and 1920 they were not showing up in any searches I did. Finally, after hearing this hint at a LCGS meeting or class, I decided to enter them in as the whole family without any last names at all. The father, William, the mother, Elizabeth, and the 4 children, Benjamin, Walter, John, and Mary. It worked. There they were in the right county and township, but as Capons in 1920 and as Doxons in 1910.

I doubt it would have worked as well with only a husband and wife, because there are many, many Williams and Elizabeths married together. Or with only 1 or 2 children. But with 4 children, this little trick of searching without any last names worked.

Later, in a different branch of the Coxon family, I found one daughter who was living with a relative as Mary Clarkson. I presume that because she didn't have the same last name as the head of the household and the others living there, that the census taker just wrote down what he thought he heard when they said Coxon.

A final hint to share is one I used when I knew the township and county but I could not find them. I narrowed my search to the census records and a particular year, then I chose "Browse by individual record" which allows you to narrow down to the state, county, and township. There were 33 pages in the record and I began scrolling through the index for each one. I found a Corn family, which I thought could have been a misreading of Coxon, but it was not them. On page 10 (at least it was not page 33!), I found the Coxon family I was looking for. It was spelled correctly and has all the right people in it. But when I went back to search for it so I could merge the record into my tree, it would not come up on any searches under the fathers name. But when I searched under the mothers name as it was written on this record, it came up and I was able to merge all the data. For some reason, it was never indexed under his name. So the final hint, is search for a different family member that should be living with the person you are looking for.

Good luck in finding the names you are looking for. Please share your hints and successes.

## New Members BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES:

### Jen Baldwin

Jen Baldwin is a genealogist and family historian, and the Outreach Manager US/Canada for Findmypast. In her current role with Findmypast, she is responsible for developing programs that benefit genealogical societies, and is managing a collaborative project with the Genealogy Center at the Allen County Public Library to digitize the publications in PERSI, the PERiodical Source Index, making the material widely available for the first time. Her personal research journey began at the age of ten, and her life experiences have led to an expertise in the Western United States.



She has authored articles for *Archives.com*, *IrishCentral*, *IrishLives Remembered*, and the *In-Depth Genealogist*, among others, along with her own blog, *Ancestral Breezes*. Additionally, she has written eight research guides on a variety of topics, published by Legacy QuickGuides, and is a course author for the National Institute of Genealogical Studies.

She is a speaker, lecturing on technology, social media, the Colorado gold rush, fraternal societies, and more. She also conducted research for season two of the popular PBS series, *Genealogy Roadshow*, airing January and February of 2015. Jen is proud to volunteer for the Preserve the Pensions War of 1812 fundraising effort and the Federation of Genealogical Societies, and she contributes to the online family history community as the host of #genchat, a bi-weekly genealogy conversation held on Twitter.

Jen and her family recently relocated to Fort Collins from Summit County, Colorado. If she cannot be found in a courthouse or cemetery, she may be snowboarding, exploring a ghost town or mining camp site, or playing with her five year old daughter.

### Tammie Gregori

(Photo with Article she wrote on page 4)

Tammie joined LCGS in February after receiving a session with a genealogist as a Christmas present from her brother. She had a notebook full of her father's family history as well as information her mom had collected over the years to start her research. The genealogist gave her some great information on her family and a GEDcom file. She then purchased Family Tree Maker software and a subscription to [Ancestry.com](http://Ancestry.com) and was off and running.

Tammie was excited to join LCGS to take advantage of the classes available and especially Family Tree Maker classes to use her software. Tammie also enjoys meeting and talking with other LCGS members about genealogy.

Tammie may look familiar if you read the August September 2014 LCGS newsletter. Tammie wrote an interesting article titled "Finding The 1888 Colorado Homestead of Hiram K. Gates". Tammie was born in Iowa and has lived in a variety of states over the years and ended up in Colorado in 1991. She was very excited to learn she had a Colorado ancestor connection. Tammie is presently researching a variety of family surnames including Gates, Alspaugh or Alspach (she has found a variety of spellings of the name), Newlin, Coxon, and Cosand to name a few. She has also taken the DNA test with 23andMe and has discovered two new cousins so far.

Tammie is excited to learn more about her immigrant family members. She has discovered she has Puritan connections with her nine-times great-grandfather, William Cornwall, coming to US from England pre 1633. When we talked about history in school it seemed so boring, but when you find family involvement in events like the revolutionary war, history is a much more interesting topic!

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In Case You Missed the Memo....

***HAPPY THANKSGIVING!***

***2014***

### **Genealogy Helpers at Libraries**

Need help? Just starting on family history? Come to the genealogy help sessions for members and patrons on every Thursday (except holidays) from 1 to 5 pm (summer hours only) at Old Town Library in Fort Collins and at the Loveland Library in Loveland.