



# Colorado Genealogical Society

## Special Edition Newsletter

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### Annual Meeting Coming June 20!

Dear CGS Members,

This special edition of the Colorado Genealogical Society newsletter is being sent to provide important information in advance of our upcoming annual meeting and member vote.

Inside this issue, you will find the proposed budget for the coming year as well as information regarding the candidates for President, Secretary, and Chair of the Nominating Committee. The candidates for President and Secretary are current incumbents who have agreed to continue serving the Society in these roles.

The Board of Directors remains committed to supporting CGS programs, educational opportunities, publications, and member services while maintaining responsible stewardship of Society resources. We encourage all members to review the proposed budget and candidate

information carefully prior to the vote.

CGS continues to thrive because of the involvement, support, and dedication of members like you. Thank you for helping preserve and promote family history and genealogical research throughout Colorado and beyond.

We appreciate your participation and continued support of the Society.

Warm regards,

*Bobbi King*

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## Election of Officers: 2025–2027 Term

The following Colorado Genealogical Society officers are standing for election to two-year terms beginning July 2026 and ending July 2028:

### **President: Roberta “Bobbi” King (Incumbent)**

Roberta “Bobbi” King has graciously accepted nomination to continue serving as President of the Colorado Genealogical Society. During her tenure, Bobbi has provided steady leadership while supporting CGS educational programs, publications, outreach efforts, and volunteer initiatives.

A dedicated genealogist and longtime Society volunteer, Bobbi is committed to fostering a welcoming environment for researchers of all experience levels. She has been an active advocate for preserving family history, encouraging member participation, and supporting the Society’s mission of genealogy education and collaboration.

Bobbi continues to emphasize the importance of community, volunteerism, and lifelong learning within CGS and looks forward to helping guide the Society through another productive year.

### **Anna Phillips – Candidate for Secretary (Incumbent)**

Anna Phillips has accepted nomination to continue serving as Secretary of the Colorado Genealogical Society. Anna brings both organizational skill and a strong passion for genealogy to the Society’s leadership team.

Anna is the founder of Uncovered Roots and has more than 20 years of genealogy research experience. She is active in the field of genetic genealogy and investigative genetic genealogy and volunteers as a Search Angel helping individuals identify biological family connections. Anna is also involved in genealogy education, including presentations and classes focused on DNA research techniques and emerging genealogy technologies.

Through her continued service to CGS, Anna supports the Society’s educational mission while helping members explore both traditional and modern approaches to family history research.

## S. Kelly Glenn – Candidate for Nominating Committee Chair (currently vacant)

S. Kelly Glenn has agreed to serve as Chair of the Nominating Committee for the 2026-2027 term. Kelly is an experienced genealogist and active member of the Colorado genealogical community with a longstanding interest in family history research and preservation.

Throughout his involvement with CGS, Kelly has supported the Society through volunteer service, member engagement, and participation in Society activities and programs. His thoughtful approach and commitment to the continued success of CGS make him well suited for this important role.

As Chair of the Nominating Committee, Kelly will help identify and encourage future Society leaders who can continue advancing the mission and programs of the Colorado Genealogical Society.

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Additional nominations may be made from the floor during the Annual Meeting. A ballot will be sent out in the week prior to the Annual Meeting to allow those who are unable to attend to cast their vote.

At this time, no candidates have come forward to serve on the Nominating Committee for the 2025–2026 term. The Society will continue to seek volunteers to serve in this important role.

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## Proposed 2026–2027 CGS Budget

The Colorado Genealogical Society Board has approved a proposed budget for the 2026–2027 fiscal year for member consideration. The proposed budget reflects the Society's continued commitment to educational programming, publications, outreach, and member services while maintaining balanced operations.

Most proposed changes for the coming year involve reallocating existing funds rather than increasing overall expenditures. Adjustments were made to better reflect current operational needs and rising service costs.

Key proposed changes include:

- Increased funding for advertising and promotion to support outreach efforts, including recently introduced Facebook advertising.
- Adjustments for anticipated increases in Zoom-related expenses and other operational services.
- Increased funding for Society appreciation events and volunteer recognition.
- Reallocation of funds previously budgeted for the WriteNOW! Group honorarium, which has been discontinued.

The proposed budget remains balanced overall, with total projected expenditures aligned with projected revenue for the coming fiscal year. Members are encouraged to review the complete proposed budget included in this special edition newsletter prior to the annual meeting and vote.

## What's Next?

Here's a checklist of what we are asking from you.

- Review the candidates for President, Secretary, and Nominations Committee Chair and consider whether you would vote for them or would like to nominate any other member to hold those positions.
- Review the attached budget proposed for the coming fiscal year and consider whether you have any concerns or would like to propose any changes.
- If you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, be sure to register on the Events page at [cogensoc.us](http://cogensoc.us).
- Be on the lookout for the ballot email which will be sent a week or so before the Annual Meeting.

CGS Proposed Budget for 26-27

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Budget vs. Actuals: Budget\_FY25-26 and Proposed 26-27

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	Total			
	Actual Thru	Budget for	2025-26	2026-27
	Apr	25-26	Budget	Proposed
			Variance	Budget
<b>Revenue</b>				
Donations	\$ 226.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (774.00)	\$ 1,000.00
Interest	\$ 1,351.08	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 351.08	\$ 1,000.00
Members Print Quarterly Option	\$ 882.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 282.00	\$ 900.00
<b>Membership Dues</b>				
Family Dues	\$ 810.00	\$ 830.00	\$ (20.00)	\$ 850.00
Individual Dues	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 6,000.00
Institutions (Lib & Soc)	\$ 540.00	\$ 540.00	\$ -	\$ 600.00
Member Business Dues	\$ 185.00		\$ 185.00	\$ 250.00
<b>Total Membership Dues</b>	<b>\$ 7,035.00</b>	<b>\$ 6,370.00</b>	<b>\$ 665.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,700.00</b>
Special Events Register		\$ 2,400.00	\$ (2,400.00)	
Elitch's Legenday Ladies				\$ 3,500.00
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 9,494.08</b>	<b>\$ 11,370.00</b>	<b>\$ (1,875.92)</b>	<b>\$ 14,100.00</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$ 9,494.08</b>	<b>\$ 11,370.00</b>	<b>\$ (1,875.92)</b>	<b>\$ 14,100.00</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
<b>Administration</b>				
Dues	\$ 240.00	\$ 250.00	\$ (10.00)	\$ 250.00
Insurance	\$ 1,606.00	\$ 1,608.00	\$ (2.00)	\$ 1,608.00
Licenses, Fees, DOPT	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00	\$ -	\$ 125.00
Memorial Book Donations	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00	\$ (50.00)	\$ 100.00
Miscellaneous	\$ (0.01)		\$ (0.01)	\$ 100.00
Office Supplies & Postage	\$ 39.73	\$ 100.00	\$ (60.27)	\$ 100.00
PayPal Fees	\$ 199.83	\$ 200.00	\$ (0.17)	\$ 210.00
<b>Publicity/Communication</b>				
Advertising & Promotion	\$ 262.92	\$ 100.00	\$ 162.92	\$ 800.00
Constant Contact	\$ 943.60	\$ 450.00	\$ 493.60	\$ 50.00
Flyers/Brochures	\$ 197.00	\$ 500.00	\$ (303.00)	\$ 400.00
Website - Annual Mgmt fee	\$ 650.00	\$ 650.00	\$ -	\$ 650.00
<b>Total Publicity/Communication</b>	<b>\$ 2,053.52</b>	<b>\$ 1,700.00</b>	<b>\$ 353.52</b>	<b>\$ 1,900.00</b>
Society's Appreciation Events	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 400.00
USPS-PO Box Rental	\$ 332.00	\$ 320.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 332.00
Virtual Meeting Support-Zoom		\$ 320.00	\$ (320.00)	\$ 350.00
Volunteer Awards		\$ 100.00	\$ (100.00)	\$ 200.00
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>\$ 4,846.07</b>	<b>\$ 4,823.00</b>	<b>\$ 23.07</b>	<b>\$ 5,675.00</b>
<b>Program Expense</b>				
<b>Education - Programs</b>				
<b>Classes/Education Events</b>				
Other Education		\$ 700.00	\$ (700.00)	\$ -
Printing and Other Expense		\$ 50.00	\$ (50.00)	\$ 50.00
Special Interest Classes		\$ 300.00	\$ (300.00)	\$ 300.00
Write Now Group	\$ 800.00	\$ 900.00	\$ (100.00)	\$ -
<b>Total Classes/Ed Events</b>	<b>\$ 800.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,950.00</b>	<b>\$ (1,150.00)</b>	<b>\$ 350.00</b>

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	Total				
	Actual Thru	Budget for	2025-26	2026-27	
	Apr	25-26	Budget	Proposed	
			Variance	Budget	
48	<b>Total Education - Programs</b>	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,950.00	\$ (1,150.00)	\$ 350.00
49	<b>Program Meetings</b>				
50	<b>Monthly Programs</b>	\$ 1,075.00	\$ 900.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 1,350.00
51	<b>Tech on Tuesday's (TOTs)</b>	\$ 700.00	\$ 900.00	\$ (200.00)	\$ 1,350.00
52	<b>Total Program Meetings</b>	\$ 1,775.00	\$ 1,800.00	\$ (25.00)	\$ 2,700.00
53	<b>Quarterly</b>				
54	<b>Quarterly Mailing Expense</b>	\$ 945.54	\$ 900.00	\$ 45.54	\$ 950.00
55	<b>Quarterly Printing</b>	\$ 1,178.73	\$ 1,300.00	\$ (121.27)	\$ 1,200.00
56	<b>Total Quarterly</b>	\$ 2,124.27	\$ 2,200.00	\$ (75.73)	\$ 2,150.00
57	<b>Room Rent</b>	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (950.00)	\$ 225.00
58	<b>Special Event Expenses</b>				
59	<b>Event - Facility &amp; Food</b>	\$ 500.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ (500.00)	\$ 2,525.00
60	<b>Event - Security</b>				\$ 325.00
61	<b>Event - Misce Exp</b>				\$ 150.00
62	<b>Event SpeakerFees</b>		\$ 1,500.00	\$ (1,500.00)	\$ -
63	<b>Event Ticket - PayPal Fees</b>		\$ 87.20	\$ (87.20)	\$ -
64	<b>Total Special Event Expenses</b>	\$ 500.00	\$ 2,587.20	\$ (2,087.20)	\$ 3,000.00
65	<b>Total Program Expense</b>	\$ 5,249.27	\$ 9,537.20	\$ (4,287.93)	\$ 8,425.00
66	<b>Uncategorized Expense</b>		\$ 200.00	\$ (200.00)	\$ -
67	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	\$ 10,095.34	\$ 14,560.20	\$ (4,464.86)	\$ 14,100.00
68	<b>Net Operating Revenue</b>	\$ (601.26)	\$ (3,190.20)	\$ 2,588.94	\$ -
69	<b>Other Revenue</b>				
70	<b>Library Fund Donations</b>	\$ 221.00		\$ 221.00	\$ -
71	<b>Memorial Book Fund Donations</b>	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00	\$ -
72	<b>Stern-NARA Fund Donations</b>	\$ 111.00		\$ 111.00	\$ -
73	<b>Total Other Revenue</b>	\$ 382.00	\$ -	\$ 382.00	\$ -
74	<b>Other Expenditures</b>				
75	<b>Library Fund Expense</b>	\$ 221.00		\$ 221.00	\$ -
76	<b>Memorial Book Fund Expense</b>	\$ 50.00		\$ 50.00	\$ -
77	<b>Stern-NARA Fund Expense</b>	\$ 111.00		\$ 111.00	\$ -
78	<b>Total Other Expenditures</b>	\$ 382.00	\$ -	\$ 382.00	\$ -
79	<b>Net Other Revenue</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
80	<b>Net Revenue</b>	\$ (601.26)	\$ (3,190.20)	\$ 2,588.94	\$ -

Saturday, May 9, 2026 - Cash Basis

15 Estimate based on current year trend. Sandy said looks good

16 No special events currently planned for year 2026-2027

17 Repayment of expenses itemized on line 64

30 Face Book advertising just started. Budget amount increased from \$400 to \$800

31 Constant Contact is paid for coming fiscal year. Nominal \$50 amount entered as reminder

35 Society events budget increased from \$200 to \$400

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	Actual Thru Apr	Budget for 25-26	Total 2025-26 Budget Variance	2026-27 Proposed Budget
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- 37 Zoom expense. Possible slight increase next year
- 38 Volunteer Awards doubled per Awards committee
- 43 Other Education is unknown. Should fit in defined areas
- 46 Honorarium cancelled per instructor.
- 52 Speaker fees are increasing all around. Est \$150 nine times
- 64 Total expenses expected as sponsors of Legendary Ladies event
- 66 Any such expense should be better categorized
- 79 Other net income is always zero. All monies go in to and out of reserve funds