

New genealogy group elicits great interest

It was standing room only for the inaugural meeting of the newly formed Jewish Genealogical Society of Colorado. Over 70 people, from Colorado Springs to Estes Park, gathered to kick off this new group and find support in tracing their ancestors.

Why such interest? People were already researching on their own, and it seemed they were waiting for a group like this to happen. Genealogical research is fun, often hard work, rewarding and addictive. Therefore, it's good to have others with like interests who can be supportive, make suggestions, and share their experiences.

"Genealogy is a chance to touch the lives of those who came before us, to find out who our people were, and to know a little bit of what their lives were like," said Sandra Greenberg, co-chair for the evening.

The new genealogical group received several congratulatory notes and offers of assistance from Jewish genealogical societies around the country, as well as from organizations here in Denver, such as the Rocky Mountain Historical Society and B'nai Brith.

James Jeffrey, Collection Specialist in Genealogy from the Denver Public Library, was the speaker.

The next meeting will be Monday, Sept. 11, 7 p.m. at the Denver Public Library, Virginia Village Branch, 1500 S. Dahlia St.

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