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NEWSLETTER

MARCH MEETING:

Date: Thursday, March 22, 1979
Place: University Park United Methodist - Fellowship Hall
Address: 4024 Caruth (Caruth at Preston Road, 6 blocks south of N. W. Hwy.,
in new complex -- the arched building in center of block. Use
arched walkway on east)
Time: 6 P.M. Pre-Meeting Session (see below).
7 P.M. Meeting - Guests welcome.
Refreshments: Coffee & Lemonade available.

Program: "USING THE DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY FOR GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH."
Mrs. Lucile Anderson Boykin, Section Head, Genealogy Library, Dallas
Public Library.
How often have you heard, "I really don't know how to use the genealogy section of the library!"? Isn't it sad that so many of us - and not just beginners - do not know how to find the information we need for our research? Especially so, since at the Dallas Public Library we have one of the best collections of genealogical materials in this section of the country. Who could be better qualified than Lucile Boykin to tell us where to find - and the quickest way to find our material. Since 1956 she has been instrumental in building this fine collection. Mrs. Boykin has supported our Society in numerous ways and served for several years on the board as a Director.

ANNUAL WORKSHOP--APRIL 28, 1979:

Complete schedule for the workshop appeared in the March Quarterly. Isn't that a magnificent Smorgasbord of genealogical subjects to choose from? And with the best authorities on each of these subjects:

- 1.) Southern research - Val Greenwood
- 2.) British research - Paul Smart
- 3.) Basic Jewish Genealogy - Jeff Kahn
- 4.) Basics to Intermediate Genealogy - Pat Schrader

Let's spread the word, and Pre-Register early. We expect a large crowd.

PRE-MEETING SESSION OF THE MARCH MEETING:

Instead of having a Beginner Review Session before our March 22nd meeting we plan to have ancestor charts available to be filled in. These charts will be used in preparation of Volume II of Ancestors of Dallas Genealogical Society Members. Bring your data at 6 p.m. and there will be several members available to help you with the charts so yours can be included in this new publication, as space permits. Those charts sent in too late to be included in Volume I, will be used in Volume II.

FAMILY HISTORY INDEX:

Thanks to a few dedicated people, the tremendous task of indexing the Family History Books in the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library has been completed. Details about this project will be in the June Quarterly.

CEMETERY PROJECT:

When you have finished copying your assigned cemetery, please give them to Helen Lu or mail to our P. O. Box marked "CEMETERY PROJECT." The following members need help in copying cemeteries in their area. If you can help, give them a call:

Duncanville-DeSoto area: Sue Cravy--223-5854
Irving area: Joyce Clark--255-2301

DUES INCREASE - Effective April 1, 1979:

We are a non-profit organization, and all dues are used to further our purposes for being. It has been 5 years since DGS has had a dues increase, but costs have continued to escalate. The 1974-75 budget included \$1600 for Quarterly publication, and \$3100 in the 1978-79 budget. Neither figure included the cost of postage and supplies, which have continued to increase. In addition, DGS now publishes a monthly Newsletter. 800 copies are printed, about 735 are mailed, with the balance being distributed throughout the library. The total current publication cost of the Quarterly and Newsletter, including postage, publication expenses, etc is \$4700. With 500 members, DGS needs of \$9.40 just to cover this phase of its activities alone. Therefore, the Board authorized, and the membership approved on February 22, 1979, dues increase to \$10.00 for individual or family based on the calendar year (this includes the 4 Quarterlies for the year). Before April 1, 1979, renewals and new membership dues are still \$7.50 for an individual or \$8.00 for a family membership. After April 1, \$10.00 for individual or family.

PATRON & SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP:

Two new special DGS Membership Categories were proposed by the Board and approved by the membership at the February meeting:

DGS Sustaining Membership - \$25.00
DGS Patron Membership = \$50.00

TEXAS COUNTY RECORDS INVENTORY: (As discussed at the February meeting).

The Index to the inventory of each county that has been inventoried is available in a 9" X 12" paperback for \$1.00, plus tax. 44 counties have been inventoried. Each book is indexed so that one can immediately check to see if the county record needed is in that courthouse. Each record found is fully described. You may order from: Archives Division, Texas State Library, Box 12927, Capital Station, Austin, TX 78711.

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