



NEWSLETTER

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DGS ELECTS NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 1990-91

At the annual business meeting of the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) on 21 May 1990, Nominating Committee Chairman Margret Hancock Pearce presented the committee's slate of candidates for the 1990-91 DGS Board of Directors for terms beginning 1 June 1990. In accordance with DGS bylaws, President Helen Lu called for additional nominations from the floor. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to elect the following slate of officers and directors:

President: Kelvin L. Meyers. Kelvin served DGS as Executive Vice-President (1989-90), Vice-President for Programs (1988-89), and Director of Special Projects (1987-88). He is a staff member of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library and teaches Basic Genealogy at Northlake Community College in Irving. Kelvin is the compiler of *Early Records of Crosby County, Texas* and *Deed Abstracts of Crosby County, Texas*.

Executive Vice-President: Madilyn Coen Crane. Madilyn served as editor of *The Dallas Quarterly* for two years (1987-89). She was a speaker at the 1989 DGS Fall Symposium. In 1989 Madilyn published a book on her family entitled *Our Family History, the Mayes and Kellog Families of Shelby County, Missouri*.

One of the primary responsibilities of the office of Executive Vice-President is the chairmanship of workshops and seminars for DGS. For the coming fiscal year this position will be co-chaired by Madilyn and Margret Hancock Pearce. Margret served as editor of the *DGS Newsletter* (1988-90) and Vice-President for Membership (1987-88). Margret and Madilyn have previously collaborated to publish two books for the Griffin Family Organization.

Vice-President for Programs: Patricia Law Hatcher. Pat was a speaker at the DGS Fall Symposium in 1988 and 1989. She has been a DGS program lecturer and for the past two years has co-chaired the DGS

Computer Interest Group with Robert "Bob" Johnsey. Compiler of the four volume set, *Abstract of Graves of Revolutionary Patriots*, she is currently abstracting the Barren County, Kentucky, deeds for publication. Her manuscript, *Thomas Almond of Virginia and Some Descendants*, won the award in the category of best manuscript on family history at the DGS Spring Seminar in April (see page 61).

Vice-President and Editor, THE DALLAS QUARTERLY: Adrienne Bird Jamieson. Adrienne continues for a second term as the editor of *The Dallas Quarterly*. She served as DGS President (1980-81 and 1985-86), Executive Vice-President (1979-80), Director of Mailings (1982-85), and Parliamentarian (1986-87). In 1986 she co-chaired the DGS Committee for the Texas Sesquicentennial Family History and Genealogy Exhibit and Competition. Adrienne is a staff member of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library.

Vice-President and Editor, DGS NEWSLETTER: Sammie Townsend Lee. Sammie served as DGS President (1988-89), Executive Vice-President (1987-88), Vice-President for Membership (1986-87), and Recording Secretary (1985-86). She is a staff member of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library.

Vice-President for Membership: Linda Shaddock Rogers. Linda served as Registration Chairman for the 1990 DGS Spring Seminar in April. Her manuscript, *Clark County, Arkansas Births, Marriages, Deaths of Arkadelphia and Environs As Recorded 1875-1897 By James A. Fortson*, won an honorable mention certificate at the DGS Spring Seminar in April. She is an executive officer of the Mesquite Genealogical and Historical Society and currently co-edits *The Mesquite Tree*.

Recording Secretary: Patti Perkins Darnell. Patti continues for a second term in this position. She was a speaker at the 1989 DGS Fall Symposium. Patti has

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SEPTEMBER DGS PROGRAM

DATE: Monday, 24 September 1990
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: Auditorium
 J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
 1515 Young Street, Dallas
SPEAKER: Sid Stahl

Mr. Stahl will recount his experiences from this past April on his ancestral search behind the iron curtain. The September newsletter will have more details on this interesting program.

(DGS does not have programs in July or August.)

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MEMBERSHIP: DGS is a nonprofit, federally tax-exempt organization. Individuals, libraries, or societies may apply for membership. Annual dues are \$12 for the calendar year if paid by January 31; after January 31, they are \$14. All current members receive *The Dallas Quarterly* and the *DGS Newsletter*.

NEWSLETTER: The *DGS Newsletter* is published nine times a year in January, February, March, April, May-June, July-August, September, October, and November-December. Copy deadline is the 15th day prior to month of publication. All correspondence for the *DGS Newsletter* should be mailed to the above address and marked to the attention of:

Sammie Townsend Lee Newsletter Editor

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conducted private classes in beginning genealogy and has taught oral interview techniques to eighth grade students.

Treasurer: Art Rubeck. Art has been a lecturer for the DGS Computer Interest Group. He is the Disk Librarian for the computer genealogy group that meets once a month at the Infomart as part of the Dallas Computer Council.

Director of Books/Forms/Merchandise: Dorislee Hoffpauer. Dorislee is a retired Junior High School Librarian for the Richardson ISD. She teaches Basic Genealogy at Brookhaven Community College.

Library Liaison: Bruce Graves. Bruce has been a staff member of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library for ten years. He was a lecturer at the 1989 DGS Fall Symposium. Bruce is a member of the Dallas Afro-American Culture and Heritage Society and has coordinated exhibits on black genealogy for several Dallas Harambee Festivals. He is a past president of the Dallas Public Library Staff Association.

Director of Mailing: Robert "Bob" Gorham. Bob continues for a second term in this position. He has volunteered on many DGS projects in the past, including the abstracting of Dallas County marriage records for publication by DGS.

Director of Publications: Jan McFarland. Jan continues for a second term in this position. She is the compiler of the recently published DGS guide to researching in Dallas County, *DallaSearch*, and is currently compiling the third book on Dallas County cemetery inscriptions to be published by DGS in 1991.

Director of Publicity: John Sellers. John has a BA in advertising and public relations and is a sales representative for GTE.

Director of Research: Edwina Moseley Dyes. Edwina will serve a second term in this position. She will continue to abstract Dallas County marriage records and record cemetery inscriptions for publication by DGS.

Director of Special Projects: J. Bruce Moseley. Bruce continues for a third term in this position. He has served on several DGS committees and was chairman of the committee to develop the current DGS Membership Application pamphlet.

In his first official act as the new President of DGS Kelvin Meyers has appointed Barbara Roberts Baylis as DGS Parliamentarian. Barbara has previously served as Executive Vice-President (1988-89), Director of Books/Forms/Merchandise (1987-88), and Vice-President for Programs (1986-87). She was a speaker at the 1989 DGS Fall Symposium and has been a DGS program lecturer. She is the current Regent of the James Billingsly Chapter of the NSDAR.

DGS PRESENTS ANNUAL GIFT TO GENEALOGICAL SECTION

At the annual business meeting of the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) on 21 May 1990, a check in the amount of \$5000 was presented to the Genealogy Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library of the Dallas Public Library. The \$5000 donation represented a part of the total annual DGS gift.

An additional \$3000 has been set aside by DGS and added to the project fund to purchase the 1920 Federal Census for the State of Texas when it becomes available. The \$3000 gift was presented as a memorial to deceased DGS members.

The \$5000 gift was accepted on behalf of the library by Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, Supervisor of the Genealogy Section. In presenting the check to Mr. Bockstruck, President Helen Mason Lu announced the gift was being made in honor of Carol Kupfer designer of the DGS logo.

New Purchases for Genealogy Collection

Mr. Bockstruck has advised DGS that the gift made possible the purchase of the following items for the

collection: the 1910 Federal Census for Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Maine, Maryland, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Utah, Vermont, Wyoming, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico; the book indexes for the 1870 Federal Census for the states of Virginia and West Virginia, and the cities of Chicago, Long Island, Philadelphia, and St. Louis.

Purchases for the collection also include the following microform records: *Diligencia Matrimoniales or Prenuptial Investigations* (38 microfiche); *The Ancestor, Vol. 1-12*; *Baptists of Early America*; *Baronage of England*; *Collectanea Topographica et Genealogica*; Index to *The Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served in the Veteran Reserve Corps* (finished set); *Peerage of the British Empire*; *Records Relating to the Early History of Boston*; and *Vineland Historical Magazine, Vol. 1-3*.

The above materials are on order and should be received in the Genealogy Section in the near future.

BOOK AWARDS PRESENTED AT DGS SPRING SEMINAR

Kelvin L. Meyers, Workshop Chairman for the 1990 Dallas Genealogical Society Spring Seminar, announced the winners of the DGS sponsored Annual Book Awards Competition on 21 April 1990, at the Spring Seminar. Many excellent entries in each of the four categories were received for judging in the competition this year. Selected as best in each of their categories, the following entries were awarded certificates.

Award Winners

In the category of a book on family history or genealogy, Lt. Col. George H. Carlton's book, *John Carlton of Orange County and Albemarle County, Virginia and Some of His Descendants, 1720-1989*, was judged best. Jim Monaghan's book, *The Trans-Cedar Tragedy (Triple Lynching in Henderson County, Texas)*, received the award in the category of a book on local history or genealogy.

In the manuscript category, the award for a manuscript on family history or genealogy was won by Patricia Law Hatcher for *Thomas Almand of Virginia and Some Descendants. History of the DAR--The First 100 Years*, a manuscript by Renee Jackson Smith received the certificate in the category of a manuscript on local

history or genealogy.

Honorable Mention Certificates

Michal Martin Farmer received an honorable mention certificate for her book, *Adam Martin 1755-1835 and Thomas Roy Musick 1757-1842, St Louis County, Missouri Pioneers, Their Ancestors, Descendants and Related Families, Hildebrand, Peira, Roy, and Neville*.

Linda Shaddock Rogers also received an honorable mention certificate for her manuscript, *Clark County, Arkansas Births, Marriages, Deaths of Arkadelphia and Environs As Recorded 1875-1897* by James A Fortson.

This annual competition is open to all members of DGS. Details for the 1991 awards will appear in the January 1991 issue of the *DGS Newsletter*.

IN MEMORIAM

Delphine Miller
Walter R. Shelby

DGS ANNUAL FALL SYMPOSIUM AND SPRING SEMINAR DATES SET

By Madilyn Crane and Margret Pearce, Workshop Co-chairmen

Fall Symposium

The 1990 DGS Fall Symposium will be held on Saturday, 6 October 1990, at the Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church. This will be the third year for this popular DGS sponsored event.

Classes will be offered in basic, intermediate, and advanced genealogy. The programs, now in the final planning stages, will feature all new lectures on methodology, courthouse research, record sources, and much more by well-known area speakers.

Further details and registration information will be in the September issue of the *DGS Newsletter*. Brochures will be mailed to DGS members in late summer.

To receive a vendor information packet for the Fall Symposium or Spring Seminar, contact Madilyn Crane, 614 Copper Ridge, Richardson, Texas 75080 (783-9228) or write DGS, Post Office Box 25556, Dallas, Texas 75225.

Beginners Workshop

Simultaneously, a Beginners Workshop will be held with the Fall Symposium in the Fellowship Hall of the church. This all day workshop will be geared toward the

individual with little or no experience in genealogy research. This is a wonderful opportunity for family and friends who are interested in family research but need help to get started. Let them know about the Beginners Workshop held the same day and time as the Fall Symposium.

This will be a separate registration. Pre-registration will be required for the workshop and the symposium. More details in the next issue.

Spring Seminar

The 1991 DGS Spring Seminar has been set for Saturday, 20 April 1991, at the Richardson Civic Center. The scheduled speaker will be the noted lecturer and genealogical educator, Elizabeth Shown Mills, C.G., C.G.L., F.A.S.G., F.N.G.S. Back by popular demand, Mrs. Mills previously spoke to a DGS audience in 1986. Her methodical approach to problem solving genealogy makes her a much-in-demand speaker. DGS is honored to have her as our Spring Seminar speaker.

Mark this important date on next year's calendar. It is a "must attend" event. More details in the January newsletter.

DALLASEARCH

By Jan McFarland, Director of Publications

News from DGS Publications this summer is *DallaSearch, A Guide to Genealogical Resources in Dallas County, Texas*. This booklet includes information on genealogical research sources in the Dallas Public Library (DPL), area colleges, and universities, public records of Dallas County, local LDS sources, State of Texas collections, and lots more. Whether you are researching Texas ancestors, a New England connection, or your European roots, *DallaSearch* can help guide you to the information you need. Authors include Lloyd Bockstruck, Supervisor of the Genealogy Section of DPL; former DGS board member Bill Jacoby; Cindy Smolovik, Archivist for the Texas/Dallas History and Archives Division of the DPL; and Peggy Riddle, former Director of Research and Public Programs for the Dallas Historical Society.

We have also included visitor information for out-of-town members and others who might be planning a trip to Dallas. If you have a friend or relative who makes occasional research trips to our area, this little guide

would be a much-appreciated gift.

DallaSearch is available for \$5, plus tax, at the Genealogy Section of the DPL. If ordering by mail, add \$2 for postage and handling and mail your check to: Dallas Genealogical Society, Post Office Box 12648, Dallas, Texas 75225.

RECRUITING VOLUNTEERS

The National Archives, Southwest Region Branch in Fort Worth, is in the process of recruiting volunteers to assist in helping the general public with their genealogy, including census, military, Indian, naturalization records, and ship passenger lists. Also, volunteers are being sought to assist with certain preservation projects pertaining to numerous topics including "Hanging" Judge Parker's case files and various Indian Records.

The center will provide all necessary training. If you are interested or desire further information, call Meg Hacker, Director of Volunteers, at 817 334-5525 (Post Office Box 6216, Fort Worth, Texas 76115).

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Are you interested in a program, workshop session, or newsletter article on the following? (Circle yes or no and put a star by your top three choices.)

	#1:	yes	no	#2:	yes	no
Colonial Wars		yes	no		yes	no
Revolutionary War		yes	no		yes	no
War of 1812		yes	no		yes	no
Civil War (Union or Confederate)		yes	no		yes	no
Mexican War		yes	no		yes	no
What's Available on Interlibrary Loan		yes	no		yes	no
Special Collections @DPL:						
McCubbins (Piedmont)		yes	no		yes	no
Pennsylvania Archives		yes	no		yes	no
Draper Manuscripts (Revolution)		yes	no		yes	no
New England		yes	no		yes	no
Hollingsworth (GA)		yes	no		yes	no
Vosburgh (NY)		yes	no		yes	no
Records of the National Archives		yes	no		yes	no
Research in Salt Lake City		yes	no		yes	no
Research in Washington DC		yes	no		yes	no
Research at Local LDS (Mormon) Libraries		yes	no		yes	no
Research in Texas Libraries		yes	no		yes	no
Confederate Museum (Hillsboro)		yes	no		yes	no
Immigration and Passenger Lists		yes	no		yes	no
Texas History		yes	no		yes	no
Dallas Jubilee (Sesquicentennial)		yes	no		yes	no
Civil War Re-enactment		yes	no		yes	no
Church Records		yes	no		yes	no
Probate Records		yes	no		yes	no
Census Records		yes	no		yes	no
Land Records		yes	no		yes	no
How to Plot Land Ownership		yes	no		yes	no
Newspapers		yes	no		yes	no
Heraldry		yes	no		yes	no
Trail of Tears		yes	no		yes	no
Tracing Female Ancestors		yes	no		yes	no
Women on the Frontier		yes	no		yes	no
When and How to Hire a Genealogist		yes	no		yes	no
Genealogical Meaning of Given Names		yes	no		yes	no
Colonial Land Inheritance		yes	no		yes	no
Numbering Systems		yes	no		yes	no
Organizing your Research		yes	no		yes	no
Writing and Publishing		yes	no		yes	no
Estate Inventories		yes	no		yes	no
Courthouse Research		yes	no		yes	no
Publishing Family Surname Newsletters		yes	no		yes	no
Planning Family Reunions		yes	no		yes	no
Building your Genealogy Library		yes	no		yes	no
History of Photography		yes	no		yes	no
Photographic Preservation Techniques		yes	no		yes	no
Proper Framing Techniques		yes	no		yes	no
Photography on the Road		yes	no		yes	no

What **types** of programs/workshops/articles have you found most interesting or useful during the past few years?

Could you give a program or write an article?

Name: _____ Topics: _____
 Phone: _____

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Please take a few minutes and answer the questions below to help us plan the programs, workshops, and newsletter for the next year. We want to make it the best year yet! If there are two members in your family, there's a place for each of you to respond. You may add comments, if you like, then mail the form back to the society (P O Box 12648, Dallas TX 75225). You do not need to put your name on it. Thanks!

How many **years** have you been researching your genealogy? (circle one)

#1: 0-1 2-5 over 5 #2: 0-1 2-5 over 5

How many of the **DGS meetings** did you attend last year? (circle one)

#1: 0-1 2-5 5-8 #2: 0-1 2-5 5-8
 days nights both days nights both

Did you attend a DGS fall workshop in 1988 or 1989? (circle one)

#1: yes no #2: yes no

How often do you use the **Genealogy Section** of the library? (circle one)

#1: rarely 1/month 1/week #2: rarely 1/month 1/week

List, in order, up to three states that you research most.

#1: _____ #2: _____
 _____ #2: _____
 _____ #2: _____

List, in order, up to three countries that you research most.

#1: _____ #2: _____
 _____ #2: _____
 _____ #2: _____

List, in order, up to three religious or ethnic groups that you research most.

#1: _____ #2: _____
 _____ #2: _____
 _____ #2: _____

What time periods do you research? (circle one for each)

before 1776	#1: rarely	some	a lot	#2: rarely	some	a lot
1776-1800	#1: rarely	some	a lot	#2: rarely	some	a lot
1800-1850	#1: rarely	some	a lot	#2: rarely	some	a lot
1850-1900	#1: rarely	some	a lot	#2: rarely	some	a lot
after 1900	#1: rarely	some	a lot	#2: rarely	some	a lot

Are you interested in helping with a DGS special project or at a workshop?

Name: _____ Interests: _____
 Phone: _____

Your Comments:

GUIDE TO RESOURCES IN THE DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY (DPL) GENEALOGY COLLECTION

The ARKANSAS GAZETTE on Microfilm and Indexes

By Linda Shaddock Rogers *

Overview

When Congress created the Arkansas Territory in 1819, William E. Woodruff decided it needed a newspaper; and he would be the one to supply it. After transporting his primitive printing press and equipment from Franklin, Tennessee, Mr. Woodruff arrived at the Arkansas Post (about twelve miles south of the town of DeWitt) on 30 October 1819. He arranged to erect a small log house of two rooms and issued the first *Arkansas Gazette* on 20 November 1819. That issue contained five marriage notices, one death announcement, 51 advertised letters at the post office, and was four pages long. When the Arkansas Territorial government removed to Little Rock, the *Arkansas Gazette* did also. It has been published regularly at Little Rock ever since, except for a suspension from 5 September 1863, through 10 May 1865, because of the Civil War.

The *Arkansas Gazette* began as a weekly publication. After its suspension during the Civil War, it was issued daily beginning May 1865. The *Arkansas Gazette* is a rich source for information on a wide variety of social, cultural, and political affairs of the people of Arkansas.

In 1976, Shannon J. Henderson, Associate Librarian at Arkansas Tech University, published the first in a series of indexes which provide valuable access to the contents of the pages of the *Arkansas Gazette*. These indexes contain brief summaries of information dealing with Arkansas people and places that are contained in the newspaper.

Content

The *Arkansas Gazette* on microfilm is a copy of each page of each issue that was available for microfilming. A large number of issues in the early years are incomplete or missing. The index may contain references to missing issues. DPL owns issues 20 November 1819 through 18 May 1870. Notations are made on the typed labels referring to skipped issues or duplications. +

The book indexes to the *Arkansas Gazette* primarily concern materials about Arkansas people, events, and places. Entries are made by subjects, personal names, and organizations, as well as geographical and political headings. Users may find names under subjects such as Land, Marriages, Accidents, Suicides, Murders, Postal Service, and Tax Delinquency Lists, as well as individual names. A careful review of each year of interest is recommended to receive the full benefit of this resource.

Location

The *Arkansas Gazette* newspapers on microfilm are located in the Arkansas state drawer beside the microfilm readers (17 reels).

The *Arkansas Gazette Index* (16 books) are located on aisle three. The call number is 071.6773H497A.

Aids

DPL owns 16 volumes of the *Arkansas Gazette Index* covering the years 1816-1887, 1982, and 1985. The volumes contain the years as follows:

1819-29 - These years are indexed as one volume. The code at the end of each summary gives month, day, year, page, and column. Marriages are indexed under "Marriages"; deaths under the individual's name.

1830-39 - One index as above. See "Marriages" for marriages; "Deaths" for deaths.

1840-49 - This volume begins indexing each year separately. The code at the end of the summary gives month, day, page, and column. Marriages and deaths are indexed under the individual's name.

1850-59 - Annual indexes as above. See "Marriages" for marriages; "Deaths" for deaths.

1860-69 - These years are indexed as two volumes (1860-65 and 1866-69). See "Marriages" for marriages; "Deaths" for deaths.

1870-73 - Annual indexes as above. See "Marriages" for marriages; "Deaths" for deaths.

1874-79 - Annual indexes as above. The final page of this volume lists corrections on five entries concerning years 1840, 1841, and 1879. See "Marriages" for marriages; "Deaths" for deaths.

1880-81 - Annual indexes as above. Marriage and deaths are indexed under the individual's name.

1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, 1887, 1982, and 1983 - Each volume indexes an individual year. Marriages and deaths are indexed under the individual's name.

*Linda Shaddock Rogers is Vice-President for Membership for the Dallas Genealogical Society. Linda currently also holds executive duties with the Mesquite Historical and Genealogical Society (MHGS) and the Richard Bard Chapter NSDAR. She has been co-editing the MHGS quarterly publication, *Mesquite Tree* for three years. Linda began her genealogical research five years ago with Arkansas lines dating back to 1836 in Clark County.

+Subsequent issues may be ordered on microfilm from various institutions on interlibrary loan. For issues and locations, check with the library staff. Individual reels of the film can be purchased for donation to the library from Southwest Micropublishing, Inc., in Arlington, Texas. For details, ask the library staff.

The following letter was extracted from the 23 February 1846 edition of the *Arkansas State Gazette*.

New Orleans, February 1st, 1846

My Dear Sir:

I thank God that I am again here! I shall be in Union County, Arkansas, in a few days--bag and baggage--having already enjoyed enough of the blessings of Texas! I am satisfied, and shall permanently settle myself in Union County--totally used up!

Please say to all our friends, that, if they wish to go to Texas, just see it in the winter, and not move until they have seen it...

I know this will surprise you; but I have never seen a country so much overrated as Texas. Hundreds of persons would return if they could, but cannot. A poor man has no business there, if he knew it.

Timber is bad, and water also, and the county is all located--can be purchased for from \$1 to \$10 per acre; but if a man cannot purchase four or five hundred acres, he cannot get enough timber--then he must rent at high rates, which will keep him always a tenant, when he can settle on land in Arkansas, if he has not a dollar, and make a living by work. I have not time to give you a general description of the face of the country, but I will say this here: that from the Sabine to the Rio Grande,

there is no stream that will do for navigation; and Arkansas is decidedly a better Cotton Country than any part of Texas west of the Brazos, and the facilities of Commerce far superior to any portion of Texas. I stopped a few days at Houston and Galveston, the only two Commercial points. The former contains about 1000 inhabitants, the later about the size of Little Rock. The country as far as San Antonio west, and Trinity east, trade to Houston, and hawl [sic] over the most miserable roads I ever traveled.

I am aware that all that I have said will be denied, even by persons who have not seen the country. To all such, I would say--don't take your families until you go and try it yourselves. I wish I could write to all my friends, but if you will tell Rutherford to say, in the Banner, that I have returned, and request all those of my friends, who feel inclined to emigrate not to move without seeing the country in the winter, it will probably save some of my poor Saline friends from a long move that they will regret all their lives, for I know that some of them would not be able to return.

I must close, and will write you again when I settle.

E. M. Owen

QUERIES

Queries do not require a Texas connection and are free to the members of the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS). Non-members should include \$3 for each query. DGS reserves the right to abbreviate and condense queries and assumes no responsibility for their accuracy. Send as many queries as you wish, and they will be printed as space permits. Mail all queries: Editor, *DGS Newsletter*, P. O. Box 12648, Dallas, TX 75225.

- HARVEY
MALONE** Seeking information on George HARVEY who married Miriah MALONE. Both were born in TN in 1830 and 1833 respectively. His mother's given name may have been Nancy. George and family lived in Kaufman Co, TX in 1860 and Collin Co, TX, 1870-80. Where were the Harvey's located at time of death and where are they buried? Who were George and Mariah's parents?
B. F. Harvey, 1540 N. Vista Avenue, Rialto, CA 92376
- MOORE** Seeking information on William H. MOORE, born 4 Sept 1816 in VA, died 12 Oct 1881, buried Mt. Pleasant Cemetery near Tolar, Hood Co, TX. Only records are picture of tombstone and family as listed on 1880 census of Hood Co.
B. F. Harvey, 1540 N. Vista Avenue, Rialto, CA 92376
- MATTIX
BOND
BEESON
HINDS
AUTRY** Seeking help with families of Margaret Ann MATTIX, born 1810 in IN or AR, died 12 Mar 1861 (of measles), Cook Co, TX, buried near Greene School and Church. She was the daughter of Edward MATTIX and Elizabeth BOND and granddaughter of John BOND and Jane BEESON. She married (1) David HINDS, 22 Feb 1827. He died in 1843, and Margaret married (2) Dr. AUTRY. Who were her children?
Mary Ellen Ledford, 702 Fouts Drive, Irving, TX 75061, 214 790-9030
- LEDFORD
McCRADY** Seeking help with families of Zebadee/Zebadia "Zeb" LEDFORD, born ca 1847, Yancey Co, NC, died after 1900, possibly OK, son of Samuel B. and Rachel LEDFORD. Zeb married (1) Katherine McCRADY, 4 Dec 1873, Barry Co, MO. Children: Clara, born 1875, TX; Harriett, born 1877, TX; Lura, born 1880, TX. Zeb married (2) Mollie ?, ca 1883. Children: Maud M., born 1884, Indian Territory; Sofa, born 1887, Indian Territory; Luther, born 1890, Indian Territory. Zeb was living in Dallas Co, TX, 1880. Would like to hear from any family. Zeb's siblings: John, Moses, James "Jim", Kenneth, Curtis, Mary, Marcus "Mac".
Mary Ellen Ledford, 702 Fouts Drive, Irving, TX 75061, 214 790-9030
- PHY
BRYANT
COLE
KILLINGSWORTH
CORLEY** Researching PHY & BRYANT families of Copeville, Collin Co, TX (early 1900's) and Putnam Co, TN. John PHY, born 1846, TN, married Elizabeth J. COLE, born 1845, TN, daughter of James COLE, born 1819, NC. Resided near George PHY in 1910. Ada A. BRYANT, born 28 Oct 1894, Cookeville, Putnam Co, TN, resided with her uncle and aunt, George and Maggie PHY, in Copeville, Collin Co, TX, when she married Elias Newton KILLINGSWORTH in 1909. She used the PHY name, but was daughter of John BRYANT, mother unknown, possibly PHY. Her last known residence was Sopha, Choctaw Co, OK, 1926. Need date and place of death. Did she marry again?
Chan Edmondson, P. O. Box 141235, Dallas, TX 75214-1235
- JONES
GRANT
WILLIAM** Seeking parents and information on James Perry JONES, born 1846, MS, married (1) Rejina A. GRANT, born 1846, MS. Lived in Wood Co, TX, 1872-98. Children: Elizabeth, Robert, Benjamin, Hattie, John, Goldia, Lula. Rejina died 1890, buried in the Ford-Green Cemetery, Mineola, TX. Married (2) Sally WILLIAMS, 1891. He died 1898, possibly buried in Ford-Green Cemetery.
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"FAMILY TREE" COLUMN RECEIVES AWARD

The Council of Genealogy Columnists presented Margaret Ann Thetford's "FamilyTree" column a third place award in the category of Newspaper Columns of General Interest in the second annual competition for Excellence in Journalism Awards. Mrs. Thetford received the award at the Capital Area Tenth Anniversary National Genealogical Society Conference in Arlington, Virginia, on 6 June 1990.

In notifying Margaret Ann Thetford of the award, Joy Wade Moulton, President of the Council of Genealogy Columnists, wrote "The judges were interested 'not only on writing quality and indicated depth of knowledge, but on general interest appeal not only to confirmed genealogical enthusiasts but also to more casual newspaper readers'. Your columns obviously qualify on all accounts."

"FamilyTree," a genealogical column appearing each Thursday and Saturday in *The Dallas Morning News*, has been a favorite of Dallas area genealogists for over ten years. The informative column advises readers of local and national events, new genealogical source books and family histories, genealogical services, and much more. Also found in the column are queries from genealogists looking for their Texas connections.

Margaret Ann Thetford is a past president of the Dallas Genealogical Society. She has volunteered to serve DGS in many other capacities, including co-chairman of the 1986 Sesquicentennial Family History and Genealogy Exhibit and Competition.

Congratulations to Margaret Ann on a well-earned award!

MARIAM WEINER, C.G., TO SPEAK IN DALLAS

Mariam Weiner, a Certified Genealogist specializing in Jewish genealogy and Holocaust research, will be a guest lecturer at Temple Emanu-El on Sunday, 26 August 1990, at 2:00 P.M. The meeting is to be jointly sponsored by the Dallas Jewish Historical Society and the Archives Committee of Temple Emanu-El.

Miss Weiner's column, "Roots and Branches," appears in eighty-eight Jewish newspapers throughout the country and her articles have been published in many national publications. She is co-editor of the forthcoming five-volume *Encyclopedia of Jewish Genealogy*. Her lecture schedule includes programs for Jewish Federations, Holocaust survivor organizations, Jewish Community Centers, synagogues, and temples throughout the country.

Miss Weiner is coordinator of the New York Family History Project for a Living Memorial to the Holocaust, Museum of Jewish Heritage to be built at Battery Park City. She was a former Executive Director of the American Gathering of Jewish Holocaust Survivors in New York.

The meeting is open to the public. Because the project is being underwritten by the Ruth Kahn Fund of the Dallas Jewish Historical Society, together with the Temple Emanu-El Archives Fund, there is no charge for this event.

Reservations are required (to help determine room size and number of handouts to make) and may be made by contacting Rose Biderman, Archivist of the Dallas Jewish Historical Society, at 739-2737.

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