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Come One! Come All! To the 1991 DGS Spring Seminar!

Plans begun last summer are now in full swing at DGS to bring you the 1991 Annual Spring Seminar on Saturday, 20 April 1991. DGS has earned the reputation of presenting top-quality seminars featuring the most knowledgeable and well-known speakers in genealogy. This year is no exception. Returning by popular demand, our guest lecturer will be the noted genealogist, Elizabeth Shown Mills, CG, CGL, FNGS, FUGA, FASG. She last spoke before a DGS audience in 1986, where she packed the auditorium at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library and spoke before a sold-out crowd.

Elizabeth Shown Mills holds two certifications, Certified Genealogist and Certified Genealogical Lecturer, and specializes in problem lineages of the deep south. She has been named a Fellow of the National Genealogical Society (NGS), the Utah Genealogical Society, and the American Society of Genealogists (an honor society limited to fifty living genealogists). She was the 1989 recipient of the Grahame T. Smallwood, Jr. Award of the Association of Professional Genealogists.

A top-ranked lecturer, Mills has spoken at all the major national genealogical conferences and institutes, including the NGS Conferences in the States, the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) Conferences and the National Archives. She is the developer of the Advanced Methodology and Professional Genealogy Courses (Levels IV and V) at the Samford University Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research and Course Coordinator for Level IV. In 1988, she was invited to speak at the First International Congress on Family History in Sydney, Australia. She is listed in *World's Who's Who of Women* and *Who's Who in Genealogy* (Volumes 1 and 2).

Mills is author, editor, or translator of seven books and over 150 articles. She co-edits the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, with her husband, Dr.

Gary B. Mills, Professor of History at the University of Alabama. Dr. Mills is a Certified Genealogist in his own right. The Mills' have three grown children, including a daughter who is a Certified Genealogical Record Searcher and a son who is a historic preservationist. Mills is a young, very attractive grandmother to a five-year-old who, she says, can name every ancestor hanging on the family walls.

Seminar Schedule

- 8:00 a.m. - Registration and Exhibitors
- 9:00 a.m. - Lecture
- 10:00 a.m. - Break and Exhibitors
- 10:30 a.m. - Lecture
- 11:30 a.m. - Lunch and Exhibitors
- 12:45 p.m. - Book Awards and Door Prizes
- 1:00 p.m. - Lecture
- 2:00 p.m. - Break and Exhibitors
- 2:30 p.m. - Lecture
- 3:30 p.m. - Question and Answer Session
- 4:00 p.m. - Seminar ends

[See "Topics" Continued on page 28]

We know you don't want to miss an issue of the *DGS Newsletter* or *The Dallas Quarterly*. However, if you have not renewed your DGS membership for calendar year 1991, this will be your last newsletter and you will not receive the March issue of the quarterly. If you have renewed, your mailing label should show "91" for current membership. If you have questions about your membership, contact Linda Rogers, VP for Membership. Thanks!

Dallas Genealogical Society

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Meetings: Founded in 1955, the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) is the oldest organization of its kind in Texas. It is a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization. The Society meets at the Dallas Public Library, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, Texas, on the 4th Monday, September through May, except for December. Visitors and guests are welcome.

Membership: 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. New Member dues and renewals should be mailed to the Society at Post Office Box 25556, Dallas, TX 75225-1556, and marked to the attention of the V.P. of Membership. 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 5th day prior to month of publication. All correspondence for the *DGS Newsletter* should be mailed to the Society at Post Office Box 12648, Dallas, TX 75225-0648 and marked to the attention of:
Sammie Townsend Lee Newsletter Editor

An Editorial by Sammie Townsend Lee

In the spring of 1985, I received a phone call inquiring if I would accept a position on the DGS Executive Board as the Recording Secretary. While excuses immediately came to mind for not taking the job, I found myself agreeing to do so. That decision was one of the best I ever made. Of the past six years, five have been spent on the board; and I have enjoyed every minute. A great deal of personal gratification has come from being able to help set goals and share in the achievements of our Society. The benefits of being a participating member are many, and I have received far more than called upon to give. Best of all, some of my most treasured friends are people I have met through my association with DGS.

As dictated by the DGS bylaws, a Nominating Committee consisting of two members from the Executive Board and three from the membership was elected by the Board at their February meeting. Serving from the board are Linda Rogers and Barbara Baylis. Membership will be represented by Margaret Ann Thetford, Robert W. Johnsey, and Robert H. Maybrier.

To this committee will fall the duty of nominating candidates for the Executive Board offices to be filled at the annual business meeting in May. Having served on two of these committees, I know this can be a difficult job. Many members choose not to participate in any position or assignment, while others are ready, willing and able to work but are not asked because they are unknown by committee members.

How about you? Are you waiting to be asked? If you want to become more involved in DGS and help make a difference, let the nominating committee or an officer know. You don't have to serve on the Board to be a "plus-side" member of DGS. You can do as much or as little as you want. There are many opportunities to be a volunteer: the Spring Seminar; Dallas County deeds abstracting project, the Fall Symposium, etc.

Are you getting full benefit from DGS? If not, how can you get the most from this Society? By giving yourself, your talent, and your time. By caring about DGS. By sharing your knowledge and know-how. By helping to compile, preserve, and maintain valuable genealogical records for tomorrow's researchers. By helping to fulfill the objectives and goals of DGS.

Put your talents to work! Come join the fun and be a participating member of your society. We need you!

Needed Immediately! Proof readers to help proof the new DGS Membership Roster. Call Sammie, 349-1435.

DGS News, Notes, and Reports

The President's Message by Pat Hatcher

DGS is a member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS), an umbrella organization of over 450 societies across the country. One of the benefits of our membership in FGS is that our members can receive their excellent quarterly publication, *Forum*, free. Our membership list, as of 31 January 1991, was sent to FGS for this purpose. Beginning with either the spring issue, mailed in March, or the summer issue, mailed in July, you will receive the *Forum*.

The information in the publication is broad in scope. For example, the current issue contained information on the new research request policy at the Mississippi Archives, an increase in the Missouri vital records fees, a new Sangamon County, Illinois cemetery book, and the distribution of the Swedish Parish Records microfiche. Until your issues begin arriving, DGS's copy of *Forum* is available on the periodicals shelves at the library.

I have been pleased to note several interesting contributions to the census fund. At least two area societies have made contributions in recognition of the benefit their members receive from using the DPL collection. Which reminds me that a donation to the census fund is an excellent way for societies to recognize outgoing officers and deceased members. Not only is a special label prepared for each roll donated, but all donations are reported on the special page in the newsletter. Donation forms are available at the library.

Last Call for DGS Book Awards Entries by Bruce Graves, Library Liaison

There is still time to submit an entry in the DGS 1991 Book Awards Competition before the 15 March deadline. The four categories are: a book with a minimum of fifty (50) pages on family history or genealogy; a book with a minimum of fifty (50) pages on local history or genealogical interest; a manuscript with a minimum of five (5) pages, single spaced, on family history or genealogy; a manuscript with a minimum of five (5) pages, single spaced, on local history or genealogical interest.

Applicants must be a regular member of DGS with 1991 dues paid or a life member. An entry form must accompany the entry; forms are available in the DPL Genealogy Section.

Winners will be announced at the DGS Annual Spring Seminar and awarded a certificate of merit. All entries become the property of the Genealogy Section at the completion of the competition.

Entries may be brought to the DPL Genealogy Section or mailed to:

DGS Book Awards Competition
P. O. Box 12648
Dallas, TX 75225-0648.

If you were unable to submit an entry this year, now is the time to start planning and writing your family history or local history book for the 1992 competition. The purpose of this annual competition is to encourage DGS members to put into print source or background material and their own research in order to make it available to other genealogists.

DGS Promising Record Year by Linda Rogers, VP for Membership

DGS had a record year for membership in 1990 with 762 members. So far, 1991 is promising to surpass even that. We have a total of 643 members as of 25 February, with more being received each week.

Members are renewing early and new members are joining promptly to ensure their inclusion in the new roster to be published in the Spring. If you have not already paid your \$3 to reserve your copy of the new roster, it's not too late! Don't delay; cut off time is 31 March. Each member is encouraged to submit their surnames whether buying a roster or not.

	1990 Totals	1991 Totals
Renewals	577	465
New Members	130	125
Libraries/Societies	20	13
Life Members	35	40
Total	762	643

Treasurer's Report From Art Rubeck, Treasurer

DGS Account Balances Report as of 14 February 1991	
Total Cash Assets and Bank Accounts	\$25,309.43
Total Other Assets	670.75

Total Assets	\$25,980.18

Spring Seminar Lecture Topics

Elizabeth Shown Mills will lecture on the following topics:

9:00-10:00 a.m. *Genealogical Problem Solving: Professional Techniques for Everyday Research.* Stuck on a line? Finding new books to buy is usually not the answer. Learning effective methodology for using common records and advanced techniques for finding elusive ancestors are the skills that separate the real genealogist from mere "name gatherers." This lecture covers twelve of the most important success techniques, including data linkage, solution of problems through the valid application of the preponderance of evidence principle, psychoanalysis of the ancestor's behavior and lifestyle for clues to new records, and tips for tracking down records that don't seem to exist.

10:30-11:30 p.m. *Sweet Potato Simon & White Potato Willie: How to Get More Out of Censuses Than You Ever Dreamed Possible.* For the advanced researcher who thinks he "already knows all about census records" and for newer researchers who want to avoid the mistakes most researchers make, Mills presents an hour of the latest techniques for solving difficult lineage problems through the not-so-ordinary use of "ordinary" census records. (When presented before the 1986 NGS Conference, this lecture drew the largest attendance of all conference sessions.)

1:00-2:00 p.m. *Using Tax Rolls to Prove Births, Deaths, Marriages, Parentage, and Origins.* Tax rolls are invaluable as a "substitute" census. Unfortunately, they are too often used as nothing more. With skilled use of tax records, the genealogist can determine ages of men, identify wives or parents of an elusive ancestor (or children of a suspected ancestor), prove that certain men by the same name are one and the same, establish years of death, tract migrations in and out of a given region, and much more. This hour's presentation covers the range of assessment rolls that have been created and various methodologies for using them.

2:30-3:30 p.m. *Finding Females: Wives, Mothers, Daughters, Sisters, and Paramours!* One of the toughest challenges faced by researchers, among all ethnic groups, is the difficulty of identifying and tracking females. Wives and mothers traditionally have been "supporting characters" to the roles played by their husbands and sons--bearing no known name other than that of the males whom they married or bore. Historically, social mores and law codes made them "second class citizens," without a legal identity of their own and few rights or opportunities to create the range of records that genealogists customarily use to track males. This discussion presents an array of resources--and, more importantly, methodological techniques--by

which the identities of elusive females can be established. Actual case studies are used to illustrate the suggested methodology. (Presented at the 1990 NGS Conference where it drew circa 1000 registrants, the largest of 186 sessions.)

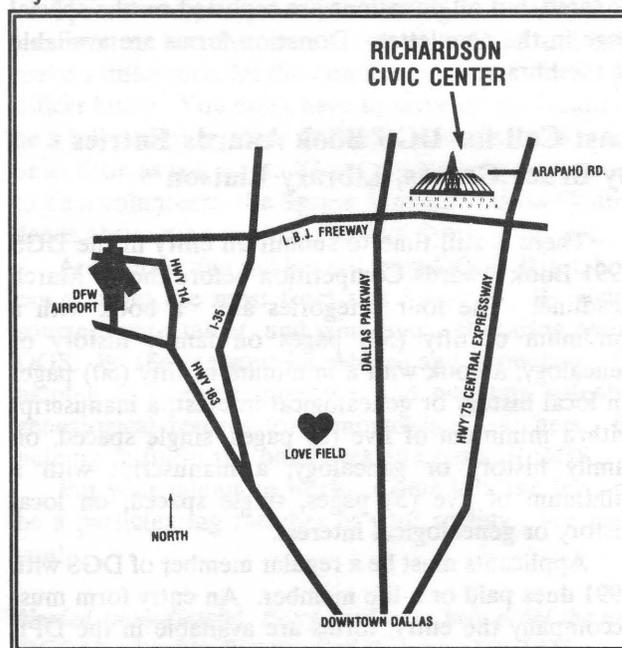
Pre-Registration

Pre-registration opens 1 March 1991. The pre-registration fee for the seminar is \$22, if postmarked by 6 April; \$25 thereafter and at the door. All registrants who pre-register will be guaranteed a Syllabus. For your convenience, a registration form is provided on page 35. Mail registrations to:

Dallas Genealogical Society
Attention: Seminar Registration
P. O. Box 25556
Dallas, TX 75225-1556

New Meeting Site Chosen

More than 400 registrants are expected to hear Mills' lectures. Because our audiences continue to grow each year, we have once again sought a bigger and better meeting site. The 1991 seminar will be held in the spacious Richardson Civic Center located in North Dallas County. Ideally situated off North Central Expressway, the Civic Center is located on the southwest corner of Highway 75 (Central) and Arapaho Road. The lectures will be held in the large, comfortable Grand Hall, with a large number of adjacent area exhibitors areas.



To Spring Seminar Exhibitors

Of special interest to registrants who attend the DGS Annual Spring Seminars each year are the exhibitors who display and/or sell genealogical and historical books and materials or other services of interest to the genealogist. Again this year, we have invited exhibitors to be a part of the seminar by renting tables to display and sell their products in the large exhibitor areas of the Civic Center.

In addition, DGS has invited nonprofit genealogical, historical, patriotic, and lineage societies to rent tables. It provides an excellent opportunity for the society representative to meet and talk to genealogists interested in their organization and present their society's aims, goals, and membership requirements to a large number of potential new members.

If you are interested in joining us this year as an exhibitor, there are two types of tables being offered for rent. They are:

* Tables for exhibitors selling merchandise and/or services, renting for \$18 each (\$10 for one-half table), table size 6' x 36".

* "Information Only" tables for nonprofit organizations, renting for \$10 each, table size 6' x 30". ["Information only" tables may be used by the societies for promotion and display only. Brochures advertising society membership and materials for sale may be placed on "information only" tables.]

For an information packet, including an Exhibitor's Reservation and Rental Contract, write to the Exhibits Chairman, DGS Spring Seminar, Post Office Box 12648, Dallas, TX 75225-0648, or call Margret Pearce at 341-0212.

Join us this year and discover what our growing family of regular exhibitors has discovered: that DGS Spring Seminars can be very profitable!

Area Societies: When Do They Meet? Part II

Garland Genealogical Society

P. O. Box 461882
Garland, TX 75046
214/276-3481

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday, alternating
afternoon (2:30 p.m.); evening (6:30 p.m.) at the
Nicholson Memorial Library, North Room
625 Austin Street, Garland, TX

Kaufman County Genealogical Society

Box 337
Terrell, TX 75160

President: Hulon M. Miller, 563-2563
Meetings: 1st Thursday, 7:00 p.m. at the
First Christian Church Library
405 North Adelaide Street, Terrell, TX

ADVERTISEMENTS

A syllabus is being prepared for the DGS Annual Spring Seminar, and will be distributed to all registrants. Advertisements for the syllabus will be accepted from individuals, organizations, or companies for services and products of a genealogical nature, and should conform to the standards and objectives of the Dallas Genealogical Society.

Camera-ready, black and white advertisements, conforming to the sizes below may be placed in the syllabus at the following rates:

SIZE	LENGTH/WIDTH	COST
Full Page	9 1/2" x 7"	\$30.00
Half Page	4 3/4" x 7"	15.00
Quarter Page	4 3/4" x 3 1/2"	7.50

Deadline for placement of advertisements is 20 March 1991. Camera-ready copy should be submitted with check made payable to the Dallas Genealogical Society, and mailed to Post Office Box 12648, Dallas, TX 75225-0648, marked to the attention of Adrienne Jamieson.

DGS assumes no responsibility for the products or services advertised, and reserves the right to refuse unsuitable advertising.

DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**MARCH REGULAR MEETING****DATE:** Monday, 25 March 1991**TIME:** 7:00 *p.m.***LOCATION:** Auditorium, J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
1515 Young Street
Dallas, Texas**SPEAKER:** Stephen R. Butler**PROGRAM:** *How to Find Your Mexican War Ancestor*

Lasting nearly two years (1846-1848), the war with Mexico began as a direct result of the annexation of the Republic of Texas by the United States. It was America's first war fought on foreign soil; remembered in Mexico as the American invasion of 1847. The soldiers who participated in the conflict came from all over America and emerged victorious. On 13 May 89, Stephen R. Butler organized the Descendants of Mexican War Veterans devoted to honoring the U.S. veterans of this war. For our March program, Butler will us about this little-known war and tell you *How to Find Your Mexican War Ancestor*.

Visitors and guest are welcome and the meetings are open to the public.

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COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP**DATE:** Monday, 25 March 1991**TIME:** 6:00 *p.m.***LOCATION:** East/West Rooms, J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
1515 Young Street
Dallas, Texas

The Computer Interest Group is open to the public.

DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

1991 CALENDAR

Unless otherwise indicated, DGS Regular Meetings are held in the Auditorium of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, Texas. The Computer Interest Group meets one hour prior to the Regular Meeting in the East/West Rooms across the hall from the Auditorium.

15 March			Deadline for submitting material for the 1991 DGS Book Awards Competition
25 March	Monday	7:00 p.m.	<i>How to Find Your Mexican War Ancestor</i> Speaker: Stephen R. Butler
31 March			Deadline for submitting surnames for DGS Roster
20 April	Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Spring Seminar - Richardson Civic Center Speaker: Elizabeth Shown Mills
22 April	Monday	11:00 a.m.	<i>Using Local LDS Libraries</i> Speaker: Art Rubeck
20 May	Monday	7:00 p.m.	Annual Business Meeting <i>Books for Background Reading</i> Speakers: Members of the DGS Executive Board

OTHER MEETINGS, SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES

16 March 1991	Dallas, TX	Computer Council
9:00 a.m.	Infomart	Topic: <i>How to Read Colonial Handwriting</i>
6 April	Fort Worth, TX 76147	Fort Worth Genealogical Society Workshop
	P. O. Box 9767	Speaker: Arlene Eakle
		Topic: <i>Tracing the Ladies on your Pedigree, Finding Lost Genealogical Records, The Case of the Missing Ancestor, Dusting off the Family Skeletons</i>
13 April	Tyler, TX 75711	East Texas Genealogical Society Seminar
	P. O. Box 6967	Topic: <i>Military Records; Migration Patterns</i>
		Speaker: Lloyd D. Bockstruck
20 April	Dallas, TX	Computer Council
9:00 a.m.	Infomart	Topic: <i>CD-ROM Data from LDS Libraries</i>
29 May -	Portland, OR *	1991 National Genealogical Society
1 June 1991		Conference in the States
		<i>Come to the End of the Oregon Trail</i>
16-21 June 1991	Birmingham, AL *	Samford University Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research - 27th Annual Session
15-17 August 1991	Fort Wayne, IN *	1991 Federation of Genealogical Societies
		<i>An All American Conference</i>

*Information fliers may be obtained in the Genealogy Section, Dallas Public Library.

Guide to Resources in the Dallas Public Library Genealogy Collection

The Indiana Biographical Index (IBI)

Overview: Finding the locality of an ancestor can be aided by state and county histories and atlases published between 1880 and 1920 in many states. Of particular help are the biographical sketches of "common folks" contained in these publications. Sketches often cover more than one generation and give information about families originating in other states and countries.

The Indiana Biographical Index (IBI), compiled by Genealogical Indexing Associates (GIA), is a statewide index to biographical sketches published in 537 histories and atlases concerning Indiana. GIA estimates that the index covers at least 98 per cent of all such references.

The index includes the names of all persons for whom a biographical sketch was found. Also, included are single line entries where birth date or birthplace were given for a person, such as those found in county atlases which give only the name, address, occupation, length of residence in the county, and state of birth. Women are indexed under both maiden and married names, if known. IBI is not an every name index. Only the names of the principles in biographical sketches have been included. Names of parents, children, and siblings are not included, and portraits are not indexed.

Content: An index entry contains the following headings:

- * SURNAMES: Indexed as spelled in the source. Check all spelling variations of a surname.
- * GIVEN NAMES: Input as spelled in the source.
- * TITLE: Any title the subject may have been known by, such as Gen., Maj., Dr., Hon., etc., have been entered. Women entered by husbands names have the title Mrs. in this column.
- * SOURCE: The source is listed by a reference code number (from IN0001 to IN0537). One must refer back to the numerical reference list or the county/statewide reference list.
- * VOL. (Volume): If the source included has more than one volume, the volume number is listed in this column.
- * PT.(Part): Some sources have parts; these numbers appear in this column.
- * PAGE: Page number given is the first page on which the sketch appears. Usually sketches are one page.
- * CO. (County): County names are coded by the first four letters, with the exception of STJO for St. Joseph, WARK for Warrick, and WHTL for Whitley. No county code means the reference is a general one from the state or no county of residence was apparent.

Location: 16 microfiche, located in the Indiana microfiche drawer. Fiche number 1 is the numerical reference list, 1 - 537. Number 2 lists the references by state and county. Numbers 3-16 are the alphabetical indexed entries.

Aids: The reference lists consist of author or compiler, title of the reference, publisher and publication date, and a library code number. Code numbers refer to the three libraries where the publications indexed were located by GIA: INSL is the Indiana State Library in Indianapolis, IN; BYU is the BYU Genealogical Library of Brigham Young University in Provo, UT; and GS refers to the Genealogical Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, now known as the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT.

The Genealogy Section owns many of the publications listed in the reference lists. Many are on the Research Publications' micropublications of county histories and atlases for Indiana and are located in the Indiana state microfilm drawer. Others are in book form. Check the locality card catalog under Indiana, then the county indicated.

From the DGS Mailbox

Grand Prairie to Feature Toms and Stuart

The Grand Prairie Genealogical Society's annual workshop will be held on 16 March 1991, featuring Gary Toms and Bradley Stuart discussing *Major Records of Minor Wars/Minor Records of Major Wars*. Toms is the Historic Curator and Heritage Programs Director for the Museums Division of the Jackson County, Missouri, Parks and Recreation Department. Stuart is the president of American Genealogical Lending Library and has been the coordinator of Branch Genealogical Library Services for the LDS Church. There will also be vendors, goody bags, and door prizes.

The workshop will be held at the Adams Middle School, 833 West Tarrant Road, Grand Prairie. Registration is \$19.50 (\$21.50 at the door) and includes lunch. Mail registration to GPGS, P. O. Box 532026, Grand Prairie, TX 75053-2026. Registration at the door will be accepted as space permits.

Fort Worth to Feature Arlene Eakle

The Fort Worth Genealogical Society will hold its annual spring workshop on 6 April 1991 at the Plaza Fort Worth Hotel, I-30 at Beach Street. Featured speaker will be Arlene Eakle on topics, *Tracing the Ladies on Your Pedigree, Finding Lost Genealogical Records, The Case of the Missing Ancestor, and Dusting off the Family Skeletons*. Eakle, co-editor of *The Source*, is the founder and president of The Genealogical Institute in Salt Lake City, Utah, and has spent over 25 years as a professional genealogist.

Registration fee, which includes lunch, is \$20 if received by 25 March; \$23, thereafter. Mail to FWGS Spring Workshop, P. O. Box 9767, Ft. Worth, TX 76147-2767.

Tyler to Feature Lloyd D. Bockstruck

The East Texas Genealogical Society will hold its 14th seminar on 13 April 1991 at the Women's Building, 911 South Broadway, Tyler, TX, with registration beginning at 8:00 a.m. The seminar will feature Lloyd D. Bockstruck lecturing on the topics, *Military Research and Migration Patterns*.

Registration fee, which includes lunch, is \$15 if postmarked by 1 April; \$18 thereafter. Make checks payable to East Texas Genealogical Society and mail to Registration Chairman, Mrs. Fred Brock, 8228 Columbia Drive, Tyler, TX 75703.

Tyler Heritage on Tour

The 11th Annual Tyler Heritage on Tour will be held 22-24 March 1991, coinciding with the Azalea and Spring Flower Trails. The tour will feature four historic homes, a historic designer showcase home, and a special home to be seen only during the Candlelight Tour held on Friday evening. Docents will conduct tours of each home and garden, and carriage rides are available through the Azalea District's brick streets.

For ticket information write Tyler Heritage on Tour, 1815 Everglades Tyler, TX 75703 or call the Tyler Chamber of Commerce at 214/592-1661.

Samuel/Samuels Family Newsletter

Barbara Samuels, 7805 Linda Lane, Anchorage, Alaska 99518, has been a member of DGS for a number of years, and often sends in queries on the Samuels surname to the newsletter. Samuels also publishes *Samuels Searcher*, a quarterly for people interested in the genealogies of the Samuel/Samuels family. She does not charge for the service and queries are welcome as well as other information you would like to share about the Samuel Family. The February 1991 issue contained nine pages of miscellaneous information dedicated to this one surname. Write Samuels at the above address for more information about her publication. The *Samuel Searcher* is placed in the Vertical Files in the DPL's Genealogy Section.

Final Call

Are you a descendant of John Houser (1709-1763) of Lancaster and York Counties, Pennsylvania? If you are, E. A. Houser, founder and publisher of *Houser Hunters*, is announcing the final call for material to be included in a soon to be published book on John and Mary Houser's descendants. For information, write Houser at P. O. Box 25872, Tamarac, FL 33321, 305/721-0045.

GENEALOGY:

That branch of history which involves the determination of family relationships. This is not done by copying but rather by research.

RESEARCH:

An investigation aimed at the discovery and the interpretation of facts and also the revision of accepted theories in light of new facts.

Queries

Queries do not require a Texas Connection and are free to members of the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS). Nonmembers 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 75225-0648.

- SANDERS** William H. SANDERS/SAUNDERS, born 15 May 1831, MO; married Elizabeth QUICK,
SAUNDERS 19 Feb 1852, Osage Co, MO. Came to Dallas County ca. 1864, where he died 1881, she died
QUICK 1899. Parents of 11 children. William's brother Jesse J. SANDERS married Elizabeth's
HUBLEE sister, Sally Ann QUICK, 1863, Osage Co, MO. They lived in Dallas County in the early
GILBERT 1900's; did they die here? Another brother, Abner J. SANDERS married Mrs. Jane QUICK,
 and sister Mary married Mr. HUBLEE. In 1850 Osage Co, MO census, William, 19, was
 head of family. Living with them was Betsy GILBERT, 70, born VA. Was she their
 grandmother? Who were the parents of William, Jesse, Abner, and Mary
 SANDERS/SAUNDERS?
 Mrs. Sue Harris, 4524 Alta Vista Lane, Dallas, TX 75229
- MILLER** Seeking information on parents of Emily C. MILLER, born 1818; died 1858, Giles Co, TN;
PARKER married ca. 1844 to James L. PARKER, born ca. 1825; died 1892; buried Hunt Co, TX.
SIMMONS Possible parents of Emily C. MILLER were Henry MILLER, Jr. and Nancy Susan
 SIMMONS. Mary Ellen Ledford, 702 Fouts Drive, Irving, TX 75061
- ALEXANDER** Seeking information on Joshua ALEXANDER, born ca. 1756; died 1833; and son Joshua
STEVENSON Carroll ALEXANDER, born 1770; died 1843, IL; married ca. 1796, Mary STEVENSON,
 born 1776. Who was Joshua Carroll ALEXANDER's mother. Would appreciate hearing
 from ALEXANDER and/or STEVENSON researchers.
 Mary Ellen Ledford, 702 Fouts Drive, Irving, TX 75061
- DRENNAN** Seeking information on William DRENNAN, born 1739, PA; died 1810, KY; married 1760,
BARNES Sarah BARNES, born 1742, PA. Who were the parents of William and Sarah? Son William
THOMAS DRENNAN, born 1768, SC; died 1847, IL; married Mary THOMAS, born 1771, SC; died
 1856, Sangamon Co, IL. Who were parents of Mary THOMAS?
 Mary Ellen Ledford, 702 Fouts Drive, Irving, TX 75061
- OXFORD** Need information on Louisa OXFORD who married W.W. (M?) MARTIN in 1857 in
MARTIN Washington Co, AR. Was Clint MARTIN who was living in Wise Co, TX in 1900 a son?
SANDERS Was J. L. SANDERS who married Laura ALLEN in Parker Co, TX in 1888 also a son of
ALLEN Louisa MARTIN who married _____ SANDERS? Need dates of death and locations.
 Francis and Milta C. Lindell, 7324 Clemson, Dallas, TX 75214
- RUSSELL** Seeking information on the date of death and burial location of William Madison
WATSON RUSSELL, born 1819, Guilford Co. His father was believed to be Daniel RUSSELL.
 William Madison married Lucretia Ann WATSON, 28 July 1851. Children: Ed, Virginia,
 Emma, Mattie and Walter William. They were on the 1880 Rockwall Co, TX Census.
 Lucretia was buried in Arlington, TX in 1920.
 Ruth Cary Russell, 2342 Wildoak Drive, Dallas, TX 75228
- MODAWELL** Seeking information on the date of death and burial location of Sarah Jeanette "Jenny"
RUSSELL MODAWELL who married Walter William RUSSELL in 1892. Is thought to have died at
 the age of 29 after the birth of a child in 1901. This family was on the 1900 Terrell,
 Kaufman Co, TX census.
 Ruth Cary Russell, 2342 Wildoak Drive, Dallas, TX 75228

McGINTY Wish to correspond with descendants of Alexander McGINTY, born ca. 1794, GA; married
WRIGHT Elizabeth Ann RIGHT, 15, Sept 1823, Perry Co, AL. Children: Joseph; Littleberry; Alexander, Jr.; Jesse G.; Minerva Jane; John R.; and Sarah Ann. Most of Alexander's children moved to Gonzales Co, TX, in the 1860's.
 Fern Schreiber, 1104 North Edwards Court, Irving, TX 75062

BOLEY Would like to correspond with anyone with information on the BOLEY family of Lawrence
ROBERTSON Co, AL. George Lewis BOLEY, born 1792, SC; married 1816, Madison Co, AL, Winnie
SUTTON ROBERTSON, born 1801, NC. Both died in 1845 in Lawrence Co. Children: John
BELL/WILSON Edward, married Sarah SUTTON; James Robertson, married Minervia BELL; Hiram Carl,
HARTSFILED married (1) Elinder WILSON, (2) Catherine HARTSFIELD; Martha, married Calvin
DONALDSON DONALDSON; Sarah Berline, married Tully Francis PARKER; Louise, married Lawrence
PARKER BROWN; Jane, married David PRITCHARD; Susan, married SHERRILL. Some of these
BROWN children stayed in AL; others settled in Tishomingo/Prentiss Co, MS and Dallas, TX area,
PRITCHARD including Wise, Jones, and Parker Counties. Any help greatly appreciated.
SHERRILL Bettie Parker Gustafson, 1755 Georgian Drive, Memphis, TN 38127

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June Anderson Shipley (2 courses)
 Genealogy I, (\$6)
 Saturdays, 9 and 16 March 1991
 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
 and
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 Saturdays, 6, 13, and 20 April 1991
 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.
 Cedar Valley College
 Continuing Education Division, 372-8210
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New Acquisitions

The following collections have recently been acquired by the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library.

New York in the War of the Rebellion, 1861-1865, by Frederick Phisterer (published 1912). 6 Volumes on 54 microfiche. Located in the New York microfiche drawer.

North Carolina W.P.A. Cemetery Inscription Card Index. 26 rolls of microfilm (21 rolls pre-1914, A - Z; 5 rolls post-1914, A - Z). Located in North Carolina microfilm drawers.

\$9,000

\$8,000

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The Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) 1991 Special Project is to raise the funds needed to purchase the 1920 United States Census and Soundex for the State of Texas when it becomes available in March, 1992, to place in the Genealogy Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library (Dallas Public Library). An estimated \$9,000 is needed, and we have less than one year to raise the money. We have enough funds in the special account to purchase the 1920 Texas Census; we are climbing toward the Soundex. Please help us raise the Texas flag even higher on the flagpole! The current National Archives price per roll is \$23, but DGS will accept your tax-deductible gift in any amount.

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