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## **36th Annual 1992 DGS Spring Seminar: featuring Marsha Hoffman Rising by Linda Shaddock Rogers**

"WHEN RESEARCHING A FAMILY, I VISUALIZE THEM AS LIVING PEOPLE." Marsha Hoffman Rising, guest lecturer at the DGS 1992 Spring Seminar on 28 March 1992, does more than just look at records for names and dates. She places herself among the families to imagine how they think and feel, where they go, and how they live their day-to-day lives. In this way she is able to track their movements and the kinds of records they were likely to create.

Marsha's background in psychology and social work also helps to bring ancestors to "life" (she received a B.A. degree from the University of South Florida and a Masters in Social Work from Florida State University). The people sometimes become so real to her that occasionally there is a drawback: "I accept very little client work these days because I develop such an attachment to these people that it is upsetting when I have to part with them. It's like losing members of one's own family."

Marsha is currently working on a project to identify and trace the origins of the first 1,000 people to purchase Federal land in southwest Missouri. She is fascinated with the type of people this includes. They were the ordinary dirt farmers, like the ancestors of the vast majority of genealogical researchers. This dirt farmer was not sophisticated, rich, or influential. He was easy-going, hard-working, isolated, and did not create a lot of records. The techniques she developed while working on this project, as well as her family research, is the foundation for her lectures designed to teach her audience how to solve their difficult research problems.

Marsha was not the first in her family to be interested in family history research. It was actually her husband who had the interest even before they were married. His family had saved pieces of their past and handed it down through the generations. This instilled in him the appreciation for family history and the hunger to know more. Marsha, in turn, had a love for history. It was not as yet fine tuned for ancestor hunting, but it was enough to warrant a honeymoon detour to the Andersonville Civil War Cemetery to locate the grave of one of her husband's ancestors. She enjoyed roaming the cemetery for the historical significance but was not yet "bitten" by the genealogical bug.

Marsha's conversion to the ranks of the genealogist came on a visit with her family. During a slow time of the visit, the conversation among the family members gravitated to family folklore. With her grandmother present, stories of the past began to unfold. Marsha's husband suggested that a trip to the family cemetery might help jog the memory of the older family members. The cemetery was located on land that had been donated

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## DGS February Regular Meeting and Computer Interest Group Meeting

Unless otherwise indicated, Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) Regular Meetings are held in the Auditorium of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library (Dallas Public Library), 1515 Young Street at Ervay, Dallas, Texas. The Computer Interest Group (CIG) meets one hour prior to the Regular Meeting in the East/West Rooms across the hall from the Auditorium. Visitors and guests are welcome. Meetings are free and open to the public.

### Regular Meeting

**Date:** Monday, 24 February 1992  
**Time:** 11:00 a.m.  
**Program Speaker:** Adrienne Bird Jamieson  
**Topic:** *Special Collections and Interlibrary Loan at the Dallas Public Library*

Through the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library, you can access materials in other libraries and archives by borrowing materials through interlibrary loan. You can also use the microform copies of the special collections of other libraries and archives that have been purchased by the Genealogy Section.

Adrienne Jamieson, who has been using the collection

for 20 years and has been on the staff of the Genealogy Section for eight years, will tell us about some of the materials available through *Special Collections and Interlibrary Loan at the Dallas Public Library*.

### Computer Interest Group Meeting

**Date:** Monday, 24 February 1992  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m.  
**Topic:** *Computer Communications*

Come take a look at and learn how to use CompuServe genealogical functions and National Genealogical Society Echo.

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**DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**  
**POST OFFICE BOX 12648 DALLAS, TEXAS 75225-0648**

Founded in 1955, the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) is the oldest organization of its kind in Texas. It is a nonprofit, tax-exempt corporation.

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#### The objective and goals of this Society are to:

- Create, foster, and maintain interest in genealogy and family history;
- Raise standards of genealogical research through educational programs, workshops, and the publication of data;
- Promote the collection and preservation of material relating to the early history of Dallas County and those pioneers who settled the area;
- Copy, index, and publish records, documents, inscriptions and other genealogical source materials;
- Support the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library; and
- Stimulate the exchange of information between Society members and genealogical researchers across the nation.

**Meetings:** The Society meets at the Dallas Public Library, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, 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 Vice-President 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. Contact the editor for permission to reprint any material contained in the *DGS Newsletter*. Copy deadline is the 5th day prior to the month of publication. All articles and 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**

## The President's Message

by Margret Hancock Pearce

Psssst.  
Com'ere.  
Closer.  
Over here.  
Don't be afraid.  
Come on.  
Closer.  
CLOSER!



Wanna have some fun?  
I know just the place.  
There's lots of talking and occasional loud laughter.  
Some giggling, snickering, and whispering.  
It's an experience you won't EVER forget.  
Really fun people. FUNNY, too!  
I can guarantee.....You'll love it.....  
As a member of the Dallas Genealogical Society Board of Directors

Very soon now the DGS Nominating Committee will be searching for good people to serve on the 1992-93 Board of Directors. Has it ever crossed your mind that you might like to "get involved" and help out on the board? No previous experience is required.

What are your interests? Do you have some special background or expertise?

Bring your enthusiasm and ideas and join a fun, dedicated group of people who, like you, love genealogy and want to make the Society the very best that it can be.

Don't be bashful. Tell someone on the board that you are willing to serve—Send us a note to the Society's P. O. Box (12648)—Give a Friend your name and have THEM pass it along—Or, tell us "Joe sent me!"—but please tell us.

We'll get the word to the right people and before you know it, you'll be excited about helping DGS become even better and filling the needs of the growing genealogical community.

DO IT! DO IT NOW! Come'on. You know you're gonna love it.

Bruce Moseley, Chairman of the spring seminar is hard at work. He is so organized. Amazing. On Wednesday the 8th, I talked to several of the board and society members. Each and every time I called someone, their first words were, "I just finished talking to Bruce Moseley." Great job, Bruce.

The spring seminar is a great starting place to get involved. There are LOTS of jobs. Many of them are not hard, and they don't take a lot of time; but the old saying really applies: MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK.

Lend a hand!

## News from DGS

### Membership Report

by Dorothy Odom Bruce

Membership renewals are still coming in daily, but over 200 members have not yet renewed. We know this is just an oversight, so consider this a gentle reminder. If you have a question about whether you have sent in your renewal, take a look at your mailing label. Does it show "92?" Great, you've renewed! If it shows "91," why don't you sit down now, write us a check, and use the handy renewal form on the inside back cover of this newsletter to send in those dues before it slips your mind again. We know you won't want to miss the March quarterly listing all the new acquisitions in the Genealogy Section or a single issue of this newsletter.

By the middle of March, I will have completed the second update to the *DGS Membership Roster* that was published last year. The update will list all new 1992 DGS members and up to eight surnames they are researching. If you have an address correction for your entry in the roster, please let me know by 1 March 1992. Sorry, we cannot change your ancestor entries. What's that? You say you don't have a membership roster? We only have a few left; so if you want one of the remaining ones, send your order to me with a check for \$3. Updates will come out periodically, but another new roster will not be done for several years.

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### Treasurers Report

by Art Rubeck

Accounts: As of 15 January 1992	
Total Cash and Bank Accounts	\$13,115.29
Total Other Assets	222.29
Total Investments	<u>6,991.59</u>
Total All Accounts	\$20,329.17

Funds: As of 15 January 1992	
Operating Fund	\$12,704.61
Life Member Fund	7,150.00
Bulk Mail Fund	222.29
Adopt-A-Book Fund	58.19
1920 Census Fund	<u>194.08</u>
Total All Funds	\$20,329.17

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*Those who say, "It cannot be done!" should move out of the way of those who are doing it!*

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to the town in the 1880's by Marsha's great-grandfather. As Marsha's aunt walked with them through the cemetery, pieces of the family history came together. Actually seeing the names on the headstones and their placement in the cemetery helped unlock memories. Armed with enough information to begin, Marsha next made a visit to the town's newspaper office. The issues containing the obituaries she sought were located in the newspaper's "morgue."

All genealogists must, at some time or another, make the inevitable trip to the bottom-most level of a newspaper office, courthouse, or other such repository. There she found what she was looking for: the obituary for her great-great grandfather. Although the family "knew" he was an only child, the article told of a sister who attended the funeral. Through further research, Marsha found that this "only" child actually had a total of six brothers and sisters. The two brothers had died young and left no heirs. The girls had married and changed their names but as was later found, still resided within 50 miles of

Marsha's family. The publication of this family history was the beginning in a series of over thirty genealogical books and articles written by Marsha.

Marsha's interest in her own family history created a need to develop, experience, and fine-tune the techniques necessary for successful research. By sharing and passing-on these techniques in her lectures, Marsha has gained recognition as one of today's expert genealogical educators specializing in methodology lectures and problem solving techniques. She has been a professional researcher and lecturer since 1980. She is certified by the Board for Certification of Genealogists as a Certified Genealogist and a Certified Genealogical Lecturer. In May 1989, she received the National Genealogical Society's Award of Merit and in 1991 the Federation of Genealogical Societies awarded her the George E. Williams Award. She is on the faculty of Samford University's Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research and is a contributing editor to the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* and *Ozar'Kin*.

## Lecture Topics for Spring Seminar

Each of the seminar topics to be presented by Marsha Hoffman Rising is designed to meet the very specific and practical needs of every genealogist. No matter the time period, the kind of problem, or the geographic area you are searching, there will be suggestions and helpful hints to solve your genealogical dilemmas.

*Problem Solving Techniques for Genealogists* provides a step-by-step model to use when approaching a new or unsolved genealogical problem. By using specific methodology, the researcher can remain focused on the problem to be solved and, at the same time, avoid endless "name gathering," which seldom answers the researcher's questions. Precise examples of how the model works with various common genealogical problems will be demonstrated.

Genealogists often become stumped as to how to acquire specific dates of birth, death, and marriage when their research moves into the 19th century. The first section of *Establishing Birth, Death, and Marriage Records before Vital Statistics* will suggest substitutes for state and town vital records when they are no longer available. The second portion will provide the more sophisticated researcher with methods for determining those dates when no substitutes exist.

"He is always right who suspects that he makes mistakes." The mistakes in genealogical research discussed in *Ten Mistakes YOU Can Avoid in Your Research* are mistakes often made by beginners, sometimes made by the experienced, and occasionally made by the experts. An awareness of the most frequent research errors—and the methods to avoid them—will help genealogists who wish to improve their skills and enrich their family history.

## Spring Seminar Schedule

The 36th Annual DGS Spring Seminar will be held in the spacious Richardson Civic Center on Saturday, 28 March 1992. Schedule of events:

- 8:00 a.m. Registration (Vendors open)
- 9:00 a.m. Lecture: *Problem-Solving Techniques for Genealogists: I*
- 10:00 a.m. Break (Vendors open)
- 10:30 a.m. Lecture: *Problem-Solving Techniques for Genealogists: II*
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch (Vendors open)
- 12:45 p.m. DGS Book Awards
- 1:00 p.m. Lecture: *Establishing Birth, Death, and Marriage Records before Vital Statistics*
- 2:00 p.m. Break (Vendors Open)
- 2:30 p.m. Lecture: *Ten Mistakes YOU Can Avoid in Your Research*
- 3:30 p.m. Question and Answer Session

The Richardson Civic Center is on the west side of Central Expressway (Hwy 75), just south Arapaho Road. Arapaho Road is 3 miles north of LBJ Freeway (I-635).

### SEMINAR REGISTRATION

Enrollment will be limited to 700. Preregistration is strongly advised.

A registration form, along with registration fees, information, and deadlines, is on page 24. Please read carefully. Members will be mailed a registration flier.

## DGS Researchers List

The following members of the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) have indicated they will conduct genealogical research for a fee. Each person has completed and submitted a questionnaire listing their experience, areas of research and expertise, and answered up to twenty questions concerning their services. The list is alphabetical and does not recommend any one researcher. To determine each person's abilities, consult the key to types of research commissions and availability listed below. If a question was not answered, no entry is shown for that number.

DGS does not endorse or recommend any researcher and is not responsible for their claims, work, or services. This list is provided as a service to our members and to those requesting the names of members who will conduct research for a fee. All arrangements and contracts must be made between the researcher and the client.

When contacting a researcher concerning a possible commission, it is customary to state in your letter what type of service you are seeking. Include pertinent ancestor charts, family group sheets, and any other information that will help the researcher make a determination concerning ability to perform the service, estimated length of time for the research, and estimated fee involved. Most researchers require a set number of prepaid hours. Always include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

### Boehringer, Edwin L.

P. O. Box 751; Lancaster, TX 75146

Researcher—26 years; Localities—Ger., Scot., So. States; Special—Medieval, Noble, Royal, German Lines, Heraldry, Name Origins; Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. Yes; 5. Yes; 6. No; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 13. Negotiable; 14. Yes; 15. No; 16. Yes; 17. Yes; 18. Yes; 19. Yes; 20. Set.

### Burks, Janet Baker

903/593-8784

Route 22, Box 289; Tyler (Smith Co.) TX 75704-9710

Certified Genealogist; Member—Association of Professional Genealogists; Researcher—14 years; Localities—all counties in E. TX; Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. No; 4. Yes—DAR, DAC, UDC, USD, 1812, DUV; 5. No; 6. No; 7. No—E. TX area; 8. Yes—E. TX area; 9. Genealogy, Maps; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 13. Smith Co. TX Archives; 14. No; 15. No; 16. Yes; 17. Yes; 18. Yes, E. TX; 19. Yes; 20. Set.

### Burns, Sharon King

405/348-3124

813 Willow Ridge; Edmond, OK 73034-3075

Member—Association of Professional Genealogists; Researcher—13 years; Localities—OK, MO, TN; Special—Indian Research; Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. No; 5. Yes; 6. Yes; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. Genealogy; 10. Yes; 11. No; 12. No; 13. OK, TN, MO, Western History Col. at Univ. of OK, Indian Archives in Okla. City; 14. Yes; 15. Yes; 16. No; 17. No; 18. Yes—OK; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.

### KEY:

1. Will accept any type of research commission
2. Will search for specific records at clients request
3. Will trace multi-generation lineages
4. Will prepare lineage papers for hereditary societies—specified
5. Will compile genealogies for publication
6. Will edit genealogies for publication
7. Works only in Dallas area
8. Available to travel to localities
9. Will research in Dallas Public Library—specify Genealogy Section, History/Social Science Dept., Government Documents, Maps Collection
10. Will research in courthouses
11. Will research in Ft. Worth Regional Branch of National Archives
12. Will research in TX State Library/Archives
13. Other libraries/Archives searched
14. Will research in a LDS Family History Center
15. Will research at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, UT
16. Will search church archives
17. Will research in a law library
18. Will visit cemeteries and take photos
19. Prepares client reports
20. Fee (Set/Variable)

### Dyes, Edwina Moseley

214/373-0103

3723 Northwest Parkway; Dallas, TX 75225-3701

Researcher—10 years; Localities—TX, TN, MA, OH, NY; Special—Deeds, Marriages, House Histories; Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. Yes—DAR; 5. Yes; 6. Yes; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 13. NY, TN; Barker Library at Univ. of TX; 14. Yes; 15. No; 16. Yes—Episcopal; 17. Yes—SMU Law Library; 18. Yes; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.

### Gaddis, Luman L.

903/843-2245

900 Elizabeth Street; Gilmer, TX 75644-3044

Member—Association of Professional Genealogists; Researcher—25 years; Localities—So. States, Eng., Scot.; Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. No; 5. No; 6. No; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. Genealogy, History, Government; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 13. TX, NC, SC, GA, MS, AR, AL; 14. Yes; 15. Yes; 16. Yes—Methodist; 17. No; 18. Yes—Scot. Eng., and So. States; 19. Yes; 20. Set.

### Gillispie, Mark

214/526-8842

2912 Hawthorne; Dallas, TX 75219

Researcher—4 years; Localities—TX, Midwest, VA, WV; Key: 1. No; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. No; 5. No; 6. No; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 13. OK, NB; 14. Yes; 15. Yes; 16. Yes—SMU; 17. No; 18. Yes—Dallas & 100 mile radius; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.

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- Harrington, Olivia Ann Burton** 214/298-1341  
622 E. Cherry; Duncanville, TX 75116  
Researcher—15 years; Localities—VA, KY, TN, TX; Key: 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. Yes—DRT; 7. Yes; 9. Genealogy, Maps; 14. Yes; 18. Yes—S.W. Dallas Co.; 19. Yes; 20. Set.
- Hatcher, Patricia Law** 214/327-8449  
8040 Claremont Drive; Dallas, TX 75228  
Member—Association of Professional Genealogists; Researcher—10 years; Key: 2. No, except Salt Lake City; 3. Yes; 5. Yes; 6. Yes; 7. Yes; 8. No; 9. All; 10. No; 11. No; 12. No; 13. No; 14. Yes; 15. Yes; 17. Yes; 18. Yes; 19. Yes; 20. Set.
- Hudson, Margaret Ann** 214/661-5126  
P. O. Box 670327; Dallas, TX 75367-2653  
Researcher—25 years; Localities—TX, KY, AL, GA, SC, TN; Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. Yes—DAR, DRT; 5. Yes; 6. Yes—Typeset from disk; 7. Yes; 8. No; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 14. Yes; 15. Yes; 17. Yes; 18. Yes—Dallas, Galveston; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.
- Lee, Sammie Townsend** 214/349-1435  
10655 Longmeadow Drive; Dallas, TX 75238-2828  
Member—Association of Professional Genealogists; Researcher—13 years; Localities—TX, Midwest & So. States; Special—Lineages & Compiling Genealogies for publication, word processing; Key: 1. No; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. Yes—Patriotic Societies; 5. Yes; 6. No; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 13. Allen Co. Pub. Lib. in Ft. Wayne IN, MS Arch., GA Arch.; 14. Yes; 15. Yes; 16. No; 17. No; 18. Yes—Dallas, 100 mile radius; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.
- Lemons, Nova A.** 214/241-2739  
12206 Brisbane Avenue; Dallas, TX 75234-6528  
Researcher—14 years; Localities—Dallas Co. & surrounding N. TX; Key: 1. No; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. No; 5. Yes; 6. Yes; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. No; 14. Yes; 15. No; 16. No; 17. No; 18. Yes—N.E. TX, S.E. OK; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.
- McLaurin, Banks, Jr.** 214/368-4357  
5843 Royal Crest Drive; Dallas, TX 75230  
Certified Genealogist; Researcher—37 years; Localities—all; Special—Marlboro Co. SC, Richmond Co. NC, Travis Co. TX, Suffolk Co. NY, VA; Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. Genealogy; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 18. Yes; 20. Set
- Meyers, Kelvin L.** 214/522-0877  
4150 Wycliff, # 104; Dallas, TX 75219  
Member—Association of Professional Genealogists; Researcher—15 years; Localities—TX, SC, MS; Key: 1. No; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. No; 5. No; 6. No; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 13. Jackson MS, Columbia SC, Okla. City OK; 14. Yes; 15. Yes; 16. Yes—Methodist/Baptist in Dallas area; 17. Yes; 18. N.W. TX, OK, AR; 19. Yes; 20. Set.
- Mullins, Mack W.** 817/752-3234  
2717 North 42nd; Waco, TX 76710  
Researcher—10 years; Localities—Central TX Counties, So. States; Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. No; 5. No; 6. No; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 14. No; 15. No; 16. Bapt./Cath./Meth. in Cntl. TX; 17. Yes; 18. No; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.
- Nicholls, Opal Vernon** 214/823-6572  
4831 West Lawther Drive, # 121; Dallas, TX 75214  
Researcher—10 years; Localities—Hillsborough Co. FL, Loudoun Co. VA; Key: 1. No; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. Yes—DAR; 5. No; 6. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 14. Yes; 15. No; 16. No; 18. N. E. TX; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.
- Robinette, Lyn T.** 214/358-5754  
3017 Brockbank Ct.; Dallas, TX 75220  
Researcher—11 years; Localities—TX (Chambers, Liberty, & Dallas Counties), LA (Lafayette & St Martin Parishes); Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. Yes—DRT, 1812, UDC, DUV; 5. No; 6. No; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 14. No; 15. No; 17. Yes; 18. Dallas, Ft. Worth, S.E. TX; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.
- Rogers, Linda Shaddock** 214/670-2042  
401 Kimberly Drive; Mesquite, TX 75149-2524  
Member—Association of Professional Genealogists; Researcher—10 years; Localities—TX, So. States; Special—Word Processing; Key: 1. No; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. Yes—Patriotic/Lineage Societies; 5. Yes; 6. Yes; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 14. Yes; 15. Yes; 16. Yes; 17. Yes; 18. Dallas & 100 mile radius; 19. Yes; 20. Set.
- Sellers, John A.** 214/320-2051  
7440 La Vista, # 101; Dallas, TX 75214-4295  
Researcher—7 years; Localities—N. E. Texas (Hopkins, Delta Counties; Special—Courthouse Research; Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 4. No; 5. No; 6. No; 7. No; 8. Yes; 9. Genealogy, History, Government; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 14. Yes; 15. No; 16. No; 17. No; 18. Dallas & N.E. TX; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.
- Tappan, Thomas E.** 214/363-8499  
The Forum, # 344; 7831 Park Lane; Dallas, TX 75225  
Researcher—30 years; Localities—West TN, East AR; Key: 1. No; 2. No; 3. No; 4. Yes—Tappan Line; 5. Yes; 6. No; 7. Yes; 8. No; 18. Yes; 19. No.
- Young, Connie Copeland** 214/255-4645  
3001 Hillcrest Drive; Irving, TX 75062  
Researcher—10 years; Localities—TX (Dallas & Milam Counties, E. TX); TN (Wayne & Hardin Counties); Key: 1. Yes; 2. Yes; 3. Yes; 5. Yes; 6. Yes; 8. Yes; 9. All; 10. Yes; 11. Yes; 12. Yes; 13. TN; 14. No; 15. Yes; 17. No; 18. Yes; 19. Yes; 20. Variable.

[Updated 25 January 1992]



## News from the Library

In the January newsletter this column reported the shifting of thousands of books from the shelves in the Genealogy Section reading room to closed shelving in the restricted area. This has now been completed. Many patrons are expressing confusion as to what has happened to the books and how to now access them. By understanding what was moved and how to request the books, the process of accessing the books will become easier.

The books that were moved all have numbers that begin R929.3 and are books that pertain to county primary source records in all states. This includes records such as marriages, cemetery records, deeds, court records, etc. The R929.3 books that cover statewide records were not moved and remain in the reading room.

To gain access to these books, first check the card catalog or the LSCAN computer to find a call number. Write down the title of the book and the call number on a call slip. Enter the call number into the computer to see if the book you want is in closed stacks or on the shelves in the reading room. An "S" designation indicates the book is in closed stacks. An "L" designation indicates the book is in the limited access area. Either of these designations is your clue to take the call slip to a staff member and have them get the book for you. (If there is no letter designation, the book is on the shelves in the reading room.) If you do not know how to use the library's computer, please request a demonstration.

Remember, only those books that pertain to a primary source record in a county and begin with R929.3 were moved. All other sources are still located on shelving in the section's reading room.

## DGS People

In 1990, two books received honorable mention certificates in the DGS Book Awards Competition for that year: Michal Martin Farmer's book, *Adam Martin 1755-1835 and Thomas Roy Musick 1757-1842, St. Louis County, Missouri Pioneers, Their Ancestors, Descendants, and Related Families* and Linda Shaddock Rogers' manuscript, *Clark County, Arkansas Births, Marriages, Deaths of Arkadelphia and Environs As Recorded 1875-1897* by James A. Fortson. Linda Rogers went on to publish her manuscript; and in 1991 it won the DGS book award certificate in the category of a book on local history or genealogy.

Recently, both of these books were submitted to the National Genealogical Society for review. We are proud to report that the current issue of the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* (79:4, December 1991), contains glowing reviews for both books. Linda's book was reviewed by Desmond Walls Allen, a noted genealogist and author from Arkansas. Ms. Allen states in her review, "Family Historians are fortunate that Fortson's record has been made available through Rogers effort. As a transcriber and editor, her work appears meticulous..."

Michal's book was reviewed by Marsha Hoffman Rising, our spring seminar speaker. In referring to Michal's book she states, "The crafting of this work is scholarly...The author has reached the prevailing level of an acceptably compiled genealogy."

Congratulations Linda and Michal! We are proud of both of these DGS members and their outstanding publications!

### DGS 1992 Book Awards Competition

Now is the time to get your book, manuscript, or article in for the 1992 DGS Book Awards Competition.

The deadline is 29 February and the certificates will be awarded at the spring seminar, where all entries will be on display. Entry forms are available from the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library or one will be sent to you by mail upon request. Check the January *DGS Newsletter*, page 5, for the categories and competition rules. (The entry form also includes the categories and rules.) You must be a DGS member in good standing to submit an entry.

### Family Histories

Many DGS members have recorded their family's history in print for future generations. Usually, this is our only guarantee, as genealogists, that our work will be seen by others.

One long-time DGS member, Edwin D. Kuykendall, has published *Looking Back* in six volumes. Compiled, written, published, and distributed by Mr. Kuykendall, the six volumes contain the history of his family and ancestors and his wife's family. He began his research, after retirement, by interviewing relatives for clues. He credits his writing style and documentation to his training and career as an agent for the F.B.I. He says he believes strongly in good documentation and is proud of the heritage he has left to his descendants. He advises anyone interested in helping their family know more about their heritage to get busy and put it into print.

### New Recording Secretary

Due to increased demands on her time by her job and the joys of being a newly wed, Cecelia Stephens Martin has resigned as the DGS Recording Secretary. We wish her much luck and happiness.

To our delight, Helen Mason Lu has agreed to fill this vacancy. Helen's dedication to DGS is legendary and the entire board of directors welcomes her and her contributions.

## Guide to Resources in the Dallas Public Library Genealogy Collection

### 1920 Census Ordered for the Genealogy Collection

In December 1991, DGS placed an order for over 1500 rolls of 1920 U. S. Census and Soundex with the American Genealogical Lending Library (AGLL). Below is a list of the 1920 United States Census ordered. (In the next issue we will print the list of Soundex rolls ordered.) The census and Soundex microfilm is not expected to arrive in the Genealogy Section until May or possibly June of 1992.

The purchase of this film was made possible by donations received from DGS members and friends and from monies raised at DGS symposiums and seminars. This is an on-going project. Donations are welcome and may be made to DGS or to the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library. Each microfilm roll of census or soundex is \$15.

TYPE	STATE	COUNTIES	NO. OF ROLLS	SERIES	ROLL NO.
census	Alabama	all	45	T625	1-45
census	Arkansas	all	34	T625	53-86
census	Florida	all	19	T625	214-232
census	Georgia	all	54	T625	233-286
census	Illinois	all	124	T625	296-419
census	Indiana	all	56	T625	420-475
census	Iowa	all	46	T625	476-521
census	Kansas	all	35	T625	522-556
census	Kentucky	all	46	T625	557-602
census	Louisiana	all	34	T625	603-636
census	Maryland	Baltimore City (part)	1	T625	656
census	Michigan	Muskegon	2	T625	788, 789
census	Mississippi	all	34	T625	868-901
census	Missouri	all	65	T625	902-966
census	Nebraska	all	25	T625	979-1003
census	New Mexico	Chavez	1	T625	1074
census	New York	Chemung	2	T625	1092, 1093
census	New York	Herkimer	1	T625	1115
census	New York	Jefferson	1	T625	1116
census	New York	Lewis	1	T625	1117
census	New York	Kings (part)	3	T625	1143-1145
census	New York	Oneida	4	T625	1242-1245



census	New York	St Lawrence	2	T625	1259, 1260
census	New York	Westchester	7	T625	1275-1281
census	North Carolina	Columbus	1	T625	1292
census	North Carolina	Cumberland	1	T625	1293
census	North Carolina	Davie/Madison	1	T625	1294
census	North Carolina	New Hanover	2	T625	1312, 1313
census	Ohio	all	117	T625	1334-1450
census	Oklahoma	all	40	T625	1451-1490
census	Pennsylvania	Allegheny	22	T625	1509-1530
census	Pennsylvania	Jefferson	2	T625	1575, 1576
census	Pennsylvania	Tioga	2	T625	1612, 1613
census	South Dakota	Bonhomme	1	T625	1714
census	Tennessee	all	44	T625	1728-1771
census	Texas	all	89	T625	1772-1860
census	Vermont	all	7	T625	1870-1876
census	Virginia	Allegheny	1	T625	1878
census	Virginia	Bath	1	T625	1879
census	Virginia	Botetourt	1	T625	1880
census	Virginia	Culpeper	1	T625	1883
census	Virginia	Highland	1	T625	1893
census	Virginia	Russell	1	T625	1913
census	West Virginia	Logan	2	T625	1954, 1955
census	West Virginia	Ohio	2	T625	1966, 1967
census	Wisconsin	Clark	2	T625	1979, 1980
census	Wisconsin	Milwaukee (part)	1	T625	1997
census	Wisconsin	Portage	2	T625	2010, 2011
census	military/naval	all	2	T625	2040, 2041
census	Puerto Rico	town of Carolina	1	T625	2050
census	Puerto Rico	town of Loiza Aldea	1	T625	2060
census	Virgin Islands	all	1	T625	2070

### DGS Special Project: 1920 U.S. Census Project Donations

DGS would like to acknowledge the generous donations received in December and January for the 1920 Census Project: Milton F. Svetik (In memory of Zephiniah Harvey Woodall); Mr. and Mrs. Dan R. Gentry; Roberta G. Isley; E. C. Petree; Banks McLaurin, Jr. (in memory of Margaret Pratt); Doris M. Adams; Martha C. Law (in memory of Thomas Kirkbride); Raymond C. Whisnant (in memory of Owen Toy Whisnant); M. B. Henderson; Cecelia E. Bellman (in memory of Virginia Avery Jones and Cecelia Kiernan Graziadai); Evelyn J. Thoes (in memory of Stella Copeland Johnson); Lucille A. Boykin.

## 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.

**DICKINSON  
WHITLEY  
McCLAIN**

Burr Frank DICKINSON, son of Richard B. DICKINSON and Mary WHITLEY, eloped with Roxie E. McClain, and they were married 26 Mar 1882 in Itawamba Co., MS. They had 5 daughters: Martha, Docia, Minnie, Carrie, and Floria. Floria died 27 May 1893, and Roxie died 10 Jun 1893. Who were Roxie's parents? Did they live in Alabama, Mississippi, or Texas near Grandview. Was Floria born in Mississippi or Texas? Postage and copy expense refunded. La Darla Walker Keith; P. O. Box 550673; Dallas, TX 75355-0673; 214/348-7276

**LINCOLN  
GEE  
WEAVER  
HOPKINS  
CARTER**

Seeking information about the parents of Jesse Gee LINCOLN, born 15 Sep 1807, Cumberland River, KY; died 30 Dec 1892, TX. He married Rachel NORTON, 13 Jun 1830 in Schyler Co., IL; moved to Polk Co., MO, in 1836-7 and Fannin Co., TX, in 1843. Per the *Dallas Morning News* of 23 Oct 1892, Jesse Gee LINCOLN was a cousin to President Abraham LINCOLN. What is the connection? Also, seeking the parents of the following: 1. Rachel Norton LINCOLN, born about 1811 in Indiana; died about 1857 in Texas. 2. Larkin WEAVER. 3. Charlie B. Hopkins. 4. Susan Whitehead Hopkins. 5. John Bailey Carter, born 12 May 1870; died 20 Aug 1912. 6. Sarah "Addie" Elliott CARTER, born 23 Jan 1842; died 17 Apr 1912. Neva Jane Carter McPherson; 2102 Chisholm Trail; Grand Prairie, TX 75052

**HOLMES  
SAMPSON  
JOHNSON  
KNIGHT**

Seeking information on John/Johnie HOLMES, born about 1845, Walker Co., TX (or possibly Alabama). Married Laura SAMPSON, born between 1842—1859 in Tennessee or Old Waverly, TX. They lived in Walker Co. and Polk Co., TX. Sons: John and George HOLMES. Also, information on Chris/Cris JOHNSON, born about 1846 in Mississippi; married Leah/Lea KNIGHT, born about 1860 in Moscow, TX; and lived in Moscow. Had one known daughter, Anna JOHNSON. Leah Knight JOHNSON's mother was Sallie KNIGHT, born 1834 in Alabama. Her other children: Mariah, Penny, Gussie, Sarah, Leah, and Danial KNIGHT. Marvin Holmes; 14825 Erwin Street, #201; Van Nuys, CA 91411; 818/994/4962

**WAGLEY**

Interested in contacting anyone researching Joseph and Abraham WAGLEY and their descendants.  
Avis W. Miller; 1226 Donna Drive; Richardson, TX 75080

**WHITE**

Would like to correspond with descendants of Sophia and Lewis WHITE who lived in Blount Co., AL, 1830-1870.  
Pamela Meier; 1617 Montana Trail; Plano, TX 75023

**RANKIN  
GEORGE  
PARKER**

Searching for descendants of Harry M. RANKIN and wife, Cherry B. GEORGE; married Ellis Co., TX, 11 Nov 1888. Believed to have had two daughters: Bell (married Claude PARKER) and Vallie. Harry M. RANKIN died in Dallas 4 Jul 1920. Will share RANKIN information. Ned P. Williams; 3623 Pomeroy Drive; Dallas, TX 75233-3023

**JOHNSON  
FRAZIER  
SMITH  
JOHNSTON  
CULWELL  
OXFORD**

(1) Seeking information on parents and need dates of birth on Robert M. JOHNSON and Margaret FRAZIER who married 6 Oct 1853 in Lafayette Co., MS?  
(2) Seeking information on parents of Saphronia Edelia SMITH, born 9 Apr 1861; married Hiram Reed JOHNSON/JOHNSTON on 28 Sep 1879 in Lafayette Co., MS.  
(3) Seeking information on parents of George R. FRAZIER who was murdered in Knox Co., TX (Near Vera) in July 1892 (have newspaper article telling about this murder).  
(4) Seeking information on Joshua CULWELL and wife Lucinda OXFORD, who arrived in Parker Co., TX, about 1856. After death of Joshua (about 1867), Lucinda married H. R. FRAZIER.  
Francis Lindell; 7324 Clemson; Dallas, TX 75214-1721

# DGS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1992

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**Dues: Check Appropriate Line**

Annual, per household . . . . .	\$14 _____
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Life Membership . . . . .	\$100 _____

**Mail to: Membership; Dallas Genealogical Society; P. O. Box 25556; Dallas, TX 75225-1556**

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## DGS Spring Seminar Registration Information

Enrollment will be limited to 700. **PREREGISTRATION IS STRONGLY ADVISED.** Preregistration guarantees a Seminar Syllabus containing the speaker's handouts. Only those who have preregistered will be eligible for door prizes. Preregistration must be postmarked or delivered to the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library by **15 MARCH 1992.**

**PREREGISTRATION IS \$22. REGISTRATION AFTER 15 MARCH IS \$27.** If you wish confirmation of your reservation, please enclosed a self-addressed, **STAMPED** postcard or envelope. Registrations mailed after 15 March **MUST** include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

To check on availability of space for walk-in registrations, you may call Bruce Moseley at 235-6010 or Margret Pearce at 341-0212 on Friday, 27 March. **WALK-IN REGISTRATION WILL BE \$27.**

### Lunch

Tables will be provided at the Civic Center for your convenience. You may bring a brown-bag lunch. Vending machines for drinks are available.

Again this year, you may purchase a box lunch from Taffy's Restaurant. The lunches include sandwich, fruit, dessert, and tea for \$6.50, inclusive. **MAKE RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT FOR BOX LUNCHES WHEN YOU PREREGISTER.** If you wish to go out, there are restaurants and fast-food places in the area.

## ↓ PREREGISTRATION FORM ↓

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## 1992 SPRING SEMINAR *featuring* MARSHA HOFFMAN RISING

Saturday, March 28, 8:00AM-4:00PM

Dallas Genealogical Society

Please use one form for each person (copies permitted). \_\_\_\_\_ \$22, preregistration (postmarked by 15 March)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ \$27, after 15 March

Address \_\_\_\_\_ \$6.50, box lunch from Taffy's

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ circle sandwich choice: ham turkey

Make check payable to: Dallas Genealogical Society \_\_\_\_\_ **Total enclosed** Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose SASE for confirmation.

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Are you a DGS member? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

# 1992 Genealogy Calendar

## DGS Meetings and Seminars

(For program information, see page 14)

### Monday, 24 February 1992 — Meetings

10:00 a.m. Computer Interest Group  
*Computer Communications*  
11:00 a.m. Meeting/Program  
*Special Collections and Interlibrary Loan*  
*at the Dallas Public Library*  
Speaker: Adrienne Jamieson

### Monday 23 March 1992 — Meetings

6:00 p.m. Computer Interest Group  
7:00 p.m. Meeting/Program  
*Do You Qualify to Join?*  
Speakers: A Panel of  
Heritage and Patriotic Society Experts

### Saturday, 28 March 1992 — Spring Seminar

8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. 1992 DGS Spring Seminar  
Richardson Civic Center  
Guest Speaker: Marsha Hoffman Rising  
*[See pages 13, 16, and 23 for details]*

### Monday, 27 April 1992 — Meetings

10:00 a.m. Computer Interest Group  
11:00 a.m. Meeting/Program  
*Photographic and Document Preservation*  
Speaker: Andy Reisberg

### Monday, 18 May 1992 — Meetings

6:00 p.m. Annual Reception  
7:00 p.m. Annual Business Meeting

Mark your calendar now for  
30 May, 27 June, and 25 July 1992!

*1992 Summer Lecture Series*

Watch for details in the April *DGS Newsletter*

## Other Genealogy Meetings, Workshops, and Conferences

### Saturday, 14 March 1992 Workshop

Grand Prairie Genealogical Society  
P. O. Box 532026, Grand Prairie, TX 75053  
Speaker: Sharon Ashton  
Topic: Researching Indian Genealogy

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1992 Spring Seminar with  
Marsha Hoffman Rising

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