

# DGS NEWSLETTER

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## DGS Announces Calendar of Fall Events

While the rest of you were enjoying exciting and exotic vacations this summer, the officers, directors, and various planning committees of the Dallas Genealogical Society were busy organizing Society activities for the upcoming fall months. On the drawing board are meetings, educational classes, workshops, a trip, and several new ideas to be announced as the year progresses to a close.

Dorothy Bruce, Vice President for Programs, announced the regular meeting programs for the fall months of September, October, and November. She has lined up three enthusiastic DGS members who will deliver three very diverse programs: Jan McFarland on the plans for expansion of the Genealogy Section; Sammie Lee on research repositories in our home state; and Pat Hatcher on the methodology of using the census. Check page 103 for all the details.

DGS Computer Interest Group Director, John Wylie, announced the DGSCIG program schedule for the fall. Interest in this group has continued to steadily grow this year, thanks primarily to the excellent presentations on computers and computer technology offered by John and his speakers. For details on his outstanding DGSCIG programs for September, October, and November, see page 103 and 104.

This fall, DGS will sponsor its very first tour to Salt Lake City, Utah, for research in the fabulous Family History Library. About thirty lucky people will leave Dallas on 31 October 1993 for seven research-packed days. Six experienced DGS members—Barbara Baylis, Dorothy Bruce, Madilyn Crane, Pat Hatcher, Sammie Lee, and Art Rubeck—will be along as tour guides. Fifteen have already signed up, but there is still space for *you*. The guides promise lots and lots of research and lots and lots of fun. Need a brochure? Call Sammie (349-1435) or Dorothy (239-4901), and one will be in the mail to you that day. But hurry! Orientation classes begin at the end of September to prepare for the trip.

Put 13 November 1993 on your calendar as the date for the 6th Annual DGS Genealogy Symposium and 12th Annual Beginners Workshop. This event just gets better and better each year! Art Rubeck, Executive Vice President and Workshop Chairman, announced an exceptional lineup of over 30 sessions presented by 20 knowledgeable speakers. We are very excited about our new site for this event. We outgrew our old location and have booked the spacious Dallas Convention Center. Talk about roominess and comfort! No more crowded conditions. And we're doing it at the same old price. Also, more exhibitors than ever before are expected in the large exhibition hall.

To give you all the details on the symposium and beginners workshop, we have compiled a special pull-out section for this newsletter. Keep it handy while you make your decisions about what and who you want to hear this year.

If we've gotten you excited about the fall events, good news! It's just the beginning. Watch this space to see what else the DGS Executive Board has up its collective sleeve. We're counting on you to be a part of the fun and excitement of the DGS Fall of '93!



# DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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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 object 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 DGS regular meetings are held on the 4th Monday, September through May, except for December. The DGS Computer Interest Group meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday, September through May, except for December.

### Membership:

Individuals, libraries, or societies may apply for membership. 1993 annual dues are \$18 for the calendar year. New member dues and renewals should be mailed to the Society at Post Office Box 25556, Dallas, Texas 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 bi-monthly. Contact the editor for permission to reprint any material contained in the *DGS Newsletter*. Copy deadline for the November-December *DGS Newsletter* is 25 September 1993. All articles and correspondence for the *DGS Newsletter* should be mailed to the Society at Post Office Box 12648, Dallas, Texas 75225-0648 and marked to the attention of the Newsletter Editor.



## DGS Calendar of Events

EVENT	DAY AND DATE	TIME	SPEAKER	PROGRAM OR INFORMATION
DGSCIG Meeting	Thursday, 9 September	6:30 P.M.	Jeri J. Steele [see page 103]	<i>INTERNET: The Latest, Hot On-line Service for the Genealogist</i>
Regular Meeting	Monday, 17 September	7:00 P.M.	Jan Bishop McFarland [see page 103]	<i>Expansion of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library</i>
DGSCIG Meeting	Thursday, 14 October	6:30 P.M.	John V. Wylie [see page 104]	<i>MILLENNIUM: A Full Color Historical Atlas and Chronicle for the Genealogist</i>
Regular Meeting	Monday, 25 October	11:00 A.M.	Sammie Townsend Lee [see page 103]	<i>Texas Repositories and Their Treasures: Where to Research in the Lone Star State</i>
Special: DGS Trip to Salt Lake City	Departs: 31 October Returns: 7 November		Tour Guides: Barbara Baylis Dorothy Bruce Madilyn Crane Pat Hatcher Sammie Lee Art Rubeck	DGS Sponsored Tour to research in the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. \$450, double occupancy; \$600 single occupancy. Call 239-4901 or 349-1435 for more details.
DGSCIG Meeting	Thursday, 11 November	6:30 P.M.	John V. Wylie [see page 104]	<i>ROOTS IV: The Next Generation</i>
Special: Symposium	Saturday, 13 November	8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.	Twenty speakers [see special pull-out insert in this newsletter]	6th Annual DGS Genealogy Symposium & 12th Annual Beginners Workshop to be held in the Dallas Convention Center. Over 40 sessions.
Regular Meeting	Monday, 22 November	7:00 P.M.	Patricia Law Hatcher [see page 103]	<i>"My Ancestor Isn't in the Census:" Are You Sure?</i>
Special: Spring Seminar	Saturday, 16 April 1994	8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.	Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck	38th Annual Spring Seminar to be held at the Dallas Convention Center. Topics to be announced.

**Regular Meetings:** Unless otherwise indicated, DGS Regular Meetings are held on the fourth Monday, September-May (except December), in the Auditorium of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library (Dallas Public Library), 1515 Young Street in downtown Dallas.

**Computer Interest Group Meetings:** Unless otherwise indicated, the DGS Computer Interest Group (DGSCIG) meetings are held on the second Thursday, September-May (except December), in the Auditorium of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library. Additionally, the DGSCIG holds a question and answer meeting in the library's East/West Rooms (across the hall from the Auditorium) on the fourth Monday, one hour prior to the Regular Meeting.

**Regular Meetings and DGSCIG Meetings** are free; visitors and guests are welcome.



## DGS NEWS



### The President's Message

by J. Bruce Moseley

The 1993-94 Society year is now underway, and it holds lots of promise for us. The Summer Lecture Series has been completed, and we are truly indebted to Sammie Lee and her committee for providing us such an outstanding list of programs and slate of speakers. All who helped with the Series have the thanks and gratitude of the entire membership.

There's lots more to come, however! For openers, our next big event will be the Salt Lake City Research Tour, a new type of educational opportunity being offered for the first time. This will be followed closely by the Fall Symposium and Beginners Workshop, which promises to be bigger and better than ever. Both of these presentations are covered in more detail elsewhere in this newsletter. All in all, it should be an enlightening, enjoyable autumn!

#### We need your ideas

Your Executive Board wants to give the membership of DGS a quality program throughout the year. Our goal is to offer a complete package from which you will derive a lot of personal satisfaction and enjoyment. We think we're on the right track, but it helps to receive your comments and suggestions on a regular basis. Please pass on to any officer or director your thoughts and ideas on how DGS can do a better job of meeting your needs. We will try to incorporate them as soon as possible. Let us hear from you!

**Take a good look at your newsletter. If pages are missing or have been assembled incorrectly, please let us know as soon as possible. We can replace defective newsletters if notified before our supply is gone. We also need to know if your newsletter is defective, so that we can speak to our printer about any problems. Call Sammie at 349-1435.**



### Treasurer's Report

by Laurie Goggan Wharton

#### Assets as of 26 June 1993

Cash and Bank Accounts	
Checking-NationsBank	\$14,855.55
Money Market-Bank One	4,949.46
Bulk Mail Deposit	518.75
Life Member Investments	
MMF-Cash Equivalent Fund	2,234.26
Note-U.S.Treasury	<u>5,396.87</u>

**Total \$27,954.89**

#### Funds as of 26 June 1993

Operating Fund	\$12,812.14
Life Member Fund	9,250.00
Bulk Mail Fund	518.75
Publications Fund	<u>5,374.00</u>

**Total \$27,954.89**

## Membership

by Leslie Smith Collier

#### Members as of 30 Jun 1993

Regular Members	837
Libraries	17
Life	63

#### Total DGS membership 917

DGS welcomes 51 new members since the end of May. Urge your fellow genealogists to join the fun, reminding them that no better bargain is to be found than the continuing education provided by our meetings, projects, and publications.

The fee for the remainder of 1993 is \$18.00 for regular membership. Sustaining, patron, and life memberships also available.

Address: DGS Membership  
P.O. Box 25556  
Dallas, TX 75225



## DGS VOLUNTEER DESK

by Helen Mason Lu

The Dallas Public Library has given approval for the Dallas Genealogical Society to staff a volunteer desk in the Genealogy Department. The purpose for this desk is to:

1. Assist the library staff with collecting data on patron use for the Capital Expansion Project.
2. Sell DGS materials (books, microfiche, charts, and forms), thus freeing the library staff for other duties.
3. Promote membership for DGS and explain our goals and activities.

At present DGS will staff the desk with a limited number of volunteers. As more DGS members come forth, we eventually hope to staff the desk a good portion of each day. Each DGS volunteer will be required to attend a training session before they can work on the desk. Our guidelines and those of the Dallas Public Library will be covered in the training session.

DGS volunteers will not provide genealogical advice or advise on using the genealogy collection or equipment. This is the duty of the library staff and related questions will be directed to them.

Volunteers will be given a free parking pass for the hours they work. At present we are scheduling work hours for: 2 or 4 hours — once a week or once a month. The same hours will be assigned all the time and volunteers will be expected to be on desk duty at their assigned hours.

Interested DGS Members may leave their name and telephone number with the library staff or may contact:

Helen M. Lu — 350-6586, Coordinator

John Wylie — 495-4410, Capital Expansion Project Committee

Don't forget about our exciting fall tour to Salt Lake City to research in the Family History Library. So far, we have 15 excited researchers signed-up to depart on 31 October for one full week of nonstop research. This means we are now half full, but there is still room for you. For an information brochure, call Dorothy Bruce at 239-4901.



## DGSCIG

by John V. Wylie

The purpose of the Dallas Genealogical Society Computer Interest Group (DGSCIG) is to promote and facilitate the use of computer technology in the Dallas Genealogical Society and, in return, to assist the Society as appropriate.

### New Meeting Night!

The big news this month is the change in meeting nights for the DGSCIG. The two-hour in-depth sessions will be held on the **Second Thursday at 6:30 P.M.** starting in September. Reminders will be mailed to those who have attended a DGSCIG meeting last year. If you're not sure you are on our mailing list, drop me a postcard in care of DGS.

The computer question and answer session before each regularly scheduled DGS meeting has not changed. These sessions start one hour before each DGS meeting and are focused toward those getting started with computers in genealogy.

We still need volunteers to perform data entry for the genealogy section of the Dallas Public Library.

### Civil War Project

The **Names Indexing Project of the Civil War Soldiers System Database** is an effort by many agencies and societies to index the 5.2 million index cards of civil war service records currently on film into computer-readable format. These index cards were created at the end of the 19th century by War Department clerks. Working on home computers, using paper copies of the microfilmed indexes, volunteers from a few states have started this massive effort. The project is expected to be completed in late 1995 or early 1996. The project will continue after that when other civil war service records are added to the computerized index. The software used is a customized version of the Universal Data Entry program currently in use by the Family History Department in Utah.

Many of you have signed up to help with the **Names Index Project of the Civil War Soldiers System Database**. We need a DGS coordinator for this project. The response to this project throughout the U.S. has exceeded expectations resulting in some

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delays in getting the material to the volunteers. We'll keep you posted here in the newsletter on how things progress. Two loaner computers are available for volunteers who do not own a computer. Call me at 495-4410 to volunteer.

### Computer News and Notes

*Family Tree Maker* has just released version 3.0. Registered users should have received their reduced price upgrade offer by now. If you have not, call Banner Blue at 510-795-4490.

If you have an unneeded computer or computer equipment, consider helping the Dallas area by donating it the **Dallas Computer Literacy Program**. If you'd like more information call Brain Mickel at 521-6670.

Automated Archives, the largest producer of genealogically related CDs, is offering Computer Interest Groups and individuals the opportunity to contribute their research for placement on a CD that will be made available to the public. All data must be in GEDCOM format, include only that data is fully source cited and include a release signed by the contributor. I'll have flyers on this at DGSCIG meetings.

Why register software? Only one-fourth of buyers of new software bother registering their new purchase. Those who overlook this important service are missing out on upgrade offers (usually at discounts or free), maintenance updates (which are also free), and offers on products and services that complement the software. Also, more and more software publishers are requiring registration before providing technical support for their products.

Registering software is also important should you lose it via theft, fire, or natural disaster. A member of our DGSCIG recently lost everything when his home burned to the ground. Know these things can happen.

Users of laptop computers may wish to consider an inexpensive product called NO SQUINT. This product sets the cursor size and blink rate, thus making that elusive cursor easier to see. NO SQUINT is available at most computer stores.

### Buying A New Computer?

Frequently people ask me what computer they should buy next. I believe that purchasing a computer is akin to selecting living room furniture. However, I do have some thoughts to share.

Consider buying a 486DL/33 notebook or laptop with 4mb of memory and a 200mb hard drive. If this seems hard to believe, read on.

Buy your computer for the next three years—one capable of running software and add-on equipment that aren't yet available. *ROOTS IV* and *The Master Genealogist*, both about to be released, will need at least a 386 cpu and 4mb of RAM. Thus I recommend that the CPU on your computer be at least a 486DX/33mhz with 4mb of RAM (upgradeable to at least 64mb).

Five years ago PCMag said that a 286 with a 20mb hard disk was all that most businesses would need for the next five years. I use one program that uses that much space just to install it. Underestimating hard disk needs is common; thus I suggest your next computer have at least a 200mb hard disk.

Genealogists should be quick to appreciate portable computers. Some laptop and notebook computers are now as powerful as desktop computers. The primary compromise you make with a portable computer is the ability to add features such as CDROM Drives or sound cards, though docking stations address these limitations. If your next computer is one of these powerful portables, you may be able to use it for visits to the library and, by attaching a monitor, keyboard and printer, comfortably use it at your desk. This should cost you less than buying two computers.

### Computer Books

Over the years, I have been disappointed with virtually all of the books published to help people getting started with computers. If you are new to using IBM® compatible computers, consider a new book that is well-written, contains some good humor, and avoids computer jargon. This book is *DOS for Dummies* and is available at major book and computer stores. I rarely recommend a specific book, but this one is very good and deserves an endorsement.

For published material specific to the genealogist, see this column in the March-April 1993 *DGS Newsletter* (17:3), and get a copy of the 1993 *GENTECH Syllabus*. It can be purchased at the genealogy CIGs on Super Saturdays at the Infomart.

If you know of any other sources in the DFW area, we will be glad to include them in future editions of this column.



## DGS Fall Programs

### Regular Meetings

#### Expansion Project to Be Explored

**Date:** 27 September 1993 (Monday)  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Speaker:** Jan McFarland  
**Topic:** *Expansion of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library*

In the two previous issues of the *DGS Newsletter*, Jan McFarland introduced you to the Capital Expansion Project (CEP) and a few fund raising ideas developed by the CEP Committee. DGS sought your opinions on the expansion and the needs of the Genealogy Section and you responded. Now you will have the opportunity to see what's on the drawing board. Jan McFarland and the CEP Committee will be on hand with their "bag of tricks" to show you the architect's plans, what the price tag will be, and how this money will be raised. Whether you are an occasional user of the Genealogy Section or come every day, you *should* be on hand to hear this presentation and voice your opinion. It is the future of the section.

Jan McFarland is the Chairman of the CEP and a former DGS board member.

#### Texas Treasures

**Date:** 25 October (Monday)  
**Time:** 11:00 a.m.  
**Speaker:** Sammie Townsend Lee  
**Topic:** *Texas Repositories and Their Treasures: Where to Research in the Lone Star State*

Oil and land are not the only rich Texas resources. From one end of the Lone Star State to the other, Texas is chock-full of repositories for the genealogist to explore. From the Genealogy Collection of the Dallas Public Library in North Texas to the Clayton Library for Genealogical Research in Houston, and every direction in between, there are dandy little libraries with collections *not* just for the Texas

researcher. Explore these libraries in this presentation and see if *you've* been missing something.

Sammie Townsend Lee is a staff member of the Genealogy Section and the Vice President and Editor of the *DGS Newsletter*.

#### The Census: Roadmaps to the Past

**Date:** 22 November 1993 (Monday)  
**Time:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Speaker:** Patricia Law Hatcher  
**Topic:** *"My Ancestor Isn't in the Census: Are You Sure?"*

Census records are an essential roadmap for our research. We should make a diligent effort to find our ancestors in each and every census. This presentation reviews why you *think* your ancestor isn't listed and gives a variety of techniques to help your search. Who knows! He may have been there all the time.

Patricia Law Hatcher is a past president of DGS and is a popular lecturer locally and nationally.

### Computer Interest Group Meetings

#### INTERNET to be Explored

**Date:** 9 September 1993 (Thursday)  
**Time:** 6:30 P.M.  
**Speaker:** Jeri J. Steele  
**Topic:** *INTERNET, The Latest, Hot On-Line Service for the Genealogist*

For years INTERNET, the oldest and most capable on-line service, was the domain of librarians, computer professionals, and educators. Now it is more readily available to genealogists and genealogical activity on this largest and fastest of all networks is growing more than any other service. Learn about the beginner, intermediate, and advance discussions, the files, and EMAIL, all useful to the genealogist, and often free.

Jeri Steele, an accomplished genealogist, is an INTERNET expert at Texas Instruments.



## DGS Fall Meetings: DGSCIG Meetings *[continued from previous page]*

### MILLENNIUM—An Atlas for Your Computer

**Date:** 14 October 1993 (Thursday)  
**Time:** 6:30 P.M.  
**Speaker:** John V. Wylie  
**Topic:** *MILLENNIUM: A Full Color Historical Atlas and Chronicle for the Genealogist*

MILLENNIUM is a computer graphical guide to Europe and the Middle East for the years 1000 to 1993. It shows over 10,000 border changes and thousands of nation and city name changes year by year. Fun and fascinating to watch, it is also educational and informative for the genealogist. John will discuss how all maps and narrative can be captured and used by other genealogy and word

processing software for use in books and other printed material.

John V. Wylie is the Director of the DGSCIG and owns and operates his own computer technology business, John Wylie Consulting, Inc.

### New Version of ROOTS IV

**Date:** Thursday, 11 November 1993  
**Time:** 6:30 P.M.  
**Speaker:** John V. Wylie  
**Topic:** *ROOTS IV, The Next Generation*

The new version of ROOTS is touted as the next generation of genealogy software and has been reviewed in nearly every genealogy publication. It requires a powerful computer. This presentation will show you what ROOTS IV really looks like.

## Recap: 1993 Summer Lecture Series by Sammie Townsend Lee

We are at the end of the summer of 1993 and, for DGS, that means the conclusion of another Summer Lecture Series. Helen F. M. Leary brought the series to a successful end on Saturday, 21 August, with her brilliant seminar on North Carolina research. Her segment on reading North Carolina colonial handwriting was worth the price of admission alone.

As of this writing, all the expenses are not in and the final tally hasn't been made. We do know it was profitable, and the Capital Expansion Project fund will receive a nice donation, thanks to all the registrants who contributed by purchasing tickets to the seminars.

All four seminars were unique in presentation and contained much more material than promised by a title. As chairman of the Summer Lecture Series Committee, I want to extend a sincere "thank you" to each presenter—Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck for educating us about our ancestor's early American migration routes and trails; Gordon L. Remington for helping us bridge the Atlantic and locate material on our ancestors of English origin; Helen F. M. Leary for her extensive information on the tar heel state; and my colleagues who entertainingly presented the "Pilgrimage to Mecca," Barbara Baylis, Pat Hatcher, and Art Rubeck.

At the top of my list to thank is Dorothy Bruce.

Few attendees really notice the excellent job she does putting together a seminar's registration. Look around next time! It's most telling in the way she and her helpers are able to check in 200 registrants in under thirty minutes and have them in their seats by the time the speaker is introduced. It's a talent, and we love Dorothy and her "color-coded" efficiency. We are grateful to all her volunteers who showed up early to help with registration, including Patti Darnell, who also assisted in "color selection," and Laurie Wharton who checked in all the walk-ins.

Special thanks to my other committee members—Heather Williams, Kelvin Meyers, and Adrienne Jamieson; for refreshments—Adrienne, Helen Lu, Dorislee Hoffpauer, Leslie Collier, and Margaret Ann Hudson; our greeters—Bruce Moseley, Bob Maybrier, Cliff Slagle, Bill Benson, and John Wylie; Shirley Sloat, Barbara Baylis, Terri Allen, Joan Thompson, Markaleeta Stevenson, Harry Stevenson, June Shipley, and Patrick McKenna. If I forgot any volunteers, it is unintentional; because we appreciate all who give up their Saturdays to help DGS.

As you can see, it takes a lot of hard-working DGS people to put on these seminars. Why do they do it? Because it is so rewarding and a lot of fun!



## Year of the Volunteer: Our Two Bobs — Unsung Heroes

by Margret Hancock Pearce

*Each time a society member receives a DGS mailing, a dedicated volunteer is responsible. The office of Director of Mailings is critical in the smooth operation of the society. Yet, as we retrieve our newsletters, quarterlies, and other society mailings from our mailboxes, we give little thought to the process. This interview is the first half of a two-part spotlight on two very special men: Bob Maybrier and Bob Gorham. Each has served as Director of Mailings for the Society. This issue we honor Bob Maybrier.*

### Robert H. "Bob" Maybrier



Bob Maybrier recalls how he first became interested in genealogy. "I haven't been doing genealogy too long," he says.

It seems Bob's family had a strong influence in starting him on his search for family history. "My sister is a Mormon," told Bob. "She lives in Bow, Washington, and in 1987 made a trip back to Kentucky to talk to all the relatives there." Bob was born and raised in Kentucky — "In the heart of the Blue Grass country."

On her return trip to Washington, Bob's sister paid him a visit in Dallas. She began talking about her research and advised Bob that "I should be in on this." At first Bob was reluctant but his sister persisted. "Finally, I said okay, send me all that you have, and I'll get started on it." Soon Bob received a large packet of records and promptly stuck them in a drawer and forgot all about them. That was in the fall.

In the spring of 1988, Bob remembered the packet and dug it out. "When I realized the size of it, I thought to myself, she really DID send me all that she had!" The packet was well organized. There were family group sheets, old letters, and many records. Enough to get Bob started.

Other forces were also at work to involve Bob in genealogy and lead him to DGS. Bob's daughter, Dale Moore, had previously taken

Lloyd Bockstruck's course at SMU. She took Bob to the library, introduced him to Lloyd, and it wasn't long before Bob also took Lloyd's course.

At that time, Bob was not a member of DGS. He says he can't recall exactly how he heard about the Society. Maybe through Lloyd's course or maybe he saw something at the library. "I met Sammie Lee at the library, and I have a suspicion that she told Barbara Baylis, who was chairman of the nominating committee that year, that I should be put to work."

Bob Gorham was leaving town when Bob Maybrier took over the job of Director of Mailings. As a result Bob M. didn't get much of a chance to work with Bob G. on the mailings procedures. Bob M. says that he is glad he has had the opportunity to work with Cliff Slagle on a couple of mailings before Cliff took over the Director's position this year.

"Preparing a mailing is an intricate procedure," Bob says. "You can get crossed up and the post office will throw you out!" A good example happened recently, Bob remembers, "Dorothy Bruce wanted to send some past due membership reminder cards. John Wylie volunteered to design and print them on his computer. Then Dorothy had a few more to add to the list, so she printed them on *her* computer. When the mailing arrived at the post office, the whole thing was rejected. Every piece has to be the exact same size. In this case, the cards were somewhat different in size, and there was a very slight difference in weight of the cards since they came from two different sources."

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## Bob Maybrier [Continued from previous page]

The Postal Department gives nonprofit organizations a special rate — the difference between 29 cents first class and approximately 9 cents bulk mail. For that, we must do some of their work, comply with their rules and make it as easy as possible for them. Even our labels must be made properly.

Sorting the mail is really a one man job. It's not too difficult, but it takes about one day to sort and organize. Then Bob cautions, "Don't take the mail out to the Sylvan Street post office in the afternoon if you don't want to be mobbed."

Before his retirement Bob worked for the Daylight Screen Company marketing motion picture screens. "We served schools and auditoriums in addition to movie houses. In fact, the screen that is in the auditorium at the library is one of ours."

When his wife died in 1987, Bob was lost. Now he has two hobbies that keep him occupied.

Genealogy and ceramics. He has just completed an Indian nativity set. "I've never seen one like it. There are 19 figures in the set, and it was sold before I even started it. I do my ceramics for my church, Northway Christian Church. We can keep our work if we want, but the idea is to help make money for the church. Most of what we do is sold at our bazaar, which will be held this fall on Wednesday and Saturday, November 3 and 6."

Bob lives with his only child and her husband, Dale and Bob Moore. Dale and Bob are also genealogists and have done extensive work on the Moore family. Bob is the proud grandfather of one grandson and one granddaughter.

Bob enjoys serving on the DGS board. "They are some of the finest people that there are." Bob will be serving on next year's board as Director of Special Projects and says he is looking forward to the challenge.

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## News from the Library

### New Guide to the Collection

For all those who indicated to DGS on their survey forms that they were interested in some sort of written guide to the Genealogy Collection, help is here! Now available is an eight-page booklet, *Genealogy Section, Guide to Research*. The booklet may be purchased at the service desk in the Genealogy Section on the eighth floor of the central library for 50 cents. The fee is being charged to help recoup the library's printing expenses.

Primarily compiled by Heather Williams and Kelvin Meyers from original material by Lloyd Bockstruck, the booklet provides information on the following records and collections:

- ✓ Census and Soundex records
- ✓ Military records
- ✓ Vital statistics
- ✓ Local history and resources
- ✓ Foreign collections
- ✓ Special collections
- ✓ Family collections
- ✓ Periodicals

Also, Information is provided on how to use the collection and the equipment. General information is listed, such as location, hours of operation, library services and fees, parking, etc.; and a floorplan is displayed on page 8.

If you would like a copy of the booklet but cannot purchase it in person, a copy will be mailed to you for \$1 (to cover purchase price and handling and postage). Make checks payable to **Dallas Public Library** and mail to Genealogy Section, DPL, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, Texas 75201.

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# 6TH ANNUAL DGS FALL GENEALOGY SYMPOSIUM

AND

## 12TH ANNUAL BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

*Sponsored by the*  
**Dallas Genealogical Society**

*to be held on*  
**Saturday, 13 November 1993**

*at the*  
**Dallas Convention Center**  
(See maps on back)

### GENEALOGY SYMPOSIUM

The Genealogy Symposium offers 26 general topics and 5 Computer topics in over 40 sessions for the beginning, intermediate, and advanced researcher. Selected sessions will be repeated.

Each hour the Genealogy Symposium offers up to ten sessions from which to choose. Topics range from "how-to" to methodology; from research in sources to research in geographical areas; from how to select a computer genealogy program to using software other than a genealogy program; and much, much more.

Sessions are conducted by DGS officers, directors, members, and friends. All are knowledgeable, experienced lecturers.

### REGISTRATION

Preregistration, which must be postmarked by 30 October 1993, is \$20 and guarantees a *Symposium Syllabus* containing the speaker's handouts.

Registration after 30 October and at the door is \$25.

### BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

The Beginners Workshop, taught by Renee Jackson Smith, C.A.L.S., is an all-day course designed to get beginners started right and to review basics for those who need a brush-up or have been researching for a while, but have not taken such a course. The Beginners Workshop follows the same schedule as the Symposium. Topics include:

- Organization, Communication, & Family Survey
- Land Records, Deeds, Wills, & Probate
- Courthouse Research, Vital Records, & Correspondence
- Census and Military Records

### EXHIBITORS AND LUNCH

Exhibitors from across the nation will have genealogical and historical books and materials to display and sell. The vendor area may be visited during registration, breaks, and the lunch period.

The Convention Center has on-site food service for those not wishing to brown bag.

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## 1993 FALL GENEALOGY SYMPOSIUM & ANNUAL BEGINNERS WORKSHOP

Saturday, 13 November 1993

Dallas Genealogical Society

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Help us plan space. Check one of the following:

- \_\_\_ All-day Beginners Workshop  
\_\_\_ Genealogy Symposium

Please circle one session each hour:

Session—B1, S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7, S8, S9, S10

Session—B2, S11, S12, S13, S14, S15, S16, S17, S18, S19, S20

Session—B3, S21, S22, S23, S24, S25, S26, S27, S28, S29, S30

Session—B4, S31, S32, S33, S34, S35, S36, S37, S38, S39, S40

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# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

R-Designates a topic is to be/is being repeated.

B-Basic; I-Intermediate; A-Advanced

**8:00 A.M.-9:00 a.m. — Registration/Exhibitor Area Open**

**9:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M. — Session One**

SESSION	SPEAKER	TOPIC	LEVEL
B1	Renee Jackson Smith	Beginners Workshop: <i>Organization, Communication, &amp; Family Survey</i>	B
✓ S1	Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck	<i>Finding and Understanding the Clues in Tax Records</i>	I/A
S2 [R]	Joseph C. Anderson II	<i>Family Reconstruction Using Pre-1850 Census Returns</i>	I
S3	Patricia Law Hatcher	<i>Numbering Systems Are Much More than Numbers</i>	I/A
S4 [R]	Leslie Smith Collier	<i>In Deeds I Trust (And So Should You)</i>	I
S5	Sammie Townsend Lee	<i>Dallas Public Library Part I: How to Use the Genealogy Section</i>	B/I/A
S6	Patrick McKenna	<i>Researching Your Dutch Ancestors</i>	B
S7	Heather Williams	<i>People, Places, &amp; Events: Resources in the DPL History &amp; Social Sciences Dept</i>	B/I/A
S8 [R]	Peter Flagg Maxson	<i>The Old Family Home: Locating Ancestral Buildings</i>	B/I/A
S9	Mary Reid Warner	<i>Developing Research Skills</i>	B/I/A
S10	William B. Dow	<i>A Look at Various Computer Programs for the Genealogist</i>	B/I

**10:00 A.M.-10:45 a.m. — Break/Exhibitor Area Open**

**10:45 A.M.-11:45 A.M. — Session Two**

B2	Renee Jackson Smith	Beginners Workshop: <i>Land Records, Deeds, Wills, &amp; Probates</i>	B
S11	Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck	<i>Analysis of Census Records: 1850-1920</i>	I/A
S12	Margaret Ann Hudson	<i>Creating a Research Facility at Home</i>	B/I/A
S13	Mary Reid Warner	<i>Understanding Southern Appalachian Heritage</i>	B/I
S14 [R]	Peter Flagg Maxson	<i>The Old Family Home: Locating Ancestral Buildings</i>	B/I/A
S15	Patrick McKenna	<i>Dallas Public Library, Part II: The Collection of the Genealogy Section</i>	B/I/A
S16 [R]	Barbara Roberts Baylis	<i>Twentieth Century Research</i>	B/I/A
S17 [R]	John A. Sellers	<i>Dusty Books &amp; Musty Rooms: Courthouse Research is Fun!</i>	I/A
✓ S18 [R]	Sammie Townsend Lee	<i>The Courthouse Burned! What Now?</i>	I/A
S19	Patricia Law Hatcher	<i>The Basics of Typesetting and Mechanics of Creating A Book</i>	I/A
S20	Jeri J. Steele	<i>Beyond Word Processing and Genealogy Software: Using Your Computer Creatively</i>	I/A

**11:45 A.M.-1:15 P.M. — Lunch/Exhibitor Area Open**

**1:15 P.M.-2:15 P.M. — SESSION THREE**

B3	Renee Jackson Smith	Beginners Workshop: <i>Courthouse Research, Vital Records, &amp; Correspondence</i>	B
S21 [R]	Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck	<i>1785-1840: Where Did They Go &amp; How Do You Find Them</i>	I/A
S22	Kelvin L. Meyers	<i>South Carolina Research in the Dallas Public Library</i>	I/A
✓ S23 [R]	Leslie Smith Collier	<i>In Deeds I Trust (And So Should You)</i>	I
S24	Mary Reid Warner	<i>A Genealogy Summary &amp; Documenting: The 5 "Ws and How"</i>	B/I
S25	Sammie Townsend Lee	<i>Repositories &amp; Sources: What Every Genealogist Should Know</i>	B/I/A
S26 [R]	Joseph C. Anderson II	<i>Family Reconstruction Using Pre-1850 Census Returns</i>	I
S27	Barbara Roberts Baylis	<i>Photography &amp; Genealogy on the Road</i>	B/I/A
S28	Donald Raney	<i>The Texas Land System: How Texas Land Was Granted</i>	I/A
S29 [R]	John A. Sellers	<i>Dusty Books &amp; Musty Rooms: Courthouse Research is Fun</i>	I/A
S30	John V. Wylie	<i>Using A Word Processor in Genealogy</i>	I/A

**2:15 P.M.-3:00 p.m. — Break/Exhibitor Area Open (final)**

**3:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. — Session Four**

B4	Renee Jackson Smith	Beginners Workshop: <i>Census and Military Records</i>	B
S31 [R]	Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck	<i>1785-1840: Where Did They Go &amp; How Do I Find Them</i>	I/A
S32 [R]	Heather Williams	<i>People, Places, &amp; Events: Resources in the DPL History &amp; Social Sciences Dept.</i>	B/I/A
✓ S33	Joy Dickinson	<i>Improving Your Writing Skills or Breathing Some Life Into Your Ancestors</i>	B/I/A
S34	Leslie Smith Collier	<i>Validating Your Lineage: What Do You Do When the Books Are Wrong?</i>	I/A
S35 [R]	Sammie Townsend Lee	<i>The Courthouse Burned! What Now?</i>	I/A
S36	Carol Roark	<i>Preserving Your Family Photographs</i>	B/I/A
S37 [R]	Barbara Roberts Baylis	<i>Twentieth Century Research</i>	B/I/A
S38	Brenda Burns Kellow	<i>The Republic of Texas, 1836-1846</i>	I/A
S39	John A. Sellers	<i>Unusual Records in the Public's Musty, Dusty Attics</i>	I
S40	Patricia Law Hatcher	<i>The Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How of Indexing</i>	I/A



# TOPICS

**B-Basic; I-Intermediate; A-Advanced**

## ***Analysis of Census Records: 1850-1920***

by Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck

Federal census records are a staple of genealogical research. While they offer a wealth of information, the key to using these valuable records is understanding their creation and their purpose. In this presentation Lloyd gives us the key to help us unlock the mysteries of the census. (I/A)

## ***The Basics of Typesetting and Mechanics of Creating a Book***

by Patricia Law Hatcher

Word processors, desktop publishing systems, and laser printers have given us powerful tools, but tools that few of us are trained to use efficiently or effectively. A basic explanation of the elements of professional publishing provides a foundation for the novice to use when preparing camera-ready copy for a genealogical publication. These elements include page layout, use of fonts, parts of a book, and illustrations. (I/A)

## **Beginners Workshop**

by Renee Jackson Smith

Part I: Organization, Communication, & Family Survey

Part II: Land Records, Deeds, Wills, & Probate

Part III: Courthouse Research, Vital Records, & Correspondence

Part IV: Census and Military Records

For the beginning researcher, a full day of instruction is available. Starting from the first steps, Renee leads the new genealogist through the basics of organization, correspondence, and available resources. This course is a *must* to ensure that proper habits and techniques are applied from the start.

## ***Beyond Word Processing and Genealogy Software: Using Your Computer Creatively***

by Jeri J. Steele

Do you need a fancy genealogy program in order to handle your genealogical project? The answer may surprise you. Jeri has used nongenealogical programs to handle a variety of tasks associated with her genealogy. In her presentation she discusses software from utilities to databases and hardware from scanners to plotters. (I/A)

## ***The Courthouse Burned! What Now?***

by Sammie Townsend Lee

What's a genealogist to do when faced with those three dreaded words, "the courthouse burned"? Where are the answers? Sammie focuses on *less commonly used sources* that would otherwise go unanswered when the courthouse records are lost through negligence or destroyed by fire or other natural (and unnatural) disasters. (I/A)

## ***Creating a Research Facility at Home***

by Margaret Ann Schmidt Hudson

Having a research facility in your own home is not as difficult or expensive as you may think. Margaret Ann outlines what can be accomplished in the home to prepare for a trip to

a library or archives. Details will be given on what is available for the home office in the way of source material and equipment and how and where it may be obtained. With the right home sources and equipment, the library or archives can be more efficiently used for finding ancestors. (B/I/A)

## ***The Dallas Public Library Part I: How to Use the Genealogy Section***

by Sammie Townsend Lee

For researchers who may be unfamiliar with or get confused using the Genealogy Section, Sammie explains how to use the card catalog and the computer to locate the materials you need; explains recent changes in the section and how these changes affect you; and talks about other departments in the library useful to the family researcher. (B/I/A)

## ***The Dallas Public Library Part II: The Collection of the Genealogy Section***

by Patrick McKenna

This lecture focuses on the excellent Genealogy Collection found in the Dallas Public Library — the books, the microforms, and the maps — and identifies the major collections as well as some smaller collections owned by the Section and other library departments. An excellent presentation on the DPL collections and how to best use them for your research. (B/I/A)

## ***Developing Research Skills***

by Mary Reid Warner

This presentation encourages researchers to create a vision for their work by establishing goals that give direction, improve planning, serve as motivation, and provide a method of evaluation. Foundational, practical, and process skills are presented using examples that include census, military records, documentation, and chronologies. Reminders in research are given to help in problem solving areas. (B/I/A)

## ***Dusty Books & Musty Rooms: Courthouse Research is Fun!***

by John A. Sellars

The records found in the county courthouse contains much information on our ancestors. This general overview of courthouse research is presented in a way that invites each researcher to unlock the secrets held within the brick walls. The various records available and how to make the most of your courthouse trip will be covered. (B/I/A)

## ***Family Reconstruction Using Pre-1850 Census Returns***

by Joseph C. Anderson II

A careful and systematic analysis of pre-1850 census returns can yield much more valuable information than would appear on the surface. In many cases, it is possible to reconstruct the entire family and assign birth dates of family members often within 1-2 years accuracy. This "hands-on" lecture uses a case study to demonstrate the technique for putting together a family utilizing pre-1850 census data. A worksheet, especially designed for pre-1850 census analysis, will be given to each attendee for use during the lecture. (I)



## ***Finding and Understanding the Clues in Tax Records***

by Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck

The only sure thing is death and taxes! Many times this phrase is said in jest; however, tax records in America were created long before vital records were established. Many clues to individual and family data can be derived from these invaluable records. Lloyd instructs the researcher on techniques of finding these clues. (I/A)

## ***A Genealogy Summary & Documenting: The Five "Ws and How"***

by Mary Reid Warner

Recording family history using scholastic standards improves the level of genealogical analysis. This lecture emphasizes the value of reporting and documenting and encourages writing research interpretations. Documentation makes work useful for other researchers. Learn how to summarize report findings, write reference notes, and make recommendations for additional research. (B/I)

## ***Improving Your Writing Skills or Breathing Some Life into Your Ancestors***

by Joy Dickinson

This presentation takes a look at the writing skills needed to rescue your ancestors from the pile of dry-as-dust genealogical memoirs and transform their life stories into page-turners with heart and soul. You will learn how the use of historical sources, anecdotes, and narrative technique, combined with your research, can weave fascinating, but true, tales of your ancestors and their times. (B/I/A)

## ***In Deeds I Trust (And So Should You)***

by Leslie Smith Collier

Our ancestors considered land their greatest asset, and the most important records created in their lifetimes were their deeds. What can a genealogist learn from studying deeds? Not just the location of the home place, but much more: marriages, parentage, clues to burials, religion, finances, indications of military service, where they lived before, where they moved afterwards, occupations, and more. Leslie's presentation follows a pioneer Virginia and Tennessee family for three generations to illustrate how land records can help you solve difficult genealogical problems. (B/I)

## ***A Look at Various Computer Programs for the Genealogist***

by William B. Dow, Jr.

With so many computer programs available to the genealogist, which one best suits your needs? In this presentation, Bill discusses the various programs available from which to choose. It is a must for both the researcher who has not yet selected a computer program to assist in their genealogy and for the researcher who has a genealogical program but wants to incorporate the features of other programs. (B/I)

## ***Numbering Systems Are Much More than Numbers***

by Patricia Law Hatcher

Pedigree, Record, Register, Henry, RIN — which genealogical numbering system should you use and why? In her presentation, Pat describes traditional genealogical

numbering systems in relationship to the application: organizing research data, using a genealogical database, and publishing. The components of each numbering system and which one to select are clearly explained. (I/A)

## ***The Old Family Home: Locating Ancestral Buildings***

by Peter Flagg Maxson

Many genealogists document family histories beautifully, but overlook the most tangible links with ancestors: their homes, schools, businesses, churches, etc. This lecture provides tools for learning about ancestral homes and identifying sources for documenting both extant and demolished structures. (B/I/A)

## ***People, Places & Events: Resources in the DPL History & Social Sciences Department***

by Heather Williams

Reach out from the glass wall of the Genealogy Section and recreate the world in which your ancestors lived. Breathe life into your family history project. This presentation explores the resources of interest to the family history researcher available in the History & Social Sciences Division of the Dallas Public Library. Outside the walls of the Genealogy Section is housed a vast array of biographical, geographical, and historical materials that explore the social life and customs of our forbearers. Emphasis is placed on the Civil War, women, and ethnic history collections. Regimental and unit histories, personal narratives, memoirs, diaries, place and period monographs are also highlighted. (B/I/A)

## ***Photography & Genealogy on the Road***

by Barbara Roberts Baylis

A genealogist knows that photographic skills are essential to a well-planned research trip! This presentation briefly reviews the mechanics of photography and proceeds with hints on how to take pictures of relatives, the land where your ancestors walked, tombstones, the old homestead, and those pictures relatives will never permit to leave their sight! (B/I/A)

## ***Preserving Your Family Photographs***

by Carol Roark

This presentation addresses the proper storage environment, housing, and ways of identifying historic photographs. Also presented will be the best ways to label (caption) photographs and options for producing copy images. Sources for appropriate acid-free storage materials will be provided. (B/I/A)

## ***Repositories & Sources: What Every Genealogist Should Know***

by Sammie Townsend Lee

Whether you are planning a research trip to the nearest genealogical library, to an archives in another state, or to the county courthouse, just knowing what you can reasonably expect to find in repositories can be the difference between bringing home successful results or coming home empty-handed. This presentation emphasizes the kinds of record repositories used by family researchers, as well as discusses various reference sources that will aid us in locating material on our ancestors. It also highlights some common-sense procedures and rules of courtesy while visiting repositories that will bring a friendly welcome on the next visit. (B/I/A)



## ***The Republic of Texas, 1836—1846***

by Brenda Burns Kellow

This presentation covers the dynamic ten-year period of the Republic of Texas and assists the genealogist in finding the bonanza of extant documents and identification of its early citizens. It examines the military, muster rolls, lands grants, soldiers and widows pensions, Texas Veterans Association, records, resources, and repositories. Included is a brief discussion of the requirements of the San Jacinto Descendants and the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. (I/A)

## ***Researching Your Dutch Ancestors***

by Patrick McKenna

Many times researchers find themselves stuck on lines that trace across the ocean and discover that there is little help available. For those researching Dutch lines, Patrick covers the resources available and how to access them. (B/I/A)

## ***1785–1840: Where Did They Go and How Do You Find Them***

by Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck

Just about every researcher hits a brick wall during this period: before census records that gave the names of everyone in the household and before most vital records. How does the genealogist find the ancestor who has moved further west? In this presentation, Lloyd describes the kinds of records available and how to access them. (I/A)

## ***South Carolina Research in the Dallas Public Library***

by Kelvin L. Meyers

For an area so far removed from the east coast, the ability to research ancestors in South Carolina at the Dallas Public Library is astounding. Kelvin discusses the basics that you can do right here at home before making a trip to South Carolina or hiring a professional researcher. (I/A)

## ***The Texas Land System: How Texas Land Was Granted***

by Donald Raney

This presentation focuses on the various Texas land grant records — Spanish Land Grants, Mexican Land Grants, Bounty Land Grants, Military Land Grants, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Class Land Grants, etc. — and their use and availability to the genealogist. Don presents case studies and copies of early grants to illustrate how to find the genealogical information in these valuable records. (I/A)

## ***Twentieth Century Research***

by Barbara Roberts Baylis

You may have your research back to Charlemagne, but cannot identify all the people in a 1925 reunion picture of your family. You may have joined 20 lineage societies on 16th-century ancestors, but cannot give the street address where your grandparents lived in 1920. These are the stories that your grandchildren are depending on you to tell! Barbara will give you a new outlook on “why” a good genealogist should

be interested in 20th-Century research and at “how” to use records created in the 1900s to locate ancestors born in the 1800s. (B/I/A)

## ***Understanding Southern Appalachian Heritage***

by Mary Reid Warner

Many ancestors migrated through southern Appalachia; some remained for generations. Incorporating the folkways of the borderlands of Ireland, Scotland, and Northern England, they developed a heritage of their own. The mountains enclosed a people with characteristics of conforming to clans while developing independent individualists. They served in the major American wars; yet, in the Civil War they fought on both sides. The Hatfield-McCoy feud contrasts the violence of a congenial, religious people. Understanding this heritage helps a researcher discern his ancestry.

## ***Unusual Records in the Public's Musty, Dusty Attics***

by John A. Sellers

Once a researcher learns about the usual kinds of records to expect in a courthouse, it is time to learn of the *unusual* treasures to be found and the unlikely places they hide. John skillfully carries you inside the courthouse, particularly the District Clerk's office, to explore little-known and little-used records. (I/A)

## ***Using A Word Processor in Genealogy***

by John V. Wylie

Today's genealogist is no stranger to the computer. The power of the printed word is legendary. It is especially critical that genealogists use that power responsibly. John's examples focus on WordPerfect® and Word for Windows®. (I/A)

## ***Validating Your Lineage: What Do You Do When the Books Are Wrong?***

by Leslie Smith Collier

Just because it's in a book doesn't make it true. What *do* you do when you find that great-grampa's wife's name is incorrect or that he is attributed to the wrong father? Calling back the printed word is a challenge met by many genealogists. Leslie uses the much-studied and infamous Hatfield family of Kentucky as an example to illustrate how inconsistencies in published works can be corrected by researching original records in an effort to establish a higher standard of genealogical evidence. (I/A)

## ***The Who, What, When, Where, Why, and How of Indexing***

by Patricia Law Hatcher

As genealogists, we are aware of the importance of indexes. We've seen good indexes, and we've seen bad indexes (not to mention none at all). Pat discusses the fundamentals of creating the *right* index for your genealogical publication, and the basic principals of indexing as applied to genealogy. Specific guidelines are given for anyone creating an index, no matter what computer program they are using. (I/A)



## SPEAKERS

**Joseph C. Anderson II** has published five books and fifteen articles on family history and genealogical methodology. He is a member of the Publications Committee of the Maine Genealogical Society; member of the Picton Press Editorial Board; co-editor of the on-going project, *Maine Families in 1790*; and a frequent book reviewer for *The Maine Genealogist*.

**Barbara Roberts Baylis** is a professional photographer who has won several national awards. She is the immediate past president of the Dallas Genealogical Society and has been a popular speaker at each of the past DGS Symposiums. She has spoken at the 1992 National Genealogical Society (NGS) Conference, the 1991 and 1992 Texas State Genealogical Society (TSGS) Conferences, and has received an invitation to speak at the 1994 NGS Conference in Houston, Texas. She is co-founder and President of The Genealogical Institute of Texas.

**Lloyd D. Bockstruck** is familiar to just about every genealogist in the Dallas-Fort Worth area as supervisor of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library. Since 1974, he has served as course coordinator and instructor at the Samford University Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research and was a course coordinator at the 1993 Genealogical Institute of Texas. In 1992 he was elected a Fellow of the National Genealogical Society. He is the author of *Virginia's Colonial Soldiers* and writes the popular column "Family Tree" for *The Dallas Morning News*. He is a well-known and highly-respected lecturer on the local, state, and national scenes. He has received an invitation to speak at the 1994 NGS Conference in Houston, Texas.

**Leslie Smith Collier** is a former classroom instructor and school administrator. She is also the Dallas area's latest find! Leslie has a flare for presentation that keeps an audience's interest. Relatively new to genealogy by some standards, she has accomplished more than many researchers do in twice the time. Being a direct SMITH descendant has made her inventive, studious, and attentive to detail. She has solved difficult genealogical problems using techniques developed on these lines.

**Joy Dickinson** is the lifestyles editor for the *Richardson News*. She has given numerous talks on writing, especially nonfiction features, for university and high school classes. To her credit are numerous free-lance articles on beginning genealogy and adoption. She was a speaker at the 1992 DGS Fall Symposium and at the 1992 and 1993 UTD Craft of Writing Conferences.

**William B. "Bill" Dow, Jr.** is an independent computer consultant with over 20 years of experience in the industry.

He has been operating his own computer consulting business, Micro-Comp Consulting, for over 10 years. His love of genealogy has led him to develop lectures designed to ease the genealogist into the age of computers. He is Vice President of Publicity for GENTECH, Inc. and is a member of Toastmasters International.

**Patricia Law Hatcher** is a technical communicator and professional genealogist doing genealogical research since 1982. She published the four-volume *Abstract of Graves of Revolutionary Patriots* through her own genealogical publishing company, Pioneer Heritage Press. She has written articles for genealogical publications such as the *FGS Forum*, the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, *The American Genealogist*, and our own *DGS Newsletter*. Pat is a past president of DGS and has spoken at every DGS Symposium. She was a speaker at the 1992 NGS Conference in Jacksonville, Florida, and the 1993 Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) Conference in St. Louis, Missouri. She has received an invitation to speak at the 1994 NGS Conference in Houston, Texas.

**Margaret Ann Schmidt Hudson** owns and operates her own home-based genealogical source-material and publishing company. She has been active in the genealogical community for over 20 years and has held many DGS board positions including the office of president.

**Brenda Burns Kellow** is a Certified Genealogist Intern. A sixth-generation Texas, she is the author of *Charles C. Stibbens, Soldier of the Battle of San Jacinto, Citizen of the Republic of Texas*. Her research and style of writing resulted in her book being awarded top recognition from DGS and the Texas State Genealogical Society. She is a chapter officer for the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, a state officer for the San Jacinto Descendants, and holds positions and memberships in numerous other hereditary organizations. Brenda has been a speaker for DGS, an instructor at the 1993 Genealogical Institute of Texas, and has received an invitation to speak at the 1994 NGS Conference in Houston, Texas.

**Sammie Townsend Lee** is a staff member (Library Associate) of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library. She is a past president of DGS and is presently serving her third term as Vice President and Editor of the *DGS Newsletter*. She was one of the coordinators and chairman of the 1992 and 1993 Summer Lecture Series (1992) cosponsored by DGS in cooperation with the Dallas Public Library. She has lectured at the past four DGS Symposiums, the 1992 Texas State Genealogical Society Conference, the 1993 Oklahoma Genealogical Society Seminar, and the 1993 FGS Conference in St. Louis. She has received an invitation to speak at the 1994 NGS Conference in Houston, Texas.



**Patrick McKenna** is a staff member (Library Associate) of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library. He is an alumni of the Genealogical Institute at the National Archives in Washington, DC, and has over thirty years experience as a genealogical researcher. His articles have appeared in *Genealogy Today*, *Stirpes* (Texas State Genealogical Society), and *Footprints* (Fort Worth Genealogical Society).

**Peter Flagg Maxson** is an architectural historian and is employed as a historic preservation consultant. He has had an intense interest in genealogy since childhood and has spoken to various genealogical societies on The Old Family Home. He has lectured before the Texas Historical Commission and numerous historic groups on topics relating to historic preservation. He published *Goodrich Scrapbook: the Ancestors and Descendants of Hugh and Emma Hatton Goodrich*, is currently preparing *Maxson Scrapbook*, and has contributed to the *Austin Genealogical Society Quarterly* and the Rich Family Association quarterly, *Kinfolk*.

**Kelvin L. Meyers** has been a staff member (Library Associate) of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library since 1987. He is a past president of DGS and the compiler of two books on the court records of Crosby County, Texas (his home county). He is currently working on the third, an abstract of the county probate minutes. He has spoken at every DGS Symposium, at the 1991 and 1992 Texas State Genealogical Society Conferences, and the Oklahoma Genealogical Society's Summer Seminar in 1993. He has received invitations to speak at the 1993 TSGS Conference and the 1994 NGS Conference in Houston, Texas.

**Donald Raney** is a sixth-generation Texas and descendant of Martin Varner, the first settler of Wood County, Texas. Don is past president of the Northeast Texas Genealogical Society and has 20 years of genealogical experience. An accomplished speaker, he has made presentations before genealogical societies in Garland, Duncanville, and Lancaster. He is currently working on a book, *Martin Varner, One of the Old Three Hundred*.

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presented programs for genealogical societies in various Texas counties. He is author of an addendum for the 1850 Hopkins County Printed Census. He has visited 15 courthouses in Texas as well as many courthouses in Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Alabama. He has received an invitation to speak at the 1994 NGS Conference in Houston, Texas.

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**Jeri J. Steele** has been actively pursuing genealogy as a hobby for six years. She has been employed in the computer field for over 20 years and has presented lectures on using computers in genealogy. She is an experienced speaker and has received Toastmaster's highest educational rank of Distinguished Toastmaster.

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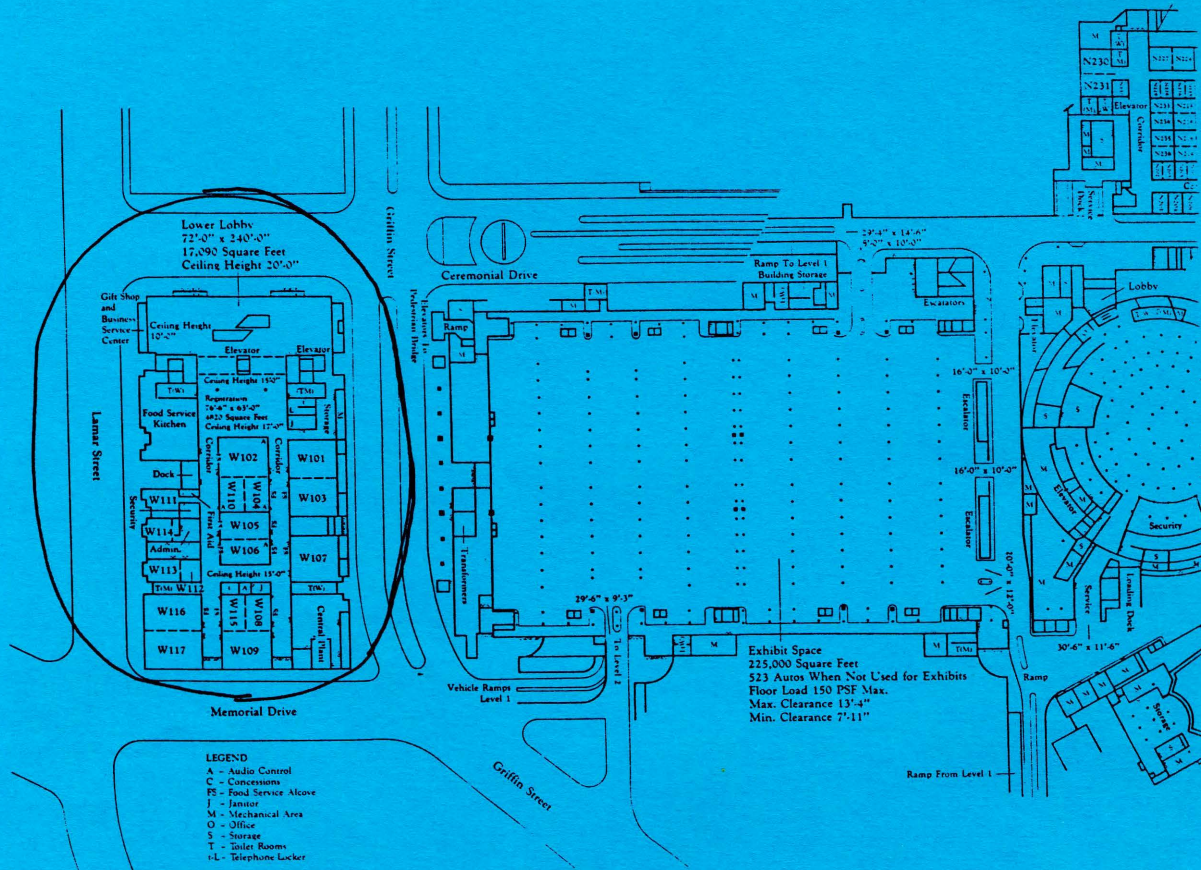
**John Wylie** has written columns on using computers in genealogy for four genealogical publications. Together with Patricia Law Hatcher, he coauthored an article on indexing that was recently published in the *National Genealogy Society Quarterly*. He serves DGS as director of the DGS Computer Interest Group and is a leader of the "Super Saturday" genealogy computer interest meetings at Infomart. John is Workshop Chairman and Executive Vice President of GENTECH, Inc., a nonprofit organization established to serve genealogical computer interest groups.

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# DALLAS CONVENTION CENTER MAPS

[The next issue (November-December, 1993) of the *DGS Newsletter* will list detailed directions to the Dallas Convention Center from all main expressways into downtown Dallas. Also, detailed information will be listed on where to park and how to get to the West Exhibit Hall where the symposium and beginners workshop will be held.]





# Beginner's Corner

## Genealogical Charts and Forms

by Barbara Roberts Baylis and Leslie Smith Collier

How could we genealogists cope with all the masses of paper we generate without our charts and forms to help remind us who married whom, when and where? That is the purpose of genealogical charts — to provide a road map so we know where we are in the research process. Each of the following major types of charts contain much the same sort of information, but arranged in different format according to the purpose for which a particular chart is designed. There are a number of versions of these charts, both preprinted and formatted into genealogical software programs, but they are similar enough to be understood by all researchers.

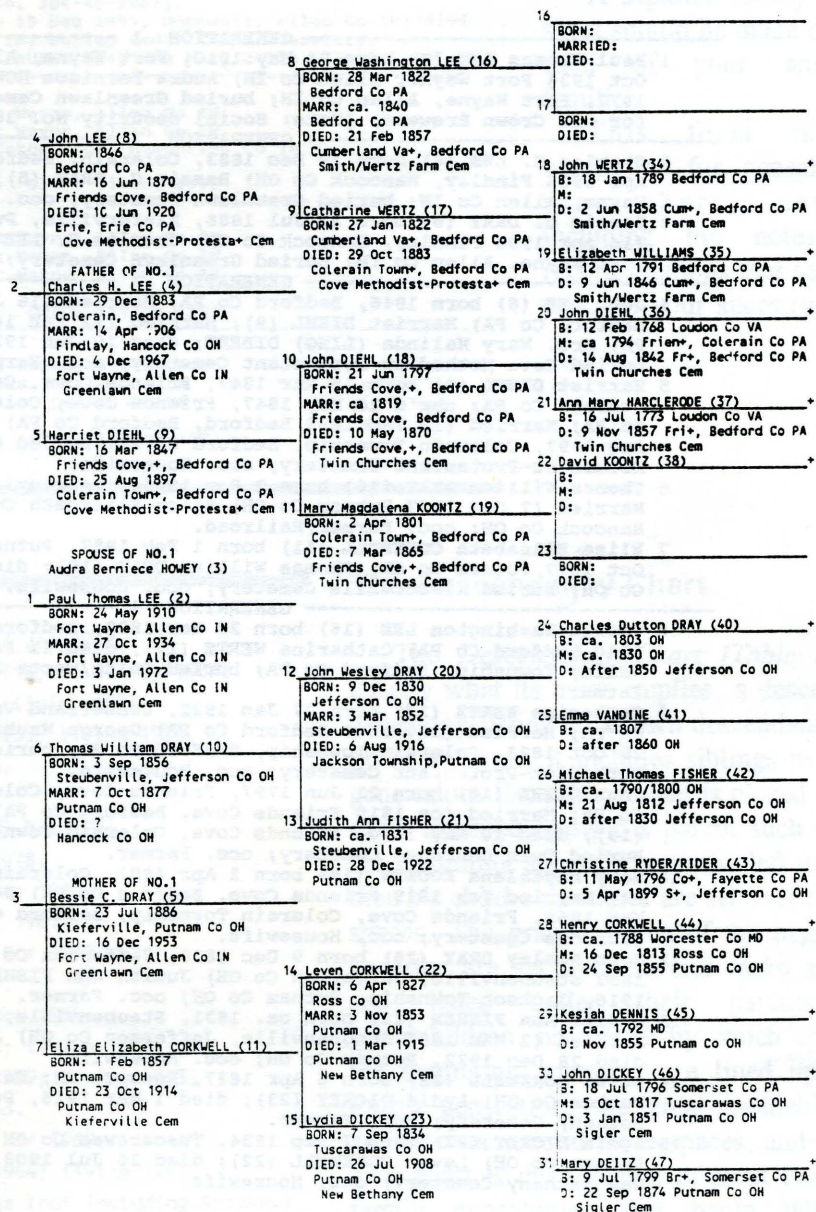
### The Pedigree Chart

The *Pedigree Chart* [Table I] is the one most often used by genealogists and provides a quick visual diagram of your direct-line ancestors. It and the ahnentafel discussed below are ascending genealogies, meaning that they begin with an individual and grow larger as each listed ancestor adds a father and mother in the next generation further into the past. Ascending genealogies form the basis for family scrapbook-type genealogies.

If you are listed as the beginning person on the pedigree, lines are drawn from your name to that of your father and mother, with each of their parents ranging beside them, and *their* parents drawn in beside them. In this way four or five generations of ancestors can be displayed on a single page. No brothers or sisters are listed. Often, dates and places of birth, marriage and death are given.

The numbering system for the pedigree chart is the same as that for ahnentafels, with males having even numbers, females having odd.

Table I





## An Ahnentafel Table

An *Ahnentafel Table* [Table II] is a space-saving listing of the same information given on a pedigree chart, in which all of your ancestors are listed by generation. The word is derived from two German words, "ahnen," meaning ancestor and "tafel" meaning table.

The numbering system on the ahnentafel is the key to determining relationships. If you are the beginning person on an ahnentafel, then you are listed as #1, your father #2 and your mother #3; after number one, all males on the chart have an even number and all females an odd number. The wife is always one number higher than her husband. A father is double the number of his son or daughter; a mother is double the number of her son or daughter, plus one. When an ancestor has not been determined, the appropriate number for that ancestor is reserved for him or her and is not listed on the chart. Some ahnentafels include a brief review of birth, marriage and death dates and places. Again, no siblings are given.

**Table II**

----- GENERATION 1 -----	
1	Paul Thomas LEE (2) born 24 May 1910, Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN; Married (27 Oct 1934 Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN) Audra Berniece HOWEY (3); died 3 Jan 1972, Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN; buried Greenlawn Cemetery; occ. Salesman for Old Crown Brewers; [Note: Social Security No. 306-05-6893].
----- GENERATION 2 -----	
2	Charles H. LEE (4) born 29 Dec 1883, Colerain, Bedford Co PA; Married (14 Apr 1906 Findlay, Hancock Co OH) Bessie C. DRAY (5); died 4 Dec 1967, Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN; buried Greenlawn Cemetery; occ. Truck Driver.
3	Bessie C. DRAY (5) born 23 Jul 1886, Kiefernville, Putnam Co OH; Married (14 Apr 1906 Findlay, Hancock Co OH) Charles H. LEE (4); died 16 Dec 1953, Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN; buried Greenlawn Cemetery; occ. Housewife.
----- GENERATION 3 -----	
4	John LEE (8) born 1846, Bedford Co PA; Married (16 Jun 1870 Friends Cove, Bedford Co PA) Harriet DIEHL (9); Married (12 Feb 1899 Bedford, Bedford Co PA) Mrs. Mary Malinda (LING) DIBERT; died 10 Jun 1920, Erie, Erie Co PA; buried Cove Methodist-Protestant Cemetery; occ. Farmer/Cabinet Maker.
5	Harriet DIEHL (9) born 16 Mar 1847, Friends Cove, Colerain Township, Bedford Co PA; chr'd 20 May 1847, Friends Cove, Colerain Township, Bedford Co PA; Married (12 Feb 1899 Bedford, Bedford Co PA) John LEE (8); died 25 Aug 1897, Colerain Township, Bedford Co PA; buried Cove Methodist-Protestant Cemetery; occ. Housewife.
6	Thomas William DRAY (10) born 3 Sep 1856, Steubenville, Jefferson Co OH; Married (7 Oct 1877 Putnam Co OH) Eliza Elizabeth CORKWELL (11); died Hancock Co OH; occ. Farmer/Railroad.
7	Eliza Elizabeth CORKWELL (11) born 1 Feb 1857, Putnam Co OH; Married (7 Oct 1877 Putnam Co OH) Thomas William DRAY (10); died 23 Oct 1914, Putnam Co OH; buried Kiefernville Cemetery; occ. Housewife.
----- GENERATION 4 -----	
8	George Washington LEE (16) born 28 Mar 1822, Bedford Co PA; Married (ca. 1840 Bedford Co PA) Catharine WERTZ (17); died 21 Feb 1857, Cumberland Valley Township, Bedford Co PA; buried Smith/Wertz Farm Cemetery; occ. Farmer.
9	Catharine WERTZ (17) born 27 Jan 1822, Cumberland Valley Township, Bedford Co PA; Married (ca. 1840 Bedford Co PA) George Washington LEE (16); died 29 Oct 1883, Colerain Township, Bedford Co PA; buried Cove Methodist-Protestant Cemetery; occ. Housewife.
10	John DIEHL (18) born 21 Jun 1797, Friends Cove, Colerain Township, Bedford Co PA; Married (ca 1819 Friends Cove, Bedford Co PA) Mary Magdalena KOONTZ (19); died 10 May 1870, Friends Cove, Colerain Township, Bedford Co PA; buried Twin Churches Cemetery; occ. Farmer.
11	Mary Magdalena KOONTZ (19) born 2 Apr 1801, Colerain Township, Bedford Co PA; Married (ca 1819 Friends Cove, Bedford Co PA) John DIEHL (18); died 7 Mar 1865, Friends Cove, Colerain Township, Bedford Co PA; buried Twin Churches Cemetery; occ. Housewife.
12	John Wesley DRAY (20) born 9 Dec 1830, Jefferson Co OH; Married (3 Mar 1852 Steubenville, Jefferson Co OH) Judith Ann FISHER (21); died 6 Aug 1916, Jackson Township, Putnam Co OH; occ. Farmer.
13	Judith Ann FISHER (21) born ca. 1831, Steubenville, Jefferson Co OH; Married (3 Mar 1852 Steubenville, Jefferson Co OH) John Wesley DRAY (20); died 28 Dec 1922, Putnam Co OH; occ. Housewife.
14	Leven CORKWELL (22) born 6 Apr 1827, Ross Co OH; Married (3 Nov 1853 Putnam Co OH) Lydia DICKEY (23); died 1 Mar 1915, Putnam Co OH; buried New Bethany Cemetery; occ. Farmer.
15	Lydia DICKEY (23) born 7 Sep 1834, Tuscarawas Co OH; Married (3 Nov 1853 Putnam Co OH) Leven CORKWELL (22); died 26 Jul 1908, Putnam Co OH; buried New Bethany Cemetery; occ. Housewife.



Table III

<b>HUSBAND: Paul Thomas LEE (2)</b>	
BORN: 24 May 1910	Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
MARR: 27 Oct 1934	Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
DIED: 3 Jan 1972	Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
BURIED: Greenlawn Cem, Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN	
OCC: Salesman for Old Crown Brewers	
NOTE: Social Security No. 306-05-6893	
FATHER: Charles H. LEE (4) born 29 Dec 1883, Colerain, Bedford Co PA; died 4 Dec 1967, Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN; buried Greenlawn Cemetery; occ. Truck Driver; child #6 of John LEE (8) and Harriet DIEHL (9).	
MOTHER: Bessie C. DRAY (5) born 23 Jul 1886, Kieferville, Putnam Co OH; died 16 Dec 1953, Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN; buried Greenlawn Cemetery; occ. Housewife; child #5 of Thomas William DRAY (10) and Eliza Elizabeth CORKWELL (11).	
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<b>WIFE: Audra Berniece HOWEY (3)</b>	
BORN: 23 Aug 1913	Jackson Township, DeKalb Co IN
DIED: 19 May 1987	Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
BURIED: Cedar Chapel Cem, Butler Township, DeKalb Co IN	
OCC: Housewife NOTE: Social Security No. 309-36-8918	
FATHER: Corma Patterson HOWEY (6) born 11 Sep 1884, Cedar Creek, Allen Co IN; died 30 Jan 1974, Auburn, DeKalb Co IN; buried Cedar Chapel Cemetery; occ. Farmer; child #2 of John K. HOWEY (12) and Rebecca Jane KESTER (13); [Note: Social Security No. 304-46-9067].	
MOTHER: Gladys Blanche PAULEN (7) born 15 Dec 1893, Hopewell, Allen Co IN; died 7 Feb 1975, Auburn, DeKalb Co IN; buried Cedar Chapel Cemetery; occ. Housewife; child #2 of George PAULEN (14) and Mary Belle LINDSEY (15).	
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1	<b>NAME: Robert Eugene LEE</b>
M	BORN: 29 Jun 1935 Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
	MARR: 16 Oct 1954 Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
	DIED: living 1993 Clydeton Dock, Humphries Co TN
	WIFE: Sandra Marlene BRADEN
	BORN: 20 Apr 1935 DIED: living 1993
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2	<b>NAME: Charles Gerald LEE</b>
M	BORN: 21 Sep 1938 Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
	MARR: 11 Jul 1959 Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
	DIED: living 1993 Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
	WIFE: Juanita Jeanette GARD
	BORN: 22 Mar 1939 DIED: living 1993
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3	<b>NAME: Thomas Wayne LEE (1)</b>
M	BORN: 10 June 1944 Fort Wayne, Allen Co IN
	MARR: 8 Apr 1991 Dallas, Dallas Co TX
	DIED: living 1993 Dallas, Dallas Co TX
	WIFE: Sammie Sue TOWNSEND
	BORN: 28 Aug 1945 DIED: living 1993

Table IV

Paul Thomas LEE (2) b. 24 May 1910; d. 3 Jan 1972.  
 sp-Audra Berniece HOWEY (3) b. 23 Aug 1913; d. 19 May 1987.  
 - 1--Robert Eugene LEE b. 29 Jun 1935; living 1993.  
 - sp-Sandra Marlene BRADEN b. 20 Apr 1935; living 1993.  
 - - 2--Steven Allen LEE b. 9 Aug 1956.  
 - - sp-Marilyn HATFIELD.  
 - - - 3--Steven Allen, LEE, JR. b. 25 Dec 1976.  
 - - - 3--Sara Nicole LEE b. 23 Aug 1978.  
 - - - 3--Cassandra Marie LEE b. 12 May 1980.  
 - - - 3--James Michael LEE b. 26 Jul 1981.  
 - - 2--Garrold "Gary" Gene LEE b. 31 Oct 1959.  
 - - 2--Karin Marie LEE b. 11 Feb 1961.  
 - - 2--Christopher Braden LEE b. 22 Oct 1969.  
 - 1--Charles Gerald LEE b. 21 Sep 1938; living 1993.  
 - sp-Juanita Jeanette GARD b. 22 Mar 1939; living 1993.  
 - - 2--Donald Scott LEE b. 22 Jul 1963.  
 - - 2--Deanna Rachelle Lee LEE b. 24 Mar 1969.  
 - 1--Thomas Wayne LEE (1) b. 10 June 1944; living 1993.  
 ===== TOTAL: 13 Descendant Listings (not including Spouses)

## The Family Group Sheet

What about all your ancestors' brothers and sisters? Where are they listed? The answer is the *Family Group Sheet* [Table III], which begins with an ancestral couple and their dates and places, proceeding to list all of their known children, with vital records and spouses for each.

A separate family group sheet should be made out for each of your ancestral families.

This form is the workhorse for genealogical researchers, usually including the notes and record citations that serve as proof of your ancestry.

## The Descendancy Chart

The *Descendancy Chart* [Table IV] is exactly what its name implies, a descending genealogy listing all known descendants of a given ancestor; it includes siblings in every generation. Each descendant is placed on the chart indented under his parent such that if the beginning ancestor is on the left margin, then his children's names are set over several spaces. The grandchildren of the beginning ancestor are set over several more spaces, and listed under their parents; all grandchildren, no matter by which child of the beginning ancestor, are lined up. The fourth generation, the great-grandchildren, are set over several more spaces, and so on. This chart is the skeleton of most compiled family genealogies that begin with an immigrant to America.



## The Lineage Chart

*Lineage Charts* [Table V] show descent by bloodline from ancestor to a researcher. This is the type of chart required by hereditary and lineage societies for membership. You need to prove relationship in each generation to prove bloodline. All dates and places of birth, death, and marriage must be proven for each generation. A lineage chart can be ascending or descending. Generations are numbered but, unlike the ahnentafel system, each person is not given a number.

**Table V**

LINEAGE			
Deanna Rochelle LEE being duly sworn (Full name of applicant)			
I was born on 24 Mar. 1969 at Ft. Wayne, Allen, IN			
married on _____ at _____			
to _____	born on _____	at _____	
I am the daughter by blood line of			
2. Charles Gerald LEE	born 21 Sept. 1938	at Ft. Wayne, Allen, IN	
died at - still living -	on _____	and his (first/only) wife	
Juanita Jeanette GARD	born 22 Mar. 1939	at Winchester, Randolph, IN	
died at - still living -	on _____	married 11 July 1959; Ft. Wayne, date and place Allen, IN	
3. The said Charles Gerald LEE was the child by blood line of			
Paul Thomas LEE	born 24 May 1910	at Ft. Wayne, Allen, IN	
died at Ft. Wayne, Allen, IN	on 3 Jan. 1972	and his (first/only) wife	
Audra Berniece HOWEY	born 23 Aug. 1913	at Auburn, DeKalb, IN	
died at Ft. Wayne, Allen, IN	on 19 May 1987	married 27 Oct. 1934, Ft. Wayne, date and place Allen, IN	
4. The said Paul Thomas LEE was the child by blood line of			
Charles H. LEE	born 29 Dec. 1883	at Bedford Co., PA	
died at Ft. Wayne, Allen, IN	on 4 Dec. 1967	and his (first/only) wife	
Bessie C. DRAY	born 23 June 1886	at Kieferville, Putnam, OH	
died at Ft. Wayne, Allen, IN	on 16 Dec. 1953	married Apr. 1906; Findlay, date and place Hancock, OH	
5. The said Charles H. LEE was the child by blood line of			
John LEE	born 1846	at Bedford Co., PA	
died at Erie, Erie, PA	on 10 June 1920	and his (first/ ) wife	
Harriet DIEHL	born 16 Mar. 1847	at Bedford Co., PA	
died at Bedford Co., PA	on 25 Aug. 1897	married 16 June 1870, Bedford Co., date and place PA	
6. The said John LEE was the child by blood line of			
George Washington LEE	born 28 Mar. 1822	at Bedford Co., PA	
died at Bedford Co., PA	on 21 Feb. 1856	and his (first/only) wife	
Catharine WERTZ	born 27 Jan. 1822	at Bedford Co., PA	
died at Bedford Co., PA	on 29 Oct. 1883	married ca. 1841; Bedford Co., PA date and place	
7. The said Catharine WERTZ was the child by blood line of			
John WERTZ	born 18 Jan. 1789	at Bedford Co., PA	
died at Bedford Co., PA	on 2 June 1858	and his (first/ ) wife	
Elizabeth WILLIAMS	born 12 Apr. 1791	at Bedford Co., PA	
died at Bedford Co., PA	on 9 June 1856	married ca. 1810; Bedford Co., PA date and place	
8. The said John WERTZ was the child by blood line of			
Paul WERTZ	born ca. 1747	at Germany	
died at Bedford Co., PA	on 30 Mar. 1826	and his (first/only) wife	
Catharine STIFFLER	born ca. 1767	at PA	
died at Bedford Co., PA	on 27 Feb. 1854	married ca. 1785; Bedford Co., PA date and place	

### For Further Reading:

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# Guide to Resources in the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library

## Ohio Surname Index by Sammie Townsend Lee

### Overview

County and local histories have long been recognized by genealogists as a valuable source of information on people, places, churches, schools, and organizations. Sometimes called "mug books," the histories written just prior to and just after the turn of the 20th Century often contain biographical sketches about early inhabitants of specific localities. These sketches can provide information reaching back several generations, often into the 18th Century. While these books are not always trustworthy, they should be consulted nonetheless for the information and hints they contain about family relationships, origins, previous residences, and activities.

Ohio has many early local and county histories, as well as early atlases, for her numerous counties. The bad news is that these early histories are rarely indexed. When one is lucky enough to locate an index of sorts, it usually only lists the main subjects of the biographical sketches. The good news is that a surname index exists on microfilm to aid us in our search for early Ohio ancestors.

### Content

The Ohio Surname Index was a project of the Ohio Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. It was compiled by various Ohio DAR chapters from 1928 to 1936 under the guidance of Miss Alice Boardman. The original index was compiled on 3x5-inch cards and is still available at the Ohio Historical Society Archives-Library in Columbus. It has been speculated that the card index consists of about 500,000 cards on early Ohioans. Unfortunately, not all Ohio histories were indexed before the project was abandoned.

The card index was microfilmed in 1983. The microfilmed index is arranged alphabetically. Generally, a card contains the person's surname, title (if any, such as General, Mrs., Reverend, etc.), and given name, followed by author (if given) and title of the history, publisher's name and publication year, and page number(s) on which the person's name can be located in the history. Surname entries are followed by family and business listings.

### Location

The Ohio Surname Index is on 64 rolls of microfilm, arranged alphabetically A-Z. It is located in the Ohio state microfilm drawers.

The Genealogy Section also owns, on microfilm, many of the county histories and atlases referred to in the index. This collection will be found in the same location as the index.

### Aids

If a name is found in the surname index, first check the Genealogy Section's locality card catalog for Ohio, then alphabetically for the county, to see if the referenced history is in our collection. Most of the histories and atlases are on the Research Publications micropublications. The catalog card will list the roll number for the desired history or atlas. (Microfilm boxes containing the Ohio county histories are labeled only with a roll number.)

If in published form, a call number will be listed on the catalog card.



## Bulletin Board

Do you have information you would like to share with other genealogical researchers in DGS? Have you found a "good deal" in genealogy, a rare library, a new source? If so, send the information to us. This column is your forum for exchange. Please send original information only and include the source.

Send to: Bulletin Board Editor; DGS; P.O. Box 12648; Dallas, TX 75225-0648.

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### PERSI

Who makes full use of the *Periodical Source Index*, do you? *PERSI* is a project of the Allen County Public Library of Fort Wayne, Indiana, in which genealogical magazines are indexed by locality, family name, and subject. An annual update is issued to keep the index current; these updates are not cumulative, so all volumes should be checked. Entries are listed with abstracted titles and a code for the name of the periodical in which the article appeared, along with the volume number and date.

Once you have located an article in which you are interested, first check the holdings of the Dallas Public Library. If the Genealogy Section cannot supply the article, the magazine may be ordered on interlibrary loan, from the publisher, or by writing the Allen County Public Library for copy service (at nominal cost).

Address: Genealogy Department; Allen County Public Library; P.O. Box 2270; Fort Wayne, IN 46801-2270.

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### Virginia Bonanza

Microfilmed copies of Virginia records are available to any library that participates in the interlibrary loan program, including the Dallas Public Library. Wouldn't you like to see the early tax lists of your counties, or perhaps the court minutes or deeds? These films are provided through the Virginia State Archives at no cost to the borrower.

Inquire at the main desk in the Genealogy Section; a City of Dallas library card is all that is required.

### Research Trip to Washington, D.C.

A fall trip to Washington, D.C., is planned for 17-24 October. Organizers are Bill Linder, author of *How to Trace your Family History* and former director of central reference at the National Archives, and Nettie Seagraves, councilor of the National Genealogical Society and former executive director of The Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania. Planned are personal assistance with your genealogical problems and research outings to the National Archives, the Library of Congress, and the DAR Library.

Cost of the trip is \$695, not including transportation. Accommodations are at the Comfort Inn in downtown Washington.

For further information: Bill Linder; 4615 9th Street South; Arlington, VA 22204.

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### Hiring a Professional Researcher

The Association of Professional Genealogists (APG) has recently published the 1993 *Directory of Professional Genealogists*. Entries are listed and cross-indexed by name, residence, experience, and research specialties of members. Further information is given on how to hire a professional researcher, and on organizations which have screening programs for member genealogical researchers.

Cost of this directory is \$12; checks should be made payable to the Association of Professional Genealogists. A copy of this book would make an excellent gift to the Genealogy Section of the DPL.

Address: Association of Professional Genealogists; APG Directory; 3421 M Street, N.W.; Suite 236; Washington, D.C. 20007

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### Photo CD

Wow! What will they think of next? It's now possible to drop off slides or negatives of your heirloom pictures at any photofinishing outlet that supports Kodak's Photo CD technology. When you pick up the CD, it will have your pictures digitally recorded on the compact disc. The pictures will be viewable using your home computer with any compatible CD-Rom drive (IBM® or Macintosh®), any CD-I (compact disc interactive device) or Kodak's own Photo CD player attached to a television set. A software package that handles this



technology is required if you view the pictures on computer.

Unlike your originals, the pictures stored on CD do not fade over time. As many as 100 pictures can be stored on a single CD for a cost of \$1 to \$2 per image.

### New LDS Phone Number

The good news is that the Lake Highlands Family History Center now has a private phone line; the bad news is that no one knows it.

Address: 10701 Lake Highlands Drive; Dallas, TX. New phone: 342-2642.

### Start Planning Now: 1994 NGS Conference, Houston

Houston may have beaten us to it, but DGS members are delighted nonetheless that next year's National Genealogical Society Conference in the States will be in the Lone Star State. And we'd better take advantage of it, for the 1995 conference is set for San Diego, California.

Hosted by the Friends of the Clayton Library, the 1994 convention is scheduled 1-4 June in Houston, TX. Site and schedule to be released at a future date. Watch this space.

## Fall Genealogy Classes

Is it time for you to break down and take a course in genealogical fundamentals? Perhaps you have a friend or neighbor who is a beginner and needs to begin his research on the right foot. Try one of these! Register in person or by phone at one of Offices of Continuing Education listed below.

<b>Brookhaven Community College</b> . . . . .		<b>620-4715</b>
Beginning Genealogy	Thursdays, 30 Sep - 18 Nov	7 - 9 P.M.
by Dorislee Riley Hoffpauer	at R. L. Turner High School	
Genealogy: Looking Back to the Future	Tuesdays, 28 Sep - 9 Nov	1 - 3 P.M.
by Dorislee Riley Hoffpauer	at Ridgeview Presbyterian Church	
[This is an Emeritus Course, available only to those students over 55.]		
<b>Cedar Valley Community College</b> . . . . .		<b>372-8210</b>
Beginning Genealogy	Saturdays, 11 Sep - 25 Sep	9 - 11 A.M.
by June Anderson Shipley	at Cedar Valley	
Genealogy II	Saturdays, 2 Oct - 16 Oct	9 - 11 A.M.
by June Anderson Shipley	at Cedar Valley	
<b>Eastfield Community College</b> . . . . .		<b>324-7113</b>
Tracing Your Ancestors	Saturdays, 18 Sep - 6 Nov	9:30 - 11:30 A.M.
by Lola Lindsey	at Mesquite Public Library	
<b>North Lake Community College</b> . . . . .		<b>659-5200</b>
Beginning Genealogy	Tuesdays, 21 Sep - 12 Oct	6:30 - 9:30 P.M.
by Rose Marie Snell	location TBA	
<b>Richland Community College</b> . . . . .		<b>238-6144</b>
Basics of Genealogy	Wednesdays, 8 Sep - 13 Oct	6:30 - 8:30 P.M.
by Sammie Townsend Lee	at Lake Highlands High School	
<b>Southern Methodist University</b> . . . . .		<b>768-5465</b>
Introduction to Genealogy	Thursdays, 23 Sep - 11 Nov	7 - 9 P.M.
by Renee Jackson Smith	at SMU	



## 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.

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HARRISON  
HOWARD**

There is a stone in Rockwall Cemetery as follows: "Susan THOMPSON, born 30 Jan 1847, died 19 Apr 1902." I would like to know if this is Susan HARRISON who married Milton Allen THOMPSON on 27 Dec 1866 in Kaufman Co., TX. I believe her husband is beside her without a stone. I need to know his date of death and his burial place. He was in the 1910 Heath, TX, census living with Alonzo and Susan (THOMPSON) HOWARD, his sister. I would like to place a stone to his grave. He was a twin to my grandfather, Thomas Marion THOMPSON. Both were in Co. F., South Kansas-Texas Regiment of the Calvary commanded by General A. B. Stone, captured at Citronelle, AL, 04 May 1865, set free 13 May 1865. I need permission from the next of kin to place a stone there.  
Edith Kyser Smith; 414 Lincolnshire Drive; Irving, TX 75061-6440

**DENISON  
LINDSEY**

Seeking information on George W. DENISON, born in Arkansas circa 1845; his wife, Grizzell (LINDSEY) DENISON, born circa 1849; and their son, Joseph Oscar DENISON, born 05 Apr 1868 in Arkansas. George is listed on the 1870 census as being a Dallas farmer. George and Grizzell died about 1873. How did they die? Where are they buried?  
Leona Denison Patterson; 16351 Howland Lane; Huntington Beach, CA 92647

**MORRIS  
WHITE**

Seeking an obituary for George W. MORRIS, a Dallas attorney, who died 11 Nov 1931 in Dallas and was buried in Rockwall, TX. He and his wife, Martha Ann, probably moved to Dallas about 1910 and remained there. Martha Ann died in Dallas 1 Dec 1936. George was born in Dec 1851 in Hamilton Co., IL, the son of Mason MORRIS (born North Carolina) and Elizabeth (WHITE) MORRIS (born Kentucky). He appears to have married in Texas before 1874. Known children were: Eugenia, Chester A., Ollie M., and Walter (possibly John W.). By family tradition, George's son Walter MORRIS, owned a Dallas ball team (baseball-?). Any suggestions where to look into Dallas ball teams between 1910 and 1950? Is the John W. MORRIS, born in 1881 the same person as this Walter MORRIS? Are there published copies of obituaries for Dallas?  
Peggy Sue (Morris) Estes; 800 W. Mill Street, Apt. 404A; Carbondale, IL 62901

**SANDERS  
QUIN/GUIN**

Seeking information on Edgar Neil SANDERS, born 20 Sep 1896 in Valley Mills, TX, the son of Edgar Nugent and Mary Ottie (QUIN/GUIN) SANDERS. Edgar Neil SANDERS left home about 1912 or 1913 to drive horses from Mexico to a ranch probably located in Texas. He visited his family and wrote a few letters, but was never heard from again. At the time, private investigators and attorneys tried to find him. It is believed he was killed "on the trail" or even over the border of Mexico. Is there any way to find out if he is still living or if there is a gravesite? I've tried the Texas Department of Health. Thanks for any help.  
Sonya J. Kerchner; 700 Milburn N.E.; Massillon, OH 44646

**LEDFORD  
TANNER  
CURTIS  
SANDERSON**

Need help with families of Monroe Jackson LEDFORD born 1848 in Pickins District, SC, the son of Thomas and Eliza (TANNER) LEDFORD. He married Amanda Jane Martha CURTIS, daughter of James and Carrisa (SANDERSON) CURTIS. Children of Monroe and Amanda were Charles Richardson; Galor Lorenzo, b. 1873, NC and married Hallie C.; Laura Jane; James Douthit; William Constantine; and Mark Stanford. Galor LEDFORD and family were living in Navarro Co., TX, in 1900 and in Hill Co., TX by 1910. Was any of this family in Whiteright, TX in 1913?  
Mary Ellen Ledford; 702 Fouts Drive; Irving TX 75061-4126



SHANNON  
GLEASON

Seeking information on a daughter and son of Cornelius and Elizabeth (GLEASON) SHANNON who emigrated from Ireland to New York in 1934. The parents remained in the New York City area until 1880. They had four children, two sons and two daughters: John B., born Jan 1834 in Ireland, and Mary E., born the same year (Dec 1834) in New York City. The names of the other two children are not known; nothing is known about the other daughter, but the son had a family in New Jersey that he left. He was not heard from again. About 1900 a daughter from his Texas family came to New York to look up her grandfather. She met her father's brother, John SHANNON, in Bronx, NY. She said her father had been shot and killed in Texas. It is not known where the father lived in New Jersey or Texas. His birth date is unknown. It is possible that the daughter was conceived about 1880, and the father was shot and killed sometime after that.

Catherine Shannon; 1911 N.E. 8th Court, #118; Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

YAGER  
GROSS  
TINER  
MYERS  
GENUSER

Seeking information on my grandfather, Charles Henry YAGER, who lived in Dallas, TX, from 1904–1935. He was Deputy U.S. Marshall, 1928–1934, under S. L. GROSS. He sang in a Loyal Order of Moose quartette with Joe TINER, Frank MYERS, and Frank GENUSER in 1912. He died in 1955 in Wichita Falls, TX, age 80. I know little about him except what I have obtained from Social Security records, census records, and his obituary. I have many photos of him and people that are likely family members (no names on backs); also a booklet called "Souvenir from Dallas Lodge No. 424, Loyal Order of Moose, Dallas, Texas—Aug 1912". It has many photos and articles on members and old Dallas buildings. Newspaper articles call him "two gun Charlie," and I have one of his guns. I would really like to know more about him.

Mary Taylor Hayden; P.O. Box 1363; Granbury, TX 76048

WHEELER  
KENT  
CADELL  
POPLIN  
WOODALL

Seeking information on Franklin Douglas WHEELER, born 19 Jun 1854 in TN, son of David Potter and Harriet Elvira CADDELL (POPLIN) WHEELER. He married Eugenia KENT in Tennessee. They were parents of James B., born 1879 in TN, married Ada (?); Bob B.; Fanny L., who married Buddy CADDELL of Wise Co., TX; Edward P.; Franklin M.; and Henry L. The family moved to Bell Co., TX, around 1880. Franklin was a Baptist preacher. Also interested in Franklin's brother, Samuel WHEELER, who moved to Oklahoma, where his son Joe became a policeman.

J. H. Wheeler; 508 13th Street; Levelland, TX 79336

WILSON  
BEASLEY  
SANDERS

Looking for information on Orville Harrison WILSON, born 1848 in Panola Co., MS, son of Thomas P. (born 1811, TN) and Elizabeth (BEASLEY) WILSON (born 1820, GA). Orville came to Dallas Co., TX, in 1869 and married Rachel SANDERS in Dallas Co. in 1872. Orville and Rachel lived in Sumter Co., AL, in 1840; Panola Co., MS, in 1850; St. Francis Co., AR, in 1860. Where did they go after St. Francis County? He died in 1921 in Tarrant Co., TX, and was buried in Lyons Cemetery in Dallas County. Also, need information on Orville's siblings: Sarah A., born 1839; William, born 1842; Mary J., born 1845; and James, born 1849.

Sue Harris; 13600 Paisano Circle; Austin, TX 78737

BOWLES

I would like to contact descendants of John W. BOWLES, who came from Virginia to Benton Twp., near Piedmont, MO, in the 1870s. I would also like information on John W.'s father, Hardin T. BOWLES, and grandfather, name unknown.

Bill Bowles; 426 Beverly Drive; Richardson, TX 75080

SCOTT  
HENDERSON  
RHEA

Seeking information and parentage of Martha Jane SCOTT, born 1849, KY; died 1886, KY. She married Joel HENDERSON (1845–1916) in 1869. Are Martha's parents John Perry SCOTT (1820–1892) and Evaline RHEA (1825–1880)? Martha's mother is supposedly Indian; what tribe?

Donna Verner; 6416 Gardenia; Rowlett, TX 75088



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