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DGS 1994 Spring Seminar by Art Rubeck

Mark your calendars for Saturday, 16 April 1994. That's the day that DGS presents Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck as our lecturer for the 38th Annual DGS Spring Seminar. The Spring Seminar is being held in the Dallas Convention Center. (In the same building as the Fall Symposium, except the Spring Seminar will be in the second floor ballroom instead of the first floor meeting room location.) We look forward to not only an exciting, informative, and entertaining series of lectures from Lloyd, but also to a large assortment of exhibitors and vendors.

Lloyd needs no introduction to most readers, as he has been with the Dallas Public Library since 1973 and has been the supervisor of the Genealogical Section since 1979. Through his efforts, the collection has grown to one of the largest in the United States. Known nationally for his many genealogical activities, Lloyd is active in genealogical education as well as writing by providing his weekly genealogy column in *The Dallas Morning News*.

For the Spring Seminar Lloyd presents four new lectures of interest to all levels of genealogists: beginners, intermediate, and advanced. No matter how often you've heard Lloyd, you'll learn many new things. Two of his Spring Seminar lectures are on methodology; two provide information on genealogical source material.

In his lecture *Building Blocks to Successful Research*, Lloyd tells us how to proceed based on the information you already have. Not only just stepping stones, the analogy to building blocks is more fitting, as you build your records based upon a solid foundation of known material.

In his lecture *Lloyd's Elements of Evidence vs. Proof*, he covers the various groups of documents that [See *Spring Seminar* continued on page 16.]

Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck by Margret Hancock Pearce

Are we to believe that a prophet is without honor in his own country? We emphatically deny it!

Lloyd Dewitt Bockstruck would perhaps question the title of prophet, however any person who has benefitted from his knowledge of genealogical sources or observed his uncanny ability to recall some obscure reference or date probably would not.

When Lloyd came to the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library in 1973, he was already well qualified in genealogy. The current supervisor of the section, he is a native of Vandalia, Illinois. He graduated with an A.B. Cum Laude from Greenville College in Greenville, Illinois, an M.A. in History from Southern Illinois University, and received his M.S. in Library Science from the University of Illinois in 1973.

Lloyd is well-known as a genealogical educator. In 1974, he became an instructor of basic and intermediate genealogy through Southern Methodist University's school of Continuing Education. Also, in that same year he joined the faculty of the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama. On a more recent note, Lloyd became the Military Course Coordinator for the 1993 inaugural session of the Genealogical Institute of Texas and will hold that same position for the July 1994 session.

As a genealogical lecturer, Lloyd is highly acclaimed. With only a lapse or two, he has been a yearly speaker at the National Genealogical Society's Conference in the States and is scheduled to speak at the NGS Conference to be held in Houston, Texas, in June of 1994.

Among his memberships, Lloyd counts 31 library, genealogical, hereditary, and patriotic organizations. [See *Bockstruck* continued on page 16.]

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.

Membership:

Individuals, libraries, or societies may apply for membership. 1994 annual dues are \$15 for the calendar year; \$18 if paid after 31 January. 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. Copy deadline for the March-April 1994 *DGS Newsletter* is 1 February 1994. 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.

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1994 DGS Calendar of Events

Regular Meetings: Unless otherwise indicated, DGS Regular Meetings are held on the fourth Monday, January-May and September-November, in the Auditorium of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library (Dallas Public Library), 1515 Young Street in downtown Dallas. Regular meetings are free; visitors and guests are welcome.

Computer Interest Group Meetings: Unless otherwise indicated, the DGS Computer Interest Group (DGS/CIG) meetings are held on the second Thursday, January-November, in the Auditorium of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library. Additionally, the DGS/CIG 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. DGS/CIG Meetings are free; visitors and guests are welcome.

The DGS Spring Seminar and DGS Annual Genealogy Symposium are held in the Dallas Convention Center. The Summer Lecture Series are held in the Auditorium of the Dallas Public Library.

EVENT	DAY AND DATE	TIME	SPEAKER	PROGRAM OR INFORMATION
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 13 January	6:30 P.M.	TOM FALLEN, Signature Images	<i>Computer Restoration of Old Photographs</i> [See page 6]
Regular Meeting	Monday, 24 January	7:00 P.M.	HEATHER WILLIAMS, Manager of DPL History and Social Science Department	<i>Placing Your Ancestors in Historical Perspective: A Research Strategy</i>
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 10 February	6:30 P.M.	No meeting due to GENTECH94 on Saturday	See page 18 for information on GENTECH94
Regular Meeting	Monday, 28 February	11:00 A.M.	CAROL ROARK, Archivist in the DPL Texas/Dallas History & Archives Division	<i>Genealogical Resources on the Seventh Floor</i>
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 10 March	6:30 P.M.	TBA	
Regular Meeting	Monday, 28 March	7:00 P.M.	BARBARA BAYLIS—NGS, GIT GILDA CAIN—TSGS BRENDA KELLOW—APG ART RUBECK—FGS JOHN V. WYLIE—GENTECH	<i>Genealogical Alphabet Soup: What Do All Those Letters Mean?</i>
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 14 April	6:30 P.M.	TBA	
1994 Spring Seminar	Saturday, 16 April	8:00 A.M.— 4:00 P.M.	LLOYD DEWITT BOCKSTRUCK	38th Annual Spring Seminar [See page 1]
Regular Meeting	Monday, 25 April	11:00 A.M.	LESLIE SMITH COLLIER	A look at Intestate Papers. Also, election of officers.

DGS/Cig Meeting	Thursday, 12 May	6:30 P.M.	TBA	
Annual Meeting	Monday 23 May	7:00 P.M.	DR. ROSE-MARY RUMBLEY, Ph.D	A light-hearted history of Dallas. Also, Annual Meeting; installation of officers.
Summer Lecture Series	Saturday, 18 June	9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.	DR. ARLENE H. EAKLE, Ph.D., of Salt Lake City, UT	<i>American Land and Tax Records</i>
Summer Lecture Series	Saturday, 16 July	9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.	GALE WILLIAMS BAMMAN, C.G., of Nashville, TN	<i>Research in Tennessee</i>
Summer Lecture Series	Saturday 13 August	9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.	LARRY O. JENSEN	<i>German Genealogical Research</i>

DGS Programs

by Dorothy Odom Bruce,
VP for Programs

The 1994 programs for the DGS Regular Meetings lead off in January and February with two excellent presentations highlighting Dallas Public Library departments other than the Genealogy Section. Yes, there are places in the Library, other than behind the "glass walls," where you can locate information concerning your ancestors.

Springtime arrives with our March meeting featuring a panel of representatives from various genealogical and educational organizations. Come to DGS to learn what NGS, GIT, TSGS, APG, FGS, and GENTECH are all about. Each representative will tell us about their organization's purpose and goals, plus the advantages of membership. No hard-sell, just information.

In April Leslie Collier presents an overview of intestate records and shows us what a blessing in disguise it can be when our ancestors failed to make wills.

Our May Annual Meeting will wrap up the 1993-94 Board year with installation of 1994-95 officers and our annual gift to the Genealogy Collection. The meeting will be highlighted by Dallas' ever-popular lecturer, Dr. Rose-Mary Rumbley, delivering a light-hearted look at the History of Dallas.

January Meeting

Date & Time: . Monday, 24 January, 7:00 P.M.

Speaker: Heather Williams

Topic: . . . *Placing Your Ancestors in Historical Perspective: A Research Strategy*

Reach out from the walls of the Genealogy Library and recreate the world in which your ancestors lived. Heather Williams, Manager of the DPL History and Social Science Department, will tell us how to breathe life into our family history research by examining the lifestyles of our ancestors, the places where they lived, and the historical events that shaped their lives. This presentation will review the steps in the research process that should be followed when conducting a family history project. Just outside the walls of the Genealogy Section is housed a vast array of resources awaiting your research.

February Meeting

Date & Time: Monday, 28 February, 11:00 A.M.

Speaker: Carol Roark

Topic: . *Genealogical Resources on the 7th Floor*

The Texas/Dallas History and Archives Division is located on the 7th floor of the Dallas Public Library. Housed in this special division is an outstanding collection of records, manuscripts, photographs, maps, etc., accenting Texas and Dallas history. Carol Roark, Archivist for the Division, presents an overview of the collection and tells us about the records of interest to the historian, genealogist, and family researcher.

The President's Message

by J. Bruce Moseley



1993 was a banner year for the Dallas Genealogical Society. Our total membership, educational events, monthly program quality, publication activity, and gifts to the Library were at peak levels.

Major new activities included the Salt Lake City Research Tour and the Capital Expansion Project. Moving our workshops to the Dallas Convention Center opens the prospects for unlimited expansion.

Now we're launching 1994.

By the time you read this, plans will be complete for a new series of Beginners Classes to be held early in the year at the Dallas Public Library. Several new publications will be available. The Capital Expansion Project will press on, and another Salt Lake City Research Tour is being planned. In April, Lloyd Bockstruck, America's favorite speaker on genealogy and family history research, will appear at our Spring Seminar. The National Genealogical Society's annual conference will be handy in Houston in June. Three outstanding programs are being lined up for the Summer Lecture Series, and the 1994 Fall Symposium will build on the success of 1993's.

Very soon two new Board positions will be created—an Education Director and a Volunteer Coordinator—and we are discussing altering our membership year so new members will be encouraged to join anytime. These changes will require a revision to our By Laws. Be sure to attend the January 25th Society meeting to hear about these revisions, and be present February 22nd to vote on them.

So it looks like we have much to do and much to enjoy in the coming twelve months. Are you ready for some action?

On behalf of your Board of Directors, I extend to you our very best wishes for a Happy New Year. We hope it will bring satisfaction and rewards to your genealogical research efforts, and continued success to our Society.

*Want to get your family tree traced for free?
Run for public office.*

DGS News

Treasurer's Report

by Laurie Goggan Wharton

Assets as of 22 November 1993

Cash and Bank Accounts	
Checking-NationsBank	\$8,579.54
Money Market-Bank One	4,960.42
Bulk Mail Deposit	631.30
Life Member Investments	
MMF-Cash Equivalent Fund	2,250.77
Note-U.S.Treasury	<u>5,367.18</u>

Total Assets \$21,789.21

Funds as of 22 November 1993

Operating Fund	\$4,533.91
Life Member Fund	9,250.00
Bulk Mail Fund	631.30
Publications Fund	5,374.00
Endowment Fund	<u>2,000.00</u>

Total Funds \$21,789.21

Membership

by Leslie Smith Collier

Renew your membership.

Renew *now* for 1994. The fee, if paid by 31 January 1994, is \$15.00 for regular membership. (If you wait until 1 February to renew, the fee is \$18.) Sustaining, patron, and life memberships are also available. See the DGS Membership Form on the inside back cover of this newsletter.

Roster

In order to be included in the new *DGS Roster* to be printed this spring, you must pay your membership fee by 15 March 1994. Once again, you have the opportunity to let others know what surnames and localities you are researching. DGS issues an updated roster every three years, so don't forget to order yours at \$4. They will not be reprinted once sold out.

Just a Reminder from the Editors:

Copies of the *DGS Newsletter* are no longer being distributed in the Genealogy Section at the Library for nonmembers. The newsletter and *The Dallas Quarterly* are member benefits, and you must be a member to receive copies of either. Don't let this be your last issue of the newsletter. Renew now!

Computer Interest Group by John V. Wylie

January CIG Meeting.

13 January 1994; 6:30 P.M.; Auditorium of the Dallas Central Library—Mr. Tom Fallen of Signature Images (Ola Padrida and Collin Creek Mall) displays restoration of old photographs on a computer. This technology is changing the way genealogists are restoring, preserving, and publishing old photos and documents at substantially lower costs than manual techniques. Even if you have little or no interest in computers, this lecture should be of interest to all genealogists, as Mr. Fallen shows what imaging services can do for you. This is not a how-to talk. It is rare that even the most experienced computer users would attempt to do these things with their own equipment.

No February CIG Meeting.

With GENTECH94 starting on 11 February 1994, we're giving everyone the night off. Rest up for two great days of technology in genealogy. See GENTECH94 registration information elsewhere in this newsletter. [See page 18.]

DGS Fall Workshop: A Big Success by Art Rubeck

The Sixth Annual Fall Genealogy Symposium and Twelfth Annual Beginners Workshop (which I shortened to "Fall Workshop") attracted over 700 people from six states and over one hundred Texas cities. There was uncrowded room for everyone this year, due to the Society's decision to move to the spacious Dallas Convention Center. Comments received on the evaluation sheets showed that nearly everyone agreed with this move. Seating in the lecture rooms was plentiful, all of the exhibitors were visible and easily identified, and there was an abundance of space for browsing. Most of the speakers were highly rated, and the selection of topics appeared to please nearly everyone. The few complaints were mainly aimed at the parking and food.

SuperSaturday RESTORED!

In the last *DGS Newsletter* I announced that Super-Saturdays at INFOMART have been suspended. As it turns out, when the sponsoring organization declared itself dissolved, their announcement that SuperSaturdays were a thing of the past was a bit premature. Another organization stepped in and will continue these excellent gatherings of over 40 computer interest groups each month.

Statistician needed.

The Capital Expansion Project Committee needs a member with experience in computers and statistics to assist in designing the evaluation of the patron questionnaires now being completed at the DPL Genealogy Section. Call John Wylie at 495-4410 if you can help, or if you know of a member who might be talked into helping.

Microfilm camera.

John Wylie is trying to get the DGS owned 35mm portable microfilm camera working. When it was picked up at the Genealogy Section of DPL, the foot switch was missing. If anyone has any idea where this switch might be, or knows what is on the film that is in the camera, call John at 495-4410.

Thanks to the volunteers.

The Fall Workshop was a true example of committees and volunteers in action. Hats off to these whose efforts made the Workshop possible: Madilyn Crane for speaker arrangements; Margret Pearce for exhibitor arrangements; Dorothy Bruce and her own crew of volunteers for the registration; our treasurer, Laurie Wharton, for walk-in registration (and bill paying); Linda Rogers for the syllabus; Pat Hatcher for creating the promotional flyer; Cliff Slagle for labelling and mailing the flyer, and also for his floor plan, table arrangements, and equipment setups; Millard Noell for signs; Markaleeta Stevenson for her help with food arrangements; Joan Thompson and the many volunteers she recruited for managing the DGS table; Leslie Collier for lining up the volunteers who introduced the speakers; and Bob Maybrier for his group of volunteer guides.

One special thank-you goes to Margaret Ann Hudson who arranged for the services of a deaf signer so that a group with hearing impairments

could attend this workshop. One of that group has written DGS to express their appreciation for the opportunity to participate, saying that they enjoyed it very much and look forward to the Spring Seminar. We hope to make deaf signing a part of all future DGS workshops.

A last pat-on-the-back goes to the speakers and exhibitors who made the Fall Workshop a terrific educational experience. The hours of preparation, the long trips of many who came from "far away places," and the exhausting day spent teaching, explaining, showing, and entertaining could only come from those who are dedicated and devoted to helping others pursue the hobby of genealogy. The Society is grateful to each of you.

Thanks to My Registration Committee by Dorothy Odom Bruce

I want to thank my Registration Committee of Volunteers in Action! Again this Fall, I had many wonderful, early-risers to help with registration for our Symposium! DGS is surely endowed with many devoted members and guests who always come forward to make our workshops a HUGE SUCCESS. Who would have ever thought we would be in the Dallas Convention Center!

For being there early AND smiling (and all this without coffee), I want to thank the following people: Linda Acord, Lynn Armstrong, Sue Ashby, Rose Alyce Beasley, Sue Daghestani, Sunny Daily, Patti Darnell, Don Dees, Juanita Hogue, Sheila Huckaby, Nancy Humphrey, Hallie Garner, Vern Gillis, Mark Gillispie, Monette Grant, Mary Johnson, Sharon Luckes, Pat Mutzabaugh, Ruth Slatton, and Larry Townsend.

Words of special thanks to David Huckaby for transferring the boxes of syllabuses from Linda Rogers' car into the registration area; Bill Boyle who carried syllabus boxes and opened them; Bernie Coffey who helped with signs and boxes; Laurie Wharton and Terri Allen, who worked the walk-in registration table; Henrietta Slagle who checked in the speakers.

Every society should be so lucky to have Ann McGuffey. She did not register to attend the workshop, but called to volunteer wherever she

could. She came early for the registration desk, and stayed there until noon. Then she transferred to the DGS table and helped in that area for the rest of the day! Ann explained that for years she had always attended DGS workshops and meetings but had never volunteered to do anything FOR us. Now she wanted to "pay back just a little of what she had received." *Thanks, Ann!*

Any names I missed was surely unintentional on my part. I do appreciate all that is done to make the registration area work so smoothly.

Words of Appreciation for the Fall Symposium

DGS always appreciates hearing when we've done a GOOD JOB!

We read the following, published in the December issue of the Mid-Cities Genealogical Society newsletter, and wanted to say, "Thanks, Mid-Cities for the good words":

"On Saturday, November 13th, Teri O'Neill, Sherlene Baab, Suzanne Lawton, Marilyn Hay, Virginia and Ken Branch all boarded Sharlene's van and headed for Dallas to attend their fall symposium. This is an outstanding symposium and one that we would recommend to all of you. The DGS presented a beginners workshop and 26 separate seminars... The symposium was held in the West Building of the Dallas Convention Center, and this is a great place to hold a symposium. Approximately 900 people were in attendance, and it did not seem to be crowded, just well done. Where possible, we tried to attend different sessions so we would get a different view of the overall symposium. We spent a lot of time browsing the vendor area. Dallas attracts a large group of vendors due to the large attendance. All of us had a great time and look forward to attending next year."

And this from DGS member Nova A. Lemmons:

"Thank you very much for giving me and my two deaf friends the opportunity to participate in and learn from the Fall seminar, which I enjoyed very much. I applaud the excellent organization that you've done in making everything go smoothly, reserving our chairs in advance, etc. I am already looking forward to the Spring seminar! Thanks."

Capital Expansion Project Report: You're doin' good! by Jan Bishop McFarland

Individual donations from DGS members and other genealogy section patrons have already topped \$8,500, and many of you have stepped forward to volunteer your time and talents, as well. Some of you have even come up with new fundraising ideas that have been incorporated into the Project. Keep it up, you amazing people!

CEP FUNDRAISING REPORT

The Society's 1993-1994 commitment to the CEP from general revenues has been funded; this includes profits from the Summer Lecture Series and an additional \$5,000.00. Donations from Salt Lake City Trip participants totaled \$2,600.00, and trip profits generated an additional \$1,078.47. Individual donations are coming in at a rapid pace, and other fund-raisers are beginning to show a profit. Following is a breakdown of contributions to the Capital Expansion Fund as of 8 December 1993:

Balance as of 8 Oct 1993	\$10,520.56
Sale of posters, note cards & catalog on fiche	\$166.65
Donations through 8 December	\$8,548.00
Profits-Salt Lake City Trip	\$1,078.47
Transfer from general revenues	\$5,000.00
Total through 8 December	\$25,313.68

CEP FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

• *Fall Salt Lake City Research Tour:*

Wholehearted thank-yous are due several people for the success of our first DGS-sponsored research trip to Salt Lake City. The lion's share of credit goes to two of DGS's most capable volunteers: **Dorothy Odom Bruce** and **Sammie Townsend Lee**. These terrific ladies put in a tremendous amount of time planning and coordinating every detail of this trip. Their hard work translated into a first-class experience for participants, and their creativity in cutting costs resulted in a substantial contribution to the Capital Expansion Project. Thank you, **Dorothy & Sam**, for your dedication and hard work. You did an *outstanding* job.

The Capital Expansion Committee also wishes to express its appreciation to the guides who participated in the Salt Lake trip: **Barbara Baylis, Madilyn Crane, Pat Hatcher, Sammie Lee** and **Art Rubeck**. These are five of the best genealogists in this part of the country, and their generosity in sharing their **knowledge** and experience made this a unique opportunity to access the Family History Library. Thanks also to **Margret Pearce, Shirley Sloat, Cliff Slagle** and **Linda Acord**, all of whom stepped forward in Salt Lake City to help whenever the need arose. DGS volunteers are *the best*.

• *Spring Salt Lake City Research Tour:*

Here's a golden opportunity for one-on-one research advice from our own **Lloyd Bockstruck**. DGS's spring research trip to Salt Lake City is tentatively scheduled for the first week in May. As currently planned, this tour will include a hotel package, a get-acquainted reception, a banquet featuring a nationally-known genealogist (the fall trip featured **Arlene Eakle**), a guided tour of the Family History Library, individual research assistance, a mid-week social, a pre-trip orientation and research planning sessions. In addition, each trip participant will have a private, one-hour session with Lloyd in Salt Lake City. This is your opportunity to solve those research problems you thought were hopeless. The world's largest genealogical materials repository and one of the nation's foremost genealogists--for researchers, it doesn't get any better than this.

• *Pardon me, boys, is that the Dallas-Houston Choo-Choo?*

DGS will sponsor a trip in June, 1994, to the National Genealogical Society Conference in Houston, with profits earmarked for the Capital Expansion Project. As currently planned, the trip price will cover round-trip transportation by train, transfers, hotel accommodations, conference registration, a DGS reception, plus a full day of research at the Clayton Library. On the train trip from Dallas to Houston you'll hear one or two lectures, including one on use of the Clayton and other Harris County research sources. The *best genealogical lecturers in the country* will be gathered in Houston for this conference, people like **Helen Leary, Elizabeth Shown Mills, Marsha Hoffman Rising, George Schweitzer**--the list goes on and on. The conference is also a powerful magnet for vendors and exhibitors offering genealogical books, materials and services. All this, and friends to share the fun! The trip is the brainchild of DGS member **Mary Johnson**, who jotted it down on the back of her CEP Volunteer Application. Thanks, Mary, for this wonderful idea!

• *Dukane Microfilm Readers for sale by DGS:*

Here's a money-saving opportunity for individuals, genealogical societies and small libraries to purchase the best microfilm readers made. Through a special arrangement with the Dukane Corporation, DGS is now offering

for sale three different models of Dukane readers. (Prices have been calculated to offer the best possible price to buyers and still allow for a modest profit to the CEP.) **Dukane's Model 27A66** Universal Reader, including manual roll film drive and 18x lens, is available from DGS for \$804.00 (18% off retail). **Dukane's Model 27A88A** Manual Direct Projection reader, including 18x lens, is available from DGS for \$1,360.00 (15% off retail). **Dukane's Model 27A77A** motorized reader, including 18x lens, is priced at \$1,511.00 (19% off retail). A special offer, available on Model 27A77A only, is also being made. In the summer of 1994, the Society plans to purchase twenty Model 27A77A readers in association with the Expansion Project. This quantity order will allow for further discounts to individuals. If your order for a Model 27A77A is "piggybacked" with the Society's order, your price will be \$1,295.00, *almost 1/3 off retail!* Prices quoted do not include tax and minimal shipping charges. Color brochure and complete price list, including optional accessories, is available at the DGS Desk in the Genealogy Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, or by mail for an SASE (please write the words "Dukane brochure" on your envelope).

• **An Evening at the Library:**

A special evening is being planned for individuals who make a contribution to the Capital Expansion Fund of \$1,000 or more. You will arrive at the Library at 6:00 on a Friday evening and be escorted to the Genealogy Section for a special buffet dinner. After dinner, members of the DGS Board and Capital Expansion Committee will help you research until midnight. We'll fetch microfilm, check indexes, make photocopies, do census extracts--whatever research work your little heart desires. Library security guards will be on duty the entire evening, and, if you like, you will be driven to and from the library by a member of the DGS Board.

• **DGS Limited Edition Posters and Note Cards:**

A full-color poster commemorating DGS's Capital Expansion Project is now available in a limited edition of 175. The poster is on display in the Genealogy Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library and may be purchased at the DGS Desk or at the Library's gift shop. Unsigned--\$15.00, plus tax. Signed by the artist--\$20.00, plus tax. Signed by the artist and framed--\$35.00, plus tax.

Thanks go to DGS member **Dan Carrier** for this excellent fundraising idea: Note cards which feature a cut from the poster artwork are available at the DGS Desk and the Library's gift shop. The single-fold cards are 6-1/2" x 4-7/8", printed on heavy parchment stock. Price is \$5.00, plus tax, for a package of ten cards with envelopes.

CEP FURNITURE/EQUIPMENT DONATIONS REGISTRY

Following is a "shopping list" of furniture and equipment to be purchased for the Genealogy Section. If you would like to "purchase" a particular item of furniture or equipment with your donation, a small brass plaque with your name, or any name you designate, will be affixed to that item when it's placed in the Genealogy Section. (For instance, for a minimum donation of \$754.00 your name will be placed on one of the new reading tables.) If you have already made your donation to the Expansion Fund and would like your name attached to a particular item whose price your donation covers, drop a note to the Capital Expansion Committee and let us know your choice. Please note: Only one plaque can be attached to each item of furniture or equipment, so names will be assigned in the order in which donations are received.

ITEM	Quantity Needed	Price	Total
Card catalog sections	2	\$ 4,010.00	\$ 8,020.00
Reading tables	11	754.00	8,294.00
Shelving sections: 7-high double units	105	314.00	32,970.00
End panels for 7-high double shelf units	14	203.00	2,842.00
Shelving sections: 7-high with divider panel	24	358.00	8,592.00
End panels for 7-high shelf units with divider panel	6	435.00	2,610.00
Tops for 7-high shelf units	48 feet	1,056.00	1,056.00
Shelving sections: 3-high	18	160.00	2,880.00
Tops for 3-high shelving sections	54 feet	1,782.00	1,782.00
End panels for 3-high shelving sections	6	121.00	726.00
Microfilm cabinets-lateral file configuration	8	990.00	7,920.00
Oak backs for microfilm cabinets-lateral file type	8	235.00	1,880.00
Microfilm cabinets-drawer type	15	1,997.00	29,955.00
Chairs	54	154.00	8,316.00
Computer tables	4	1,568.00	6,272.00
Lateral file cabinets (family periodicals, other loose papers)	16	396.00	6,336.00
Microfilm readers (Dukane Model #27A77A)	20	1,098.00	21,960.00
Computer stations for use with CD-ROMS	3	2,200.00	6,600.00

Capital Expansion Fund Contributions

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Report on the Salt Lake City Trip by Sammie Townsend Lee

We have declared the first-ever DGS sponsored genealogy tour to the Family History Library a Success! On Sunday, 31 October, 31 people—4 couples, 17 individuals, and 6 guides—gathered at the conveniently located Salt Lake City Howard Johnson Hotel to begin a week of nonstop research. Everyone spent the next six days researching at their own pace and in their own individual styles. New friendships were established and, for the most part, successful research stories were reported. Most of the first-timers, as well as the seasoned veterans, are making plans to return again. Everyone returned home with a

stack of papers to sort through and explore at their leisure.

My thanks to all the participants who make the trip such a success, especially in terms of dollars and cents for the Capital Expansion Project. I hope you had as much *fun* (and *luck!*) as I did.

I especially want to thank the other tour guides—Barbara Baylis, Dorothy Bruce, Madilyn Crane, Pat Hatcher, and Art Rubeck—for donating your time, your energy, and especially your expertise and skills to this endeavor. This trip could not have happened without all of you. Special thanks to our indispensable Dorothy Bruce who wheeled and dealt with the hotel to get us the best possible rates and service, as well as the hundred other things Dorothy did to make this trip run so smoothly. Overall, the tour was a great experience.

1994 Writing Awards Competition

Each year the Dallas Genealogical Society sponsors a writing competition to encourage members to present their research in print. Special awards are presented at the Spring Seminar to recognize the winners in several categories.

All entrants who grant permission will be recognized on a special page of the Spring Seminar syllabus and their entry will be displayed at the Seminar. Judges' remarks for each submission will be given to the entrant.

CATEGORIES:

1. A book with a minimum of fifty (50) pages on family history or genealogy.
2. A book with a minimum of fifty (50) pages on local history or genealogical interest.
3. A manuscript with a minimum of five (5) pages, single-spaced, on family history or genealogy.
4. A manuscript with a minimum of five (5) pages, single-spaced, on local history or genealogical interest.
5. An essay of 1000 words or less, double-spaced, on "My Most Interesting Ancestor." Document the vital statistics of the ancestor and tell what makes the ancestor interesting and why.

In Categories 3 and 4, members are encouraged to submit manuscripts excerpted from books they have in progress, but which are not yet complete.

COMPETITION RULES:

- The entrant must be a member in good standing of the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS).
- Entries must have been compiled or published within the past two years.
- Entries must be postmarked by 10 March 1994, and mailed to DGS, Attention: Writing Awards Competition, P. O. Box 12648, Dallas, TX 75225-0648. Or, entries may be hand delivered by 10 March to the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library.
- Each entry must be accompanied by the entry form on this page or a facsimile.
- A panel of three judges appointed by the DGS Board will select the winners.
- All entries will be judged on organization, clarity of writing, factual accuracy,

thoroughness, documentation, printing quality, and overall appearance. Book entries must include a table of contents, a numbering system (if it is a family history or genealogy), and an index.

- There shall be one winner in each category. If, in the opinion of the judges, no entries are deserving of a prize in a particular category, then no prize shall be given. If, in the opinion of the judges, entries other than the winner deserve special praise, then the judges shall give those entries honorable mention.
- All entries will become the property of DGS. At the completion of the competition all entries will be donated to the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library. The author shall retain all publication rights.
- Winners will be announced at the DGS Annual Spring Seminar on Saturday, 16 April 1994, and will be awarded a certificate of merit.

ENTRY FORM:

Your Name _____

Address _____

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May we list your name in the Spring Seminar Syllabus and/or the *DGS Newsletter*? Yes No

If entering category number 5, may we print your article in an issue of *The Dallas Quarterly* or a future issue of the *DGS Newsletter*? Yes No

If entering category numbers 1 or 2, would you like it reviewed in *The Dallas Quarterly*? Yes No

Signature/Date

DGS People

Joy Dickinson wins Katie Award.

DGS member Joy Dickinson is a familiar face to many Richardson and Northeast Dallas subscribers of the *Richardson News*. Joy is the Lifestyles editor for that paper, and her columns regularly entertain and inform its readers.

Recently, at the Press Club of Dallas' 35th annual Texas Katie Awards banquet, Joy was the recipient of a coveted Katie award for "Best Specialty Column." The Katie Awards acknowledge outstanding achievement in journalism and mass communications. Joy was recognized for a column published in November 1992 about her successful search for her birth mother and why she undertook the search after years of preferring not to know.

Joy is a familiar face to DGS members who heard her at the recent 1993 DGS Fall Genealogy Symposium on the topic of *Improving Your Writing Skills: Breathing Some Life Into Your Ancestors*. At the 1992 Symposium, Joy lectured on *Adoption Search: Using Genealogy to Find Birth Parents*.

Congratulations to Joy on winning this top honor in journalism! We know it won't be her first.

DGS members win TSGS Writing Awards.

Congratulations to two DGS members who received first place awards in the 1993 Writing Awards competition of the Texas State Genealogical Society. The awards were presented at the TSGS Conference held in November in Austin.

Barbara Brixey Wylie won a first place award for her family newsletter, *The Brixey Bulletin*. This is the second year in a row that Barb's publication has won an award from TSGS.

Barbara Roberts Baylis won a first place award for her manuscript, *Roberts: Connecting the Unconnected*.

DGS members to lecture at NGS Conference.

Have you ever been to a national genealogical conference? If not, you have the perfect opportunity to do so in 1994 when the National Genealogical Society brings their Conference in the States to Houston, Texas, on 1-4 June. With the conference in our own "backyard," we expect many Dallas area genealogists will seize the opportunity to see and hear many of the nation's top genealogical lecturers in action.

We are proud to report that eight DGS members have received invitations to lecture at the conference, which gives us even more reason for encouraging a big attendance from Dallas. Barbara Roberts Baylis, Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, Patricia Law Hatcher, Brenda Burns Kellow, Sammie Townsend Lee, Kelvin L. Meyers, John A. Sellers, and John V. Wylie have all received invitations to lecture. We're not surprised. We've been benefiting from the expertise of these speakers for years now. Congratulations to all! (Are there more that we missed?)

We hope you'll be in Houston on 1-4 June to cheer them!

1994 National Genealogical Society Conference in the States

Join your fellow genealogists in Houston at the NGS Conference in the States — for learning, networking, and fun.

The program will offer something for everyone with sessions that focus on history, records and repositories, immigration and naturalization, migration patterns, land records, religious groups, methodology and problem-solving, organization of materials, the use of computers in genealogy, and much more. Special emphasis will be on the building of America by its ethnic groups and Native Americans.

Research opportunities abound! The Clayton Library is one of the nation's major genealogical libraries. The Houston Public Library also offers the Houston Metropolitan Archives and the Texas and Local History Department. Other research facilities in the Houston area include collections at several universities — Rice, the University of Houston, Houston Baptist, and Texas

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Southern. You may also research at the Harris County Courthouse, the Harris County Law Library, and the Texas Medical Center Library. The area also has several LDS family history centers, historical societies and museums, and local libraries with genealogical collections.

Texas is a state of mind. Find its mystique as an Urban Cowboy or put on your top hat — Houston offers a variety of fun activities as well as historical tours, museums, art galleries and a wide diversity of restaurants. Shop at the Antique Center of Texas, the Lone Star State Factory Stores, or at the beautiful Galleria. Enjoy a trip aboard the *Sam Houston* to view the famed Houston Ship Channel or an excursion to nearby Galveston aboard the *Texas Limited*. Enjoy an event at the famous Astrodome or the Houston Sports Complex — from Six Flags amusement park to NASA to Bayou Bend, genealogical researchers and their families will find that time is too short to enjoy it all.

For a conference program and registration brochure, send your name and address to 1994 NGS Conference in the States; 4527 17th Street, North; Arlington, VA 22207-2399.

List of Professional Researchers

[Revised 15 December 1994]

The following members of the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) have indicated they will conduct genealogical research for a fee. Each person has completed a questionnaire listing their experience, areas of research and expertise, and repositories in which they will conduct client research.

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

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

Always include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request for information.

Researchers

Burns, Sharon King; P. O. Box 47; Edmond, OK 73083-0047; 405/348-3164

Genealogical researcher for 18 years; professional researcher for 1 year. Member: Association for Professional Genealogists. Localities: Oklahoma, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, Texas. Types of research: all types including American Indian. Repositories: Dallas Public Library, Family History Library in Salt Lake City, LDS Family History Centers, Cemeteries. Compiles written reports. Charges an hourly fee.

Darnell, Patti Perkins; 6712 Lakeview Lane; Flower Mound, TX 75028; 817/430-8489

Genealogical researcher for 16 years; professional researcher for 7 years. Member: Association for Professional Genealogists. Localities: Texas, Kentucky, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Illinois. Types of research: record searches, courthouse research, 20th-Century research, newspapers/obituaries, multi-generation lineages, and lineage papers. Repositories: Dallas Public Library, Fort Worth Regional Branch National Archives, Texas State Library and Archives in Austin, Family History Library in Salt Lake City, LDS Family History Centers, Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex University libraries, Barker Texas History Library/UT system Libraries in Austin, cemeteries, and courthouses in Dallas, Grayson, Collin, and Denton Counties, TX. Compiles written research reports. Fee is negotiable.

Harrington, Olivia Burton; 622 East Cherry; Duncanville, TX 75116; 214/298-1341

Genealogical researcher for 15 years; professional researcher for 1 year. Localities: Texas. Types of research: all types, record searches, multi-generation lineages, lineage papers. Repositories: Dallas Public Library, LDS Family History Centers, Dallas County Courthouse, and cemeteries. Compiles written reports. Charges an hourly fee.

Hatcher, Pat; 8040 Claremont Drive; Dallas, TX 75228; 214/327-8449

Genealogical researcher for 12 years; professional researcher for 4 years. Member: Association for Professional Genealogists. Localities: Virginia, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Delaware, New England, and Midwest states. Types of research: record searches, newspapers and obituaries, multi-generation lineages, and compiles genealogies for publication. Repositories: Dallas Public Library, Family History Library in Salt Lake City, LDS Family History Centers, Southern Methodist University libraries, and cemeteries. Compiles written reports. Charges an hourly fee.

Hudson, Weldon; 2807 Cedar Park Boulevard; Fort Worth, TX 76118; 817/284-9687

Genealogical researcher for 30 years; professional researcher for 15 years. Member: Board for Certification of Genealogists, Association for Professional Genealogists. Localities: North Texas. Types of Research: record searches, courthouse research, 20th-Century research, newspapers/obituaries. Repositories: Dallas Public Library, Fort Worth Public Library, Fort Worth Regional Branch of National Archives, Texas State Library and Archives, LDS Family

History Centers, courthouses in Dallas, Tarrant, and other North Texas counties, cemeteries. Compiles written reports. Charges an hourly fee.

Lee, Sammie Townsend; 10655 Longmeadow Drive; Dallas, TX 75238-2828; 214/349-1435

Genealogical researcher for 15 years; professional researcher for 4 years. Member: Association for Professional Genealogists. Localities: Texas, the Southwest, lower Southern States, Mid-Atlantic, and Midwest states. Types of research: record searches, courthouse research, newspapers and obituaries, multi-generation lineages, lineage papers, and compiles genealogies for publication. Repositories: Dallas Public Library, Fort Worth Branch National Archives, Texas State Library and Archives in Austin, Family History Library in Salt Lake City, LDS Family History Centers, Dallas County Courthouse, Barker Texas History Collection in Austin, General Land Office of Texas, and cemeteries. Compiles written reports. Charges an hourly fee.

Meyers, Kelvin L.; 381 Casa Linda Plaza # 231; Dallas, TX 75218; 214/328-1753

Genealogical researcher for 18 years; professional researcher for 8 years. Localities: Southern and Southwestern states. Types of Research: record searches, courthouse research, 20th-Century research, newspapers and obituaries, adoption research, heirship research, and cemeteries. Repositories: Dallas Public Library, Fort Worth Branch National Archives; Texas State Library and Archives in Austin; Family History Library in Salt Lake City; LDS Family History Centers; Dallas County Courthouse; Southern Methodist University libraries; University of Texas libraries; Texas Tech University library. Compiles written reports. Charges an hourly fee.

Wylie, Barbara Brixey; 2818 Landershire Lane; Garland, TX 75044; 214/495-4410

Genealogical researcher for 7 years; professional researcher for 2 years. Member: American Society of Indexers. Localities: Missouri, Ozarks (both Missouri and Arkansas). Types of Research: record searches, courthouse research, newspapers/obituaries; multi-generation lineages; compiles family histories/genealogies for publication. Repositories: Dallas Public Library, Fort Worth Regional Branch National Archives, LDS Family History Centers, Dallas County Courthouse, university libraries, repositories in Missouri and Arkansas. Compiles written reports. Charges an hourly fee.

Wylie, John V.; 2818 Landershire Lane: Garland, TX 75044; 214/495-4410

Genealogical researcher for 7 years; professional researcher for 2 years; Member: American Society of Indexers. Localities: Connecticut, New York, Michigan, Ohio. Types of research: record searches, courthouse research, newspapers/obituaries, multi-generation lineages, compiles family histories/genealogies for publication; on-line computer searches. Repositories: Dallas Public Library, Fort Worth Regional Branch National Archives, LDS Family History Centers, Dallas County Courthouse, University libraries in Dallas. Compiles written reports. Charges an hourly fee.

Locating Other Professional Researchers

To Locate a professional genealogist in other parts of the United States, there are several organizations that maintain lists of individuals who conduct genealogical research for a fee. The most well-known and reputable are listed below:

- Board for Certification of Genealogists; P. O. Box 5816; Falmouth, VA 22403: For a copy of *Roster of Certified Persons*, send \$3 plus a 6"x9" SASE (self-addressed, stamped envelope) with postage covering a three ounce, first-class mailing. The Genealogy Section has a copy of this roster for inspection at the staff desk.
- Association of Professional Genealogists; 3421 M Street Northwest, Suite 236; Washington, DC 20007: For a copy of the 110-page *Directory of Professional Genealogists 1993*, send \$12 to the above address. The directory includes a copy of the pamphlet "So You're Going to Hire a Professional Genealogist."
- Accredited Genealogists, Family History library; 35 North West Temple Street; Salt Lake City, UT 84150: For a rosters, send SASE and identification of geographic or topical specialization needed to the above address.

Beginners Corner

The Narrative—a Research Tool

By Linda Shaddock Rogers

Being a researcher with very limited time due to the demands of family and business, I have found a tool that organizes my research and allows me to best plan actions to be taken. It is called a research narrative.

Just what is a *narrative*? It is several things: a compilation of notes, an information review of your research, a discussion of your research process, and/or a statement and evaluation of a problem.

Why write a narrative?

A narrative can be a very personal thing *you* do for *yourself* without the pressure of knowing you *must* publish it in a book or periodical. Relax and enjoy what you are doing. There are multiple benefits to putting your research into a narrative form. Its greatest benefit is to *you*. It becomes a progress report by comparing known facts at this point in time to known facts at the time of the last report. It sharpens evaluation and analytical skills by putting into practice the lessons learned at all those seminars and workshops you've attended. Got a research problem? You can't even discuss your problem intelligently until you know what facts you have and exactly *what* your problem is. The narrative helps define the problem and what is missing.

When should you write it?

The narrative is written as you begin gathering data on your family and is updated periodically as your research progresses. It should include the date prepared as the guidepost for future review. A good practice would be to update the narrative after each phase (after deeds records have been searched, for example) or when a significant amount of data is found.

In between updates, new information can be written in the margins. Keep the narrative in the front of your research binder, folder, briefcase, or whatever you take with you when you research. For example, I keep my narrative in a separate folder. On the right side is the narrative. On the left side, I have maps of the state, county, or area,

bibliography, and a research plan or "TO DO" list. Many times, this folder is all I need to carry with me to a research facility.

What does it look like?

There can be two or more sections to your narrative. The first section is descendency beginning with the earliest proven ancestor. The next section is used to present, discuss, and solve problems.

The descendency section of the narrative should be written using an accepted numbering format. Joan Curran wrote an excellent article for the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, Vol. 79 (September 1991), entitled "Numbering Your Genealogy," which explains numbering systems. I prefer the NGSQ Modified Register format.

What should be included?

To be most effective as a research tool, certain topics must be included for each person and/or family. Each topic should start a new paragraph with the topic heading bolded and placed at the beginning. Topics to include are:

1. census (include every census year—this will also serve to show the family's migration. Include neighbors and significant items such as "could not read and write," "owned property.")
2. land (land grants, deeds)
3. tax records
4. occupation
5. religion
6. probate

The absence of data in any of these categories will highlight critical areas needing research. Additional topics can be included as required, such as education, court records, military service, and negative searches. Be sure to cite all sources from which the data was gathered. Practice proper form (consult *Cite Your Sources* by Richard S. Lackey). Theories made from the evaluation of gathered data, should be stated at the end of the family group

concerned.

With the "TO DO" research planning list in the same folder, needed courses of action can be planned as the narrative is written and reviewed. Further evaluation and analysis of the narrative sharpens the skills required to be an effective researcher.

Problem Solving

Theories stated in the data gathering section become targets for the problem solving section. The first step in the problem solving process is a statement of the problem. This has been done in the theory. An evidence list is taken from the first section of the narrative in which all gathered data (including negative searches) was given. A determination can now be made of additional evidence needed to either prove or disprove the stated theory. A critical evaluation will show what is proven, what is not proven, and which evidence has the most validity. Missing data and action plans should now be recorded on your research plan.

Help from a Computer Program

The process of gathering your research data and compiling it in the manner described as section one of the narrative can be assisted by a computer

program. I use the LDS genealogical software called Personal Ancestral File™ (PAF). All my proven research is entered in this program, and I use the notes feature to document sources and also make comments about what has been found. Tags used are the ones described earlier such as CENSUS, LAND, and TAX RECORDS, as well as BIRTH, MARRIAGE, DEATH, and so forth.

Another software program is used to transform this data into the modified register format. This program includes the notes with headings. There are several numbering programs designed for PAF, as well as numbering programs designed for other genealogy software.

The problem solving section of the narrative must be done separately from your genealogy software. This can be done in your word processing software and retrieved into the narrative document. Use of a genealogical program, however, is not *required* in order to make use of the narrative. As with any computer program, it makes the process faster and easier.

A narrative used as a research tool is a great way to pull together all those forms and notes and tell your ancestors' story. Just RELAX and have fun with it. It is never too *early* or too *late* to start using this valuable tool.

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aid in proving family relationships versus those that are merely supportive. He provides advice on how to avoid stopping too soon on your research.

The other two are resource oriented. *Golden Nuggets of Military Research* describes the specific forms that contain not just history but also are genealogical gold mines. Many include dates and places of the subject's birth, marriage, and death, plus details of family relationship.

Valuable Twentieth Century Resources is a new subject for Lloyd, highlighting the new and unique places to search that many have not used.

All four have universal appeal. Make your plans to attend the Spring Seminar. More details, plus a registration form, will appear in the March-April issue of the *DGS Newsletter*. Registration brochures are being mailed to members in February.

Bockstruck [continued from page 1]

He has served as an officer in the Sons of the American Revolution, Order of Founders and Patriots of America, Society of Colonial Wars, and Americans of Armorial Ancestry.

Honored by his peers, he is listed in Who's Who in Library and Information Services, Who's Who in Genealogy and Heraldry, Personalities of the South, and the Hereditary Register. In 1978, he received the Award of Merit from the National Genealogical Society and in 1992 was awarded that Society's highest accolade when named a Fellow of the National Genealogical Society.

In 1988, Lloyd published *Virginia's Colonial Soldiers* and is currently working on a new book to be published in 1994.

How fortunate DGS is to have such a one to call our own. And how fortunate we are to have him as our featured distinguished speaker at the DGS 1994 Spring Seminar on Saturday, 16 April 1994.

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

The Texas County Records Inventory Project

by Sammie Townsend Lee

Overview

In the November-December 1993 (17:6) issue of the *DGS Newsletter* Linda Rogers wrote about the county record inventories of the Historical Records Survey Program of the W.P.A. conducted from 1936 to 1943. A more recent Texas project, similar to the Historical Records Survey Program, was undertaken by the University of North Texas (formerly North Texas State University). The purpose of the project is to do a county-by-county survey of all the records of county government located in Texas county courthouses and other storage facilities. The project is conducted in cooperation with Texas colleges and universities, county officials, and the Texas State Library. These county record surveys are beneficial to the genealogist by establishing what records are available in a particular county court system, when the record group begins, and the actual location of the records within the county structure.

Content

The county surveys include documentation as to types, nature, and quantity of records in each courthouse or other storage facility. The surveys include: A brief historical sketch of the creation of the county and establishment of the courthouse; information on various county offices and the officials in charge; an inventory of the records located in each county office; and an index.

For example, Denton County was established in 1846 by an act of the Texas Legislature. The courthouse experienced a fire in 1875 that destroyed many, but not all records. Listed under the County Clerk, Item 1, "Deed Records, 1853-current" is the statement that the office owns 544 volumes of deed records beginning in 1853. Item 2, "Index to Deeds, 1876-current" lists 48 volumes of indexes. Item 43, "Marriage Licenses (formerly titled 'Old Marriage Licenses'), 1876-current," indicates there are original marriage licenses that were never returned to individuals located in 21½ narrow file drawers in the Clerk's office.

Location

The Genealogy Collection and/or Texas/Dallas History and Archives Division (7th floor) owns the published inventories for the following Texas counties: Bell, Bexar, Bosque, Brazoria, Brazos, Callahan, Camp, Chambers, Coke, Coleman, Collin, Comal, Cooke, Crane, Crockett, Delta, Denton, Ector, Erath, Fayette, Gaines, Galveston, Glasscock, Goliad, Grayson, Gregg, Guadalupe, Hale, Harrison, Hayes, Hidalgo, Hood, Hunt, Irion, Jack, Jackson, Jefferson, Kendall, Kenedy, King, Knox, Lamar, Lee, Liberty, Llano, Loving, Matagorda, Milam, Mills, Montague, Nacogdoches, Newton, Nueces, Oldham, Orange, Palo Pinto, Parker, Presidio, Rains, Runnels, Scheicher, Shackelford, Somervell, Stephens, Sterling, Tarrant, Throckmorton, Travis, Tyler, Upton, Van Zandt, Walker, Washington, Williamson, Wilson, Wise, Wood, and Young.

These books are kept in the limited access stacks and must be requested on a call slip. Call number, R016.3520073 I62.

Aids

Location of a particular county survey book can be accessed by consulting the Genealogy Section locality card catalog for the state and county of interest or the Library computer under the subject heading: Texas/History Local/Sources/Bibliography (Texas-His-Lo-So-B).



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Program

Friday February 11, 1994

8:00am Registration & Exhibits Open

9:00 - 10:00am

- F1 - Selecting Genealogy Software, *William B. Dow* (B)
- F2 - Responsible Data Sharing *Jeri J. Steele* (I)
- F3 - Setting Up a BBS System *Richard Pence* (A)

10:30 - 11:30am

- F5 - Introduction to Publishing for the Computerized Genealogist *Robert Casey* (I)
- F6 - Pitfalls of GEDCOM *Robert Velke* (A)
- F7 - Using Photography For Genealogy *DeWayne Lener* (BIA)

1:00 - 2:00pm

- F9 - Structure and Flexibility In Genealogy Data Storage *Thomas Wetmore* (A)
- F10 - CDROM, and What You Need To Know *John K. Whitaker* (BI)
- F11 - Microform - What's New in This Technology *John Wylie* (BI)

2:30 - 3:30pm

- F13 - Multimedia and Scanning for the Genealogist - Part I *Larry Ledden* (B)
- F14 - Civil War Soldiers System *David Rencher* (BIA)
- F15 - Accessing A Bulletin Board System *Richard Pence* (BI)

4:00 - 5:00pm

- F17 - Internet Communication From The Beginning to Now *Cliff Manis* (B)
- F18 - Advantages of Computer Aided Research *John K. Whitaker* (IA)
- F19 - The CDROM Edition of the NEHGS Register *Robert Anderson C.G.* (A)

6:00pm Exhibits Close

7:00pm

Banquet. Dr. Joan Kirchman Mitchell, Ph.D., Director, Samford Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research; Assistant Dean, Univ. of Alabama; and professional genealogist will present the keynote lecture on **Current Technologies and Their Relevance To Genealogy** at this sit-down banquet.

Saturday February 12, 1994

7:30am Registration & Exhibits Open

8:30 - 9:30am

- S1 - Photo Restoration With a Computer *David Ray* (BIA)
- S2 - Family History Library - Past and Future *David Rencher* (BIA)
- S3 - Using Technology For Your Reunion *Travis Morris* (BI)

10:00 - 11:00am

- S5 - Computer Verification In Research *John K. Whitaker* (IA)
- S6 - Nuclear and Mitochondrial DNA: How They Can Be Used By The Genealogist *Joan Kirchman Mitchell Ph.D.* (BIA)
- S7 - Connecting To The Nets *Mary Elizabeth Powell Crowe* (B)

11:30 - 11:30am

- S9 - The Role of Periodical Publications in Genealogical Computing *Dennis Sampson* (BIA)
- S10 - The Future Of On-Line Services As Related To The Genealogist *Dick Eastman* (BIA)
- S11 - Setting Up A Computer Genealogy Special Interest Group *Karen Clifford* (BI)

1:00 - 2:00pm

- S13 - Multimedia And Scanning For The Genealogist *Larry Ledden* (A)
- S14 - Your Video Camera And Genealogy *Robert Burns* (B)
- S15 - Strategies for Entering Data Into Your Computer *John V. Wylie* (BI)

3:00pm - Exhibits Close

3:00 - 4:00pm

- S17 - Electronic Publishing *Daniel Hay* (I)
- S18 - The Tafel Matching System *Brian Mavrogeorge* (BI)

B = Beginners. I = Intermediate. A = Advanced. Lectures coded BIA are for everyone. Many lectures will be professionally taped by *Repeat Performances, Inc.* Based on registration responses, the more popular lectures may be repeated. See the Syllabus for the final schedule. Free product demonstrations will be held throughout both days. See syllabus for schedules.

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One registration form per individual please. Feel free to make copies of this form. Program elements may be added as opportunities arise. Seating at all lectures and demonstrations is on a first-come-first-served-basis.

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Friday: F1 F2 F3 | F5 F6 F7 | F9 F10 F11 | F13 F14 F15 | F17 F18 | Banquet

Saturday: S1 S2 S3 | S5 S6 S7 | S9 S10 S11 | S13 S14 S15 | S17 S18

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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

Spring Genealogy Classes

Do you have a friend or neighbor who is a beginner and needs to begin his or her research on the right foot? Suggest one of these! Register in person or by phone at one of Offices of Continuing Education listed below.

✓**Brookhaven Community College . . . 620-4715**

Beginning Genealogy

Thursdays, 3 February-31 March, 7-9 P.M.

by Dorislee Riley Hoffpauer

R.L. Turner High School

✓**Cedar Valley Community College . . 372-8210**

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Saturdays, 12 February-26 March, 9-11 A.M.

by June Anderson Shipley

at Cedar Valley

✓**Eastfield Community College 324-7113**

Tracing Your Ancestors

Saturdays, 29 January-19 March, 9:30-11:30 A.M.

by Leslie Collier

Mesquite Public Library

✓**North Lake Community College . . . 659-5200**

Beginning Genealogy

Tuesdays, March-April, 6:30-9:30 P.M.

by Rose Marie Snell

location TBA

✓**Richland Community College 238-6144**

A Basic Course in American Genealogy

Wednesdays, 9 February-23 March, 6:30-8:30 P.M.

by Sammie Townsend Lee

at Lake Highlands High School

✓**Southern Methodist University 768-5465**

Beginning Genealogy

Thursdays, 3 February-17 March, 7-9 P.M.

by Renee Jackson Smith

at SMU

Indiana Resource

The Indiana Genealogical Society has published a booklet, *Indiana Genealogical Source Directory*, giving resource information and addresses for that state. Now in its second printing, the directory sells for \$6.00, plus \$1.50 shipping and handling.

Should you be an avid Indiana genealogist, membership in that society is \$20 per calendar year for individual members, and \$25 for families.

Address: Indiana Genealogical Society; P.O. Box 10507; Fort Wayne, IN 46852.

Union Army Ancestors?

Did you know that the first foray into Texas of the Daughters of Union Veterans has quietly been operating in the Dallas-Fort Worth area for several years? It is time to get out the news! This group has monthly meetings, collects pedigree charts of members, and maintains a special interest in Dallas' Greenwood Cemetery. Contact Barbara Aman at 817/498-3715 (Metro).

New Bookstore

There is a new bookstore in Dallas that handles basic genealogical reference books as well as a nice selection of charts and forms. Primarily an LDS-oriented enterprise, Deseret Bookstore is in the northwestern corner of the Preston/Forest intersection. Phone: 991-3396.

Change of Address in Virginia

All correspondence, including membership information, purchase of publications, and requests for conference information should be addressed as follows: Virginia Genealogical Society; 5001 Broad Street, Suite 115; Richmond, VA 23230-3023.

NGS in Your Future?

Just what is NGS, and what can it do for you? We genealogists often belong to several historical and genealogical societies, perhaps here in the Metroplex area and in areas where ancestral families lived. But there is another type of society we should consider joining, and the National Genealogical Society fits the bill. The mission of NGS is to

function as a service organization that provides leadership and education through programs, publications, and services. NGS, formed in 1903, numbered 12,546 members at the end of 1993.

Many of us will reap the benefits of the first ninety years of this leadership when we attend the National Genealogical Society Conference in the States in Houston next 1-4 June. Although we need not be members to attend the convention, NGS has much more to offer. Included in membership are the excellent *NGS Newsletter* and *NGS Quarterly*, which keep members abreast of genealogical happenings across the nation and provide invaluable "how-to" articles and write-ups. The society also administers an excellent home study program, *American Genealogy: A Basic Course*. There is an active genealogy CIG, numerous publications for sale (discounted to members), an extensive library, a library loan program for individuals, and research service (\$15 per hour, plus copy costs).

One year's membership is \$35. This may be the year to give NGS a closer look.

Write NGS to request the 1994 Conference Program and registration brochure, which will be available in January. Indicate whether you are a member or nonmember and if you would like membership information.

Address: National Genealogical Society; 4527 17th Street, North; Arlington, VA 22207-2399.

Confederate Pensions

Do not forget that any pension dollars your Confederate ancestor may have gotten did not come from the state from which he served during the War Between the States, but from the state in which the veteran or his surviving family lived at the time of enactment of pension laws by individual states.

For example, in 1889 Texas enacted a Confederate Pension Law that provided cash awards to disabled veterans or their widows living in Texas prior to 1880 who met certain requirements. The Texas State Library maintains, and will search on request, an alphabetical listing of pension applicants, including widows whose pensions were issued under another name. If found, the library makes a copy of the pension application and mails it to the requester along with a bill for cost of copies and postage. Address: Texas State Library; Lorenzo de Zavala State Archives and Library Building; Box 12927; Austin, TX 78711. [A printed index is available at

the Dallas Public Library: Virgil D. White, *Index to Texas CSA Pension Files* (Waynesboro, TN: National Historical Publishing Company, 1989).]

The state of Arkansas first passed pension laws in 1891; the resultant applications are indexed at the Arkansas History Commission, which will provide a copy of the pension file for \$5.00. Please request no more than one search per letter and include a SASE. Provide as much information as possible when requesting a file: veteran's full name, wife/widow's name, Arkansas county of residence, and military unit. Address: Arkansas History Commission; One Capitol Mall; Little Rock, AR 72201. [An index on microfilm is available at the Dallas Public Library.]

Confederate pensions were granted by the following states: Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida. Dates, procedures, and addresses for all of these are covered in two excellent publications: Desmond Walls Allen's booklet, *Where to Write for Confederate Pension Records* (Bryant, AR: Research Associates, P.O. Box 122, 77022) and James C. Neagles book, *Confederate Research Sources: A Guide to Archive Collections* (Salt Lake City, UT: Ancestry, P.O. Box 476, 84110).

New York Shortcut

Beginning in 1830 the State of New York required that the petition for probate include a list of each legal heir, his or her relationship to the deceased, and his or her residence—whether or not there was a will and whether or not the prospective heirs were included in any will. This may well affect the research for many, many families as New York often served as a corridor to the Midwest for New Englanders. This list of heirs is often found lurking in county courthouses amongst the loose papers of each probate file, although it is possible that it is filed separately with the applications for administration. This is an excellent place to search for proof of relationship to elusive ancestors. Remember that bachelor uncles and maiden aunts, who may have died in New York, could prove your family as well as Gramps himself. If the probate packets have been lost over time, search surviving newspapers for legal notices on the settlement of estates usually included this list of heirs.

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.

- CROOK**
HODGE
OWENS
- Seeking information on **James F. & Josephine (HODGE) CROOK**, married in 1877 in McLennan Co., TX. James may have died in the late 1880's in Dallas or McLennan Co., TX. Their daughter, **Anna May CROOK** was probably born in 1880 in Dallas, Texas, and may have married **L. S. OWENS**.
Joanne Kennedy; 310 Locust Street; Plattsburg, MO 64477
- BORING**
McDONALD
- Searching for information on **Louis F. BORING**, born Jan 1846, Monroe Co., TN, and his wife, **Sarah Elizabeth McDONALD**, born Oct 1844, TN. They moved to Robertson Co., TX, about 1877; then moved to Trinity Co., TX, about 1890. They were on tax rolls until 1909. They were not listed in the 1910 Texas census and not listed in Texas death records. Where did they go?
Pat Mutzabaugh; 2146 Village Crest Dr.; Garland, TX 75044-7138
- CLARK**
NORMAN
- Seeking information on **Ezra CLARK** of Veal Station, Parker Co., TX. He remarried there 08 Nov 1874 to **Caroline NORMAN**. They were parents of two children: **Samuel E. CLARK** and **Viola L. CLARK**. Ezra died 02 June 1882. Caroline and children appear on the 1900 Wise Co., TX, census. What happened to this family?
Robert V. Drennan; 3009 Medina Drive; Garland, TX 75041-3350
- DRENNAN**
DWIGHT
WILSON
- Wish to locate descendants, Bible records, and photos of **John F. DWIGHT** who married **CA** 1898 to **Mary Ellen DRENNAN**, daughter of **Jesse Obediah** and **Martha C. (WILSON) DRENNAN**. Their children were **Leo**, **Gladys**, **Jesse M.**, **Wayland C.**, **Erma**, **Eugene**, and **Juanita DWIGHT**. This family appear on the 1900-1010 Jack Co., TX, census; 1920 Potter (Amarillo), TX, census. Where did John and Mary marry?
Robert V. Drennan; 3009 Medina Drive; Garland, TX 75041-3350
- SANDERS**
SAUNDERS
QUICK
POLLEY
WILSON
BRYANT
DURRETT
ELDER
STONE
WELCH
- Would like to hear from descendants of **William Harrison SANDERS (SAUNDERS)** and **Elizabeth Ann QUICK**, married 1852, Osage Co., MO. They settled in Dallas Co., TX, about 1864, near present day Sunnyvale. They were buried at Lyons Cemetery. Their children were: **Mary Elizabeth**, born 1853, married **J. R. POLLEY**; **Rachel Ann**, born 1855, married **Orville H. WILSON**; **William Q.**, born 1858, married **Mary L. BRYANT**; **Abner B.**, born 1858; **George MacFarland**, born 1861, married **Mary Ella DURRETT**; **Frances Jane**, born 1864; **John A. I.**, born 1866, married **Leland E. ELDER**; **Martha Nanch**, born 1864, married **Henry S. STONE**; **Sarah Lucinda**, born 1872, married **J. A. WELCH**; **Frederick Orville**, born 1874, married 1) **Sarah M.**, 2) **Julia A.**; **Cora Missouri Ellen**, born 1877, married **Charles A. DURRETT**.
Sue Harris; 13600 Paisano Circle; Austin, TX 78737
- GUNTER**
WILLIAMS
JONES
CHILDERS
- Who is the father of **Lemuel GUNTER**? Any siblings besides **Abner GUNTER**? **Lemuel** married **Rebecca WILLIAMS** in 1824. She was the daughter of **Levin WILLIAMS**. **Levin** and family removed to **Troupe Co., GA**. Family tradition: **Lemuel's** father came from eastern North Carolina, near the **Chowan River** (unproven). A relative, **Jarvis Jones**, is in early **Pasquotank** Quaker records, as well as **Guilford** records. Children: **William Washington**, **Addison Yancey**, **Levin**, **Laertes**, **Shurbert**, **Abner**, **Isaac**, **Harper**, **Jot**, **Martha** (married **Jno. CHILDERS** of **Abilene, TX**).
Linda Young Nehring; 1154 Prigge Ave.; St. Louis, MO 63138

Queries

**NIX
PEAKE**

Seeking information on **Thomas E. NIX**, born 20 Aug 1824 in Barnwell District, SC; married **Virginia PEAKE** in 1854 in Barbour Co., AL. They were living in Rapides Parish, LA, in 1879. Virginia died in Dallas in 1920. Their children include **Paul Delaney, William Harrison, Thomas Edward, Emma, George Morris, De Maris Sylvester, Peggy Sutherlin**; 4720 River Hill Circle; Dallas, TX 75252

**HOUX
THOMAS**

Searching for the descendants of **Nicholas HOUX**, a foster son of **John and Hannah THOMAS**, and for **Mack THOMAS**, former slave and close friend of the family. I have information on both to exchange.

Jean Shanelac; 612 Lincoln Avenue; Ellsworth, KS 67439

**THOMAS
ANDES
HUNT
McCLASKY
McCONNELL**

The descendants of **John THOMAS** are planning a 1994 reunion. We are trying to locate descendants of **Adelia Jane THOMAS**, daughter of **John and Hannah (ANDES) THOMAS**. She married **Edward W. (Ted) HUNT** and had two daughters: **Medora J. (or I.)** and **Ann Eliza**. **Medora HUNT** was born in 1852 in Dallas Co. and married **William R. McClasky** and was last seen in 1882. **Ann Eliza HUNT** was born in Dallas Co. in 1855. She married **Eli McConnell** and was last seen in Parker Co., TX, where Eli was sheriff. The 1880 census shows the following children: **John W. B. McConnell**, born 1876; **Ruth McConnell**, born 1878; and **Lillie McConnell**, born 1880. Any information would be helpful.

Jean Fladger Shanelec; president **Thomas Family Association**; 612 Lincoln Avenue; Ellsworth, KS 67439

**GOFF
ELIE/ELY
LUNDY**

I am having difficulty connecting this **GOFF** family with others along the gulf coast (the Van Cleve area). From Book 4, page 232, Jackson Co., MS, marriage book, I have the information that **Isaac GOFF** and **Eliza ELY** were married 31 May 1890. They settled in Back Bay, MS near Bay St. Louis and Pass Christian where these children were born: **Dovie, John, Frank, Minnie Mae, Walter (Bo), Mollie and Rosa Pearl**. John died in WWI, Dovie married **Richard LUNDY** and stayed in Gulfport. Eliza died in 1916 and the five children and Isaac moved to Beaumont, TX.

Virginia Tinkle; Route 1, Box 269; Eustace, TX 75124

ZINN

Seeking marriage information in Texas on **Jacob Altert ZINN**. He moved with his family from Mississippi in 1849 and settled fourteen miles from Jefferson. About 1852 he moved to Daingerfield. He was also known as a minister of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Any information in the named areas, i.e., if he purchased land, tax lists, church records, etc., will be appreciated.

John Zinn; 1812 Mission Drive; Victoria, TX 77901-3121

**RUSSELL
SAVAGE**

Searching for information on **Henry Clay RUSSELL** born in 1852, IN, and his wife, **Sarria (Sarah) A. SAVAGE**, also born in 1852. She was from Arkansas. Henry and Sarria were married in 1874 or 1875. Henry stowed away at age 9 on a wagon train from Indiana going to Texas. Their first child, **William S. RUSSELL**, was born "near Fort Worth" in 1876. Other brothers and sisters were born in Parker Co., where Henry and Sarria are buried.

Mary Russell Zinn; 1812 Mission Drive; Victoria, TX 77901-3121

**PREWITT
WHITE**

Does anyone have any knowledge of **PREWITT** Funeral Home on South Denely Drive in Oak Cliff? The funeral home closed in the 1960's. Is anyone researching **John and Lydia (WHITE) PREWITT**? Their children were **William Felton, Martha A., Thomas J., Sarah J., J. W. (Dudley), Joseph, Tabatha and Ellena V. PREWITT**. All the children were born in Alabama. They moved to Copiah and Simpson Co., MS. Lydia is buried beside Thomas and daughter Ellena at Laurel Land Cemetery in Dallas.

Anita Prewitt; 301 Seneca Drive; Waxahachie, TX 75165-6417

HARRIS
STARR

Seeking information on Joshua and Martha (HARRIS) STARR. They were born in Georgia and then moved to Alabama. Joshua is founder of Starrville, Smith Co., TX. Their children were: Russell Julius, Martha Adeline, George, Robert, Henry, Adelaide V., and Priscilla Ann STARR.

Anita Prewitt; 301 Seneca Drive; Waxahachie, TX 75165-6417

BAXTER
FISHER

Seeking information on parents and siblings of Walter Jones FISHER and his wife, Sarah Faith BAXTER, daughter of Reuben and Priscilla Ann STAR. Walter was born in Florida. Walter and Sarah were married in Smith Co. and lived near Kilgore, TX. They moved to Rockwall Co., TX. They were parents of: Pack, Terry, Annie, Ollie and Achsah FISHER.

Anita Prewitt; 301 Seneca Drive; Waxahachie, TX 75165-6417

WEBB

Searching for information on Isaac B. WEBB, born in 1802 in Sullivan Co., TN; died 1880 in Dallas Co., TX. Isaac, son of Solomon WEBB, was married to Mary HUGHES. Their children were William D., I. Newton, J. Whitt, Margaret Sophronia, Frances Erle. Isaac took up Land Grant from Peter's Colony for 640 acres in Dallas County. The Office of Peter's Colony for North Texas was established in his shed room. The First Methodist Church was also established in the WEBB home in 1844.

Clifford C. Neilson; 3703 Moss Brooke Court; Fairfax, VA 22031-3229

O'SHIELDS
WINSOTT

I am seeking information on the families of James Henry O'Shields. According to the Civil War Pension records, he was married 27 Jan 1868 in Dallas Co. to Charlotte Temple WINSOTT. This couple is listed in the 1880 census of Dallas Co. They moved to Tarrant Co. about 1900-1909.

William G. Bailie; P.O. Box 201; Spartanburg, SC 29304

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