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## Lloyd D. Bockstruck to Introduce New Lectures at 1994 DGS Spring Seminar

The 38th Annual Spring Seminar is shaping up to be another spectacular DGS sponsored event. As reported in the January-February issue of this newsletter, this year we are presenting our favorite speaker, Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck. Always a crowd pleaser, Lloyd is our most requested genealogical lecturer because of his incredible knowledge, his humor, and his interesting way of presenting his topics. For the DGS seminar, which is being held in a new location, Lloyd has developed four new programs especially for this seminar and geared toward the DGS audiences he knows so well.

### **Building blocks.**

Lloyd's first program of the seminar is *Building Blocks to Successful Research*. We asked Lloyd to tell us how to take an accessible, easy-to-find record, such as a census record, and use the information therein to go on to other records, building genealogical evidence block by block. Lloyd gave us his thoughts on the necessary methodology to achieve successful results:

"It is important to remember that the records of yesteryear were created in compliance with regulations and legislations in effect at the time. These could emanate from the federal, state, county, or municipal governments. It is extremely beneficial to know where in this governmental hierarchy to focus one's genealogical investigation. Defining the problem, becoming cognizant of the context of the events being investigated, and acquiring an awareness of the nature and scope of the records being generated combine to a successful resolution of any genealogical problem.

"At each rung of the governmental ladder the record is not created in isolation from all others. Instead they are a mosaic, when viewed together, present a sight to behold—your newly found ancestors. It becomes increasingly necessary to be able to define the problem, to know which records to search, and in what sequence to do so. Inevitably you have to return to a set of records to retrace your steps because a new piece of evidence has been uncovered. The solution is not always apparent. The first, the second, or even the third answer may not be the correct one. You have to seek out the possibilities, and you have to satisfy yourself that the answer you have selected is the best one.

"When you have conducted a thorough examination of the records and have interpreted the records as a body of related data, you are obligated to apply one last test. What else could possibly disprove the connection you have made? When the answer is nothing, you ought to be comfortable with the quality of research."

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# 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. 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 May-June 1994 *DGS Newsletter* is 1 April 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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## Upcoming DGS Meetings

### March regular meeting: Exploring NGS, GIT, TSGS, APG, FGS, and GENTECH

What do the National Genealogical Society (NGS), Genealogical Institute of Texas (GIT), Texas State Genealogical Society (TSGS), Association of Professional Genealogists (APG), Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS), and GENTECH have in common?

Each organization offers genealogical information and opportunities as well as sponsoring educational programs and/or conferences. At the next DGS meeting, each of these organizations is explored by a genealogist familiar with their workings:

Barbara Roberts Baylis for NGS and GIT  
Gilda Cain for TSGS  
Brenda Burns Kellow for APG  
Art Rubeck for FGS  
John Wylie for GENTECH.

If you think it's just a lot of alphabet soup, attend the meeting on 28 March 1994 at 7:00 P.M., and learn about each organization's purpose, goals, and the advantages of membership.

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### April regular meeting: Leslie Smith Collier to talk about intestate records

Be honest—how many of your ancestors were thoughtful enough to leave a will for you to find?

Where does a frazzled genealogist turn to find proof of descent without that elusive document? Cryptic questions—but the answer begins with a good long look at the information found in intestate files, and moves on to deeds, tax records, court cases, newspapers, and cemeteries. Specific examples are given to demonstrate the data you can find in each case.

Leslie Smith Collier presents a fresh look at your most difficult ancestor, the intestate. Leslie is vice president in charge of membership for DGS and an instructor in basic genealogy for Eastfield College.

Experience Leslie's unique lecturing style at the meeting to be held on 25 April 1994 at 11:00 A.M.

### **Meeting information:**

**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 seminars are held in the Auditorium of the Dallas Public Library.

### **DGS/CIG meetings: New genealogy software and new opportunities for sharing your research**

The Dallas Genealogical Society's computer interest group meets on Thursday, 10 March, at 6:30 P.M. for a presentation on an innovative new genealogy software program called *The Master Genealogist*. Program presenter is Jeri Steele, a DGS member and leader of the special interest group at the Infomart's Super Saturdays for this amazing new genealogy software program.

The April DGS/CIG meeting is scheduled at 6:30 P.M. on 14 April and features Steve and Pat Young of San Marcos, Texas. Their presentation focuses on using CD-Rom technology to make your research available to other genealogists through the LDS Ancestral File.

For additional information on the CIG programs, see John Wylie's DGS/CIG column in this newsletter.

## 1994 DGS Calendar of Events

EVENT	DAY/DATE/ LOCATION	TIME	SPEAKER(S)	PROGRAM OR INFORMATION
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 10 Mar 1994 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Jeri Steele	"The Master Genealogist: a New Genealogy Software Program"
Regular Meeting	Monday, 28 Mar 1994 DPL Auditorium	7:00 P.M.	Barbara Baylis—NGS, GIT Gilda Cain—TSGS Brenda Kellow—APG Art Rubeck—FGS John Wylie—GENTECH	"Genealogical Alphabet Soup: What Do All Those Letters Mean?"
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 14 Apr 1994 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Pat and Steve Young of Automated Research Systems	"Making Your Research Available on CD-Rom"
1994 Spring Seminar	Saturday, 16 Apr 1994, Convention Center	8:00 A.M.— 4:00 P.M.	Lloyd Dewitt Bockstruck	38th Annual Spring Seminar [See page 25 for information]
Regular Meeting	Monday, 25 Apr 1994 DPL Auditorium	11:00 A.M.	Leslie Smith Collier	"Digging Deeper: Spading into Intestate Files" Election of DGS officers.
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 12 May 1994 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	TBA	
Annual Meeting	Monday, 23 May 1994 DPL Auditorium	7:00 P.M.	Dr. Rose-Mary Rumbley, Ph.D	"Early Dallas—Through the Eyes of Rose-Mary" Installation of officers.
Summer Lecture Series	Saturday, 18 Jun 1994 DPL Auditorium	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 Jul 1994 DPL Auditorium	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 Aug 1994 DPL Auditorium	9:00 A.M.— 4:00 P.M.	Larry O. Jensen	<i>German Genealogical Research</i>
DGS Fall Symposium	Saturday, 19 Nov 1994, Convention Center		Speakers and topics to be announced in September.	7th Annual Fall Genealogy Symposium
1995 Spring Seminar	Saturday, 15 Apr 1995 Convention Center		Speaker and topic to be announced.	39th Annual DGS Spring Seminar



## The President's Message

J. Bruce Moseley

Please let me call your attention to the proposed changes in the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) Bylaws appearing on pages 32 and 33 of this newsletter. I urge you to study these recommendations and plan to attend the 28 March 1994 Society meeting, at which time the proposed changes will be presented for your approval. The background on the changes is as follows:

### Time for payment of dues

When the membership year runs from Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, potential new members are discouraged from joining the Society in the latter months. If someone does choose to join late, mailing back issues of the current year's *Dallas Quarterly* and *DGS Newsletter* is a considerable expense. (They don't qualify as bulk mail.) The proposed change allows new members to join at any point in the year, and their dues will be paid up for twelve months from that date.

### Changes in the structure of the DGS Board of Directors

The work involved in running the Society has increased to the point where the Board of Directors is no longer able to handle it without help. The proposed changes are designed to establish a staff and committees to help with the work load, while assuring that it will be handled in an orderly and coordinated fashion. Major changes in specific Board positions include:

- Executive Vice President to handle all fund raising activity.
- Vice President-Programs to become Vice President-Education.
- Researching, editing, and publishing the Society's nonserial publications combined under a Publications Director.
- All aspects of correspondence and mailing under one Director.
- Computer Interest Group Director's responsibility expanded to cover all special interest groups.
- Publicity position broadened to include Public Relations.
- Creation of a new Director of Volunteer Coordination.

### Board of Directors replaces Executive Board

This change in nomenclature is intended to eliminate confusion with the term *Executive Committee*, a

segment of the Board described in Article VII, Section 2.

I believe these changes will be of significant benefit to the Society, and urge you to act upon them favorably.

### Nominating Committee

In another matter of importance, the Nominating Committee is currently hard at work putting together a slate of officers and directors for you to consider as your leaders in the 1993-94 Society year. If you have someone you would like the Committee to consider, including yourself, please pass your recommendations to any current officer or director right away. The election of a new Board will take place at the Society's monthly meeting on April 25, with installation at the May annual meeting.



## Editorial

Sammie Townsend Lee

My appreciation for the public library began as a child when my older sister would take me to the Oak Cliff branch of the Dallas Public Library. We would go to the childrens section in the basement where she would let me browse to my heart's content, usually returning home with an armload of checked-out books. That began my love affair with books, while at the same time instilling a healthy respect for the public library and its materials.

Imagine my excitement when Lloyd Bockstruck offered me my present position in the Genealogy Section. Not only was I getting the opportunity to work in a profession I enjoy, but to work in a library!

With that said, now imagine how sad (and angry) it makes me to see the increasing theft and destruction of books and materials in the Section. It makes me ask the unanswerable question: "What's wrong with people?"

Recently, in one week, both a major source and an irreplaceable county history were discovered with their pages deliberately ripped and covers almost torn off. A few weeks earlier, the cover was all that was discovered of one volume of a German series—all the pages had been torn-out and taken by a patron. Putting a new volume of a popular source on the shelf, especially after being advertised, almost guarantees the disappearance of the book.

Books are being discovered with whole chapters neatly sliced out, depriving the next user from benefiting from the stolen information. More and more

patrons who request books from the stacks are being told by staff, "Sorry, we can't locate the book." Sure, we have to attribute some of this to improper reshelving, but when the books fail to turn up after shelf checks, the usual assumption is the book has "walked out." Microfilm and microfiche are also disappearing at an alarming rate.

What does this mean to you, the genealogist who uses the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library? It means that you are being deprived of the materials you need. It means that because of the selfish act of a single individual, a one-of-a-kind or out-of-print book, which may have vital clues on your family, is no longer available in our library for patron use. It means that in a time when our library is operating on a shoestring budget, books that *are* still available cannot be purchased due to a lack of funds. It may even possibly mean that more restrictive measures will be implemented on the use of materials.

How can you help? If you are a frequent patron of the Section, keep your eyes open and tell a staff member if you see someone acting suspiciously. You should especially tell a staff member if you see someone damaging or destroying materials, wanton or not.

This is not a problem exclusive to Dallas. Willful destruction and theft of materials is a problem being faced by libraries all over the country. The thing to remember here is that it is a criminal act to steal or destroy public library materials. By definition, the person perpetrating the crime is a THIEF! The honest citizens who support and use the public libraries are the VICTIMS.

Our public libraries are a wonderful resource. Let's treat them and the materials they contain with respect. What do you think?

## Carpools

Several DGS members have expressed an interest in forming carpools to our meetings. If this idea appeals to you, and you would either appreciate a ride or are willing to provide one, please notify Ramona Honan at 214/686-4332. Leave a message on her answering machine with your name, location, and whether you wish to drive or ride. With a little cooperation, more members of DGS will not have to miss our programs.

## Treasurer's Report

### Laurie Goggan Wharton

#### Assets as of 14 February 1994

Cash and Bank Accounts	
Checking—NationsBank	\$6,572.97
Money Market—Bank One	5,021.79
Bulk Mail Deposit	531.51
Life Member Investments	
MMF—Cash Equivalent Fund	2,478.75
Note—U.S. Treasury	5,300.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$19,905.02</b>

#### Funds as of 14 February 1994

Operating Fund	\$2,749.51
Life Member Fund	9,250.00
Bulk Mail Fun	531.51
Publications Fund	5,374.00
Endowment Fund	2,000.00
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$19,905.02</b>

## Membership

### Leslie Smith Collier

Have you ordered your copy of the 1994 Roster yet? Remember, in order to be included in the roster, 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 only issues an updated roster every three years, so do not forget to order yours at \$4. We will only print a few over what is ordered, and they will not be reprinted once sold out.

## Free Quarterlies!

### Joan Thompson

Selected back issues of the *Dallas Quarterly* are available to libraries or individuals *free of charge*. This is a good time for libraries to check to see if they are missing any issues. Or, perhaps a member knows a library that is just starting a genealogy collection and would like to have a set for the cost of shipping. Issues are available from 1979-1988. Some years are not complete and quantities are limited.

Sets of 1989-93 are available for \$10 per year (four issues). We also have the quarterlies on microfilm from 1955-1988 on four reels at a reasonable cost.

For information about obtaining the free issues, call Joan Thompson at 214/363-1718.



## Computer Interest Group

John V. Wylie

### March DGS/CIG meeting:

Thursday, 10 March 1994, 6:30-8:30 P.M., DPL Auditorium. Jeri Steele presents The Master Genealogist (TMG), a new-generation software that competes well with ROOTS IV as a very powerful, highly flexible, high end genealogy program. Jeri is a DGS member and leader of the TMG/SIG at SuperSaturday. She also served as the GENTECH94 coordinator for the technical meeting and, time permitting, will share some of what was learned there.

### April DGS/CIG meeting:

Thursday, 14 April 1994, 6:30-8:30 P.M., DPL Auditorium. Pat and Steve Young of Automated Research Systems presents a program on how to make your research available to others on CD-ROM through submission to the LDS Ancestral File and to commercial CD-ROMs. Steve and Pat, residents of San Marcos, Texas, are very active in genealogy, serving as supervisors of a LDS Family History Center and selling Automated Archive CD-ROMs. Time permitting, they may also be able to show us the new image CD-ROMs from Automated Archives.

### Some hints for serious computer users in genealogy:

Consider *Archer's Directory of Genealogical Software* from Heritage books (1/800/398-7709). This is a very comprehensive digest of 229 genealogy programs. While not as comprehensive as *Guide To Genealogy Software* in its treatment of the programs, it does cover many more programs and is more current.

If you want to learn more about computers at no cost and in the comfort of your home, you can listen to "On Computers" on A/M radio 1190, Sundays from noon to 3 P.M. and watch "Computer Chronicles" on Channel 2, Friday at 6:30 P.M.

A new BBS in the Dallas area that specializes in genealogy is UNITEX at 264-5118. Freeman Witherspoon is the sysop. Give his board a try.

ROOTS-L on the Internet is by far the fastest growing and most powerful network for genealogists. If you wish to join this network you can do so by subscribing with one of these services in Dallas: Texas Metronet at 705-2900; On Ramp at 746-INFO; or Netcom at 800-501-8649.

To keep costs reasonable, the DGS/CIG will no longer send postcard reminders to those who have not attended a CIG meeting since August 1993. If you want to get on the mailing list, attend a CIG meeting one hour prior to each regularly scheduled DGS meeting or on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M. at the Downtown Library Auditorium.

The Dallas Genealogy Shareware Library is growing every month. If you know of shareware, freeware, or MS-DOS software in the public domain that may not be in the library, call Joe Sissom at 650-9026. Remember that the software must relate to genealogy.

You can reach me via email at my Internet address of [jwylie@metronet.com](mailto:jwylie@metronet.com).

## Members Software Program Helps Reunite Families

If you missed the article about DGS member Joe Sissom and son Marc in the 13 February 1994 *Dallas Life Magazine* (a magazine of the Sunday edition of *The Dallas Morning News*), here's the gist. It seems son Marc developed a program that dad Joe markets as shareware that automates the search of the electronic directory of residential addresses and phone numbers on CompuServe. Using the software, Joe has been able to help several families who have been long-separated reunite. In the article Joe stated, "We're just tickled to death about this...it has done so many neat things for so many people."

Joe is in charge of the Dallas Genealogy Shareware Library and has many software programs on public domain shareware for sale at DGS/CIG meetings and special events. The disks sell for \$2.00. Stop by at the next meeting and see what Joe has to offer.

## Education Extra

DGS is looking for a few good men—and women—with an interest in reaching out to schoolchildren at any grade level. If you have thoughts about how best to accomplish this and might even like to work towards this goal, please contact Leslie Collier at 214/341-5166.

## Proposed Changes in the DGS Bylaws

The following proposed changes in the Bylaws of the Dallas Genealogical Society will be presented for approval at the Society's monthly meeting on 28 March 1994.

- Proposed additions to the present bylaws appear in **bold type** and are underlined when appearing with other bold print.
- Proposed deletions appear in *bold italics* within parentheses.
- Only those Articles and Sections that contain proposed changes are shown.

If approved, the changes to Article III—Membership will be effective immediately. All other changes will become effective at the beginning of the new Society year on July 1, 1994.

### Article III - Membership

#### Section 3. Dues

Dues shall be established by the board of directors (delete *executive board*) for approval by the general membership. Any changes in the dues shall be published in the Society newsletter before the regular business meeting in which the proposed change is presented to the general membership for a vote. The dues are payable **initially upon application for membership, and annually thereafter in the membership anniversary month** (delete *in the month of January and dues paid after January 31 may be subject to a late charge*).

### Article IV - Officers, Directors and Their Election

#### Section 1. Officers and Directors

The officers of this Society shall be a president, executive vice president (delete *for workshops*), vice president for education (delete *programs*), vice president for membership, vice president for *The Dallas Quarterly*, vice president for the *DGS Newsletter*, treasurer, recording secretary, and parliamentarian. The directors of this Society shall consist of library liaison (a representative of the genealogy section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library), director of sales (delete *books and forms*),

director of special interest groups (delete *the computer interest group*), director of correspondence and mailings, director of publications, director of publicity and public relations, (delete *director of research*), and the director of volunteer coordination (delete *director of correspondence*).

### Article V - Duties of Officers

The duties of the officers shall include, but are not restricted to, the following. Each officer shall appoint, as needed and with the approval of the Board of Directors, a staff and/or committees to assist in the accomplishment of these duties.

#### Section 2. The Executive Vice President

(delete *for Workshops*)

The executive vice president is responsible for all fund raising activities of the Society, including workshops (delete *for workshops is the chairman for Society workshops and shall present to the executive board before each workshop, a copy of the plan-of-work including the line item budget*). In the absence or incapacity (delete *inability*) of the president, the executive vice president (delete *for workshops*) shall assume the duties of the president.

#### Section 3. The Vice President for Education

(delete *Programs*)

The vice president for education (delete *programs*) shall be responsible for all nonrevenue educational events, including programs at the regular meetings of the Society (delete *shall arrange for a meeting place, and coordinate any necessary audio-visual requirements*).

### Article VI - Duties of Directors

The duties of the directors shall include, but are not restricted to, the following. Each director shall appoint, as needed and with the approval of the Board of Directors, a staff and/or committees to assist in the accomplishment of these duties.

#### Section 1. The Director of Sales

(delete *Books and Forms*)

The director of sales (delete *books and forms*) shall be responsible for the merchandising (delete *maintain an inventory*) of all Society materials for



sale, and shall maintain an inventory and locate appropriate storage facilities for such materials.

**Section 2. The Director of Special Interest Groups**  
(delete *the Computer Interest Group*)

The director of special interest groups (delete *the computer interest group*) shall be responsible for the organization and operation of programs for all sub-groups within the Society that are focused on a special area of genealogical research or activity (delete *programs for the computer interest group, shall arrange for a meeting place, and any necessary audio-visual equipment; and shall maintain at least the nonmember newsletter list, the non-member workshop list, the periodical exchange list and shall coordinate the preparation and printing of all labels used for bulk mailing*).

**Section 4. The Director of Correspondence and Mailings**

The director of correspondence and mailings shall be responsible for handling Society correspondence, processing Society mailings, and maintaining the Society's mailing lists (delete *prepare all bulk mailings and shall maintain an account with the post office*).

**Section 5. The Director of Publications**

The director of publications shall be responsible for researching, editing, and publishing the Society's nonserial publications (delete *provide camera ready copy and bids for Society publications as directed by the executive board*).

**Section 6. The Director of Publicity and Public Relations**

The director of publicity and public relations shall be responsible for promoting the Society and its activities, and shall establish and maintain harmonious relationships with other organizations in the community having interests parallel to those of the Society (delete *provide publicity for the Society as directed by the executive board*).

(delete *The Director of Research*)

(delete *The Director of Correspondence*)

**Section 7. The Director of Volunteer Coordination**

The director of volunteer coordination shall be responsible for developing a volunteer corps and managing its utilization.

**Article VII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
(delete *EXECUTIVE BOARD*)

(Note: The term Board of Directors will replace the term Executive Board throughout the Bylaws)

**Section 6. Vacancies**

In the event of a vacancy in the office of the president, the executive vice president (delete *for workshops*) shall become president. (No change in remainder of this Section from present bylaws, which describes what happens when the executive vice president declines the president's position, and how other vacancies are filled.)

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## Capital Expansion Update

by Jan Bishop McFarland  
& Leslie Smith Collier

Response to DGS's Capital Expansion Project continues to be incredibly enthusiastic; individual donations are exceeding even the most optimistic expectations. As of 16 February 1994, contributions to the Capital Expansion Fund had reached \$33,228.51, with donations from individuals accounting for more than \$23,000 of that total. Obviously, this is a project whose time has come, so if you haven't made your donation yet, get busy and write that check!

### FOUNDATIONS and CORPORATIONS

Submission of grant proposals to target foundations is scheduled to begin in late March, and solicitation of potential corporate donors will begin in April. If you have an association with a foundation whose philosophy of giving might fit our needs, or if you know of a corporation which you feel might be interested in making a contribution to the Expansion Project, please contact any member of the Capital Expansion Committee (John Wylie, Art Rubeck, Leslie Collier, Bill Benson, Linda Acord or Jan McFarland).

### CEP FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

You'll soon be receiving a mailing which will include information, order blanks and registration forms for all Capital Expansion Project fund-raisers, including trips, special fund-raising events and items for sale. When it arrives, take a few minutes to look through the materials. If you see a flyer that you don't plan to use, pass it along to someone who might want to take advantage of the offer involved. For instance, if you're not quite ready to buy a microfilm reader for use at home, send the information on DGS's Dukane microfilm reader offer to your favorite small library, in-state or out-of-state. Perhaps you know of a genealogy society ready to buy a reader for its local library. Maybe you have a friend who's itching to research at home. Use your imagination. Remember: Your creative thinking is the Capital Expansion Project's best asset.

#### • *CEP Travel Packages:*

The CEC's newest member, Linda Acord, has put together an outstanding package for DGS's Spring Salt Lake City Research Tour featuring Lloyd Bockstruck. (Trip details and registration information are on Page 35.) Please note: This tour is expected to fill up very quickly, so be sure to send your registration in as soon as possible.

If your goal is to do quality genealogical research, the best opportunity to improve your research skills is

coming up. DGS's package tour to the NGS Conference in Houston (May 30 through June 4) promises to be very affordable. National genealogical conferences this close to home don't come around too often, so don't pass up the opportunity to hear the best genealogical lecturers in the country. This is a travel/hotel package you can't afford to miss.

The CEC is also considering tours to other research destinations, including Washington, D.C., Fort Wayne, IN, and Austin. Tell us where you would like to go on future trips. How about the Mississippi State Archives? Louisiana? New England? Tennessee? Let us hear from you.

#### • *Private evenings at the Library:*

Want to see how we put the fun in fundraising? Join us for an after-hours Evening at the Library. If your CEP donation of \$500 or more is received by April 5, 1994, you will be our guest at a unique evening in the Genealogy Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library. On Friday, April 8, you'll be picked up at your home and chauffeured to the Library, arriving about 6:00 PM. You'll be treated to an elegant, professionally-catered dinner in the Genealogy Section, after which you'll live out a genealogist's fantasy. DGS Board Members, Capital Expansion Committee members and other volunteers under the direction of Lloyd Bockstruck will be at your beck and call for the rest of the evening. They'll make photocopies for you, fetch microfilm, search census indexes, check the card catalog—anything your little heart desires in the way of research assistance. At midnight you'll leave one glass slipper behind and be driven back home. (Price does not include fairy godmother, pumpkin, title, and license.)

If \$500 is a bit steep for your budget, try this one: A CEP donation of at least \$250 buys you a ticket to DGS's Picnic at the Library. You'll be treated to a luscious picnic supper and an evening of unhurried and uninterrupted research. Library staff and DGS volunteers will be available to assist you in formulating a research strategy, help direct you to sources, and make photocopies. (And there's no need to worry about being downtown at night; armed security guards will be on duty for both Evening at the Library and Picnic at the Library.)

Still hungry? No problem. Plans are underway for a Picnic in the Cemetery. This event will include a white-tablecloth picnic in a Dallas cemetery with a lecture and demonstrations on how to get the most from your cemetery research. Look for more details on this event in the May/June issue of the *DGS Newsletter*.

Specific information on both Evening at the Library and Picnic at the Library will be included in the March CEC mailing, or you may call Leslie Collier at 341-5166 for details.

## DGS to Sponsor Salt Lake City Spring Research Tour 1-8 May 1994



DGS is delighted to announce sponsorship of the second annual research tour to the fabulous LDS Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Imagine—one whole week of research in the world's largest genealogical collection with hundreds of thousands of books and millions of rolls of microfilm at your fingertips. Sound like a great way to spend your spring holiday? Then read on!

Headlining the 1994 Spring Tour is our special tour consultant, Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, head of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library. Recognized nationally as one of the most knowledgeable genealogists in the profession, Lloyd's professional presence on the tour and personal consultation almost certainly assures you of a successful research quest. In addition to Lloyd, DGS members who know the Family History Library and know how to help you with your research have signed on as tour guides.

As tour participants on the successful 1993 Fall Research Tour discovered, the best part of all is having other family researchers along to share the adventure.

### Take a look at our tour package:

- ★ A one-hour consultation with Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck in Salt Lake City for the first 28 people who sign-up. During your personal consultation, Lloyd will help you with a research strategy, answer your genealogical questions, or assist you as needed in your quest for your ancestry.
- ★ Experienced and professional members of DGS as tour guides.
- ★ Seven nights accommodation at the Howard Johnson Hotel, located next door to the Family History Library and convenient to restaurants, theaters, and shopping.
- ★ Pre-trip information and orientation class in Dallas to acquaint you with the Family History Library.
- ★ Transportation to and from Salt Lake City airport with baggage handling at the hotel.
- ★ A three-hour tour of Salt Lake City on Sunday afternoon, 1 May.
- ★ A get-acquainted reception and planning session at the hotel on Sunday evening, 1 May.
- ★ A banquet on Monday evening, 2 May, featuring David E. Rencher, A.G., as after-dinner speaker.
- ★ A special wine and cheese party on Thursday evening, 5 May.
- ★ Reserved seating for an on-air performance of the

exceptional Mormon Tabernacle Choir on Sunday morning, 8 May.

- ★ After hours get-togethers each evening to share your "finds" and get ideas for further research.
- ★ Assistance from the qualified and experienced staff of the Family History Library, including foreign translations.

### Cost of the 7-night, Sunday to Sunday package:

- ★ \$495 per person, double occupancy
- ★ \$695 per person, single occupancy. A nonresearching companion may accompany you and share your room for an additional \$275.
- ★ For nonmembers of DGS, a \$25 per person fee is added to the prices quoted (fee includes a one-year membership to DGS).
- ★ Tour price includes a \$100 tax-deductible gift to the DGS Capital Expansion Project. You will receive a receipt following the trip.

### Not included in the tour package:

- ★ Transportation to and from Salt Lake City is not included. Participants are not required to travel as a group and may drive or fly to Salt Lake City. By reserving your space for this trip early, you will have sufficient time to watch for discount fares offered by the airlines.
- ★ Personal expenses, such as meals (other than the banquet), beverages, tips, laundry, or telephone charges, are not included.

### To reserve your place on the tour:

- ★ Send a deposit of \$250 for double occupancy or \$350 for single occupancy (\$150 for a nonresearching companion), along with your name, address, and daytime and evening phone numbers to: DGS Spring Research Tour; P. O. Box 25556; Dallas, Texas 75225-1556.
- ★ A registration form and additional details will be sent to you.
- ★ The balance of the trip price is due by 1 April 1994.
- ★ For more information about the tour, call Linda Acord at 214/255-4089.
- ★ Act now! The tour is limited to 40 participants on a first come, first served basis; but only the first 28 people who sign up for the tour will receive the one-hour consultation with Lloyd Bockstruck.

## Capital Expansion Fund Contributions

The Dallas Genealogical Society and the Capital Expansion Committee gratefully acknowledge the following individuals and organizations for their generous contributions to the Expansion Fund as of 16 February 1994:

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## Friends of the Dallas Public Library, Inc.

DGS has a strong attachment and commitment to the Dallas Public Library and fully supports other organizations who do the same. The largest and most active organization supporting the Library is the Friends of the Dallas Public Library, Inc., of which DGS is a member. On 25 January 1994, the Friends issued a letter asking for the support and assistance of all its members. The letter, signed by Mark Perkins, Chair of the Advocacy Committee, stated:

"The Dallas Plan is a planning document that will be presented to the City Council next month. It may help shape the future of our city. As the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Dallas Public Library, we are disappointed to discover that the first draft of The Dallas Plan pays very little attention to the Dallas Public Library. We are concerned that the library system, which we believe is vital to the citizens of Dallas, might be neglected in any plan for the future of Dallas.

"We believe that this is an appropriate time for us to collectively raise our voice in support of the Dallas Public library."

The Friends of the Dallas Public Library Board are urging all citizens to send the following message to the Mayor and City Councilmembers. It expresses your support for the Dallas Public Library and your opinion that no plan for our city's future is complete without adequate emphasis on the importance of the public libraries for all the citizens of Dallas.

"The Dallas Public Library is essential to the citizens of Dallas, who rely on it for informational and educational services. Any Blueprint for the future of Dallas that does not emphasize the role of the Dallas Public Library fails to address the needs of all its citizens. I am concerned by the lack of thought for the future of the Library in the Dallas Plan. The Dallas Plan needs to secure a healthy future for the Dallas Public Library system."

The Dallas Genealogical Society, as a member of the Friends of the Dallas Public Library, Inc., urges you to send the Mayor and City Councilmembers the above message. Be sure to sign and date your message and mail to: The Honorable Steve Bartlett and City Councilmembers; City of Dallas; 1500 Marilla, 5EN; Dallas, Texas 75201.

## 1994 Spring Seminar

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### Military Nuggets

Lloyd's second program is another topic from which we can all benefit. Most of us are familiar with the compiled military indexes and service records and know how to search them. But what about other military records or records related to nonservice? Are you familiar with the World War I draft registration cards? How about the regular army enlistments or the headstone applications? There is a world of untapped information in records created by the federal government relating to the military. In his lecture *Nuggets of Military Research*, Lloyd introduces us to these records. For the researcher who thinks he has really used military records, this lecture may be an eye opener.

### The 20th Century

In the third program, *Valuable Twentieth-Century Resources*, Lloyd not only talks about records created in our century, he offers a lesson in dissecting these records for all the information. What about a delayed or amended birth certificate? Did you read the date and place of birth and possibly miss other information on the form—data that leads to additional documents and perhaps back to the Nineteenth Century? Lloyd discusses a lengthy list of records—including Social Security records, school records, city directories, adoption records, passports, etc.

### Evidence versus Proof

The final program of the seminar is *Lloyd's Elements of Evidence Versus Proof*. Once again, we asked Lloyd to tell us his thoughts for this lecture:

"As you delve into your ancestry, you soon confront the proverbial brick wall of whether you have actually proved what you are claiming to be true. Both common sense and intelligence on your part are needed to ascertain how comfortable you should be with your decisions. You have accumulated a body of information including various copies and abstracts of records pertaining to the pedigree. You have studied them, interpreted them, discarded some, substituted others, and in the end made a decision. But are you comfortable with it? Will others agree with your interpretations and your solutions? Did you rely on quantity or quality in arriving at your conclusions?

"Conclusive proof of a blood line has to be contained in a document. Are you confused about what exactly constitutes a document? It is critical to differentiate between a primary source and a

secondary source. What do you do with the written records, which ones you accumulate, how you interrupt them, and how you fulfill the role of the entire genealogical court (judge, jury, witnesses, and prosecuting and defense attorneys) are interminably intertwined. The verdict is the outcome of a display of the evidence (or the documents) and a genealogical opinion of whether they permit a decision to be reached. The trial become the proving process. Evidence and proof go hand in glove when they are (1) consistent, (2) connected, and (3) conclusive."

### The Seminar

Plan to be with us on Saturday, 16 April 1994, for the 38th Annual DGS Spring Seminar. Registration opens at 8:00 A.M. and Lloyd's first program begins at 9:00 A.M. We strongly urge you to preregister. Preregistration not only saves you money (and time), but guarantees that you receive a copy of the program syllabus. A preregistration form is on page 47 of this newsletter and seminar brochures are being mailed in early March. Plus, this year we are offering a discount to DGS members—another benefit of membership.

For the first time, the DGS Spring Seminar is being held in the spacious Dallas Convention Center (same building as the 1993 Fall Symposium last November). There is plenty of room; so come one, come all! Directions to the Center from any part of Dallas County are on the next page.

### Exhibitors

As usual, DGS is allowing lots of time in the morning, at lunch, and between each lecture for seminar registrants to visit the vendor area. We've lined up an impressive number of exhibitors including three major book vendors. You will find a huge selection of genealogical books, forms, preservation materials, maps, and related merchandise. There are enough exhibitors to do some serious damage to your pocketbook. Come prepared!

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## DGS Member Wins TSGS Writing Award

Our report in the January-February issue of this newsletter on the DGS members who received first place awards in the 1993 Texas State Genealogical Society writing awards failed to list the name of one of our most prolific local genealogical writers, Joyce Martin Murray, as one of the first place winners of the writing Awards. Joyce won for her book, *Logan County, Kentucky, Deed Abstracts*. We apologize to Joyce for this unintentional oversight. Congratulations!

## Directions to the Dallas Convention Center

### From North Dallas (Central Expressway–75 Business/Downtown/Live Oak St. Exit):

- Take I-45/75/Central Expressway south; as you approach downtown, get in left lane.
- Follow sign for 75/Business/Downtown/Live Oak Street, and exit from left lane.
- Continue through downtown on 75/Business, staying in right lane.
- Turn right at Jackson Street, proceed to Griffin Street.
- Turn left at Griffin Street, proceed past the Dallas Convention Center and turn left into the underground parking garage of the Center.

### From North Dallas (Stemmons Freeway):

- Take I-35/77/Stemmons Freeway south and exit at #428B (Woodall Rodgers Freeway).
- From Woodall Rodgers Freeway exit at Griffin Street, proceed past the Dallas Convention Center and turn left into the underground parking garage of the Center.

### From North Dallas (Dallas North Tollway):

- Take the Dallas North Tollway south to its end.
- Continue on Harry Hines Boulevard, veering right to downtown.
- Move to the right lane taking Field Street and proceed, veering right to Griffin Street.
- Proceed on Griffin Street past the Dallas Convention Center and turn left into the underground parking garage of the Center.

### From East Dallas (Thornton Freeway):

- Take I-30/80/67 (East Thornton Freeway) west.
- As you approach downtown, move into the extreme left lane and exit from the left lane at #45 Ervay Street/Downtown.
- Continue across St. Paul, moving into one of the two right lanes.
- Turn right onto Ervay Street (a one-way street), staying to the left.
- Turn left at Canton Street and proceed past City Hall to Griffin Street.
- Turn right at Griffin Street and proceed to the underground parking garage of the Dallas Convention Center on the right.

### From Fort Worth and the mid-cities (I-30/Old Dallas–Fort Worth Turnpike):

- Take I-30 east toward Dallas.
- Merge right into Lamar–Griffin cut-off (exit 45).
- Proceed to Cadiz–Griffin exit and follow Griffin Street to the underground parking garage of the Dallas Convention Center, turning right into the garage.

### From Oak Cliff (Jefferson Street Bridge):

- Take I-35E/77/Thornton Freeway north and exit at #425C, Marsalis Avenue.
- Turn left at signal and proceed (1.2 miles) to Jefferson Street Bridge.
- Proceed across bridge and turn right at Young Street, first signal at end of bridge.
- Turn right at Griffin Street and proceed to the Dallas Convention Center, turning left into the underground parking garage of the Center.

### From Oak Cliff (Thornton Freeway):

- Take I-35E/77/Thornton Freeway north and exit at 428B, East I-30/75 Texarkana/Sherman.
- Follow signs to Lamar and Griffin Streets, taking Griffin/Cadiz exit.
- Proceed on Griffin and turn right into the underground parking garage of the Dallas Convention Center.

### From South Dallas (Central Expressway/I-45):

- Take I-45/75 north past Pennsylvania Avenue/MLK Jr. Boulevard and stay in far right lane.
- Exit from right lane at 284A (West/South 30/80/67).
- Take I-30/80/67 west and exit from the right lane at # 45 Ervay St./Downtown.
- Continue across St. Paul, moving into one of the two right lanes.
- Turn right into Ervay Street (a one-way street), staying to left.
- Turn left at Canton Street and proceed past City Hall to Griffin Street.
- Turn right at Griffin Street, proceeding to the underground parking garage of the Dallas Convention Center on the right.

Alternative parking in outdoor lots is available near the Dallas Convention Center. For the most part, the lots are unattended; and you must have correct change to feed the parking-lot machines.

## Beginners Corner: Lineage Societies

Ramona Honan

Is there a lineage society in your future? There could be and should be.

Some of the many advantages of joining lineage, hereditary, and historical societies are:

- Similar interests and background
- Linkage with your ancestors
- Pride
- Organization of genealogical documents

The last is a very good reason for joining lineage and historical societies. The process itself helps the genealogist to collect and organize genealogy proof. For example, how often have you heard, "I know I have that proof—it is *somewhere* here in my notes—I just have to find it." In gaining admittance to a society, the applicant *has* to get together *all* the necessary proof in a concise and orderly manner to prove he is, in fact, related to the ancestor.

### Finding societies to join.

Listed below are several ways to locate lineage, hereditary, or historical societies for which you may be qualified:

- The applicant may find and gain admittance through another member of the society. This is especially helpful when a sponsor is needed to join that particular society. It is usually easy to get a sponsor as societies are always trying to increase their membership and are eager for new members.
- At genealogy seminars, one can get information about various societies. For example, at the fall DGS symposium the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War society had a booth.
- Societies can be found through newsletters and magazines, such as magazines for the Sons (SAR) or Daughters (DAR) of the American Revolution, Sons of the Confederate Veterans, and others, to which the Dallas library subscribes.
- If you have access to a computer and on-line services such as Prodigy, GEnie, Compuserve, or other on-line services, place a query for information on societies in your area. People on these boards are more than willing to help point the prospective member in the right direction to the correct lineage society.
- Information may be found in published lineage society directories about particular lineage or historical societies in which you may be interested. One very helpful directory located in the Dallas

Public Library Genealogy Section is *A Guide to Hereditary and Lineage Societies*. This book lists lineage societies from the Daughters of the American Revolution (descendants of those who fought in the American Revolution) to the Associated Daughters of Early American Witches (descendants of those who were accused, tried or executed for practice of witchcraft prior to December 31, 1699), Society of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick (those of Irish descent), and the Flagon and Trencher Society (descendants of those ancestors who operated taverns, inns, ordinaries, or other types of hostelry before July 4, 1776), and many others. The book lists the societies in alphabetical order. Each entry lists the society, when it was founded, the status, address and telephone, eligibility, membership and chapters, bibliography, and any publications or newsletters the society publishes. The listing may also have comments about the particular society as to its status, members, or how it was founded.

### Why join a society?

One of the best reasons for joining a lineage society is that the process will help you with your genealogy. It will aid you in getting your documentation together for proof. For example, you may know that your great-grandfather was born in a certain county but you do not have the "actual" proof in hand. Joining a society will require you to get that proof. That, in turn, will help you organize your future genealogy projects.

### Criteria for joining societies.

Every society has its own criteria for admittance. When you receive an application, instructions will be included for completing it. You will need to follow these instructions precisely, or the application may be returned to you to be redone according to prescribed form. One of the main criteria to remember is: If you do not have the proof for your ancestor in written form, do NOT include it on the application. For example, you have been told all your life that your grandmother was born in Plattsmouth, Nebraska. If you do not have a document that states she was indeed born in the city of Plattsmouth—proof such as a birth certificate, death certificate, Bible record, etc.—do NOT include the name of the city on the application. If your grandmother states on the 1910 census she was born in Nebraska, include the 1910 census as your proof of

documentation, but list only "Nebraska" as place of birth on the application. In other words, do not include family tradition statements on your application. If you are not holding the proof in your hand, do not list it.

Using the DAR as an example, the following is needed for completing an application for a lineage society:

- Proof is required for all names; dates and places of births, deaths, and marriages; and proof of each generation to the preceding generation. (Some lineage societies require proof for all names dates, places and relationships for the first four generations only, and for the following generations, as much proof as needed to prove the relationship.)
- The proof sent should be from the best source available: birth, death, or marriage certificates, Bible records (with title page and date of publication), wills, probate records, deeds, census, diaries, old letters, etc.
- Family tradition is not proof. Pedigree charts, family group sheets, undocumented genealogies, and membership applications in other lineage societies are not proof.
- Submit enough documentation to identify clearly each name, date, place, and family relationship.
- Old applications should not be used as proof, as the information on them may be incorrect or unsubstantiated. If you do use old applications, substantiate the proof with additional documentation on the previously accepted line.
- When published books are used as proof, cite the author, title, publisher, date of publication, edition, and page numbers. When using photocopies of the book for proof, always include a copy of the title page.
- Do not use yellow or other colored markers to highlight what pertains to your ancestor in the document. Some societies, though, do require that you underline in red ink the parts that pertain to your line.

In some lineage societies, the following is helpful for completing the application:

- When submitting census records as proof, make photocopies of the census from the original microfilm. You do not need to send every census your ancestor was in—just the ones that document the relationship to his or her parents, date and place of birth, or other information you are seeking to prove.
- When submitting photographs of tombstones as proof of dates of birth and death, include the name and location of the cemetery, and date when the

photo was taken.

- Any newspaper clippings must be labeled with date, location, and name of the newspaper.

Also, there are other criteria that most societies require when submitting applications:

- Lineage societies require applications be typed. Most societies require the application be signed and notarized, and this should be done in black ink.
- Most societies require that no staples be used in assembling the proof. Use paper clips. Each piece of paper submitted must have the following on it (some societies require it be on the back):
  - ✓ Your name
  - ✓ The name of the lineage society
  - ✓ Generation No. \_\_\_\_\_ (the generation that the proof is for). The applicant would be generation no. 1.
- If you have a large amount of proof, it is recommended that you prepare a cover sheet for each generation or an index. Include the generation number, the direct-line person, what the document is, and how the document proves the relationship from one ancestor to another.

As you can see, there is a great deal of work. In the long run, though, it is very satisfying to finally get that certificate showing you are a member and honoring the name of the ancestor of whom you were so proud that you selected him or her for entrance into the society. In addition, you have the added satisfaction of knowing you have properly documented that lineage and have formed the habit of correctly documenting and obtaining proof for each ancestor in your future research.

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## G.I.T. Gears Up for Second Year

What's that? You say you're looking to improve your genealogical skills and knowledge, but just don't know how to go about it. Do you have an extra week of vacation this summer? Here's a good way to spend your summer vacation *and* become a better-educated genealogical researcher. Enroll in the Genealogical Institute of Texas.

In the summer of 1992, three Dallas area genealogists decided researchers in our area would benefit from a genealogical institute. With that thought in mind (and a lot of hard work) Barbara Roberts Baylis, Madilyn Coen Crane, and Mary Reid Warner planned, developed, sponsored, and inaugurated the first Genealogical Institute of Texas in July 1993. As a nonprofit organization, the G.I.T. offered six courses in genealogical education aimed at the beginner to the advanced researcher and everyone in between. The first G.I.T. proved to be successful, because it filled a gap in genealogical education in the Southwest. The first institute was so successful in fact that the second annual institute aspires to add an additional course and accommodate more people.

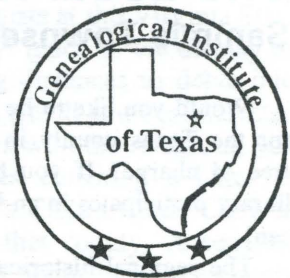
The second annual G.I.T. is being held **25-29 July 1994** at the Richardson Civic Center. Emphasis is on hands-on instructional techniques with extensive class/instructor interaction. Students choose one course for the five-day period. Optional educational and social activities include evening problem solving sessions, research at the Dallas Public Library, special instruction at the Southern Methodist University School of Law Library, exhibitors (local, state, and national) and a Texas style buffet dinner.

### 1994 Courses being offered:

Seven courses are offered; 18 lectures per course. Class size is limited.

- ★ **Course I: *Introduction to Genealogy—A Beginner Course.*** Addresses basic skills for the beginning researcher. Course Coordinator: Renee Jackson Smith, CALS. Instructors: Smith, Lloyd D. Bockstruck, Joe Roop Brickey, Brenda Burns Kellow, Erick D. Montgomery.
- ★ **Course II: *Intermediate.*** Provides an in-depth look at the records and resources available to researchers. A previous beginners course is suggested. Course Coordinator: John Philip Colletta, Ph.D. Instructors: Colletta, Lloyd D. Bockstruck, Arlene H. Eakle, George K. Schweitzer.
- ★ **Course III: *Advanced.*** Expands on the foundations of the Intermediate Course. Exploring advanced sources along with instruction on writing a genealogical narrative will be covered. Course

Coordinators: James W. Warren and Paula Stuart Warren, CGRS. Instructors: the Warrens, Desmond Walls Allen, Mary McCampbell Bell, Patricia Law Hatcher.



- ★ **Course IV: *Gone to Texas, Part 2:*** Continues with the migration and sources in the South and in Texas. The student can begin their southern and Texas study with either Part I or Part 2. Course Coordinators: Robert Scott Davis, Jr. and Richard L. Hooverson. Instructors: Davis, Hooverson, Arlene H. Eakle.
- ★ **Course V: *The Military Paper Trail:*** Provides insight to the various colonial to 20th-Century war records and how to access genealogical information in them. The Dallas Public Library has a very strong military collection. Ancestors may be listed in war records when they do not appear in other sources. Class Coordinators: Lloyd D. Bockstruck, FNGS; George K. Schweitzer, Ph.D. Instructors: Bockstruck, Schweitzer, John Philip Colletta.
- ★ **Course VI: *Advanced Problem Solving:*** A study of logical methods for analysis of genealogical records used for documenting our ancestors. *Advanced researchers only!* Course Coordinator: Desmond Walls Allen, MA. Instructors: Allen, Patricia Law Hatcher, Erick D. Montgomery, William Schoeffler, George K. Schweitzer, Paula Stuart Warren.
- ★ **Course VII: *For Lands Sake! Platting and Analysis:*** Exposes researchers to various techniques used to locate, analyze, and plat land. Land records may be the only source to document relationships, and researchers must learn to use them. *Advanced intermediate to advanced!* Class Coordinator: Mary McCampbell Bell, CALS, CGL. Instructors: Bell, Patricia Law Hatcher, William H. Schoeffler.

### Tuition:

Tuition is \$250 if postmarked by 23 April 1994; \$275 thereafter. A deposit of \$100 is required with the balance due in July.

### Brochures and information:

To receive a brochure or for more information, write or call: Genealogical Institute of Texas; P.O. Box 799004-Box 118; Dallas, TX 75379; 214/233-9248.

*Profits from the G.I.T. benefit area libraries including the DPL Genealogy Section.*

# The Local Records Program of the Texas State Library

## Sammie Townsend Lee

Would you like to be able to order the deed records for the Texas county in which your ancestor resided free of charge? If you have a library card and your library participates in an interlibrary loan program, you can!

The regional historical resource depository system, administered by the Local Records Division of the Texas State Library, is responsible for collecting, preserving, and making available to researchers historical records of counties, cities, and other local governments in the State of Texas. The Texas State Library, nineteen universities, one junior college, and five public libraries around the state provide facilities for the archival preservation of local government records in hard-copy and microfilm. As an example, the Texas/Dallas History and Archives Division on the seventh floor of the Dallas Public Library is the regional historical resource depository for Dallas County.

Many of the microfilmed local records are available

on interlibrary loan from the repository holding the film. These records include many types of original courthouse record books of interest to genealogists and family researchers: deed records, marriage records, declarations of intention to become naturalized citizens, probate docket, etc.

To determine what microfilmed Texas county records are available on interlibrary loan, consult: Michael Heskett, *Texas County Records: A Guide to the Holdings of the Local Records Division of the Texas State Library of County Records on Microfilm*, (Austin: Texas State Library, 1990). A copy of Heskett's book is located in the Texas/Dallas Division on the seventh floor of the Dallas Public Library; call number R016.9293 T355T. Also check for the supplement.

Loan policy from the Local Records Division is five reels of film for fourteen days. You must have a Dallas Public Library card for an interlibrary loan or consult the library in your community to see if they participate in an interlibrary loan program.

Table I Example: Page 447, *Texas County Records: A Guide to the Holdings of the Local Records Division of the Texas State Library*

<b>ROBERTSON COUNTY</b>			
<b>DEED RECORD</b>	<b>Reel 963275</b>	<b>Reel 963289</b>	<b>Reel 1477503</b>
<b>1838-1901</b>	1838-1846 [Vol. A]	1876-1901 [Vol. 2]	1889-1889 [Vol. 22]
	1838-1845 [Vol. C]	1876-1878 [Vol. 3]	(from page 294)
	1838-1846 [Vol. D]		1889-1891 [Vol. 23]
<b>Index: For indexes to the Deed Record from 1838 to 1928 request the following reels:</b>	<b>Reel 963276</b>	<b>Reel 963290</b>	1890-1891 [Vol. 24]
	1846-1852 [Vol. G]	1877-1879 [Vol. 4]	1891-1892 [Vol. 25]
	1845-1848 [Vol. H]	1874-1881 [Vol. 5]	(to page 25)
	1848-1852 [Vol. J]	<b>Reel 963291</b>	<b>Reel 1477504</b>
<b>Direct (A-D) - Reel 963267</b>		1868-1881 [Vol. 6]	1891-1892 [Vol. 25]
<b>Direct (E-K) - Reel 963268</b>	<b>Reel 963277</b>	<b>Reel 963292</b>	(from page 25)
<b>Direct (L-R) - Reel 963269</b>	1852-1856 [Vol. L]	1880-1881 [Vol. 7]	1891-1892 [Vol. 26]
<b>Direct (S-Z) - Reel 963270</b>			
<b>Reverse (A-D) - Reel 963271</b>	<b>Reel 963278</b>	<b>Reel 964192</b>	<b>Reel 1477505</b>
<b>Reverse (E-K) - Reel 963272</b>	1856-1860 [Vol. M]	1881-1883 [Vol. 8]	1891-1894 [Vol. 27]
<b>Reverse (L-R) - Reel 963273</b>	<b>Reel 963279</b>	<b>Reel 964193</b>	1892-1893 [Vol. 28]
<b>Reverse (S-Z) - Reel 963274</b>	1859-1872 [Vol. N]	1881-1883 [Vol. 9]	1893-1894 [Vol. 29]
<b>Notes: (a) There is no Volume B, E, F, I, or K in the Deed Record.</b>	<b>Reel 963280</b>	<b>Reel 964194</b>	(to page 349)
	1865-1858 [Vol. O]	1879-1883 [Vol. 10]	<b>Reel 1477506</b>
<b>(b) Volumes 39 and 41 of the Deed Record were not filmed.</b>	1834-1861 [Vol. P]	<b>Reel 964195</b>	1893-1894 [Vol. 29]
	<b>Reel 963281</b>		(from page 348)
			1893-1895 [Vol. 30]
			1893-1895 [Vol. 31]

## Bulletin Board

### Leslie Smith Collier

*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*

### Cherokee Research

If you need help with Cherokee ancestry, you may want to contact Thomas G. Mooney, Supervisor of the Genealogy Section of the Cherokee National Museum in the Cherokee Heritage Center. If this library does any research for you, the charge is \$5.00 per name, per search, and will begin with the Dawes Commission Rolls, unless otherwise instructed. They do request both a pedigree chart and a SASE.

The Heritage Center is three miles south of Tahlequah, just east of U.S. Highway 62, on Willis Road.

Address: P.O. Box 515, Tahlequah, OK 74465.

*Special thanks to DGS member Jim Monaghan for drawing attention to this resource.*

### TSGS News

A new slate of officers for the Texas State Genealogical Society has been selected: President, Gene Heggemeier (Odessa); First Vice President, Wanda Donaldson (Temple); Second Vice President, Richard Hooverson (Belton); Secretary, Doris Cozart (Cisco); Treasurer, Bob Ennis (Lubbock); Historian, Jo Delmar (Garland). Note that DGS' own Jo Delmar is beginning a second two-year term as Historian.

TSGS publishes an excellent quarterly, *Stirpes*, which is available to TSGS members and at the Dallas Public Library. Annual dues are \$18 per individual, which includes the newsletter as well as the quarterly. Plan now to attend the annual conference to be held in the Austin area in Fall, 1994.

Membership information may be had from the area zone representative, Gilda Cain. Her address: 1632 Hutchinson; Mesquite, TX 75150. Phone: 613-1931. Look for the TSGS booth at the NGS Conference in Houston in June.

### Eek! Not Virginia

The climate for genealogists at the Virginia State Archives is decidedly murky, much to the dismay of those of us who travel long distances to delve into their holdings. If a county in which you are interested has deposited its loose papers with the Archives, you must arrive at the Archives clutching a letter of permission from the county's Circuit Court Clerk to search the loose papers of that county. A separate letter of permission must be obtained for each county whose loose papers you might wish to examine; not all counties grant this permission. Unfortunately, there is no neat and tidy printed list of loose paper holdings in the Virginia State Archives, including the information about whether or not the loose papers are open or closed for researchers. If you intend to search in the Virginia State Archives during a planned trip, be forewarned and forearmed. You might contact the Circuit Court Clerk of each county in advance inquiring about the location and accessibility to researchers of loose papers.

The Virginia State Archives does some research in response to mail requests. There is a \$10 fee per request.

Address: Virginia State Archives; 11th and Capitol Streets; Richmond, VA 23219.

### A Call to Arms

An important warning for all Virginia researchers: the Virginia State Archives, probably the most intensively used state archives in the U.S., is sadly underfunded. No document preservation being done at all; many of the records are in cardboard boxes in the closed stack area and consideration is being given to moving them (without any effort at conservation) to remote warehouses, where they could not be accessed. There is a move afoot in Virginia to separate the Archives from the Library and increase its funding. If this could benefit you, immediately write a letter of support to the following: Chairman, Senate Appropriations Committee; The Honorable Hunter Andrews; Senator, Virginia Assembly; P.O. Box 396; Richmond, VA 23202.

### Buckingham County, Virginia

The Jefferson-designed courthouse went up in flames in 1869, turning Buckingham County into every genealogist's nightmare. Historic Buckingham, Inc, the area's historical and genealogical society, is striving valiantly to amass as many early records as

possible to aid contemporary researchers.

This society maintains a museum and research center, is compiling a cemetery book, collects family group sheets, and has the WPA records for Buckingham. They are indexing a two-volume book, *The Courthouse Burned*. They encourage and promote the publishing of manuscript collections that help fill in for missing records. Individual membership in the society is \$5.00 annually.

Address: Historic Buckingham, Inc.; P.O. Box 152; Buckingham, VA 23921

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### Samford Schedule, Summer 1994

Releasing its summer course offerings is The Institute of Genealogy & Historical Research, held on the campus of Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama. The 1994 special topic course is to be "American Migrations from Sea to Shining Sea," with Edward J. O'Day as featured guest lecturer. This year's institute will be held June 12-17. Other offerings will be courses on Fundamentals of Genealogical Research; Intermediate Genealogy; The Old South: Virginia to Florida & Pennsylvania, Maryland & West Virginia; Advanced Genealogical Methods; and Genealogy as a Profession.

Cost of the week at Samford is \$300.00 tuition, plus \$155 room and meals for a double room. Motels are within driving distance. A British research trip is also in the works, with prices ranging from \$1,700 to \$2,800 (airfare to and from Atlanta included). The trip is calendared July 4-27.

Address: SU IGHR; Samford University Library; 800 Lakeshore Drive; Birmingham, AL 35229

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### Railroad Retirement Records

Did your ancestor work on the railroads that criss-crossed America in this century? If so, and his employment lasted after 1936, then contact the Railroad Retirement Board. This agency maintains a Federal retirement and survivor benefit program and will search their files for genealogical purposes. Records of persons who are still living will not be released without express consent. The Railroad Retirement Board was not established until the mid-1930s and began maintaining its own records in 1937. It does not have records of persons who died prior to this, or whose rail service was of short duration.

The records are indexed by the employee's Social

Security number, which often appears on the death certificate. If that number is not known, as much of the following information as possible should be included:

- ◆ The railroad employee's full name, including middle name or initial
- ◆ The employee's date of birth
- ◆ The year he or she last worked in the rail industry
- ◆ The employee's date of death

Address: Railroad Retirement Board; 844 Rust Street; Chicago, IL 60611-2092.

*Thanks to the Genealogy Section's Gerri Brannen for this information.*

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### Statewide Vital Records/Indexes

The Family History Library has many statewide vital records or indexes. To order, check the Locality Catalog under the *[Name of State] - Vital Records*. Added are **California**: Death indexes 1905-1988; **Colorado**: Marriage index 1900-1992; **Florida**: Marriage index 1927-1969, Death index 1877-1969; **Hawaii**: Birth index 1909-1949, Births 1901-1916, Marriage index 1909-1949, Marriages 1909-1915, Death index 1909-1949, Deaths 1909-1916; **Illinois**: Death index 1916-1938, Deaths 1916-1942; **Kentucky**: Marriage indexes 1972-1990, Death index 1911-1986; **Ohio**: Death index 1913-1927; **South Dakota**: Birth index 1880-1990, Death index 1880-1990; **Texas**: Birth (delayed) and Death indexes 1900-1945; **Washington**: Birth indexes 1907-1954, Births 1907-1936.

These twentieth-century records are invaluable to the genealogist, bearing in mind that the death record or obituary of a brother, sister, or even cousin of your problem ancestor may solve your dilemma.

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### 1891 British Census

More recent emigrants from the British Isles? New at the Family History Library is a microfiche copy of the 1891 census of England, Wales, Channel Islands and Isle of Man. To help you locate the correct fiche for a specific parish or town, the British census register has been updated to include 1891. This register has been distributed to local Family History Centers, on fiche #6,024,509, and also indicates whether or not a street or surname index is available for you.

## Queries

### Terri Mulliken Allen

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 2648; Dallas, TX 75225-0648.

**SULLIVAN  
BAKER  
VOORHIES** Wish to exchange information on **Elihu D. SULLIVAN**, born 1818 in Indiana/Tennessee, died 1881 in Dallas County, Texas. He married (1) **Mary J. BAKER**, born 1849 in Tennessee; daughter of **Andrew BAKER**. Their children, both born in Tennessee, were **John M. SULLIVAN**, born 1843, and **Sophonra Elvira SULLIVAN**, born in 1849. Elihu married (2) **Rebecca VOORHIES**, born in 1825 also in Tennessee.  
**Ruby B. Payne; 9240 Nathaniel, #889; Houston, TX 77075-1863**

**CUNNINGHAM  
CHERRY** Seeking information on **George Washington and Mary Ann (CHERRY) CUNNINGHAM**. **George CUNNINGHAM** was born in 1841 in Warren County, Tennessee, and **Mary Ann CHERRY** was born in 1840 in Missouri. They lived in Walnut Springs, Bosque County, Texas, 1900-1910 and in Denton, Denton County, Texas, 1910-1914. By 1914 their heirs had moved to New Mexico. Their children included **William E. CUNNINGHAM**, **James Patrick CUNNINGHAM**, and **Zollie F. CUNNINGHAM**. I am trying to determine death dates and burial sites for George and Mary Ann.  
**Mack W. Mullins; 2717 North 42nd Street; Waco, TX 76710**

**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 County, Georgia. 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, Texas).  
**Kay Lee Wrage Gunn; 4327 Westside Drive; Dallas, TX 75209**

**JANES  
WYATT  
McKINNEY  
SLOAN  
KELLET** I am searching for other researchers of the **JANES** line in Lawrence and Randolph counties, Arkansas, circa 1800-1900. Related lines in that area are **WYATT, McKINNEY, SLOAN,** and **KELLET**. **William JANES** and **James SLOAN** moved to Clark County, Arkansas, circa 1830. Family names include **Massack** and **Jarret**. This family is found in Territorial records from St. Genevieve, Missouri. Will exchange information.  
**Linda Shaddock Rogers; 401 Kimberly Drive; Mesquite, TX 75149**

**WILLIAMS  
McCOY** I need to find the family of **Dewey WILLIAMS**, born 7 Jul 1895. He married **Celeste McCOY** on 28 Oct 1919 in Cleburne, Johnson County, Texas. It is said he was raised by his sister after his parents died. His brothers were **Thomas, Ernest, and Harry**. His sisters were **Jonnie** and **Sammie (Samantha)**. Who were **Dewey's** parents, grandparents, etc.? Where did they come from originally; and who was the immigrant to America?  
Also, need to find the family of **David McCOY**, born 1831. He married **Ann** (--). Children: **David Jr.**, born 1864; **Polly**, born 1866; **Victory**, born 1868; **Thomas**, born 1870; **John**, born 1873; **Samuel**, born 1876; **Ruben**, born 1879. This information was all from the Somervell County, Texas, 1880 census. Who were **David's** parents, grandparents, etc.? Where did they come from originally, and who was the immigrant to America?  
**Michael Lee Ekstrand; 25 Rennie Avenue; San Jose, CA 95127**

## Letters to DGS

*DGS receives several letters a week from researchers seeking their "lost in Texas" ancestors. Unfortunately, DGS does not have personnel or resources to do the requested research. However, in this issue we are publishing excerpts from some of these letters in the hope that perhaps our members may have information that will solve some of their questions. Good luck—we hope you discover a researching cousin!*

**June Alexander; 1050 East Herndon Avenue, Apt. 151; Fresno, CA 93720-3142 is seeking anyone in DGS who may be researching either the STANAGE or WIMBERLY surnames. She writes:**

- In doing research on Mr. James O. STANAGE, I find he is listed in the Dallas City Directory in the year 1916 at 4319 San Jacinto. He disappears after the 1916 directory.

**Mary J. Yandell; 24669 South 638 Loop; Grove, OK 74344 is working on the GREER and MORRISON families of Wood County, Texas. She needs the following information:**

- Needs to know the parents of John Jackson GREER who moved to Wood County from Noel, Missouri, just prior to the beginning of the Civil War. John's wife was Sarah Jane MORRISON, daughter of Hugh Bailey and Cleoy Lasater MORRISON. In 1872, John Jackson GREER took his wife and family back to the Noel, Missouri, area.

**Mrs. Martha Sutton; 5399 Highway 1611; Russell Springs, KY 42642 writes:**

- I have an old photo of John ROGERS taken in Dallas County, year unknown. The old photo will be given to a descendant. Please help—someone might be glad to receive the old photo.

**Mrs. Shelby A. Hersom; P.O. Box 85; Flora Vista, NM 87415 wrote us a long "I'm at the end of my rope" letter. She is seeking information on the parents and ancestry of her gr-great grandparents, Robert LESLIE and Elizabeth Ellen McDONALD:**

- Elizabeth Ellen McDonald (parents unknown), born about 1850 in Texas. Two known brothers: William McDonald (possibly Captain William Jesse McDONALD of Texas Rangers fame), born about

1852 in Texas; and Saul or Samuel McDONALD, born about 1854 in Texas. About 1869 she married:

- Robert LESLIE, born about 1846 in Alabama. His mother was Sarah Jordan LESLIE, born about 1828 in Alabama (his father unknown). In 1880 Sarah was living with her brother James JORDAN in Rockwall County, Texas.
- Children of Elizabeth (McDONALD) and Robert LESLIE: Walter, born 1871; Minnie Mae, born 26 Nov 1874; Artie, born 1876; Willie, born 1879. All were born in Texas.

**Terry Dunn; 804 Phaeton; Manchester, MO 63021 is looking for information on the VEACH family:**

- Seeking to identify parents and ancestry of Mildred VEACH, born about 1853 in Texas; married James Gaines FOSTER in Dallas County about 1869-70. About 1875 they moved to Missouri. (Editor's Note: A check of the Dallas County marriage books I and II by DGS does not list a marriage for Mildred and James.)

**Olivia E. Loff; 44 Jeffers Road; Plainsboro, NJ 08536 sent us an interesting query:**

- Seeking information on one of the actresses who played the roll of Jane in the *Tarzan* movies. Her real name was Jacqueline BROWN, but she used the stage names of Jacqueline Wells and Julie Bishop. She was born 30 Aug 1914 in Denver, Colorado, but lived in Dallas County, Texas, and was the daughter of Will BROWN, president of Brown and Company. Need genealogical background or more information on parents.

**Michael R. Fletcher; 632 Middlegate Court NE; Marietta, GA 30066 is looking for information on the Oak Cliff school his grandmother attended between 1881 and 1899:**

- Lucille HARTUNG, born about 1881 in central Missouri attended school in the Oak Cliff section of Dallas County (Oak Cliff College?). She married in 1899 in St. Louis, Missouri. Family story is that she never knew much about her father, until he sent her to this school. Supposedly he owned a ranch and sent her to the Oak Cliff school to be near her for a short time.

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