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## DGS Service Awards Banquet — A Rousing Success!

The evening of 18 November 1994 will be long-remembered by Society members as we gathered at the Royal Oaks Country Club in Dallas to celebrate and honor our own members as well as local organizations which have contributed so much to the preservation of family history in our area. Those in attendance braved fierce thunderstorms to dine with their old friends and newly-met acquaintances for the first ever, first annual DGS Service Awards Banquet and Ceremony. After indulging in a delicious dinner, President Art Rubeck opened the ceremony by introducing J. Bruce Moseley, Chairman of the Service Awards Committee. Bruce proudly announced the Service Awards winners:

**Robert H. Maybrier** was presented with the **DGS VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD** for his outstanding volunteer service to DGS during its 1993-1994 society year. Some of the specifics cited which earned Bob this acclaim were: his excellent work on the Board of Directors as Director of Special Projects; his cordial manner in regularly manning the DGS Information Desk at the Library; his presence at every DGS event; and an unfailingly positive response whenever anyone in the Society asked for his help.

The **DGS AWARD OF MERIT** was given to **Helen Mason Lu** for her many years of service as an officer or director, including three terms as DGS President; her long-term support for all the Society's activities; her work in organizing and leading research and publication teams; her creativity in instigating the *Picnic in the Cemetery*; and her generosity in donating to DGS for its publication nine volumes of her 1846-1885 Texas religious newspaper abstracts.

There were two winners in the category of **DGS HERITAGE PRESERVATION AWARD**: **Dr. Jerry Henderson**, Staff Archeologist with the Texas Department of Transportation and Freedman's Cemetery Project Director, who dedicated all of her training and skills as an archeologist to insure that the project was conducted in a totally professional manner. In addition to Dr. Henderson, **Black Dallas Remembered** was also honored for its goal to preserve the Freedman's Cemetery as well as its publication of numerous documents which chronicle the history of early Dallas blacks and its work to preserve several historic landmarks.

Lastly, the Society honored **Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck** with the Society's **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**. It was the opinion of the Service Awards Committee that no one currently active in American genealogy was more deserving of an award for "consistent and significant contributions over a period of years" than Lloyd Bockstruck. A few of his accomplishments cited were: leadership in assembling one of the top genealogical collections in this country for the Dallas Public Library; status as one of the most popular genealogical lecturers in the nation; service on the faculty of the Samford University Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research and the Genealogical Institute of Texas; authorship of *Virginia's Colonial Soldiers* and *Research in Texas*; *Family Tree* columnist for the *Dallas Morning News*; and most generous donor of his time and talents in support of the Dallas Genealogical Society. The DGS' Service Award Committee felt so strongly about Lloyd Bockstruck's contributions to the Society and the field of genealogy in general that it renamed its DGS Distinguished Award after Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck.

# 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. **Dues are \$15 for twelve consecutive months with membership beginning the month of payment.** 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 for Membership. All current members receive *The Dallas Quarterly* and the *DGS Newsletter*.

### Newsletter:

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## Notice of Upcoming DGS Meetings

### Problem-Solving Sessions

Just a reminder to all members that we are conducting our "problem-solving techniques" sessions beginning one-half hour before each meeting in the East-West Room of the Dallas Public Library. An exchange of ideas or a discussion of your genealogical problem may be just what you need to set off on a new research course, so please join us at these get-togethers!

### Regular Meetings

#### The Name Game

**Date:** Monday, 23 January 1995  
**Time:** 7:00 P.M.  
**Speaker:** Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck  
**Topic:** *What's In a Name?*

Lloyd will lead us through the maze of names your ancestors used, how their names may have been translated or changed to those more "politically correct." If you've got an elusive ancestor, maybe he changed or altered his name! Perhaps this talk can put you back on his trail.

#### The Census Under a Microscope

**Date:** Monday, 27 February 1995  
**Time:** 11:00 A.M.  
**Speaker:** Madilyn Coen Crane  
**Topic:** *Expanding Your Family Pedigree Census Analysis*

Madilyn will illustrate how to use the clues found in the population and non-population census records from 1790-1920 to locate additional family records and to document pedigrees. With census analysis, we can discover a method of arranging, maintaining and preparing for additional research.

### Digging Deeper Into Land Records

**Date:** Monday, 27 March 1995  
**Time:** 7:00 P.M.  
**Speaker:** Leslie Smith Collier  
**Topic:** *The Lay of the Land*

Leslie urges us to locate the old homestead. When your family was in residence, where were the roads? Betcha they still run in the same roadbed. Which way to the closest church and cemetery? Who *were* those neighbors whose daughters married the sons of your family? Who sold portions of the family property...did he have a lot of nerve, or a right to do so? Maps and land descriptions might reveal previously unknown clues about your ancestors.

### Those Three Dreaded Words

**Date:** Monday, 24 April 1995  
**Time:** 11:00 A.M.  
**Speaker:** Sammie Townsend Lee  
**Topic:** *What Do I Do? The Courthouse Burned!!*

Sammie answers to those dreaded questions: "Where Do I Go? What Do I Do? The Courthouse Burned!" She will focus on less commonly used sources that may contain answers to unanswered genealogical questions when court house records are lost through neglect, fire and other disasters.

### Computer Interest Group Meetings

Be sure to see the article on page 11 of this newsletter for the schedule of programs set for 1995 for the DGS Computer Interest Group. We're sure there will topics and items of interest that you won't want to miss.

## 1995 DGS Calendar of Events

EVENT	DAY/DATE/ LOCATION	TIME	SPEAKER(S)	PROGRAM OR INFORMATION
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 12 January 1995 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Panel Members TBA	<i>"Comparison of Genealogy Software Programs"</i>
DGS Professional Interest Group	Saturday, 21 January 1995 East/West Room DPL	9:00 A.M.	Join us for the organizational meeting for our newest Special Interest Group!	
Problem Solving Group	Monday, 23 January 1995 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Discussing those posers with other members may solve the puzzle	
Regular Meeting	Monday, 23 January 1995 DPL Auditorium	7:00 P.M.	Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck	<i>What's In A Name?</i>
DGS Salt Lake City Trip	Week of 5-12 February 1995			
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 9 February 1995 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Speaker TBA	<i>"Using a Scanner in Genealogy"</i>
Problem Solving Group	Monday, 27 February 1995 DPL Auditorium	10:30 A.M.	Maybe another DGS member has overcome the same obstacle you face!	
Regular Meeting	Monday, 27 February 1995 DPL Auditorium	11:00 A.M.	Madilyn Coen Crane	<i>Expanding Your Family Pedigree with Census Analysis</i>
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 9 March 1995 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Speaker TBA	<i>"Using a Scanner in Genealogy"</i>
Problem Solving Group	Monday, 27 March 1995 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Bring your unanswered questions to our problem-solving sessions	
Regular Meeting	Monday, 27 March 1995 DPL Auditorium	7:00 P.M.	Leslie Smith Collier	<i>The Lay of the Land</i>

EVENT	DAY/DATE/ LOCATION	TIME	SPEAKER(S)	PROGRAM OR INFORMATION
1995 Spring Seminar	Saturday, 8 April 1995 Convention Center	9:00 A.M.- 5:00 P.M.	Speakers & Topics TBA	Topics TBA
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 13 April 1995 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Speaker & Program TBA	
Problem Solving Group	Monday, 24 April 1995 DPL Auditorium	10:30 A.M.	Who knows? The person sitting next to you may have that all- important answer!	
Regular Meeting	Monday, 24 April 1995 DPL Auditorium	11:00 A.M.	Sammie Townsend Lee	<i>The Court House Burned! What Do I Do?</i>
DGS/CIG Meeting	Thursday, 12 May 1995 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Speaker & Program TBA	
Problem Solving Group	Monday, 22 May 1995 DPL Auditorium	6:30 P.M.	Two or three or four heads working on a solution are sometimes better than one!	
Annual Meeting	Monday, 22 May 1995 DPL Auditorium	7:00 P.M.	Richard Miller	<i>Quotations from the Dead</i> Installation of Officers

### ***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 President's Message

by Art Rubeck

Now that the holiday season is over, let's not forget the Spirit of Giving. Whether you are a beginner or an experienced genealogist, you have learned techniques and source locations that can benefit others. How do you share? If you are neither a teacher nor a lecturer, do you have any opportunity to help those who want to learn, other than by one-on-one assistance? Yes, the Society will try to find ways for you to give as well as to receive.

The Computer Interest Group has been so successful is helping members become acquainted with that useful tool for genealogists, that the Group is serving as a model for other new Special Interest Groups. The small team approach has several advantages: a concentrated area of interest, availability of specialists who can focus on one aspect of genealogy, sharing of perhaps limited resource information, and, above all, the development of a close community of friends. The size of the Society and the large attendance at its meetings make it difficult to establish the same kind of friendship that can be found in a small group setting.

John Wylie, the DGS Director of Special Interest Groups, has been working toward the creation of two ethnic groups: the Hispanic Special Interest Group and the African-American Special Interest Group. He has contacted many who want to be a part of these groups and will soon announce their future plans. If you are interested in joining, helping, or serving as a resource person, please let John know. Call him at 495-4410.

There is potential for other ethnic groups if there is sufficient interest. British Isles, Scandinavian, perhaps limited to one country such as Germany - any of these could become the focal point to form a sharing community that can mutually assist each other. Give John your input.

Another small group that is forming has tentatively been called the Professional Genealogists Interest Group. Sammie Lee, the group's leader, will help those whose hobby of genealogy has progressed to the point that their skills can be used to provide a source of income. Whether you want to do research

for others or plan to publish the results of your own research, you can obviously benefit from interaction with others. And they will benefit from you. Let Sammie know of your interest in serving with this group. Call her at 349-1435 or see her at the Library.

Volunteering has been the traditional way for DGS members to serve the Dallas Public Library; that opportunity is now more critical with the need to have a DGS volunteer at our volunteer desk at all times. Surely you have been to the Library at times when the desk was empty. Surely you can help out, even if only for a short time, but on a regular basis. You get free parking; non-Dallas residents get Library privileges. You also get the satisfaction of helping others. Give it a try. Bob Maybrier is our Director of Volunteer Coordination; call him at 348-3694 or leave word at the DGS desk.

The Spirit of Giving has year-round rewards - let yours reward you.



## Treasurer's Report

By Randall K. Wilhoit

Account Balances  
As of 12 December 1994

### Assets:

#### Cash and Bank Accounts:

Checking-NationsBank	27,184.18
Money Market-Bank One	<u>5,095.95</u>
Total Cash/Accounts:	32,280.13

Bulk Mail Deposit 550.00

#### Life Member Investments:

Money Market - Kemper	4,474.06
U.S. Treasury Note - Kemper <sup>1</sup>	<u>5,134.37</u>
Total Investments:	<u>9,608.43</u>

**Total Assets: \$42,438.56**

### Funds:

Operating Fund	25,964.56
Life Member Fund	9,250.00
Pre-Paid Expense Fund	550.00
Publications Fund	4,674.00
Endowment Fund	<u>2,000.00</u>

**Total Funds: \$42,438.56**

<sup>1</sup> At current market value

## Bulletin Board

*Do you have information you would like to share with other genealogical researchers in DGS? Do you know about upcoming seminars, classes, etc. which your friends and fellow researchers might also want to attend? 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: Newsletter Editor; DGS; P.O. Box 12648; Dallas, TX 75225-0648.*

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### Alamo Defenders Descendants to Gather

The Alamo Defenders Descendants Association has announced that it will be hosting its first meeting on Sunday, 5 March 1995 in San Antonio with a full slate of activities planned. This is the first reunion of persons descended from Alamo defenders, survivors and couriers. For further information about the Association or the reunion, please contact them by mail at P. O. Box 154, Spring Branch, TX 78070 or by calling Lee Spencer at (512) 394-6747.

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### Marriage Records from Brazos County

Texas Research Ramblers have announced the publication of their newest book, **Brazos County Texas Marriage Records - Books G1 and G-2**. This book covers the time period 22 August 1887 to 19 January 1895 and lists brides, grooms and clergy and/or county officials conducting the ceremonies. Order from Texas Research Ramblers, 740 Garden Acres, Bryan, TX 77802-4005 and enclose a check for \$15.00 which includes shipping & handling.

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### PBS On the Lookout!

Rebecca Barnes, a researcher for "The American Experience," is looking for information, stills and footage of American family celebrations during the late 1890's for an upcoming PBS feature presentation. If you have information to contribute, please contact Ms. Barnes via email at [Rebecca\\_Barnes@Qmgate.WGGH.Org](mailto:Rebecca_Barnes@Qmgate.WGGH.Org).

### New Hours at the Archives

Director Kent Carter regretfully announced that recent Federal budget cuts have forced cancellation of the very popular first Saturday opening at the National Archives Southwest Region in Fort Worth. New hours are Monday thru Friday, 8 A.M. to 4 P.M.

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### Calling Cornish Researchers

A research trip to Cornwall, England has been set for October 1995. In addition to the availability of records at the Truro County Records Office, Cornish family researchers will be treated to a full sightseeing tour of this fascinating corner of England. For additional information and a tour brochure, please write K. F. Whitmill, Witzend Cottage, 1 Beacon Terrace, Wheal Bull, Foxhole, St. Austell, Cornwall PL26 7UB.

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### IGHR Announces Summer Classes

The Institute of Genealogy & Historical Research has announced the scheduled courses for its 31st annual summer session at Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama for 11-16 June 1995. Course tracks include Fundamentals of Genealogical Research, Intermediate Genealogy, The New South, Advanced Genealogical Methods, Genealogy as a Profession and Native American Research in the Southeast. In addition, the IGHR will sponsor a research trip to the British Isles from 3-26 July 1995. For a class brochure, write to the IGHR, Samford University, Birmingham, AL 35229.

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### Ancestor Fair Set for Spring 1995

The Logan County Genealogical Society has announced that it will conduct an Ancestor Fair on Saturday, 6 May 1995 from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. at the Logan County Fairgrounds in Guthrie. Ancestor fairs have become a new avenue for making family contacts. Admission is only \$2 or if you would like to reserve a vendor table, the cost is \$10. More information may be obtained from the Society by writing to P. O. Box 1419, Guthrie, OK 73044-1419 or by calling Ann Smith at (405) 282-3450 or Nelda Alkadhimi at (405) 330-1628.

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## Guide to the Guide

Since September 1989, many issues of the DGS Newsletter have featured an article on the wonderful resources available to researchers in the Dallas Public Library Genealogy Section. These articles, written by DGS members, have covered a wide variety of topics, and we thought that an index to the "Guide" articles would be beneficial to all our readers. If you would like a copy of any of these articles, please send an SASE (be sure to use the new postal stamp!) to: Newsletter Editor, DGS, P. O. Box 12648, Dallas, Texas 75225-0648.

### "Guide to Resources in the Genealogy Section of the DPL"

September 1989	The New Hampshire State Papers
October 1989	Torrey's New England Marriages
November 1989	The AIS Searches
March 1990	National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections (NUCMC)
May 1990	South Carolinians Through the 19th Century: Pre-1915 Family Histories, Biographies and Related Imprints from the Collections of the South Carolina Historical Society and the South Caroliniana Library
July-August 1990	The Arkansas Gazette on Microfilm and Indexes
September 1990	The Periodical Source Index (PERSI)
October 1990	A Bibliography for Jewish Genealogical Research
November-December 1990	The Genealogical Periodical Annual Index (GPAI)
January 1991	Register of Signatures of Depositions in Branches of the Freeman's Savings & Trust Company, 1867-1874
February 1991	Memorials of the Seventeenth- and Eighteen-Century South Carolina Land Titles
March 1991	The Indiana Biographical Index
April 1991	Periodical Exchange List of the Dallas Genealogical Society, Part I
May-June 1991	Periodical Exchange List of the Dallas Genealogical Society, Part II
July-August 1991	Periodical Exchange List of the Dallas Genealogical Society, Part III
September 1991	Making Sense of the Census: Part I, The Soundex
October 1991	Making Sense of the Census: Part II, Census Data, 1790-1920



November-December 1991	The International Genealogical Index (IGI), 1988 Edition
January 1992	Newspapers on Microfilm
February 1992	1920 Census Ordered for the Genealogy Collection
March 1992	1920 Soundex Ordered for the Genealogy Collection
May-June 1992	Digested Summary and Alphabetical List of Private Claims Presented to the House of Representatives
July-August 1992	Listing of the Acts of Baptism, Marriage, Burial and Census of Early Quebec Published under the Direction of Hubert Charbonneau and Jacques Legare
September 1992	United States Newspaper Program National Union List, Third Edition, June 1989
October 1992	The Medical and Surgical History of the Civil War & Index to the Medical and Surgical History of the Civil War
November-December 1992	Our French Canadian Ancestors
January-February 1993	The McCubbins Collection
May-June 1993	Case Files of Applications from Former Confederates for Presidential Pardons, "Amnesty Papers"
July-August 1993	South Carolina Department of Archives and History Combined Alphabetical Index
September-October 1993	Ohio Surname Index
November-December 1993	The Historical Records Survey Project of the W. P. A.
January-February 1994	The Texas County Records Inventory Project
March-April 1994	The Local Records Program of the Texas State Library
May-June 1994	The American State Papers & Grassroots of America
July-August 1994	The Oklahoma Indian Pioneer History Collection
September-October 1994	The Official Records of the Civil War
November-December 1994	The Territorial Papers of the United States

## Research Tips

This is the column which is written by YOU, the DGS member. Have you discovered a new library, an untapped source or just a handy way of making your genealogical research go a little easier? Please send your tips to the Newsletter Editor, DGS, P.O. Box 12648; Dallas, TX 75225-0648, and we'll print them as space allows.

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### Tip for Missouri Researchers

*The Family Tree* has advised that, while researching Missouri records during the period 1860s-1875, don't automatically assume that a woman selling property was a widow. Many women acted as head of household following the Civil War because their husbands lost their civil rights if they had Southern sympathies or fought for the Confederacy. When those rights were restored, the men again handled the financial transactions.

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### Tombstones for Veterans

Did you know that all veterans are eligible for a tombstone, no matter whether they served in the Revolutionary War, Civil War or World War II? Don Raney advises that, if you find an unmarked grave belonging to a veteran, call the local VA office for an application form. The stone will be shipped to you, and you take care of having the stone installed.

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### Keep Labels Handy!

Shirley Sloat takes advantage of her word processing program to run off personal name & address labels. She keeps a page or two handy when researching to stick on copies and on SASEs.

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### Record Those Sources

In addition to citing the sources in your research notes, Jane Garner Aprill advises **adding information such as repository, call number & cabinet/shelf number** to identify the reference in case you need it again. Jane says she's never documented *too much*, only too little!

### Success with Certificates

Barbara Sloan of Mesquite reports greater success in receiving **copies of vital certificates from government officials by stating that she wants the certificates for "medical and historical" reasons** rather than for "genealogical." In this age of budget cuts, many governing authorities have ceased filling requests for certificates for genealogists (New Jersey for example) so try this instead.

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### History Lends a Hand!

Sometimes the obvious escapes us, and Terri O'Neill reports that she always checks a **library's History Section** in addition to its Genealogy Department. Our own **Dallas Public Library has excellent sources outside the Genealogy Section including the *Dictionary of National Biography* for England and the *Dictionary of Canadian Biography*** to name just two sources.

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### The Plague of Census Errors

Most researchers can cite a litany of errors found while researching the census, so be advised to read those pages carefully especially when you *KNOW* your ancestor should be in a particular place. Ernestine M. Denmark located an ancestor named Lewis Wilson whose name had been "changed" to Lewis Williams by a census taker who had enumerated a Williams family next to her ancestor. Only painstaking scrutiny will reveal these errors.

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### Plan! Plan! Plan!

Lita Huggins Watson warns researchers to plan ahead for the next research trip immediately upon your return from one. Analyze exactly what you still need to look for while the successes and failures of your trip are still fresh in your mind. Make a list of those facts in your research notebook. Then, should a sudden trip arise or should you have to wait months for the next journey, you'll always be prepared to begin your research anew.

## SIG Happenings....

John V. Wylie  
Director for Special Interest Groups

Over a year ago the DGS Board decided to foster Special Interest Groups (SIGs) for those who research a particular ethnic group or geographic area. These groups would function as a part of DGS to share information and develop research for much the same manner the Computer Interest Group has done for several years. Considering our community's diverse population, DGS chose to sponsor two new SIGs, an African American group and a Hispanic group.

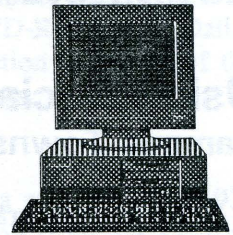
At the DGS Regional Conference on 19 November, we hosted two lectures and a roundtable panel to test participant interest in these two areas. We were pleasantly surprised with the results. Twenty-five attended the African American Genealogy panel and seven attended the Hispanic Genealogy lecture. I want to thank Marva Peavey, Eva McMillen and Lynda Mathews for the AA Panel and Mary Alice Barta for the Hispanic lecture. Even though it was the last session of the day, thirteen people showed up for the roundtable to discuss getting the two SIGS going, and all indicated a willingness to help. So these two SIGS are off and running. We'll have the first meetings soon so watch this newsletter for details. If you're interested in working with either of these SIGs or in forming a SIG in another area of interests, call me at (214) 495-4410 or fax at (214) 495-1569.

## Professional Genealogists Interest Group Formed

Following closely on the heels of the newly-formed African-American and Hispanic SIGs, Sammie Townsend Lee has announced the first organizational meeting of the DGS Professional Genealogists Interest Group. The meeting will be held on Saturday, 21 January 1995 in the East/West Rooms of the Dallas Public Library beginning at 9:00 A.M. A steering committee has been formed, and this group is now working on the form and direction for the group, program topics, etc. If you are interested in interacting with others whose research skills have progressed beyond a passing interest in the "fun" of genealogy to the "profession" of genealogy, please join Sammie and others at this all-important meeting.

## News from the Computer Interest Group

Mike Basham  
CIG Chairman



The Computer Interest Group (CIG) has announced the following programs on tap for 1995. As soon as the remainder of the CIG's plans are finalized, additional programs will be printed in the newsletter.

### But Which Software Should I Use?

**Date:** Thursday, 12 January 1995  
**Time:** 6:30 P.M.  
**Speakers:** To Be Announced  
**Topic:** *Comparison of Genealogy Software*

A panel of experienced users will give a brief description of the major genealogy software programs, including the pluses and minuses of each system. Sample reports will be available for each set of programs and a question and answer session will follow to answer all of your questions about the major genealogy software currently available.

### Scanning Your Family Tree

**Date:** Thursday, 9 February 1995  
**Time:** 6:30 P.M.  
**Speaker:** To Be Announced  
**Topic:** *Using a Scanner in Genealogy*

This presentation will provide information about how to integrate the scanning process into your genealogical activities. A scanner attached to a computer system will be available to show you how scanning is accomplished.

# Beginners Corner

## Using Social Security Records As A Vital Statistic Source Sammie Townsend Lee

The records generated by the Social Security Act of 1935 can help to establish vital statistic information for a twentieth-century ancestor who never had a birth certificate issued. The Act was part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's "New Deal." The first Social Security cards were being issued as early as 1937; and the first payments were being made by 1940.

### Who applied?

To receive a Social Security number, a *Form SS-5, U.S. Social Security Act, Application for Account Number*, was completed by the applicant. The person applying had to be able to prove the validity of the information they listed on the Form SS-5 with a birth certificate or other proof establishing the data. People were applying who were born in the last quarter of the 19th Century in states where no vital record registration law existed. Many of these applicants secured delayed or "probated" birth certificates at this time to be able to secure a Social Security number. Others who could not meet the requirements for a delayed birth certificate used the information on the U.S. Census population schedules.

World War II caused many people, including the elderly, to apply for Social Security numbers in order to participate in government programs. Service men and women were required to have Social Security numbers. Defense workers were required to have Social Security numbers.

### The Form SS-5 (Table 1).

Information on a Form SS-5 application is considered to be primary source material because it was completed by the applicant, and in most cases can be relied on to be accurate. People being people and human nature being what it is, data may or may not be true.

In addition to the Social Security number stamped on the Form SS-5, the following information may be found on the application:

- Name of applicant
- Full name at birth, including women's maiden names
- Mailing address
- Age at last birthday
- Date of birth
- Place of birth, city/state/county
- Father's full name
- Mother's full name, including maiden name
- Sex
- Race
- Whether a previous application had been made
- Current employer's name and address
- Date and applicant's signature

Table 1: Form SS-5

FORM SS-5 TREASURY DEPARTMENT INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (Revised July 1967)		U. S. SOCIAL SECURITY ACT APPLICATION FOR ACCOUNT NUMBER	
449-24-3227			
EACH ITEM SHOULD BE FILLED IN. IF ANY ITEM IS NOT KNOWN WRITE "UNKNOWN"			
1. <b>BONNIE</b> (EMPLOYEE'S FIRST NAME)	<b>BOLIN</b> (MIDDLE NAME)	<b>TOWNSEND</b> (LAST NAME)	
2. <b>3529 PENNELOPE ST</b> (STREET AND NUMBER)	3. <b>DALLAS</b> (POST OFFICE)	4. <b>TEXAS</b> (STATE)	
5. <b>Unemployed</b> (BUSINESS ADDRESS OF PRESENT EMPLOYER)	6. <b>24</b> (AGE AT PRESENT EMPLOYMENT)	7. <b>1917</b> (DATE OF BIRTH)	8. <b>SPESBECK TEX</b> (PLACE OF BIRTH)
9. <b>C. C. BOLIN</b> (FATHER'S FULL NAME, OR FATHER'S NAME IF DECEASED)	10. <b>FLORENCE CAIN</b> (MOTHER'S FULL MAIDEN NAME, OR MOTHER'S NAME IF DECEASED)	11. SEX: MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12. COLOR: WHITE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NEGRO <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/>		13. DATE YOU BECAME AN EMPLOYEE (IF YOU BEGAN EMPLOYMENT AFTER NOV. 30, 1936)	
14. HAVE YOU FILLED OUT A CARD LIKE THIS BEFORE? <b>No</b>		15. <b>2-13-39</b> (POST OFFICE)	
16. <b>Sammie Townsend</b> (EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE, AS USUALLY WRITTEN—DO NOT PRINT)		DETACH ALONG THIS LINE	

**How to order a Social Security Form SS-5.**

If you have the person's Social Security number, you may request a full copy of the Form SS-5 by writing—

Freedom of Information Officer  
 4-H-8 Annex Building  
 6401 Security Boulevard  
 Baltimore, MD 21235

Send a check or money order, made payable to the Social Security Administration for \$7.00. Be sure to request the full record and a photocopy of actual Form SS-5. In addition to the Social Security number, include as much identifying information as possible. Send a death certificate or printout from the Social Security Death Index (Table 2), a documented obituary, or a certified copy of Family Bible.

If you do not have the Social Security number, a search will be done, with proof of death, by requesting a search and a copy of Form SS-5 from the Freedom of Information Officer, same address. The fee is \$16.50 for the search and copy. Ask them to copy all papers in the file.

To secure a copy of Form SS-5 for people still living, you must use form SSA-L997 (page 14) with their signature of authorization to receive a copy of their Form SS-5.

1988-89. If the person is listed, make a copy. Use the *Social Security Death Index* on CD-ROM at the Dallas Public Library's Genealogy Section or at one of the local LDS Family History Centers.

**Railroad Retirement Board.**

Ancestors who worked for a railroad after 1936 may have qualified for a pension from the Railroad Retirement Board instead of Social Security. Send this inquiry to:

The Railroad Retirement Board  
 844 Rush Street  
 Chicago, Illinois 60611

Again, follow the same criteria for ordering the information as you would for ordering a SS-5 to identify the person.

For further reading on Social Security, consult Desmond Walls Allen and Carolyn Earle Billingsley booklet, *Social Security Applications: A Genealogical Resource*.

**How to obtain the Social Security number.**

Look for Social Security numbers on:

- Death certificates
- Family papers
- Insurance policies
- Old bank statements
- Personal tax records
- Income tax records
- From relatives
- Funeral home records
- Voter registrations
- Former employer records

Check the *Social Security Death Index* on CD-Rom for people who died between the mid-1960s to

**Table 2: Social Security Death Index Printout**

INDIVIDUAL RECORD	
26 SEP 1993	Page 1
NAME: TOWNSEND, Bonnie	
Birth Date 17 Mar 1914	Social Security Number 449-24-5227
State of Issuance of Social Security Number Texas	
Death Date Mar 1981	
Death Residence Localities 75147 Enchanted Oaks, Henderson, Texas Gun Barrel City, Henderson, Texas Mabank, Henderson, Texas Mabank, Kaufman, Texas	
Death Benefit Localities 75147 Enchanted Oaks, Henderson, Texas Gun Barrel City, Henderson, Texas Mabank, Henderson, Texas Mabank, Kaufman, Texas	
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<p>The information on this printout is from the United States government records available under the Freedom of Information Act and is in the public domain. No claim to copyright is expressed or implied.</p>	

# Social Security Number Record Third Party Request for Extract or Photocopy

Mail to: Office of Central Records Operations  
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Refer to: SPPE-1

**INSTRUCTIONS** - Print or type all data. Sign in ink. Allow 4 to 6 weeks for a reply.

AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PERSON WHOSE FULL IDENTIFYING INFORMATION IS SHOWN BELOW, I HEREBY REQUEST AN EXTRACT OR PHOTOCOPY OF THAT PERSON'S APPLICATION(S) FOR A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (if known)	FULL NAME NOW USED
NAME SHOWN ON LAST SOCIAL SECURITY CARD (if different from full name now used)	
FULL NAME AT BIRTH	
DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, year)	
PLACE OF BIRTH (city, county, and state or foreign country)	SEX <input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
FULL MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER (whether living or dead)	
FULL NAME OF FATHER (whether living or dead)	

The person I represent has completed and signed the authorization shown below which is required to release this confidential information to me since I am not a court-appointed legal representative.

I am attaching a certified copy of my current court-appointment as this person's legal representative to obtain the release of this confidential information to me. Please return this copy with my reply.

**PENALTY STATEMENT (read before signing)**

**Deliberately furnishing or causing to be furnished false information on this form is punishable by fine, or imprisonment, or both under federal law.**

SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE	DATE
STREET ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, AND ZIP CODE

**AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION TO A THIRD PARTY** - I am the person to whom this request pertains; and I hereby authorize the Social Security Administration to release an extract or photocopy of my Social Security number application(s) to my representative whose signature and address appear above.

SIGNATURE (do not print unless this is your usual signature)	DATE
STREET ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, AND ZIP CODE

**NOTE:** A printed signature or a signature by mark (X) must be witnessed below by two adults.

(1) SIGNATURE	(2) SIGNATURE
STREET ADDRESS	STREET ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, AND ZIP CODE	CITY, STATE, AND ZIP CODE

## Letters Confirming Donations to Capital Expansion Fund

The Society is in the process of sending year-end acknowledgements to donors to the Capital Expansion Fund who have given an accumulated amount of \$250 or more in order to comply with IRS requirements. This acknowledgement is in addition to thank-you letters that have already been sent to all contributors. These gifts may include not only direct cash donations, but also those as a part of a purchase of equipment or materials - such as microfilm readers or card catalogs - or as a part of a service, such as the May trip to Salt Lake City or participation in the recent Picnic at the Cemetery. Letters will also be sent to *anyone* who donated to the Fund (regardless of the amount), upon receipt of your request. If you would like to receive a letter, or if you feel you have contributed \$250 or more and did not get a letter, please call Art Rubeck at 659-1879 or 255-2642 or write to the Society. DGS wants to be certain that all donors are adequately notified to comply with IRS requirements as well as thanked for their support. The Capital Expansion Project will soon begin the enlargement of the Genealogy Section using these donated funds, but more is still needed to complete the purchase of the planned equipment items.

## Dukane Discontinues Model 27A77A Microfilm Reader

In preparation for buying a large quantity of microfilm readers for the Dallas Public Library as part of the Capital Expansion Project, DGS has become a dealer for the Dukane Corporation. We have offered three models of readers to Society members and friends at a price below retail, but one that includes a small donation to the Capital Expansion Fund. Dukane announced last month that production of their Model 27A77A MMR 16+35 motorized microfilm reader has been discontinued and that no remaining stock is available.

That reader is the one most used in the Genealogy Section; three have already been purchased and delivered from Capital Expansion Fund donations. If you had planned to buy one for yourself or another

library, it's too late. The large upright Manual Direct Projection Reader Model 27A88B, with 9x to 23x zoom lens, is still available from the Society for \$1,760, plus tax. The smaller Universal Microfilm Reader Model 27A66, with 18x lens and a manual roll film drive, sells for \$1,055 from DGS, plus tax. If you want a motorized drive, as used in our Library and as shown in the DGS advertising flyer, add \$617 for a total price of \$1,672 plus tax and shipping. Our flyer is being updated to show this new information.

## Vote Set for Increased Membership Fees

At its December meeting, the DGS Board voted unanimously to raise membership fees and will present this motion to the general membership for their vote at the January 23, 1995 meeting. As we are all aware, postal rates are going up 1 January and our printing costs have been on the rise for many months. In addition, other society events have subsidized total membership services. To cover these increased but necessary costs, the Board voted to increase annual dues to \$20 effective 1 March 1995. A Sustaining Membership will increase to \$50 with the tax-deductible amount increasing to \$30; a Patron Membership rises to \$100 with the tax-deductible portion increasing to \$80. Life Membership dues remain unchanged. All members are encouraged to renew their annual memberships *before* 1 March 1995 to avoid the higher rates.

## Membership Report

Ramona Honan

As of 11 December 1994, our current membership is as follows:

Total Paid Members:	990
Libraries:	17
Life Members:	63
<b>Total Membership:</b>	<b>1070</b>

## Genealogical Numbering Systems, Part II

Mary A. Johnson

In the last issue of the Newsletter, two of the most popular genealogical numbering systems were discussed: the NGSQ System and the Register System. Both systems are based on one's descent from an early forebear throughout the generations to a specified time and/or place. This article continues with a discussion of *ascending genealogies*, which are often utilized when all known ancestors of an individual are traced. The most prevalent usage of ascending genealogies occurs in lineage society application papers.

### ***The Sosa-Stradonitz System and The Multi-Surname System***

One system, the Sosa-Stradonitz System, begins with the most recent ancestor (or even yourself) and traces backwards into time by generations. The second system, the Multi-Surname System utilizes each major surname grouping as a separate section in the genealogy; each section starts with a progenitor and traces the direct line of descent forward in time. Let's see how each works.

#### **Sosa-Stradonitz or Ahnentafel System Discussion Points:**

The Sosa-Stradonitz or Ahnentafel System will appear very familiar to any researcher who has filled out a pedigree chart because, in this system, the numbering begins with the most recent individual (yourself, perhaps) who is assigned the Number 1. While the Number 1 individual may be female or male, all paternal lines are numbered as a multiple of twice the child's number (thus all ensuing males will bear an even number), and all maternal lines will be two times one plus one (thus odd numbers).

If a book is planned, each generation is usually detailed in separate chapters. As illustrated in the example provided, which uses the same family as the last issue (the Wicks family), you will note that plus signs are not utilized for offspring and that a parenthetical summary of an individual's ancestry is not included.

We take as our starting point in the generational study on page 17, Maria Wicks and she bears Number 1. Her father, Sidney Wicks, and her mother, Mary (Price) Wicks, discussed in Generation Two, are thus numbered as 2 and 3, respectively. Note that, when their offspring are listed, Maria Wicks is again given the number 1.

The third generation is a discussion of Sidney Wicks' parents, Edward Wicks and Sally (Gerard) Wicks, and they are assigned the numbers 4 and 5, respectively. Following these two examples, you can easily see that the male ancestors in the family line carry even numbers (twice the number of the descendant) and the females are given odd numbers (twice the number of the descendant plus one). Obviously, the pedigree numbers will become quite large as one traces further and further back in time.

#### **Multi-Surname System Discussion Points:**

The Multi-Surname System can be read from top-to-bottom or vice versa. The major difference between this system and others previously presented is that where most individuals in a pedigree are carried down through the generations, this system traces only the direct line ancestors. Usually, the primary surname is traced from the earliest forebear to the most recent individual.

If a multi-family publication is planned, the primary surname is then followed by separate chapters or sections divided in either alphabetical order or by family branches. The examples on page 18 illustrate the types of chart which precede discussion of each family line. These very simple-to-follow charts often contain birth and death dates and/or marriage dates. These two sample charts list two offspring of Sidney Wicks in Generations Three and Four, Maria Wicks and her sister, Mary Wicks.

As the author of a family history, you must make an important decision in the selection of a genealogical numbering system, and careful study of these systems will assist you in choosing a system that makes sense to you and is the easiest for you to develop as you write your family's history. As has been illustrated in the past two newsletter articles, a perfect numbering system has not been developed, but the watchword in using any system is consistency.



## Sosa-Stradonitz System

### Chapter 1

[Usually includes an introduction to the family which places the family in place and time]

### Chapter 2: *Generation One*

1. **Maria Louisa ("Lil") Wicks**, born 8 October 1857<sup>1</sup> in New York City; died 17 March 1893<sup>2</sup> in Brooklyn, New York. She married in New York City, date unknown, **Atwell Brennan Jackson**, who was born October 1856 in New York City and died 13 April 1936<sup>3</sup> in Brooklyn. [A discussion of Maria's and Atwell's lives continue...]

Known children of Maria Wicks and Atwell Jackson were as follows:

- i. Abram R. Jackson, born 1 Aug 1880 in Brooklyn, New York, died 21 September 1881<sup>4</sup> in Brooklyn.
- i. Ella Louise Jackson, born 22 July 1882<sup>5</sup> in Brooklyn, New York.
- ii. Ada Florence Jackson, born 4 October 1885 in Brooklyn, New York.

### Chapter 3: *Generation Two*

2. **Sidney Smith Wicks**, born 3 March 1823 in Bayport, New York and died 21 April 1894 in Brooklyn, New York. In Alexandria, Virginia on 20 September 1853, he married

3. **Mary Jane Price**, born 18 July 1833<sup>6</sup>, daughter of George Edgar Price and Mary (née Barron) Price; died 6 July 1916<sup>7</sup> in Brooklyn, New York.

Children of Sidney Wicks and Mary Jane Price were as follows:

- i. George Edward Wicks, born 3 February 1856 in Washington, DC; died 15 October 1877<sup>8</sup> in Brooklyn, New York.
- 1 ii. Maria Louisa Wicks, born 8 October 1857; [etc.]
- iii. Mary Virginia Wicks, born 12 May 1861; [etc.]

### Chapter 4: *Generation Three*

4. **Edward Youngs Wicks**, born 15 March 1800 in Commack, New York; died 12 December 1879 in Sailors Snug Harbor, Staten Island, New York. On 20 November 1820, in Bayport, New York he married

5. **Sarah ("Sally") Gerard**, born 9 May 1804 in Bayport, New York, daughter of Jones Gerard and Sally (née Hawkins) Gerard; died 4 May 1887 in Brooklyn, New York.

Known children of Edward Wicks and Sally Gerard were as follows:

- 2 i. Sidney Smith Wicks, born 3 March 1823; [etc.]
- ii. Edward Franklin Wicks, born 23 February 1826; [etc.]
- iii. Fannie Maria Wicks, born 12 August 1829; [etc.]

### Multi-Surname Family Chart Descendants of Edward Wicks

EDWARD WICKS 1800—1879	m.	SARAH GERARD 1804—1887
┌──────────────────┐		
SIDNEY SMITH WICKS 1823—1894	m.	MARY JANE PRICE 1833—1916
┌──────────────────┐		
MARIA LOUISA WICKS 1857—1893	m.	ATWELL BRENNAN JACKSON 1856—1936
┌──────────────────┐		
ELLA LOUISE JACKSON 1882—1975	m.	RICHARD L. MUMPETON 1880—1971

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MARY VIRGINIA WICKS 1861—1916	m.	GEORGE WEIRICH 1858—1953
┌──────────────────┐		
MARY VIRGINIA WEIRICH 1882—1906	m.	JOHN EDWIN CLARKSON 1882—1961

## Thanks!

Dorothy Odom Bruce

Here I am, back again, saying "Thank You" to so many people who helped at the Registration Desk of both our Fall workshops! It seems like the same wonderful people keep coming back to help (thank goodness!), and either they bring along a friend, or some other way we always add a few new faces (Welcome!). It takes a very special person who pays to attend the workshop, then gives up the early morning hours of their Saturday to come, put on a smile, and greet others. And VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE, these all are!

Big Thanks to BERNIE COFFEY, who did not attend the workshop, but called to offer his help all day long at the Registration Desk. Laurie Wharton, Myra Glass and Bill Benson manned the Walk-in Desk for those who had not pre-registered. Others opened boxes, counted out and prepared Syllabus materials, tried to keep track of our speakers, put up signs, SMILED and GREETED, helped solve problems and other miscellaneous jobs....for all you did, DGS is truly grateful! Terri Allen, Bill Boyle, Jan Cunningham, Barbara Dossett, Monette Grant, Shirley Hawn, Mary Johnson, Ann McGuffey, Jemmy Phipps, Pam Redfern, Linda Rogers, Betty Rutledge, June Shipley and Randy Wilhoit.

**THANK YOU-ALL SO MUCH!**

For the October 1 Beginner's Workshop held at the Library Auditorium, we usually depend on DGS Board Members to do all the work. But if you happen to come a little too early, then you might find yourself at the Registration Desk, too! That is what happened to these folks, and I thank them for their help.....

Shirley Hawn, Peggy Lamb, David Lamb, Henrietta Slagel and Jan Cunningham. DGS Board Members who helped were: Sheila Stough, Cliff Slagle, Bob Maybrier and Shirley Sloat. Thanks to all who have helped at the Registration Desk this year or in past years! DGS can't succeed without ALL of its members working together.

We all do this for the Dallas Genealogical Society and knowing that we are helping the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library.

## Volunteers—Thank You!

Shirley Sloat

I'd like to extend a big thank you to the following volunteers who helped distribute posters and brochures for the DGS Regional Conference: B. M. Coffey, Leslie Collier, Betty Erikson, Charlotte Klimaszewski, Shirley Hawn, Don Raney, Art Rubeck and Heather Williams.

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## Volunteer Needed!

June Shipley

June Shipley reports that another volunteer is needed to assist the Arrangements Committee. This group, including Dorothy Bruce, Patti Darnell and June see to it that we have refreshments and other services at our monthly meetings. If you can assist, please call June at (214) 324-4570.

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## More Volunteers Needed!!

Bob Maybrier

Bob Maybrier, Director of Volunteer Coordination, has been tasked with filling the slate of volunteers to man the DGS Desk in the Genealogy Section *at all times* during Library hours. This shouldn't be a daunting task, but it is! We desperately need a few hours of your time just one day a week. The DGS Desk Volunteers assist patrons by answering simple questions, selling census extraction forms, family group sheets and the like and respond to questions about the Society and its functions. But this isn't your run-of-the-mill volunteer job—there are perks! Volunteers get free underground parking, *TWICE* the usual check-out time for books and, for those non-Dallas residents, a library card!!

If you have time to spare and can make a weekly commitment to assist the Library and DGS, please see Bob at the DGS Volunteer Desk or call him at (214) 348-3694. You won't regret it!

## SALT LAKE CITY TOUR '95 - "NO-FRILLS PACKAGE"

sponsored by DGS

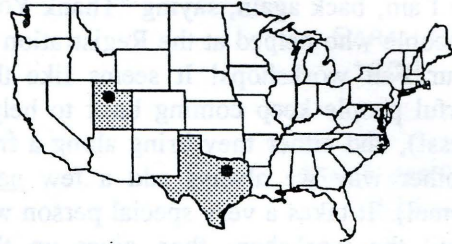
February 5-12, 1995

### Cost:

\$350.00 per person/double room  
\$580.00 per person/single room

### Deposit:

\$200.00 per person/double room  
\$300.00 per person/single room



For more information, call Dorothy Bruce, 239-4901.

### Send deposit to:

DGS-Salt Lake City-Feb. 1995  
P.O. Box 25556  
Dallas, TX 75225-15556

### SALT LAKE CITY..... HERE WE COME AGAIN!

Our first two DGS-sponsored research trips to the Family History Library were judged a success! Many have asked us to do another one. Many that went before have already reserved their space for this trip! Early registration suggested.

This is also the opportunity for first-timers to get their feet wet, with experienced FHL researchers to guide the way. Pre-trip orientation classes, especially for first-timers, will help you get your research problems in order and plan your week wisely.

**THE FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY** is the world's largest genealogical collection housed under one roof. With over 1.7 million reels of microfilm and 250,000 books, the Library has records covering every U.S. state and most foreign countries. It is truly a genealogist's research heaven!

### YOUR TOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES

- Seven nights at the Howard Johnson Hotel.
- Tour guides to make your trip run smoothly and help you get oriented in the Library.
- Pre-trip information and orientation classes in Dallas and help with a research strategy.
- Transfers to and from Salt Lake City airport and baggage handling at the hotel.
- Sunday afternoon "problem-solving" session.

### OTHER ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- Monday evening, Dutch-treat Dinner.
- Other impromptu problem-solving sessions and/or parties.

### NOT INCLUDED

- Transportation to and from Salt Lake City.
- Personal expenses.

## L.D.S. Family History Centers Dallas/Fort Worth Area

**The Colony Family History Center**      Tuesday & Thursday      9 am - 3 pm; 6 - 9 pm  
6800 Anderson (at Keys)      Saturday      9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
The Colony, Texas  
214 370-3537

(Take North Colony to Keys; FHC is on second floor; enter Center's door on East side. Includes a small library.)

**Dallas-Duncanville Family History Cntr.**      Tuesday & Wednesday      9:00 am - 9:00 pm  
1019 Big Stone Gap      Thursday      9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Duncanville, Texas  
214 709-0066

(I-20 to Duncanville, South on Cedar Ridge Road, West on Big Stone Gap; Center on North side of street opposite grade school; enter on East side of building from parking lot directly into library; sign by door. Includes a library.)

**Dallas East Family History Center**      Tuesday      9:00 am - 2:00 pm  
10701 Lake Highlands Drive      Wednesday & Thursday      9 am - 2 pm; 6 - 9 pm  
Dallas, Texas      Friday      9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
214 342-2642

(South of Northwest Highway at the intersection of Lake Highlands and Easton; Center is West of Lake Highlands but East of Easton, North of the intersection; enter of East side of building from parking lot directly into library; sign by door. Includes a small library.)

**Denton Family History Center**      Thursday      2:00 pm - 10:00 pm  
3000 Old North Road      Saturday      9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Denton, Texas  
817 387-3065

**Fort Worth Family History Center**      Mon., Fri., Sat.      9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
5001 Altamesa Blvd.      Tuesday & Wednesday      6:30 pm - 9:30 pm  
Fort Worth, Texas      Thursday      9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
817 292-8393

**Hurst Family History Center**      Tue., Wed., Thur.      10:00 am - 9:00 pm  
4401 NE Loop 820      Friday      9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
North Richland Hills, Texas      Saturday      9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
817 284-4472

(From Dallas, West on Airport Freeway (183), right on Loop 820 (stay in right lane), immediately exit to Highway 26 but go under bridge before stop light to get to West access road; follow access road to Center; enter building from North parking lot directly into library; sign by door.)

**Plano Family History Center**      Tuesday & Thursday      9:15 am - 9:00 pm  
2700 Roundrock      Wednesday & Friday      9:15 am - 5:15 pm  
Plano, Texas  
214 867-6479

(From Central Expressway, West on W. Parker Road to Roundrock, South six blocks, go past building to parking lot on South side; entrance on South side directly into library; sign by door. Includes a library.)

**Wills Point Family History Center**      Tuesday & Friday      9:00 am - 9:00 pm  
Highway 45, 1 mile north of Highway 80      Wednesday & Thursday      5:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
Wills Point, Texas  
903 873-4361 or 873-2916

*This is an unofficial chart prepared by Art Rubeck for the personal use of genealogists and family historians. Please let me know of errors or changes. Call me at (214) 659-1879 or (214) 255-2642.*

*Revised October 10, 1994*

## Queries

### Terri Mulliken Allen

*Queries do not require a Texas connection and are free to members of the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS). Non-members 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 to: Queries Editor; DGS Newsletter; P.O. Box 870045; Mesquite, TX 75187-0045.*

#### SWEET NEAL BROWN

Seeking information about **Joseph SWEET**, born 15 March 1789, Otsego County, New York who married **Abigail NEAL**, born 30 October 1793, Hartford, Connecticut. They moved from Sangamon County, Illinois to Scyene, Dallas County, in 1852 where he was postmaster. Both died in 1864. Their daughter, **Sarah T. SWEET**, born 25 September 1833, married **Samuel BROWN**. Both also moved to Scyene, Dallas County, Texas. **Mary Ann Warnecke. 542 59th Street, Downers Grove, Illinois 60516-1453.**

#### KINSER

I am writing for information about members of the **KINSER** family who lived in Dallas at the turn of the 20th century. Brothers **John Parker KINSER**, **Calvin KINSER** and **Lonnie KINSER** moved from Cleveland, Tennessee to Dallas, Texas around 1894. John Parker KINSER returned to Tennessee but the other brothers remained in Dallas and should have descendants living there today. Another brother, **Doctor KINSER**, moved to Seminole, Texas where he died in the late 1960s. **Gay L. Greene. 3005 Henderson N.W. #46, Cleveland, Tennessee 37312.**

#### SMITH BROCK MOORE TYLER

Seeking any information on **John Franklin SMITH**, born May 1852 in Alabama, died circa 1905-1908, possibly in Limestone County, Texas. Was the son of **Lee SMITH** and **Abbie BROCK**; he married **Mary Ellen MOORE**, born 31 Jan 1857 in Moore Prairie, Madison County, TX and died 16 March 1901 in Limestone County (buried in Dover Cemetery, Limestone Cty.) Her parents were **Samuel J. MOORE**, born circa 1825 in Autauga County, AL and died 25 Nov 1842 in Bibb County, AL, and **Christina L. M. TYLER**, born 1823 in SC and died in Madison County, Texas (no date). John and Mary Ellen SMITH's offspring were: **Samuel Emmett** (1874-1926); **Annie B.** (1877-?); **John Franklin Jr.** (1879-?); **William Albert** (1882-1953); **Nancy Ellen** (1885-1980); **Maude N.** (1887-?); **George Washington** (1890-?); **Lou E.** (1893-?); **Robert Lee** (1895-1971); **Julia** (no dates); and **Dora** (no dates). **Janiece Peterson. 4553 Turnberry Court, Plano, Texas 75025.**

#### SANDERS

Seeking the parents and siblings of **Bluford Brown/Buscom SANDERS**, born 18 March 1818 in Georgia, died 19 April 1896 in Limestone County, Texas (buried in Techuacana). He married **Martha Ann \_\_\_\_\_**, born 27 September 1827 in Georgia, died July 1908 in Limestone County. Offspring were: **James A.**, born 31 Dec 1846 in Phenix City, Russell County, AL, died 29 Jan 1925 in Limestone County; married **Nellie E. \_\_\_\_\_** (1854-1928); **David W.** (born 1845); **Samantha J.**, (born 17 Feb 1850); **W. W.** (born 1851); **J. T.** (born 1852); **Georgia Ann (Sanders) REES** (1855-1934); **T. C.** (born 1856); and **Frances A.** (born Oct 1858). **Janiece Peterson. 4553 Turnberry Court, Plano, Texas 75025.**