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OLD FAMILIES, NEW FRIENDS

Over 1,500 flyers announcing the DGS Eighth Annual Regional Conference 1995 were mailed last week, and reservations are coming in fast! Take a good look at the details of the study tracks we're offering on Saturday, 11 November along with two full-day specialized workshops on Friday, 10 November. Add the DGS Service Awards Banquet to the exciting lineup of classes and combine that with the "shoppportunities" available with your favorite vendors, and we're just *positive* you will join your fellow genealogists in celebrating *Old Families, New Friends*.

On Saturday, you'll have seven tracks from which to pick & choose: **Basic**-for those just starting out or for those who may be embarking on a new area of genealogical study; **Intermediate**-designed for researchers with some research under their belts; **Advanced**-lectures on specific topics of interest; **Gems**-a new category this year; **Land & Tax**-a day-long look at these underutilized records; **Regional**-studies of particular areas; and **Special Interest**-lectures aimed for identifiable groups. Here's a detailed description of each track:

BASIC TRACK

THE 7 HABITS OF HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL RESEARCHERS

MARY REID WARNER

What are the traits of a successful researcher? This lecture examines seven effective habits to improve research skills. Using examples from census, military and land records, effective methods include preparation, organization, and analysis.

AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR PAPERS

TERRI O'NEILL

American Revolutionary War papers contain a gold mine of information for the genealogist. Examples are given from actual pension papers. What can you find in these papers? What can you learn? Even the papers of your ancestors' war buddies can be important.

RESEARCH IN THE DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY

KELVIN MEYERS

The Genealogy Section of the DPL is hailed as one of the largest genealogical collections in the Southwest. This presentation details our excellent collection: the books, the microforms, the maps, the tapes and much more. Staffer Kelvin Meyers identifies major collections, as well as some smaller ones. Kelvin will also explore the layout & cataloging system and will offer suggestions for using the Section.

CEMETERY RESEARCH

CONNIE YOUNG

Here's help in locating your ancestor's grave site on both public and private property. How-to techniques in determining the type of cemetery, locating records, identifying, reading & copying headstones and methods for preserving what you find.

WHERE YOUR ANCESTORS PLAYED, PRAYED, LIVED & DIED

JOHN SELLERS

Discussion of the records involved in searching your ancestors community records: newspapers, deeds, church

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GIT COMES TO DGS!

The Dallas Genealogical Society proudly announces that the Society has accepted the directorship of the Genealogical Institute of Texas (GIT) from its three former directors. What a wonderful opportunity these three DGS members have given our Society, and DGS is well underway in planning next summer's school which is scheduled for 21-26 July, 1996. For three years, founder-directors Barbara Roberts Baylis, Madilyn Coen Crane and Mary Reid Warner, managed GIT beautifully and gained national prominence and praise for the week-long school which features tracts of specialized intensive "hands-on" study.

The directors officially turned over the reins of the school to DGS at the board meeting held 11 September 1995. The DGS board promptly named five individuals as new directors: Leslie Smith Collier, Mary A. Johnson, Sammie Townsend Lee, Cliff Slagle and Sheila Stough. The school has also been officially renamed the Institute of Genealogical Studies (IGS), and it will move next summer from its original home in the Richardson Civic Center to

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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. DGS is a member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS).

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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.

NEWSLETTER:

The *DGS Newsletter* is published monthly from January-May and August-October with bi-monthly issues published in June-July and November-December. Copy deadline for the November 1995 *DGS Newsletter* is 1 October 1995. All articles and correspondence for the *DGS Newsletter* should be mailed to the Society at P. O. Box 12648, Dallas, Texas 75225-0648 to the attention of the Newsletter Editor.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Computer Interest Group Workshop: Saturday, 7 October, 9:00 A.M.-4:30 P.M., DPL Auditorium. Fee: \$15.

DGS/CIG: Thursday, 12 October, 6:30 P.M., DPL Auditorium. Guest speaker: Mike Basham on "Genealogical Publishing."

DGS/AAIG: Tuesday, 17 October, 6:00 P.M., East/West Meeting Rooms, DPL. Guest speaker: Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck.

DGS/CIG Question & Answer Session: Monday, 23 October, 10:00 A.M., East Room, DPL.

DGS/Problem-Solving Session: Monday, 23 October, 10:00 A.M., West Room, DPL.

DGS Monthly Program & Meeting: Monday, 23 October, 11:00 A.M., DPL Auditorium. Guest speaker: Donald Payton on *The Miller Family*.

DGS/PIG: Thursday, 26 October, 7:00 P.M., West Room, DPL. Round table discussion on genealogical lecturing.

DGS/CIG: Thursday, 9 November, 6:30 P.M., DPL Auditorium. Speaker: TBA.

Genealogical Writing Workshop: Friday, 10 November, 9:30 A.M.-3:30 P.M., East/West Rooms, DPL. Fee: \$15 (See page 135 of this newsletter for registration form).

Using the Resources of the Family History Library Workshop: Friday, 10 November, 9:30 A.M.-3:30 P.M., DPL Auditorium. Fee \$15 (free to all registered for the DGS Salt Lake City trip in February 1996 or see page 135 of this newsletter for registration form).

DGS Service Awards Banquet: Friday, 10 November, Royal Oaks Country Club, 7915 Greenville Avenue. Cash bar: 6:00 p.m., Dinner: 7:00 p.m. Fee: \$25 (see page 135 of this newsletter for registration form).

DGS Regional Conference 1995—Old Families, New Friends: Saturday, 11 November, 8:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M., Dallas Convention Center. Fee structure varies (see page 135 of this newsletter for registration form).

DGS/AAIG: Tuesday, 21 November, 6:00 P.M.. Speaker: TBA.

DGS/CIG Question & Answer Session: Monday, 27 November, 6:00 P.M., East Room, DPL.

DGS/Problem-Solving Session: Monday, 27 November, 6:00 P.M., West Room, DPL.

DGS Monthly Program & Meeting: Monday, 27 November, 7:00 P.M., DPL Auditorium. Speaker: Larry Telford on "Texas Courthouse Records."

DGS/PIG: Thursday, 30 November, 7:00 P.M., West Room, DPL. Speaker: TBA.

UPCOMING SOCIETY EVENTS

OCTOBER PROGRAM MEETING

Date: Monday, 23 October
Time: 11:00 A.M.
Speaker: Donald Payton
Topic: *The Millers:*

America's Family, 1679-1929

Join local historian, Donald Payton, for an in-depth study of the importance of collecting, preserving and storing family histories.

PROBLEM-SOLVING SESSIONS

Just a reminder that our popular "problem-solving" sessions are held one hour before each regular meeting in the East/West Rooms of the Dallas Public Library. DGS Board members are present to serve as moderators for informal discussions with fellow genealogists. An exchange of ideas or a discussion of your research problem may be just what you need to set off on a new course!

COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP

The Computer Interest Group (CIG) will meet on Thursday, 12 October at 6:30 P.M. in the Auditorium of the Dallas Public Library. Director Mike Basham will lead a panel discussion on publishing your genealogy.

Don't forget that the CIG also conducts an informal "question & answer" period one hour before the regular DGS program meeting. The next "Q&A" session will meet at 10:00 A.M. on Monday, 23 October in the East/West Rooms of the Library.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN INTEREST GROUP

The next meeting of the African-American Interest Group (AAIG) is Tuesday, 17 October at 6:00 P.M. in the Auditorium of the Library with guest speaker, Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck..

The AAIG is the newest DGS interest group, and all are welcome to attend their meetings to learn the differences as well as the similarities between black and standard genealogical research.

PROFESSIONAL INTEREST GROUP

The next meeting for the Professional Interest Group (P.I.G.) is Thursday, 26 October at 7:00 P.M. in the East/West Rooms of the Dallas Public Library. In keeping with the established schedule, the October meeting will be a round table discussion focusing on genealogical lecturing.

COMPUTER WORKSHOP DETAILS

It's not too late to attend the first-ever DGS Computer Workshop sponsored by our Computer Interest Group (CIG). The workshop will be held on Saturday, 7 October from 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. in the Auditorium of the downtown Dallas Public Library.

Mike Basham, CIG Director, along with Cliff Slagle, Art Rubeck and Al Sanford will show attendees why computers can be such an effective tool in genealogical research. Lecture topics include selection of hardware and genealogical software programs, use of online services, accessing the Internet, deed mapping programs and the expanding CD-ROM products designed for genealogists.

Cost of the workshop is only \$15, and you may sign up at the door. Bring a brown-bag lunch to join in a "networking" session during lunch.

SALT LAKE TRIP FILLING FAST!

At last count, twenty-eight eager souls have already booked a reservation on DGS' Salt Lake City "Sweetheart of a Deal" trip! This trip marks our first ten-day jaunt to Salt Lake from 13-22 February 1996. Call

Dorothy Bruce today at (214) 239-4901 to save you a space and mail your deposit check for \$200 to DGS-Salt Lake City Trip 1996, P. O. Box 25556, Dallas, Texas 75225-5556.

The basic trip package is nine nights at the Howard Johnson Hotel for \$450 double or \$770 single, although a seven-night option is available for \$375 double or \$630 single. Bring a friend or Dorothy will try to match you up with a roommate.

Both packages include free admission to the 10 November DGS Family History Library Workshop, a welcome reception, end-of-trip party and the services of DGS' expert guides. The trip does not include airfare so you must make your own travel arrangements.

If you are waiting until the last minute to book the trip, *don't!* By way of comparison, at this time last year, NO reservations had been made for the February 1995 trip.

DGS MEMBERS FEATURED ON KRLD

Several DGS members will be joining Michael Matthews, host of the "Family History Show" on KRLD Radio 1080 AM in the near future. Sammie Townsend Lee, DPL Staff & Local Arrangements Chair for FGS/DGS 1997, will be Michael's guest on 8 October.

Other guests include Brenda Kellow on 1 October, John Sellers on 15 October and Sheila Stough on 22 October.

The popular show can be heard from 10:00 P.M. to midnight each Sunday evening. In addition to discussing upcoming genealogical events and focusing on research topics and issues, one of the most popular features of the show is a "call-in" period when listeners may address their genealogical problems to the evening's guest.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

LESLIE SMITH COLLIER

October at last, and DGS has settled into its yearly round of activities. We've had our first meeting and program, which must mean that our Conference is just around the corner. Yippee . . . my favorite time of year! Be sure to use the information in this issue of the newsletter to pick and choose the sessions that are most likely to bring you a new idea or skill to use on those elusive ancestors. See you there.

Which, in a roundabout way, brings me to a goal set for DGS back in 1955 when this society was organized: "to raise the standards of genealogical research through educational programs, workshops and the publication of data." This is important; in fact it's been a focus of our activities for years.

We're announcing in this issue of the newsletter a brand new educational project that gives us the opportunity to expose our members to the best instruction out there. The three DGS members who founded the Genealogical Institute of Texas have generously offered our society the management of the school they began.

Not only that, but they have given us an unexpected gift of over \$3,000 to cover the preliminary expenses of putting on the institute. This generous contribution ensures the continuation of their efforts to bring Dallas the finest genealogical teachers in the U.S. Our hats are off to these consummate volunteers: Barbara Baylis, Madilyn Crane, and Mary Reid

Warner.

Special note should be made of a second benefit DGS reaps from the G.I.T. The founding directors have also given us a \$1,000 endowment fund in the name of the late Renee Jackson Smith, a past President of DGS. The interest from this fund is to be used each year to "scholarship" a membership in our society or attendance at one of our seminars. Our thanks again to these ladies, who not only believe in the goals of DGS, but also do something about it.

TREASURER'S REPORT

BARBARA DOSSETT

INCOME:

Dues	\$2,663.50
Sales of publications/forms	\$2,583.02
Fundraising	\$18,910.00
Publications	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME:	\$24,156.52
LESS EXPENSES:	\$4,877.45
ADJ. INCOME:	\$19,279.07

OTHER INCOME:

Contributions	\$15.00
Endowment Fund	\$14.70
Life Memberships	\$44.15
TOTAL OTHER INCOME:	\$73.85

OTHER EXPENSES:

Library Donation	\$2,200.00
Capital Expansion Fund . . .	\$330.81
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES:	\$2,530.81
NET INCOME:	\$16,822.11

MEMBERSHIP

RUTH FOREMAN SLATTON

I am delighted to report that DGS has increased its new memberships by 43 new members, 28 of whom signed up during the

last Summer Lecture Series and the Beginners Workshop held the following week! Our membership is at an all-time high as we enter the period of fall Society activities.

You can do your part by taking a close look at the mailing label on your newsletter. Each label carries the date that your membership lapses, so be sure to renew before the last day of the month indicated on the label. Also, please, please notify DGS if you move—we don't want you to miss out on any of the Society's news and special events.

Regular Members	997
Library/Society Members	19
Life Members	65
TOTAL . . .	1081

DGS MEMBERS VOLUNTEER NEWS

Along with the increase in our membership, we have seen a great rise in the number of members who have stepped forward to give their time and talents to the Society. Call the Genealogy Section of the Library at (214) 670-1433 if you can assist or serve as a backup at the Volunteer desk.

We also have a special need for volunteers to assist Larry Telford, who is microfilming Dallas County records for the Family History Library collection. Larry has been invited to present a detailed talk about his job here at the meeting on 27 November 1995. In the meantime, let us know if you can assist other volunteers in the task of unfolding, flattening and organizing old court records for filming.

OLD FAMILIES, NEW FRIENDS:

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records, store journals, and other records. Both rural and town dwellers will be discussed. Case studies show how developing a community history can unlock secrets of your ancestral research.

INTERMEDIATE

WHAT'S HIDDEN IN COURTHOUSE RECORDS

JOHN SELLERS

You can never judge a courthouse volume by the title on its cover! Would you believe the first recorded marriages of a county were found in a thin book of *deeds* hidden away on a top shelf? In twelve years of searching through county courthouse clerks offices, attics, and basements, unusual records in common places and usual records in uncommon places have been found. This lecture covers many different types of courthouse records and various research examples will be used to illustrate what you can find hidden in those records.

"MY ANCESTOR ISN'T IN THE CENSUS!" -- ARE YOU SURE?

PAT HATCHER

How often have you heard that? How often have you *said* it? Maybe it isn't true. Maybe the correct statement is "I can't *find* my ancestor in the census." Or even "I can't find my ancestor in the *index*." This lecture discusses why you may not be able to find your ancestor and suggests a variety of approaches that can help you find him or her. Then you can say "I *found* my ancestor in the census!"

NICKNAMES

DESMOND WALLS ALLEN

What's in a name? The whole purpose of this lecture is to teach you to look for a person not a name. Many of us have fallen into the trap of thinking of our ancestors in modern-day terms, rather than studying life as it was during their lifetimes. We must research the *complete* ancestor and not make assumptions about him or her which lead us off track.

"THEY JUST SHOWED UP!" WHERE TO LOOK WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE TO LOOK

PAT HATCHER

Most genealogists who have ancestry west of the mountains sooner or later encounter the problem of an ancestor who seems to appear out of nowhere. Often arriving in the earliest years of settlement, usually a farmer, sometimes single, sometimes accompanied by a wife and children, the individual offers few direct clues to his roots. You may feel that you have searched and searched in vain and that the task is hopeless. This lecture presents a structured method for reviewing your existing research and identifying additional resources that can lead to the solution to the problem.

RATS IN THE FAMILY TREE

BARBARA WYLIE

All families have both saints and sinners. Don't overlook the sinners! Their records contain valuable information about the whole family.

ADVANCED

PROBATE RECORDS: MORE THAN JUST A WILL

SAMMIE TOWNSEND LEE

When an ancestor dies without a will, this may be our lucky break! Most family researchers know to check for a will. Many stop there, whether they find a will or not, and never look for other records created by probate. Using case studies, this presentation examines the various kinds of probate records with special emphasis on how relationships can be determined from these records, what they tell us about our ancestor, and how to follow through on this information.

NATURALIZATION RECORDS

BARBARA RUST

Barbara Rust, an employee of the Regional Branch of the National Archives in Fort Worth, will guide us through the maze of Federal records created when our ancestors became citizens of the United States.

JUST THE FACTS MA'AM

RICHARD HOOVERSON

Often many hours are spent accumulating information only to find that when a family history is published the evidence

does not stand up. This lecture discusses the presentation of findings, the mark of a serious researcher and ways of avoiding problems through an understanding of acceptable standards of proof and correct citation of sources.

LITTLE USED & OVERLOOKED RECORDS IN THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

MEG HACKER

The National Archives houses a multitude of records. Many we know about, but many we do not. Meg Hacker, who is on the staff of the Southwest Branch of the National Archives in Fort Worth, addresses the records most of us don't know about.

PRE-1850 CENSUS RESEARCH

JOSEPH ANDERSON

Most researchers think that prior to 1850 the census tells us nothing but head of household. This subject will be explored, and you will learn a vast amount of information that you did not know existed.

GEMS

GENEALOGY ON THE INTERNET

MIKE BASHAM

This lecture will discuss the Internet, how can genealogists connect to the Internet, and what resources are available for use by genealogists to further their research.

KEEPING YOUR COMPUTER HEALTHY

JOHN WYLIE

Computers are just like car engines because, with time and use, both get out of tune and become less efficient. Learn how to make your computer run safer and faster.

EFFECTIVE LIBRARY RESEARCH

SAMMIE TOWNSEND LEE

Genealogical research is complex. Knowing what to look for and where to find it is crucial; knowing *how* to research is the key. This lecture provides an overview of research repositories and includes Sam's top ten genealogical research techniques.

TIES THAT BIND

BARBARA WYLIE

A one family periodical can strengthen the family's identity and sense of belonging, help current family members stay in touch, and lead to preservations of their shared history.

KITH, KIN, & FAMILY REUNIONS

BETTY ERICSON

Genealogy as well as the food, fun and fellowship puts the "Family" in Family Reunions. Each gathering has its own personality and presents different opportunities and challenges for researchers. Sharing family genealogy at reunions can be as simple or complex as time and interest permit.

LAND & TAX

PLOWING THROUGH LAND RECORDS

KELVIN MEYERS

Understanding land records and being able to use these records to their best advantage may be the breakthrough you need in order to solve a genealogical problem. The focus of this lecture is on using land records to prove marriage, death and migration and other unanswered questions in a genealogy.

THE LAY OF THE LAND

LESLIE SMITH COLLIER

Don't we genealogists hanker to know exactly *where* our ancestors lived...of course, we do. Is the house still there? Is great-great-grandpa buried on the old home place? Set in Campbell County, Tennessee, this melodrama teaches us to work the deeds left by our families and their neighbors; to put them on the map and watch our predecessors live again. What can we learn from this chore? Lots...we find hidden marriages, proof of descent, religion, references to earlier localities, possible grave sites, and more. *The lecture includes information on use of deed records even for families who owned no land!* Find the maps and learn the methods to help you translate those dry and dusty books into busy lives, tidy homesteads, and tilled fields.

FEDERAL LAND PROCEEDINGS

BARBARA RUST

Federal court records contain information about the lands that the Federal

Government takes for roads, dams, etc. To get this land the government must have clear title. Determining title to land requires a search of the history of the land and generates often overlooked records that may contain information on your ancestors. **This lecture will discuss records from Louisiana 1844-1846.**

PLATTING: 130 ACRES OR BUST

LESLIE SMITH COLLIER

Yes, you can go home again. Take the deeds and take the maps; put them together and find that 130 acres of paradise that wore your ancestors to the bone. Be forewarned that it is imperative to keep a straight face when we discover that the county historical marker is in the wrong place. Translate those deeds and maps into a place that you can visit by making good use of platting techniques. Here's the information that ensures your success. This lecture includes a demonstration of platting with an explanation of the tools a genealogist needs to do this on his own either by hand or on a computer.

TAX RECORDS

LLOYD DEWITT

BOCKSTRUCK

This lecture will cover the Colonial and Federal period. The wide variety of taxation records will be discussed including rent rolls, quit rents, tithes, polls and the 1798 Federal direct tax. Tax records are one of the most underutilized and most misunderstood of genealogical documents, and this lecture will shed some light on finding and using this source.

REGIONAL

RESEARCH IN TEXAS LAND RECORDS

DON RANEY

The history of a country cannot be separated from the history of its land. This class will concentrate on the extensive use of Texas land records as clues to solving genealogical puzzles.

MERRIE OLDE NEW ENGLAND

BARBARA ROBERTS BAYLIS

This lecture will present an overview of genealogical research in northern New England—Maine, New Hampshire,

Vermont, and Massachusetts. The types of records discussed include town records, vital registrations, probate and property records.

SOUTHERN APPALACHIA

MARY REID WARNER

Many people migrated through or settled in southern Appalachia. Blending the folkways of the borderlands of Ireland, Scotland and northern England, these settlers formed a back country frontier. Understanding their migration and heritage helps us find these ancestors.

RESEARCH IN ARKANSAW

DESMOND WALLS ALLEN

Presented with humor and wit, this lecture focuses on how to achieve genealogical success in Arkansas research. Desmond will take us into counties with *two* courthouses, into those counties with burned courthouses and will also discuss the state's regional archives and libraries which house many of the records we need to learn more about our elusive Arkansas ancestors.

MISSISSIPPI RESEARCH

BARBARA ROBERTS BAYLIS

Barbara says "IH20 is the road to yesterday." She will give you travel tips, teach you to research in the Mississippi State Archives; she will address state, county and city level records. This lecture is an overview on "how to research" in Mississippi.

SPECIAL INTEREST

BRITISH GENEALOGY

LLOYD DEWITT

BOCKSTRUCK

This lecture is an general overview of English genealogical records including the census, civil records (birth, death & marriage registrations which began in 1837), church parish registers dating back to the Middle Ages, probate and the unique "one-name" societies of Great Britain.

BUFFALO SOLDIERS: AFRICAN-AMERICAN MILITARY RECORDS

RICHARD HOOVERSON

This fascinating lecture takes a look at African-American military records, a source often overlooked by researchers. Richard presents an overview of the U.S.

Colored Troops formed during the Civil War and the post-war Negro regiments which were mustered for western frontier service.

BLACK HISTORY: A PERSONAL JOURNEY

EVA MCMILLAN

Eva will tell the story of her own genealogical adventure. She will discuss the records she accessed and the process she used to trace her ancestors prior to the Civil War. Told with warmth and respect for her predecessors, Eva's talk promises to be a highlight of the Conference.

PASSENGER & IMMIGRATION RECORDS

**LLOYD DEWITT
BOCKSTRUCK**

Lloyd covers the Colonial and Federal period of immigration into this country. The lecture will look at the history of immigration into America, the records left by our ancestors and how to locate the records.

USING THE DAWES ROLLS

MEG HACKER

The Southwest Branch of the National Archives in Fort Worth is the repository for many of the records created by the Federal government in the Oklahoma Territory, and one of the most important of these records is the Dawes Rolls, a form of census of native Americans. Meg will speak to us on accessing the Dawes Rolls, the information contained in them and the often-overlooked fact that these records, which contain much genealogical information about the Five Civilized Tribes, also have a great deal of data about other lesser-known tribes as well.

Well, there you have it! Made up your mind yet? It's going to be hard to narrow the choices—out of thirty-five lectures to be presented by twenty-six excellent speakers, you can only choose *five!* Remember, registration begins bright & early at 8:00 A.M. on Saturday, 11 November at the Dallas Convention Center to register for what

promises to be the *best* Regional Conference yet. A registration form is found on the last page of the newsletter, and for your convenience, we're reprinting the class schedules and lecture times from last month's issue.

Don't forget that your favorite vendors will be present with books, maps, computer software, CD-ROM's and other items a genealogist just can't live without. Concessions are available, as always, for lunch, snacks and refreshments, but you also may wish to "brown-bag." If neither of those options interests you, ample time has been allotted in the lunch break for a jaunt to Dallas' famous West End restaurants or your other favorite dining place.

In addition to the Saturday schedule, make plans to attend one of our two Friday workshops to be held at the Dallas Public Library. Held concurrently on 10 November, you may choose between a "Genealogical Writing Workshop" or "Planning a Research Trip to the Family History Library in Salt Lake"—whether you go in person or utilize the services of a local Family History Center or the newest offering of the DPL's Genealogy Section—a direct link to Salt Lake City. Find more information about these workshops below. The registration form is all-inclusive to mail in your reservation today.

DGS SERVICE AWARDS BANQUET

As part of our Regional Conference 1995, the Society invites members and guests to the second annual Service Awards banquet to be held at Royal Oaks Country Club, 7915 Greenville Avenue, on Friday, 10 November. A cash bar is open at 6:00 p.m. with dinner served at 7:00. Along with the exciting announcement of the most actively involved persons in the genealogical community, our keynote speaker is sure to please. DGS proudly presents Miss Mary Virginia Augusta Williams *a.k.a.* Desmond Walls Allen. In her own inimitable way, Miss Williams will give us her version of Southern ancestor-hunting! Be sure to include your reservations for the banquet on the registration form. See y'all there!

GENEALOGICAL WRITING WORKSHOP

The first in a series of writing workshops geared toward genealogical writing, editing and publishing. The primary focus of this workshop is publishing a family history. The workshop will be held in the DPL's East/West Rooms; seating is limited, so register today!

9:30: General Overview of Genealogical Writing, *Jan Bishop McFarland*

10:45: Making Your Family History Worth More than the Paper It's Printed On, *Pat Law Hatcher*

11:45: Lunch

1:00: Placing Your Ancestors in Contest: A Hands-On Writing Exercise, *Pat Law Hatcher*

2:15: Getting Your Book in Print, *Madilyn Coen Crane*

USING THE RESOURCES OF THE FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY: HERE AND IN SALT LAKE CITY

A workshop designed to give you an insider's view of the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Whether planning a trip to Salt Lake City or using the records locally, every researcher should know about these vast resources. This workshop takes place in the DPL Auditorium; again, seating is limited.

9:30: Introduction to the LDS Library & Resources, *Sammie Townsend Lee*

10:45: A Trip to the FHL, *Pattie Darnell & Dorothy Bruce*

11:45: Lunch

1:00: First, Prep Your Problem, *Leslie Smith Collier*

2:15: Second, Attack Your Problem, *Leslie Smith Collier*

GIT COMES TO DGS!

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the Harvey House Hotel in Plano. The Harvey House Hotel will house both the students and the Institute, thereby eliminating the need to bus attendees from the hotel to the school.

The courses set for IGS 1996 are **Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, Creative Problem Solving, On the Road with IGS: Exploring Research Facilities, For Land's Sake, The Military Paper Trail and From Colonial Englishmen to Revolutionary Americans 1607-1783.** Course coordinators will be Jim and

Paula Stuart Warren, John P. Colletta, Desmond Walls Allen, Sammie Townsend Lee, Mary McCampbell Bell, Dr. George Schweitzer and Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck.

DGS is so excited about this opportunity that the Institute will offer Society members a special one-time discount on tuition if you register early. The regular tuition fee is \$325 with a \$25 discount if you register before 23 April 1996. However, DGS members will also qualify for an *additional* \$25 discount! Now that's a good deal!

DGS is proud to have been selected to sponsor the school, and we plan to make it a bigger and even *better* educational event than ever! Watch for registration information in an upcoming newsletter.

CAPITAL EXPANSION UPDATES

KAREN AVERY MILLER DAR CHECK RECEIVED

A group consisting of Ramiro Salazar, Heather Williams, Lloyd Bockstruck and Leslie Collier met with representatives from the General Levi Casey DAR Chapter on 29 August, 1995. A donation check in the amount of \$30,000 was presented to Mr. Salazar, Director of the Dallas Public Library System, for the Capital Expansion Program. Prior to this meeting, two letters were sent to the DAR, one from the City of Dallas and one from the Dallas Genealogical Society, acknowledging their pledge and confirming the fact that the microfilm area will be named in honor of Edith Palmer, at their request, as well as a plaque for commemoration.

CITY OF DALLAS COMPLIANCE REQUIRED

After receiving and reviewing the architectural plans by bill Benson, the City sent DGS a letter outlining its requirements concerning this construction project. Along with a request for additional building permits, performance bond and insurance coverage, the City has stated the changes they require to that we conform with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). These requirements have raised some obstacles for which we were

unprepared, and at this time, we do not know fully the impact these changes might ultimately create. We are reviewing our options and will be negotiating with those involved, including the ADA Department of the City of Dallas to find a manageable solution.

RENEE JACKSON SMITH MEMORIAL FUND ASSISTS LIBRARIANS

The Renee Jackson Smith Memorial Scholarship Fund, begun by the founders of the Genealogical Institute of Texas, and given to DGS, made it possible for three DPL librarians to attend the Beginners Workshop held by the Society on 2 September 1995. The scholarships, awarded for genealogical instruction, went to Ellen Stamelos, Lois Bair and Fran Burke. The scholarships are a memorial to Renee, a well-known genealogical lecturer in the Dallas area and past-president of DGS. Renee was the coordinator of the Beginning Course of the first Genealogical Institute of Texas.

BY-LAWS CHANGE FOR PUBLICATIONS

The Board of Directors of DGS voted to change the present format of *The Dallas Quarterly* and to create an annual journal of DGS, to carry abstracted Dallas County records with a full index. The motion, which was passed on 14 August 1995, was presented by the chair of the Publications Study Committee as one of their recommendations concerning the serial publications of the Society.

A change to the By-Laws of the Society is necessary as a result of this change, in order to replace all references to *The Dallas Quarterly* to the new title of *The Dallas Journal*.

The following three paragraphs are affected:

Article IV-Officers, Directors and Their Election. Section 1. Officers and Directors.

NOW: The officers of this Society shall be...vice president for *The Dallas Quarterly*,...

CHANGE TO: The officers of this Society shall be...vice president for *The Dallas Journal*,...

Article V-Duties of Officers. Section 1. President.

NOW:....The outgoing president shall write an annual report to the membership for publication in the fall quarterly and....

CHANGE TO:....The outgoing president shall write an annual report to the membership for publication in the *DGS Newsletter* and...

NOW: Section 5. The Vice President for *The Dallas Quarterly*.

The Vice President for *The Dallas Quarterly* shall be responsible for the editing and publication of a periodical four (4) times a year.

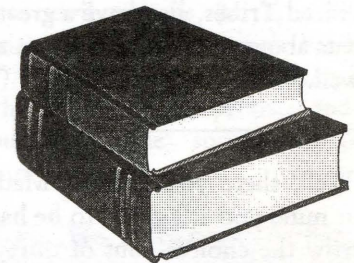
CHANGE TO: Section 5. The Vice President for *The Dallas Journal*. The vice president for *The Dallas Journal* shall be responsible for the editing and publication of an annual periodical.

Prepared by Arthur H. Ruback, Parliamentarian, 8 September 1995

LINES FROM THE LIBRARY

JAN LAIRD CUNNINGHAM

Great news! Soon to arrive at the Genealogy Section will be the Leonardo Andrea Papers. These 51 reels of microfilm are the work and collection of Leonardo Andrea and include many fascinating tidbits of genealogical information. The collection will be of value to anyone involved in South Carolina research as it includes many abstracts of deeds, wills, letters and much miscellaneous items Mr. Andrea collected over the years.



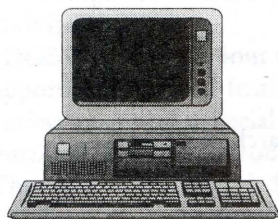
**DGS REGIONAL CONFERENCE 1995 - OLD FAMILIES, NEW FRIENDS
SATURDAY, 11 NOVEMBER 1995**

TRACKS & TOPICS

8:00	Registration/Vendors	1:00	Effective Library Research/Sammie Townsend Lee/Gems
9:00	Seven Habits of Highly Successful Researchers/ Mary Reid Warner/Basic		Federal Land Proceedings/Barbara Rust/Land & Tax
	What's Hidden in Courthouse Records?/ John Sellers/Intermediate		Southern Appalachia/Mary Reid Warner/Regional
	Probate Records: More Than Just A Will/ Sammie Townsend Lee/Advanced		Black History: A Personal Journey/Eva McMillan/Special Interest
	✓ Genealogy on the Internet/Mike Basham/Gems	2:00	Break/Vendors
	Plowing Through Land Records/Kelvin Meyers/ Land & Tax	2:30	Cemetery Research/Connie Young/Basic
	✓ Research in Texas Land Records/Don Raney/Regional		They Just Showed Up/Pat Hatcher/ Intermediate
	British Genealogy/Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck/ Special Interest		Little Used & Overlooked Records in the National Archives/Meg Hatcher/Advanced
10:00	Break/Vendors		Ties That Bind/Barbara Wylie/Gems
10:30	American Revolutionary War Papers/Terri O'Neill/Basic		Platting: 130 Acres or Bust/Leslie Smith Collier/Land & Tax
	✓ My Ancestor Isn't in the Census/Pat Hatcher/Intermediate		Research in Arkansas/Desmond Walls Allen/Regional
	Naturalization Records/Barbara Rust/Advanced		Passenger & Immigration Records/Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck/Special Interest
	✓ Keeping Your Computer Healthy/John Wylie/Gems	3:30	Break/Vendors
	The Lay of the Land/Leslie Smith Collier/Land & Tax	4:00	Where Your Ancestors Played, Prayed, Lived & Died/John Sellers/Basic
	Merry Olde New England/Barbara Baylis/Regional		Rats in the Family Tree/Barbara Wylie/Intermediate
	Buffalo Soldiers: African-American Military Research/ Richard Hooverson/Special Interest		✓ Pre-1850 Census Research/Joseph Anderson/Advanced
11:30	Lunch/Vendors		Kith, Kin & Family Reunions/Betty Ericson/Gems
1:00	Research in the Dallas Public Library/Kelvin Meyers/ Basic		Tax Records/Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck/Land & Tax
	Nicknames/Desmond Walls Allen/Intermediate		Mississippi Research/Barbara Baylis/Regional
	Just the Facts, Ma'am/Richard Hooverson/Advanced		Using the Dawes Rolls/Meg Hatcher/Special Interest

BEGINNERS CORNER: SELECTING GENEALOGY SOFTWARE

MIKE BASHAM, DIRECTOR-COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP



Selecting the genealogy software which will be used to maintain your family data files is one of the first things which a new computer genealogy user must do. It is also one of the most important things that the new user will do.

Because of the wide variety of choices which are available, this can often be confusing to the new user. One of the first choices is whether to use a DOS- or Windows-based genealogy program. If the user is an active Windows user, it is unlikely that he will be satisfied with a DOS based program and probably should select one of the Windows-based programs. If the user is currently using DOS, the selection of programs will result, of course, in a DOS-based program. Many Windows users also elect to use a DOS-based program because of the features of that program.

This article will not attempt to compare the features of each program, but will generally describe the choices which are available. One of the primary things which should be considered is whether the genealogy program includes a GEDCOM import and export capability. GEDCOM is an abbreviation for Genealogy Data Communication. GEDCOM is a data transfer capability which was developed several years ago to allow the computer genealogy user to transfer his data between programs. This is vital to make sure that your efforts in entering your family information is not wasted if you decide to change programs at a later date. You will

also find this feature to be beneficial to enable you to use different features of different programs. For example, one program may produce a special kind of chart which you would like to print out which is not included in your primary data entry genealogy program. GEDCOM allows you to transfer your information to the chart producing program and print out that chart for your use.

The primary Windows-based genealogy programs in use today are "Family Tree Maker for Windows," "Ancestral Quest," and "Family Origins for Windows." Demonstration programs are available from the vendors of these programs to allow the new user to become familiar with the features of each program.

A wide variety of DOS-based programs are available. All of these programs will operate under Windows, but generally cannot take full advantage of the features available to a Windows user. Some of these DOS programs are "Personal Ancestral File (PAF)," "Brothers Keeper," "Roots 3," "Roots IV," "The Master Genealogist," "Family Origins," "Family Tree Maker for DOS," "Family Roots," and "Family Edge." This is by no means a complete list of programs, but it is provided to show the wide variety of choices available.

"Roots IV" and "The Master Genealogist" are a new class of programs which are "event-based" instead of "family-based". In other words, data is entered based on an event and the people and circumstances involved in that event instead of the traditional method of entering data about a person and the family group to which he or she belongs.

In addition to database software which assists genealogists in keeping track of their ancestors, some of the newer software programs on the market concentrate on deed mapping and the historical boundary line changes of both U.S. counties and countries of the world. These programs include "Deed Mapper" by Black Oak, "Ani-Mapper" (for U.S. counties) and "Millenium," which tracks the myriad national border changes in Europe and the rest of the world.

Adding to the selection of software programs available for genealogical research are the many new CD-ROM products. The advent of CD-ROM's has been a boon to genealogists because of their immense storage disk capacity. Now available on CD-ROM are Federal and state census indexes, marriages and other vital information, the Social Security Death Index as well as some military records. Many of these CD-ROM products are priced around \$20.

Lastly, companies such as the American Genealogical Lending Library (AGLL), which offers microfilm and microfiche for purchase and for rent, offers their extensive catalogue on both diskette, microfiche and CD-ROM. Thus, genealogists can "shop at home" for many of the products they require to conduct their research.

The Computer Beginners Workshop to be conducted on Saturday, October 7, 1995 by the Computer Interest Group of the Dallas Genealogical Society will detail the features of the programs named in this article. In addition, CIG members will discuss the computer hardware necessary to operate each of these programs.

GUIDE TO RESOURCES IN THE DPL GENEALOGY SECTION USING THE RECORDS OF THE FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY AT THE DPL

JAN LAIRD CUNNINGHAM & KELVIN MEYERS

OVERVIEW:

The largest genealogical record collection in the world is now available to the patrons of the Dallas Public Library. While the collection has been accessible through the many local branches (Family History Centers) of the LDS church, the Family History Library of Salt Lake City has introduced an innovative pilot program to allow the availability of resources to twenty select libraries throughout the United States.

The Dallas Public Library has been honored with the distinction of being chosen to participate in this new exciting program. The addition of the Family History Library's resources combined with the accessibility of diverse inter-library loans, the Dallas Public Library extends its commitment to offer the genealogist a most enticing collection of records to explore.

The Genealogical Society of Utah was founded in 1894 to gather records that help people trace their ancestry. One of the Society's first acts was to open a library—the forerunner to the Family History Library. In 1938 the Society began preserving records on microfilm, and today 250 microfilm camera operators are filming birth, marriage, death, probate, immigration, military and many other types of records in 53 countries. Each year The Family History Library preserves and catalogues about 100 million new pages of historical documents on 50,000 reels of microfilm, 25,000 microfiche and 12,000 books.

Over 1.9 million reels of microfilmed records (equal to more than 6 million written volumes) and approximately 432,000

microfiche are available at the Family History Library.

CONTENT:

The collection includes records kept by all types of governments, churches of many denominations, other organizations and individuals. These records include copies of church registers, census records, passenger lists, military records, land and probate records. In addition, many books, including family histories and compiled genealogies, have been filmed with the author's permission.

The information about your ancestors usually will be found in records of the *places* where they lived, so to find this information, patrons will need to search the records of specific localities and time periods.

Bear in mind that the collection is not limited to records of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, its members or their ancestors. Most documents that have been filmed are written in the languages of the countries where they were made. Researchers generally do not need to know the foreign language to use the records, but knowledge of key terminology is often useful.

A great deal of the records are handwritten, and are often found in chronological rather than alphabetical order. Depending on the types of records being searched, many documents are not indexed. Allow yourself plenty of time when searching microfilmed records in order to adjust to faded and/or damaged documents, difficult handwriting and the like.

MAJOR SERIES:

The Family History Library has a substantial collection for the United States. Every state is

represented; these records come from many national, state and county archives, county courthouses and other repositories, particularly from states east of the Mississippi River. Canadian records include almost all Quebec church records and many civil records from Ontario and other provinces.

For the British Commonwealth, a very extensive collection of English records along with comprehensive records from Scotland make up most of the over 135,000 rolls for Great Britain. Additionally, a significant number of records from Ireland and Wales have been filmed along with many records for Australia and New Zealand.

For Europe and Scandinavia, church and civil records are available for many areas of Germany and France. Virtually all significant genealogical records have been filmed for the Netherlands, Belgium, Hungary, Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Finland. The Family History Library has significant and growing collections for Italy, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Spain and Switzerland. One direct result of the end of the Cold War has been the extensive filming taking place in the former Iron Curtain countries of Eastern Europe.

For Latin America major collections for Mexico and Chile include records from most church parish registers. The collections for Argentina, Brazil and Guatemala are limited but growing. Lastly, the library has most available records for the Philippines and other small countries around the world. There are useful, albeit limited, collections for South Africa and other African countries. The

collection also includes family histories from China, Japan and Korea.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ORDERING MICROFILM:

Films may be rented for one month at a cost of \$2.75, or for six months at \$4.00. If you wish to extend a one month rental to six months, you may do so for an additional fee of \$1.25. There is no limit to the number of films that may be rented at one time. Microfiche and books are not included in this pilot program. All monetary transactions must be in the form of a check or money order (no cash) made payable to the Family History Library. The majority of the records (marriage, death, probate, deeds, county records, wills, family histories, etc.) are for

the period between 1550 and 1920. The library, therefore, has few records of living persons, nor does it have records on everyone who ever lived.

USING THE FHL CARD CATALOGUE:

Two options are available to DPL patrons interested in learning what records are for a particular family or locality. You may use the Family History Library card catalogue on microfiche which is located near the service desk in the back of the Genealogy Section. Or you may access the same card catalogue on CD-ROM at the front counter by the computer. From the card catalogue, you can determine if the records you seek have been filmed. If so, make a note of each seven-digit microfilm number and jot down a brief

description of the records. This information is necessary when filling out the order forms. A library staff member will then assist you in filling out the order card. Orders will be placed on a weekly basis by the library, and most films arrive within two weeks of being ordered. Films must be used at the library—they may not be checked out for home use.

Illustrated below are several examples from the FHL card catalogue. The first samples shown are for records that have been filmed on the Rudd family, while the second sample shows the types of civil records filmed—the particular record shown is for equity court records of Newberry County, South Carolina.

RUDD.

Johnson, Flora Adams. Ancestors of Adams - Adams, Proctor - Rudd / by Flora Adams Johnson. -- Salt Lake City : Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1990. -- on 1 microfilm reel : ill. ; 35 mm.	<table border="0"> <tr><td>US/CAN</td></tr> <tr><td>FILM AREA</td></tr> <tr><td>1685454</td></tr> <tr><td>item 3</td></tr> </table>	US/CAN	FILM AREA	1685454	item 3
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Samuel Proctor settled in Virginia with his wife and children. John
Rudd settled in Virginia in the 1600s. William Adams and his sons
John and Georgie settled in Georgia. Each of these families moved
to Chappels, South Carolina.

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Lincoln, Waldo, 1849-1933. Four generations of the Waldo family in America / by Waldo Lincoln. -- Washington, D.C. : L.C. Photoduplication Service, 1985. -- on 1 microfilm reel : ill. ; 35 mm.	<table border="0"> <tr><td>US/CAN</td></tr> <tr><td>FILM AREA</td></tr> <tr><td>1486609</td></tr> <tr><td>item 12</td></tr> </table>	US/CAN	FILM AREA	1486609	item 12
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Microreproduction of original published: Boston : D. Clapp & Son,
1898. 18 p., [1] leaf of plates. -- "Reprinted from New-Eng.
Historical and Genealogical Register for April 1898." (T.p. verso).
Cornelius Waldo (ca.1624-1700/1701) immigrated during or before 1647
from England to Salem, Massachusetts, and moved to Ipswich, where he
married Hannah Cogswell. They later moved to Chelmsford, Massachu-
setts. Descendants and relatives lived in New England, New York and
elsewhere.
Includes indexes.
Includes Austin, Bucklin, Graves, Park, Ripley, Rudd and related
families.

SOUTH CAROLINA, NEWBERRY - COURT RECORDS

South Carolina. Court of Equity (Newberry District). Equity court records, 1818-1870. -- Salt Lake City : Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1956. -- 101 microfilm reels ; 35 mm.	<table border="0"> <tr><td>US/CAN</td></tr> <tr><td>FILM AREA</td></tr> </table>	US/CAN	FILM AREA
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Microfilm of original records filmed at the Newberry County courthouse,
Newberry, South Carolina.
Includes general index.

General index to papers, 1818-1869 -----	0024128
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Bills, 1820 -----	0024130
Bills, 1821 -----	0024131
Bills, 1822 -----	0024132
Bills, 1822-1823 -----	0024133

A LIVING TREASURE IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

KAREN AVERY MILLER

[Editor's Note: Many of us have genealogical stories which we love to tell to our researching friends. This article from DGS Board member, Karen Miller, should be proof that visiting a research repository can be fun as well as educational. If any Society member or reader has had a similar experience or would like to share a "good luck" tale with us, please send your article to the Newsletter Editor; DGS; P. O. Box 12648; Dallas, Texas 75225-0648 and we'll print them as space permits.]



NEW HAMPSHIRE

With the exception of fellow DGS member Terri Allen and myself, no one else will probably ever have the need to research the records found in the town offices of Plainfield, New Hampshire.

Well, our gain is your loss! For 53 years Howard Zea has been the town Clerk of the town of Plainfield. He has not only grown up with the stories, traditions and facts about the area, he has taken an avid interest in preserving them.

I spent a very brief two days in his town offices doing research this summer and had the best experience of my genealogical research life. As in much of New England, you must learn what a "town" is. "Towns" in that area may contain several "village." To get to Howard Zea, you must first

locate the village of Meriden within the town of Plainfield as that is where the town offices are located. Since this is not printed anywhere, you check at the general store for directions. Then you must arrive on the correct day as Howard only works Wednesday & Thursday. Now you must show up at the correct times since Howard is only at his desk from 2:00-4:00 p.m. and back again from 7:00-9:00 p.m. And lastly you must squeeze your questions in between the car renewal stickers and other town business. But when Howard realizes that you have ancestors from Plainfield, he will find time to pull out all the original records that he has lovingly taken care of over the years.

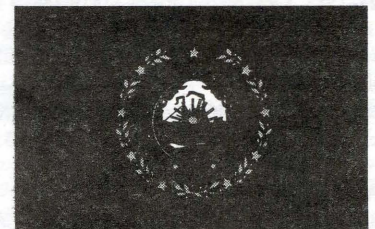
Howard has seen to it that the town has had their records archivally preserved, and he knows what is in every book. He will hand you a book and tell you where to look up your ancestor all the while passing along any extant stories and legends about the ancestor. You then receive a town map, and Howard points out that there are seventeen known cemeteries in Plainfield. But, you needn't worry about which of the seventeen to search through, as Howard knows which cemetery your ancestors are buried in and just how to get there. The area is incredibly picturesque with wooden bridges and hills, meadows and towering trees. You can't get lost on your way to the cemetery as Howard has ensured that all are named and marked with signs.

If it had not have been for Howard's knowledge and his desire to share, it would have taken me years of land and deed research to discover that the house of my ancestor, George Avery (1759-

1857), was still standing, but now I have the photographs to prove it!

Nor would I have been able to find Terri's Cutler ancestors' cemetery which is less than accessible from the road. In visiting with Howard, I mentioned my disappointment in finding the Cutler gravestones so weathered that they were almost entirely illegible. Three weeks after returning to Dallas, I received a letter from Howard who had remembered my search for the Cutler tombstones. He enclosed copies of old photos he had taken years ago of the Cutler cemetery. On the back of every photo, he identified which Cutler was buried under each tombstone. Without these old pictures, which were taken before the tombstones deteriorated, Terri might never have known the grave sites of her Cutler ancestors.

Howard Zea has made my year and restored my faith in the clerks who man our country's town offices and courthouses. My suggestion to the rest of you is to try your hardest to find an ancestor who lived in the town of Plainfield or any of its villages, and then hurry to New Hampshire to meet Howard while he is still around!



STATE FLAG OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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LLOYD DEWITT BOCKSTRUCK

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WILLIAMS. Will share info on Silas WILLIAMS, b ca 1819 TN, d 14 Jan 1871, Union Cty, MS and Casey WILLIAMS, b ca 1868. E-mail Majinp@aol.com. Ned P. Williams, 3623 Pomeroy Drive, Dallas, TX 75233-3023.

SMITH, GWINN, ARMSTRONG, HOWELL. Need par & sibs of William J. SMITH b ca 1832 TN m 22 Dec 1855 Mary Jane GWINN b ca 1836 AL. Son Robert Isom SMITH b. 3 Aug 1855 Dallas Co, AL & d 7 Nov 1914 McLennan Co, TX m. 24 Dec 1876 Mary Etta ARMSTRONG, b 6 Sep 1856 Hill Co, TX. Their son Luther DeWitt SMITH b 25 Jan 1893 McLennan Co, TX & d 17 Aug 1976 Hill Co, TX m 18 Dec 1913 Mamie Ross HOWELL. MariLee Hageness, P. O. Box 2636, Anniston, AL 36202.

ROGERS, LOCKHART, MCMILLAN. Exch info on Reece ROGERS b 6 Dec 1810 Warren Co, TN & d 7 Jan 1892 DeKalb Co, AL m 1829 Warren Co, TN Mary "Pollie" LOCKHART. James K. Polk ROGERS b 24 Apr 1844 DeKalb Co, AL & d 22 Apr 1932 DeKalb Co, AL m 13 Dec 1866 Lincoln Co, TN Mary Susan MCMILLAN. MariLee Hageness, P. O. Box 2636, Anniston, AL 36202.

COURCHENE. Researching this surname with variants COURCHESNE, COURCHANE & COURCHAIINE. Some Courchene settled in TX & a town by same name existed nr El Paso. David Courchane, 1301 3rd St.NE, East Wenatchee, WA 98802.

REEVES, JONES, JEFFRESS. Seek info on William C. REEVES, b ca 1825 TN & buried in Dallas Co, TX. Wife, Elizabeth JONES, b ca 1831 AL or MS, d bef 1880. Ch: Mahala, Silvester, Thomas, William, Nancy, Olema, Margaret, Joesphine (1858-1935, Denton Co, TX), John, Mary, George, Martha, Henry & Richard. Fmly came to Dallas & Denton Cos with b-i-l Andrew Jackson & Martha J. JEFFRESS/JEFFRIES. Becky McGaha Jeffries, 2512 Bellaire Dr., Moore, OK 73160.

YATES, WAGGONER. Seek burial places for Charles Franklin (d Civil War) & wife Bethany Ann YATES, d ca 1865. Ch were raised by Jim YATES & Dan WAGGONER in Lamar Co, TX. Shirley A. Yates Goings-Lindsey, 6933 Galemeadow Cir., Dallas, TX 75214.

MCDANIEL, ROGERS, CORDERY. Need par & sibs of Alexander MCDANIEL, b 1795 & d 1830 (no loc given). Also need sibs of wife Catherine ROGERS, b 1811, dau of Robert J. & Lucy (CORDERY) ROGERS. Alexander & wife moved from Big Tallapoosa GA c 1827 to Indian Territory OK. MariLee Hageness, P. O. Box 2636, Anniston, AL 36202.

TRAWICK, KING, LUNSFORD, BETHA. Exch info on John Thomas TRAWICK, m 1677 Lancaster Co, VA Margery KING. Desc Robert TRAWICK SR. b 1700 Stafford Co, VA & d ca 1788 Onslow Co, NC m Margy LUNSFORD; Robert TRAWICK JR. b 1729 Roberson Co, NC & d 12 Sep 1800 Wake Forest, NC; Othneil TRAWICK b ca 1750 & d 1801 m ca 1765 Martha BETHA/BETHEA. MariLee Hageness, P. O. Box 2636, Anniston, AL 36202.

ROGERS, HILL, COPE. Exch info on John Rogers b ca 1714 Surry Co, VA & d 8 Sep 1783 Wake Co, NC m ca 1745 Martha HILL; also Josiah Hill ROGERS b 1745 Bertie Co, NC & d 1813 Chatham Co, NC m Frances; and Levi ROGERS b 1775 Chatham Co, NC & d Jun 1850 Warren Co, TN m ca 1795 Sarah "Sally" COPE. MariLee Hageness, P. O. Box 2636, Anniston, AL 36202.

SINCLAIR, CLARK, MCDANIEL, SAXON, HALL. Seek info on Colin SINCLAIR b 1805 NC & m Catherine CLARK, b ca 1788 Greenock, Scotland & d 26 Sep 1875 Clay Co, AL; also Daniel SINCLAIR, b ca 1805 NC & m 23 Jan 1831 Sarah MCDANIEL in Cumberland Co, NC; John SINCLAIR, b ca 1835 NC & d 25 Jan 1890 Clay Co, AL m Sophia SAXON, b ca 1833 GA. Known ch: Sarah Elizabeth m Rufus A. HALL, Lewis Colin m. Eula HARRIS & Susan M. "Mittie" m John PEPPER. MariLee Hageness, P. O. Box 2636, Anniston, AL 36202.

LOTT, JONES. Need ch of John Lott b ca 1742 NC & d Jul 1810 Telfair Co, GA, m ca 1762 Sallie. Son Mark LOTT b 22 Jan 1769 St. George's Parish, GA & d 1 Nov 1813 Montgomery Co, GA, m 14 Feb 1790 Delilah JONES. His son Arthur LOTT was killed by Indians in GA; need his wife & ch; other son Robert LOTT moved to MS; need his wife & ch. MariLee Hageness, P. O. Box 2636, Anniston, AL 36202.

HOLDER. Seek proof that Charles HOLDER is son of Henry HOLDER. Charles b ca 1890 in Kaufman Co, TX & died in Abilene, TX was a doctor in Dallas Co. Henry HOLDER was b 1860 in Tishomingo Co, MS & d 14 Jun 1921 in Abilene, TX. Charles' sibs Lawrence lived in San Antonio and Archie & Cicero lived in Abilene. Hassel Holder, Route 6, Box 351, Booneville, MS 38829.