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Learn to Do On-Site Research

Carole Chew Ruska

You can't wait to get to the courthouse in the county where your ancestors lived, but what are you going to do when you get there? Do courthouses, archives, and especially the clerks in them intimidate you? Do you really know what records are kept there? Learn how to negotiate with these record keepers to access deeds, estates and probates, various court orders, and other vital records. Learn not only how to find them, but how to use them successfully to get needed genealogical information.

Christine Rose, the third guest speaker in our 1996 Lecture Series, is a Certified Genealogist, a Certified Genealogical Lecturer, and a Fellow, American Society of Genealogists. She travels extensively for clients and searches courthouses and archives throughout the United States. She will share her knowledge of these resources with well-organized, clear, easy-to-use handouts and examples. She hopes that all will gain new ideas and sources to search as well as renewed enthusiasm for their own research.

We are pleased to announce that there will be a vendor at this lecture also with genealogy books and materials for sale, and Mrs. Rose will have some of her own books for sale, such as *Nicknames: Past and Present*, *Family Associations*, and *Preliminary*

Inventory of Land-Entry Papers. Read about the first two lectures and how much fun we had, and plan to join us on **August 24** for a great time.

Registration brochures are available at all Dallas Public Libraries, or call 214-324-2928 for

information. You can also mail a \$20 check marked for August Lecture to:

DGS 1996 Lecture Series
P. O. BOX 25556
Dallas, TX 75225-1556

The "Anybody Can Write" Workshop featuring Desmond Walls Allen

What? You say you can't write. We disagree. We say anybody can write. To prove it, we've made that the theme of our second annual genealogical writing workshop to be held on 7 September 1996. Sponsored by the Professional Interest Group of the Dallas Genealogical Society and featuring Desmond Walls Allen of Arkansas, the focus of this year's workshop is to show that "Anybody Can Write," if you focus on two things—

1) Determine what you want to write:

- a report to yourself on your research
- an article for a newsletter or journal
- a narrative for your next family reunion
- a family history

- a book of record abstracts
- a best-selling novel

2) Sharpen your writing skills:

- style sheets
- content
- organization
- mechanics & documentation
- proofing

Combine the above pointers with information about doing the *actual* writing, about copyrights, and about what to do with it once it's finished, and you have a workshop jam-packed with information. Before you know it, you will be agreeing with us: "*I CAN write!*"

Whether you want to get Great Grandpa's journal into print or compile the ultimate history of the Smith family, join us on Saturday, 7 September, to

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FGS/DGS

3-6 September 1997

"A Conference for the Nation's Genealogists"

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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. Meeting times alternate each month between 11:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. to accommodate all members. Regular meetings are free; visitors and guests are welcome.

Computer Interest Group (DGS/CIG): Unless otherwise noted, the DGS Computer Interest Group meetings are held at 6:30 P.M. on the second Thursday, January-May and September-November, in the Auditorium of the Library. Additionally, the DGS/CIG holds a "question & answer" period in the Library's East Room (across the hall from the Auditorium) one hour prior to the regular DGS monthly meetings. Meetings are free, and visitors and guests are welcome.

DGS African-American Interest Group (DGS/AAIG): Unless otherwise indicated, meetings are held in the East/West Rooms of the Library on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 P.M. Meetings are free, and visitors and guests are welcome.

DGS Professional Interest Group (DGS/PIG): Unless otherwise indicated, meetings are held on the fourth Thursday, January-May and September-November in the East/West Rooms of the Library at 7:00 P.M. Meetings are free and open to all.

Our Home Page Address (URL):

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Dallas Genealogical Society

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Dallas, Texas 75225-0648

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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Membership

Individuals, libraries, or societies may apply for membership. **Dues are \$20 for twelve consecutive months, with membership beginning the month of payment.** New member dues and renewals should be mailed to DGS at P.O. Box 25556, Dallas, Texas 75225-1556 and marked to the attention of the Vice-President for Membership. Current members receive *The Dallas Journal* and the *DGS Newsletter*.

The object and goals of this Society are:

- 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-April and September-December, with bi-monthly issues published in May-June and July-August. Copy deadline for the September 1996 *DGS Newsletter* is 1 August 1996. 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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DGS News and Upcoming Events

President's Message

Leslie Collier Smith

Welcome to DGS for its 1996-1997 society year. Yes, we're taking the summer off from meetings, but that hardly means that nothing is happening. In July we host the Institute of Genealogical Studies (IGS for short), and we will finally "Bring back the books." August 24th brings another of our Lecture Series, this one with Christine Rose. We also send an eager group to the FGS Conference in Rochester, NY, to see the ins and outs of mounting a national conference. By September, we will have planned a year crammed with programs and events as a service to DGS members. And you just thought that summer was for lazing around!

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Lecture Series Report

Carole Chew Ruska

If you missed the first two lectures, you shouldn't have! A great time was had by all. At the lecture on "Scotland Forever," Scottish names abounded with 131 in attendance and 12 no-shows for a total registration of 143. Dean Hunter used much humor in teaching genealogists the "hows and wheres" of Scottish research. That was hard to beat, but our own Lloyd Bockstruck sold out the house with his lecture on "My Old Kentucky Home." We registered 207, but only had 177 in attendance with 30 no-shows. Maybe they knew more about the weather than we did as the big storm struck right before lunch and most were forced to stay in during the break. However, they had plenty to look at since J & W Enterprises brought five tables and

many, many boxes of materials to browse and buy. They reported business was very good. The Dallas Genealogy Society sold its own publications for half price and genealogy forms that everyone needs. Lloyd's new book was also for sale, and buyers got a personal autograph from Lloyd with the purchase. Just remember we have two lectures still to come with other excellent speakers and vendors. Hope to see you there.

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Grand Opening Weekend

Mark your calendars now for the weekend of 18-20 October. Friday evening will be the third annual Service Awards Banquet. Saturday will be the fourth and final lecture in this year's Lecture Series— don't miss Leslie Collier speaking on "Super Sleuthing: The Sherlock Holmes 'Write' Way to Research." And then Sunday will be the long-awaited grand opening of the DPL Genealogy Section. More details will be provided in the September newsletter.

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Reminder ... DGS Writing Awards Due

Patti Perkins Darnell

Entries must be received by September 1, 1996, to be eligible for the 1996 award. Entry forms are available in the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library and must accompany each entry. There are four divisions with several categories in each. See entry form for descriptions, rules, and judging

criteria. Winners will be announced at the 1996 DGS Service Awards Banquet. Mail all entries to:

DGS Writing Award Competition

P. O. Box 12648

Dallas, TX 75225-0648

or hand deliver to the 8th Floor Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library on or before September 1.

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To All Volunteers

As the retiring Coordinator of Volunteers, Bob Maybrier wishes to extend his personal thanks for the cooperation, time, and effort extended by each of the members in the volunteer program. He knows that each one will work as closely with the new Coordinator of Volunteers, Donna Smiley.

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Programs for 1996-97

In just a few short months, DGS will begin its regular meetings again. In order to bring interesting and informative programs to you, the area genealogists, please take a minute to think about what you would like to have in the way of topics, speakers, and/or events. Drop your ideas in the mail to:

DGS - PROGRAMS

P. O. Box 12648

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or E-mail to Carole Ruska:

102371.1202@compuserve.com

These ideas and suggestions are needed ASAP so good programs can

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1995-1996 Annual Reports

President

Leslie Collier Smith

The president's annual report appeared in the May issue.



Executive Vice-President

Sheila McLean Stough

The DGS fund-raisers for 1995-1996 were the Summer Lecture Series, beginner workshops, the DGS Regional Conference, and the Salt Lake City research trip. These events produced a profit of \$18,809.38.

1995 Summer Lecture Series -

Sammie Lee, Chairman

Brent H. Holcomb was the featured speaker in June with *"Research in South Carolina."* In July, David E. Rencher's subject was *"Tracing Your Irish Ancestors on Both Sides of the Atlantic."* Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck presented four lectures covering *"90 Years of Military Records—American Wars, 1775-1865"* in August.

Beginners Workshop -

Sammie Lee, Chairman

Three beginner workshops were held this year at the Dallas Public Library.

DGS Regional Conference -

Sheila Stough, Chairman

Our Regional Conference was again held at the Dallas Convention center. The second annual Service Awards Banquet was held on Friday, 10 November, with the delightful Desmond Walls Allen as keynote speaker. In addition to the popular

lecture sessions on Saturday, this conference featured two full-day workshops on Friday—*Genealogical Writing* and *Using the Resources of the Family History Library: Here and in Salt Lake City.*

Salt Lake City Research Trip

Dorothy Bruce, Trip Coordinator

DGS' "Sweetheart of a Deal" trip to Salt Lake City in February had 50 participants. The tour guides were Sammie Lee, Leslie Collier, Patti Darnell, and Mary Johnson.

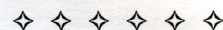


Vice-President for Education

Terri Mulliken Allen

We have had a very successful year. We had some wonderful speakers at our regular DGS meetings. I want to thank Kelvin Meyers, who, in September 1995, gave the talk *"How Great Thou Art - How Great They Are, 19th Century Protestant Church Records"*; Larry Telford, spoke at our November meeting about *"Texas Courthouse Records"*; John Sellers gave the talk *"On the Road Again - Finding Genealogical Gems at Your Ancestral Home"* at our January 1996 meeting; Barbara Wylie presented *"Is Your Grandmother a Relict?"* at our February meeting; in March Richard Hooverson gave the talk, *"Trail Dust: Routes in the Southwest"*; Barbara Baylis presented *"Finding Living Cousins"* at our April meeting. I want to give special thanks to Lloyd Bockstruck for presenting two talks this year, one at the October meeting (*"Germans in*

the American Revolution") and the other at the May meeting (*"Oh What a Tangled Web We Weave"*).



Vice-President and Editor, DGS Newsletter

Mary A. Johnson

During the 1995-1996 Board Year, we published newsletters for May-June, July-August, September, October, November-December, January, February, March, April, and May. Printed copies ranged from a low of 1,250 to the current 1,350 issues per month. This number includes those mailed for members, the library list, the exchange list, extras for newly-joined members, and a small amount of issues which go the DPL Genealogy Section.



Vice-President for Membership

Ruth Foreman Slatton

The Dallas Genealogical Society continues to have a flourishing and participative membership. Our workshops and seminars always result in new members as more and more people are attracted to genealogy. Meeting attendance continues to be strong, particularly the night meetings. A membership survey was printed in a spring issue of the newsletter to find out what members think we should be doing to improve the society. Responses to the survey are being compiled and will be reported in a future newsletter.

A few changes in policy have

occurred this year. People who renew and send less than the current dues will be given a prorated membership. In the future, renewal reminders will be sent before the membership expiration date.

Membership totals at the end of the 1995/96 year were:

<u>Type of Membership</u>	<u>Number</u>
Individual/Household	842
Library/Society	14
Life Members	67
Total	923

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Recording Secretary

Karen Avery Miller

This year brought a few new and much needed changes to the office of the Secretary. To better enable the Society to keep a close eye on its incoming mail, a system of checks and balances was initiated between the Secretary and Treasurer that produced a positive flow of correspondence among the board offices. Access to the DGS mail box was limited to only the Secretary, with a substitute named in case of emergency. All mail as it was received was logged along with a photocopy of all checks. By forwarding the checks directly to the treasurer for deposit and sending only the correspondence on to the various offices, lost checks (i.e. lost revenues) this year were nil and the log was available to research if any questions arose.

Another new twist to this office was for the Secretary to mail a copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting within a week of the meeting night to all Officers and Directors. This allowed all them to review the actions of each meeting and acted as a reminder of dates or appointments to committees.

Two complete sets of the year's minutes and monthly reports were

compiled at the year's end. One set was passed on to the incoming Secretary and the duplicate will be bound by the President for the DGS Archives on the seventh floor.

I would like to express a sincere thank you to my fellow board members for their great attitudes and assistance anytime I had questions or needed support in this position. As a board we worked well together, and that made the many days or nights we spent volunteering all the more fun.

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Treasurer

Barbara Dossett

Balance sheet as of 31 May 1996

Assets	
Nationsbank Operating Fund	\$23,463.12
Bank One Money Market Savings	6,386.20
Everen (Life Memberships)	10,804.37
Total Assets	\$40,653.69

Liabilities and Equity	
Endowment fund	\$2,000.00
Family History Lending Library	437.50
Retained earnings ...	27,788.72
Life Membership Fund	8,203.73
Renee Jackson Smith Fund	1,000.00
Current earnings	1,223.74
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$40,653.69

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FGS Delegate

Sammie Townsend Lee

As mandated by the Dallas Genealogical Society Standing Rules, the delegate to the Federation of Genealogical Societies is an appointed position on the DGS Board of Directors. This position was created in response to a request from the Federation that each of its member societies appoint a delegate to act as liaison between the two organizations.

In my role as delegate this past year, I represented DGS at the September 1995 FGS Conference in Seattle, Washington, where I attended the Delegate Luncheon and participated in the Delegate Caucus. I endeavored to keep the DGS Board informed about FGS activities through monthly reports and the DGS membership informed by articles in the *DGS Newsletter*. Those articles consisted of information about the following:

- ◆ FGS involvement in record preservation
- ◆ Efforts by the Federation and the National Genealogical Society to prevent genealogical fraud
- ◆ The opportunity for DGS members to obtain discounted subscriptions to the FGS publication, *FORUM*
- ◆ The appointment of the new Archivist of the National Archives
- ◆ A report on the 1995 Seattle Conference
- ◆ The importance of donating to the FGS-sponsored NARA Dollars for Documents program
- ◆ The upcoming FGS conference in Rochester, New York, 13-17 August
- ◆ *Ancestors*, the upcoming ten-part television series for PBS

Also, I kept FGS informed of several DGS special activities, such as our efforts in record preservation and volunteer coordination. With DGS Board approval, a letter was submitted to the Federation nominating past DGS president Art Rubeck for an FGS

national award in recognition of his contributions to genealogy. Art received this award at the Seattle conference banquet.



Correspondence and Mailings

Gene A. Burris

Correspondence for the 1995/1996 year included 6 journal letters, 6 thank you notes, and 29 form letters, for a total of 41 items. There were 10869 newsletters and 1215 Journals mailed, IGS mailings totaled 7456, and other mailings included 6223 items. Average cost of all mail was \$0.14308.



Books & Forms Sales

Clifford V. Slagle

Total sales were \$5,926.29; this is a decrease of \$89.94 from last year. We occupied vendor tables at the Regional Workshop, Beginners Workshop, GIT, and GENTECH. GIT and GENTECH produced a minimum of sales. Sales at the Volunteer Desk accounted for 41% of our sales this year.

We have added a Beginners Package to our packaged forms and two new forms, Census Locator and Ancestor Table.



Capital Expansion Project

Karen Avery Miller, Chairman

So many things have happened this past year in regards to this project. After three years we can proudly say we have now almost reached a triumphant end to the biggest

fundraising effort of the DGS. We began the year wondering when we would receive the okay from the Dallas Public Library and the City of Dallas to begin our construction. A few months were spent waiting anxiously for an approval from the State American Disabilities Agency as they reviewed our expansion plans to double check that we were within their guidelines for handicap accessibility. Then things began to happen!

Heather Williams was kept busy as she continued to be our driving force within the Library system, aided by Bill Benson, our very own volunteer architect. Bill revised the floor plans to meet the ADA requirements and guided the very competent construction company of Wright Construction. As they finally removed the glass walls and expanded our space westward, and as they created a new microfilm/copier niche from what was previously study rooms and a portion of the staff area, you could hear a collective sigh as we saw for the first time visible signs of our efforts take shape.

Solicitation of funds was foremost in our thoughts as the year proceeded, and the membership answered the call. Donations of all sizes were mailed in, various functions were earmarked for this project, and we held our heads high as we "passed the donation jar" at every opportunity we could find. We were also the fortunate recipients of a \$30,000 donation from the General Levi Casey Chapter of the DAR in honor of Edith Allen Palmer. What a wonderful gift!

As we now end this Society year, we show a total income from 1993-1996 in the Capital Expansion Fund of \$128,318.15. But why raise money if not to spend it?! Our construction costs have been paid (and under budget we might add), new shelving is on its way, ten new

microfilm cabinets are already in use, a lateral file is on order, and we were the recipients of two new photocopiers from the DPL. Our CEP funds are dwindling, but our genealogy department is growing bigger and better every day.

[Editor's Note: The remainder of the Society's Annual Reports will be published in the September 1996 issue.]

Family History Show Schedule

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| 7 July | Wanda Lamberth
Donaldson
George Hanson |
| 14 July | W. M. Von-Maszewski
Sheila Stough |
| 21 July | Mic Barnette
Thom Cashman |
| 28 July | Nettie Hance Oliver
Weldon I. Hudson |
| 4 Aug | Peggy Barnes Fox
Robert M. Clark, Jr. |
| 11 Aug | Marty Ramage, Jr.
Edward "Connie"
Shoemaker |
| 18 Aug | Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck
Mary McCampbell Bell |

Join Michael Matthews and his featured guests every Sunday evening. Listeners can call 1-800-765-1080 to ask questions about all facets of genealogy. The show can be heard locally from 10:00 pm to midnight on KRLD Radio, 1080 AM. It is carried by many stations throughout Texas and can be heard across several states. Don't miss it!

Planning for the 1997 FGS/DGS Conference Continues Full Steam Ahead

by Sammie Townsend Lee, Local Conference Arrangements Chair

Even though the 1997 Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference, hosted locally by the Dallas Genealogical Society, is still fourteen months away, preparations are well under way. The Hyatt Hotel at Reunion Tower has been selected as the official conference hotel. Plans call for four fun-filled, education-packed days of meetings, lectures, and special activities to be held in the recently remodeled Hyatt, with luncheons and the Friday evening banquet held in the adjacent historic Union Station. To wrap up the conference, DGS is hosting an end-of-the-event party on Saturday evening on the grounds of turn-of-the-century Old City Park.

National Conference Chair Karen Mauer Green has negotiated with the Hyatt for a very affordable accommodation rate for conference participants: \$89 for a single or double room. The Hyatt Hotel is conveniently located in downtown Dallas, adjacent to Reunion Tower and Reunion Arena and just a short walk or DART train ride from the West End Historical District and other Dallas attractions.

In May our conference logo and theme were unveiled. For the first time, conference attendees are encouraged to *Unlock Your Heritage...with Creative Problem Solving*. Program Chair Leslie Smith Collier has already set plans in motion to construct a program of outstanding lectures with a major focus on methodology and problem solving techniques. A general call for papers has been issued inviting the nation's genealogical speakers to submit their best lecture ideas.

The Local Arrangements Committee is now in place and has begun a schedule of monthly planning meetings. Coordinators have been named to fill the following positions:

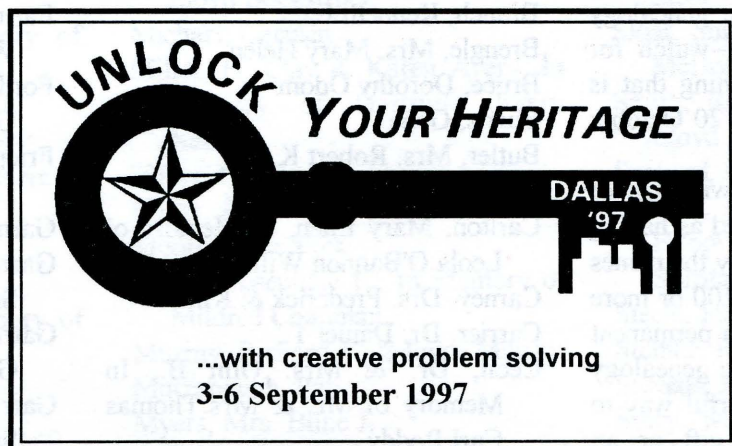
- ◆ Exhibitors—Art Rubeck
- ◆ Hospitality—Patti Perkins Darnell
- ◆ Local Treasurer and Transportation—Barbara Dossett
- ◆ Luncheons and Banquet—Carole Chew Ruska
- ◆ Publications—Hallie Garner
- ◆ Regional Publicity—Karen Avery Miller
- ◆ Registration—Dorothy Odom Bruce
- ◆ Volunteers—Terri Bradshaw O'Neill (Terri also represents the Mid-Cities Genealogical Society)

As the host city, the tremendous responsibility falls on Dallas area genealogists to "get the word out"

- ◆ Hopkins County Genealogical Society—John Sellers (John is also charged with conference publicity in the East Texas region)
- ◆ Irving Genealogical Society—Barbara Tsirigotis
- ◆ Mesquite Genealogical and Historical Society—Linda Shaddock Rogers
- ◆ Texas State Genealogical Society—Paula Perkins Parke (Also representing the Collin County Genealogical Society and the Peters Colony Historical Society)

DGS hopes many other societies will soon join us as we prepare for this exciting conference.

Additional committee members include Madilyn Coen Crane, the FGS Office Manager offering office support, Mike Basham, setting up the conference Homepage and spreading the word on the Internet, Bonnie Moore, DGS Secretary, keeping minutes and records for the conference committee, and DGS support staff: Terri Mulliken Allen, Don Raney, and Cliff Slagle. The local



committee is especially grateful to former *DGS Newsletter* editor, Mary Johnson, who is compiling bi-weekly conference updates to keep all committee members informed.

Soon a volunteer questionnaire will appear in this newsletter urging area family researchers to assist with this tremendous undertaking. We want to know what special skills you would like to bring to this exciting venture coming to the North Texas area in 1997. Come join us and participate in planning a national genealogical educational event for our region.

about the conference to family researchers in our region. To achieve this, we decided to make this conference a truly regional affair by involving as many other local genealogical societies in the pre-planning stages as would like to participate. In addition to the above coordinators, the following organizations have already elected to participate by placing a representative on the committee:

- ◆ African-American Interest Group of the Dallas Genealogical Society—Stacey Bennett
- ◆ Duncanville Genealogical Society—Judy Jones
- ◆ GENTECH, Inc.—John V. Wylie

Capital Expansion Report

Karen Avery Miller, '96 CEP Chairman

It was announced on 27 September 1993 that the Capital Expansion Project was officially underway. Almost three years later, after three Boards of Directors, countless volunteer hours put in by diligent DGS members, and a wide variety of fund raisers (including trips, picnics in parks, seminars, workshops, individual/organizational donations, and our shameless habit of "passing the collection jar"), we are nearing the successful conclusion of the capital improvement phase. New equipment, such as additional microfilm machines and computers, is still on our wish list. We hope to get the grant process underway soon to add additional future financial support to the genealogy section. The end is near—watch for details on the Grand Opening that is being planned for Sunday, 20 October 1996.

Please review the following list of individuals that are recorded as having donated \$100 or more. Only the names of those who have given \$100 or more will be commemorated on a permanent display to be placed in the genealogy department. This is wonderful way to leave a record of your gift or an honorarium/memorial for others. If your name does not appear on this list due to an error, or if you have not made a donation of \$100 or more and still care to do so, please contact Karen Miller by 01 August. You may reach Karen by phone (214) 696-2804 or fax (214) 696-5435, or mail donations to CEP Fund, P.O. Box 25556, Dallas, TX. 75225. Please be sure to double check the list below for any errors, including the usage of "in honor of" as opposed to "in memory of." We've almost reached the finish line! Hooray for DGS!

Ables-Flatt, Jean Ann, In Memory of

Ruth Kerr Ables
Acord, Troy & Linda
Allen, Mr. & Mrs. Jack C., In
Memory of Wyatt Clay Allen
Anderson, Damon & Betty
Apple, Roger W., In Honor of
Marcella M. Apple
Barnett, George L., In Memory of
Martha Belle Sumrall & John
Barnett
Basnett, Dorothea
Baxter, Nancy Hutson
Benson, William E.
Bland, Jeanette B., In Memory of Mr.
& Mrs. John Douglas Bickely
Boehning, Helen, In Memory of
Robert Erik Boehning
Boswell, Imogene May
Branch, Kenneth E.
Brenge, Mrs. Mary Helen
Bruce, Dorothy Odom
Burris, Gene
Butler, Mrs. Robert K.
Cansler, Lowell & Norma
Carlton, Mary Ellen, In Memory of
Leola O'Bannon Williams
Carney, Drs. Frederick & Kim
Carrier, Dr. Daniel T.
Cecil, Dr. & Mrs. Olin B., In
Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas
Carl Roddy
Coffey, Bernard M., In Memory of
Wesley Cockrell
Cole, Libby Keefe, In Honor of Mrs.
Lucille Boykin
Collier, Leslie Smith
Colonial Dames XVII Century, Col.
Cole Digges Chapter, Dallas
Texas
Colonial Dames XVII Century, Maj.
James McGregor Chapter, Dallas
Texas
Communities Foundation of Texas,
Dallas Texas
Corbitt, Dean
Cowan, Mary N.
Cowgill, Ralph, In Honor of Frances
Pittman Malcolm

Daily, Sunny C., In Memory of Loyd
Daily
Deihl, Elizabeth Dolen, In Honor of
Harley G. Deihl
Dallas Genealogical Society
DAR, Nancy Horton Davis Chapter,
Dallas Texas
DAR, General Levi Casey Chapter,
Dallas Texas, In Memory of Edith
Allen Palmer
Darnell, Patti
Dobson, Gerald & Kay, In Memory of
Cathryn Boman Kirwan
Dodds, Alan & Jeanne Dodds
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Bulletin Board

Do you have information you would like to share with other genealogists? Do you know about upcoming seminars, classes, or publications which might interest your friends and fellow researchers? If so, please submit **original information only** and include the source. Send to: Bulletin Board, DGS Newsletter Editor; P.O. Box 12648; Dallas, TX 75225-0648, and we will publish items as space permits.

Correction to Local LDS Family History Centers List

Art Rubeck has provided us with updated information regarding hours of operation for two area LDS Family History Centers.

Lewisville Stake Family History Center, 615 MacArthur Blvd., Coppell, TX; (214) 393-6976:

Monday	9:00 am - 2:30 pm
Tuesday	6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Wednesday	9:00 am - 12 noon 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Saturday (except 1st Saturday of the month)	9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Wills Point Family History Center, Highway 47, 1 mile north of Highway 80, Wills Point, TX; (903) 873-4361:

Tuesday & Friday	9:00 am - 9:00 pm
First Saturday of month	9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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Genealogy Stamp

The New England Historical and Genealogical Society is encouraging genealogists to join in an effort to have

a United States commemorative postage stamp issued honoring genealogy. If you would like to add support to this effort, write: Citizens Stamp Advisory Committee, U.S. Postal Service, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, DC 20260-6753.

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Confederate Research Center

If you have Confederate military ancestors and know where they are buried, the Confederate Research Center in Hillsboro would like to have that information. If he was buried in an unmarked grave on private property, this is your chance to share your information with others. Or you may list the name of the cemetery with location. Please include company and regiment, date of birth and death. Contact: Peggy Fox, Confederate Research Center, P.O. Box 619, Hollsboro, TX 76645. The Research Center is also looking for letters, pictures, diaries, journals, etc. to be placed in their archives for viewing. For additional information, call (817) 582-2555. (from FWGS Newsletter, May 1996)

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Parker County Genealogical Society

Parker County Genealogical Society recently published *Trails West Ancestor Index*, an alphabetical listing of over 4390 surnames with birth, marriage, and death dates; submitter addresses are included. It is

210 pages in spiral softbound at a cost of \$17.50. Order from Parker County Gen. Society, P.O. Box 201, Weatherford, TX 76086.

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Gregg County Genealogy Society

The Gregg County Genealogy Society Fall Seminar will feature Russell P. Baker. Mr. Baker is an author, lecturer, archivist, and historian who is presently the Deputy Director and Archival Manager of the State Archives in Arkansas. The seminar will be held 28 September 1996 at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 121 Hampton Court at McCann Road, Longview, TX. Registration is \$18 if postmarked by 1 September, or \$22 after that date. For more information contact Gregg Co. Gen. Society, P.O. Box 2985, Longview, TX 75606-2985.

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GENTECH97 Announces Theme

GENTECH, Inc., announces the theme of its 1997 conference—"Technology Applied: The Genealogist's Craft." GENTECH97, the fifth annual conference for genealogists using technology, will focus on practical applications of computer software, online services, photography, and other technological tools to augment genealogical skills. Illustrating this theme, a new attraction, the Applied Technology Gallery, co-sponsored by Ancestry, will feature examples submitted by

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family historians who have used technology to strengthen and enhance their genealogical efforts. The top-rated submission will receive Genealogical Computing magazine's Applied Technology Award.

The conference will be held January 24-25, 1997 at the Plano Centre in Plano, TX. For more information, visit the GENTECH webpage at <http://www.connect.net/beau/gentech>, write GENTECH, P.O. Box 28021, Dallas, TX 75228, or send e-mail to jwylie@metronet.com.

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"Anybody Can Write" Workshop

listen and learn as Desmond Walls Allen illustrates how to get our important genealogical information from the "notes stage" into the "printed page."

Desmond Walls Allen: Author Extraordinaire

Desmond Walls Allen is one of the premier genealogical authors of our time. As owner of her own genealogical publishing company, Arkansas Research, she has aided genealogists everywhere by writing or compiling more than 160 books and articles about Arkansas genealogical and historical materials. She is the editor of *Arkansas Historical and Genealogical Magazine* and has

coauthored numerous extremely informative guides—*Beginner's Guide to Family History Research*, *How to Become a Professional Genealogist*, *Social Security Applications: A Genealogical Resource*, *How to Get the Most Out of Death Certificates*, and others.

Desmond is a nationally-recognized genealogical educator, lecturer, and teacher. Her on-target information and active sense of humor make her a sought-after speaker at national and regional conferences everywhere. It was also what brought her to the attention of the producers of the ten-part PBS television series, *Ancestors*. This fall, thousands of Americans will be treated to her wit and wisdom when she appears as one of the guest experts on the series.

Desmond is no stranger to Dallas area genealogists. She has presented lectures locally and, for the past four years, has taught the Problem Solving Course at our local institute. In November 1995, she was the featured guest speaker at the DGS second annual awards banquet. That same evening she was the recipient of the Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck Distinguished Service Award in recognition of her many contributions to genealogy. Other awards include the 1993 Grahame Thomas Smallwood Jr. Award of Merit from the Association of Professional Genealogists and the 1994 Federation of Genealogical

Societies' Distinguished Service Award.

The Professional Interest Group of the Dallas Genealogical Society is extremely proud to have Desmond Walls Allen presenting this workshop. Her knowledge, intelligence, skills, and humor promise to make this a delightful learning experience for all attendees.

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REFUNDS: If you are unable to attend and desire a refund, contact Carole Ruska at 214/324-2928 on or before 5:00 PM on Wednesday, 4 September. No refunds will be issued after this time.

To Volunteer or Not to Volunteer, That is the Question

Joanna Dunn

Most of the time, when faced with the decision of whether to volunteer to help with a project or not, 'not' wins, hands down. Therefore, I felt compelled to share with you this wonderful experience I had after I actually said 'yes' when asked to help with the filming and document preparation of Dallas County Records presently underway on the 7th floor of the Dallas Public Library.

Larry Telford, the LDS Document Specialist who is doing the actual filming, was there at the work table when we arrived for work on our first day. He patiently explained to us that we would be working on the Dallas County District Court Civil Case papers and demonstrated the process by which we should label the file folders, log our work, and unfold these wonderful, hand-written, 150-year-old documents to prepare them for filming. It was truly exciting to handle these 'pieces of the past,' to reflect on how it must have been for the Court Clerks back then to have to hand write everything and to read, now and then, the shocking details of someone's divorce—"1850's style."

But need I remind you how the compulsion to do one's own research is constantly lurking beneath the surface, ready to pop up at a moment's notice, possessing, in an instant, both mind and body? I was having to restrain myself, physically, from rushing over to the index book. When I could withstand the pressure not another moment, I casually mentioned to Larry that I had a Dallas County ancestor. I went on to explain that my 2nd great-grandfather had come to Dallas in 1848, and there had been a family story, handed down through the years, that he had owned

land in what is now downtown Dallas and had traded that land for horses, wagon and provisions to go north to the Indian Territory. I went on to explain that I had been unable to find any record of this; even in Salt Lake City, I had been unable to positively identify this man's father after going through all the land and probate records of McMinn County, Tennessee, the county of his birth. I had a strong feeling as to his parentage, but it was just that—a feeling.

It was just conversation, nothing serious. All right! I was fishing, but I didn't *really* expect a strike.

Larry looked over at me and calmly asked, "What was his name?" There it was—the open door. I swallowed hard. "Joel Roberts." "Just a minute," he said, disappearing between the rows of shelves. I was still holding my breath when he appeared again carrying a thick folder. "Here it is." said Larry. "Stephen H. Miller Vs Joel Roberts." I was visibly shaken. He sat down with the packet and began to go through it while I tried, in vain, to concentrate on the work I was doing. He worked several minutes lining up the documents in the packet and finally announced, "You have here a law suit filed by a Stephen H. Miller against Joel Roberts (my legendary, downtown Dallas land-owning, 2-great-grandfather) for non-performance of contract. This packet has within it an 1855 Texas Supreme Court decision signed by the Chief Justice (Grandpa lost), a handwritten copy of the original land patent granted out of the Peters Colony to Joel Roberts for 640 acres of land,

the deposition out of McMinn County, Tennessee, of Benjamin Roberts stating that he was in fact the father of Joel Roberts (my hunch was right), and (oh, genealogical prize of prizes) his actual signature is on the deposition."

"Larry," I warned "If, at this moment, I did not regard you with such reverence, I would kiss you full-in-the-mouth." I was very grateful for his finding this packet—I could tell that he was very grateful for my reverence. When I regained my composure, I asked him why all the documents in the packet were written on blue paper. "Have you ever heard of the Blue Laws?" he asked. "They were called Blue Laws because they were written on this cobalt paper used extensively in the mid-1850's through the early 1860's." Larry got up and left the room, returning with a map of Dallas showing me exactly where the patent of land was that Joel Roberts received.

So, the tale was told and the mystery solved. Grandpa Roberts promised half of the land he was to receive to Stephen Miller in payment for getting him and his family to the Peters Colony, not for provisions to leave to go to the Indian Territory. It seems that when he received his patent for the land, he decided that it was not such a good idea to give half of it away (law suit! law suit!), and the land was in the Balch Springs-Pleasant Grove area, not in downtown Dallas (one glamorous family legend down the tubes). And, last but not least, Benjamin Roberts of McMinn County, Tennessee, was in fact the father of Joel Roberts (Genealogy Jackpot!).

As the days went by, my estimation of volunteer work elevated and we

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Reviews: Genealogical Tapes

by Sammie Townsend Lee

Very often, some of the best genealogical lectures come from a study conducted by a diligent researcher seeking answers. The two tapes reviewed this month concern two lectures delivered at the National Genealogical Society Conference in the States held this past May in Nashville. Even though these two lectures were very different, one from the other, they had a "common thread." Both were presented by recognized professionals who have invested years of their genealogical careers in studying the migrations of our ancestors: one studying where people migrated to in a specific state after leaving their home state and one studying a specific location and the origins of the migrants into that area.

From Virginia to Tennessee: who went where?

Mary McCampbell Bell, C.G., is every bit the diligent researcher and the professional. She is well known for her interest in early families of Virginia and in studying their land transactions as a way of proving their connections and relationships. For her study, Ms. Bell searched land records and pension applications of Revolutionary War veterans, searching for information on men and women who migrated from or into Virginia.

The emphasis of her lecture, *Traffic Jams on I-81: Migrations from Virginia to Tennessee*, is to point out two things. Firstly, the majority of our ancestors were not the stay-at-home types. They moved frequently, and they were prone to move in clusters! Secondly, these groups and individuals *predictably* traveled from one specific area to another specific area on the readily available paths and roads, often from one county in the home state to one county in the new area. In this

lecture, Ms. Bell names specific individuals as examples to identify from where they originated, how often they moved, and their destinations. Her lecture provides us with some marvelous tools for discovering counties of origin for that hard-to-trace ancestor who "dropped out of the sky" into pre-1830 Eastern or Middle Tennessee. I certainly look forward to reading the published version of this study.

Rising's Recipe.

Marsha Hoffman Rising's lecture, *Problem Analysis and Strategy Planning*, is multi faceted. She takes some tools that every family researcher should learn when studying the basics, stirs in some well-chosen examples of methodology gained from her study on the first one thousand Southwest Missouri pioneers, and cooks up an excellent problem-solving lecture for all genealogists: amateur to professional.

This is one of Ms. Rising's "speciality recipes." During her years on the lecture circuit, she has taught us that genealogy does not have to be *difficult* if first we build our basic skills, then continue to hone them by studying what we learn in our research and by doing our *own* research.

It is for these reasons that we will miss Ms. Rising as she elects to take a leave from genealogical lecturing. Her sabbatical is intended to give her the opportunity to complete and publish her study on those first one thousand Southwest Missouri pioneers. She has already learned valuable information from their migrations, some that she has shared with us, but we know there is much more to come. We certainly regret

that her leave comes at this time, just before the FGS/DGS 1997 conference. Ms. Rising has many "fans" in Texas who will miss her not being on our program. However, we wish her well and say THANKS for sharing her expertise over the years.

Both tapes are available from Repeat Performances, whose catalogs are available from the DGS tape library. Also, both of these tapes are being donated to the tape library.

**Taking a vacation this summer?
Going on a research trip?
Be sure to take some
FGS/DGS flyers
to leave at your destination
library.**

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To Volunteer or Not

continued to acquire more and more valuable information about these documents from Larry while sitting around the table and working. Whenever we asked him a question, and we asked a lot, he was more than willing to share his expertise with us. We had our fingers on the past, and with Larry's help, we knew what we were touching.

So, when summer winds down and I have my feet planted firmly in my duties as Co-Director of Sales for DGS, when everything here at the house falls again into its appropriate groove, I will be back on the 7th floor of the Library, unfolding and learning.

Webster defines a volunteer as one who acts willingly and *without reward*. Remember—that is not always the case.

Recent Acquisitions of the DPL Genealogy Section

[Keep in mind that you can put these newly acquired materials on the shelves by making a tax-deductible contribution to the DPL's "Adopt-A-Book" program. For as little as \$5.00, you may select a book and cover the cost of binding it. See the Library staff in the Genealogy Section for more information.]

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DGS News

be booked early. Thanks for your
 input and help.



Volunteer Desk Update Donna Ward Smiley

As the new volunteer coordinator
 for DGS, I'd like to thank my
 predecessor, Bob Maybrier, for
 having the program running smoothly.
 I would also like to thank the many
 volunteers who continue doing their
 jobs every week on the 8th floor
 desk, in the 7th floor archives, at the
 workshops, etc. Your work is greatly
 appreciated by the society, the library,
 and the patrons. In particular, I
 would like to thank the following
 "regulars," those who work the 8th
 floor desk. Sunday: Patrick

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 Grant, Bob Maybrier, Terri O'Neill,
 and Patti Darnell; Wednesday: Bob
 Harris, Shirley Sloat, Nancy Mobley,
 and Virginia Lewis; Thursday:
 Charles Lancaster, Sue Ashby, Carole
 Ruska, Beverly Holmes, and Sharon
 Luckes; Friday: Monette Grant, Jane
 Murdoch, Elizabeth Perry, and Mary
 Ruth McKinney; Saturday: Tommy
 Bobo, Donna Smiley, Jean Larson, and
 Joan Rogerson. Keep up the good
 work!

There is currently an opening on
 Thursday evenings from 7:00-9:00
 p.m. Also, we can always use more
 substitutes; i.e., volunteers on whom I
 can call to fill in when one of the
 regulars can't be there. With summer
 vacations, the substitutes get quite a
 workout. Anyone interested in either of
 these opportunities, please call me,
 Donna Smiley, at 296-2794.

Queries

Queries do not require a Texas connection and are free to members of the Dallas Genealogical Society. Nonmembers should include \$3 for each query. DGS reserves the right to abbreviate and condense queries and assumes no responsibility for their accuracy. Send as many queries as you wish, and they will be printed as space permits. Mail to Queries, DGS Newsletter Editor, P. O. Box 12648, Dallas, TX 75225-0648.

**BAILEY
KIDD** Seeking info on parents, siblings of Melinda BAILEY, b 15 Jun 1828 NC, d 15 Jan 1899 Marietta OK; m 5 Nov 1849, James Randolph KIDD in Franklin Co, GA. Were Melinda's parents Elish/Elijah BAILEY and Lunda Elizabeth STEED? What happened to them?
Nelta Dupree Evans, 501 South Hoover, Enid, OK 73703

**WITTEN
MULLEN** Need parents, siblings, and info on Nancy B. MULLEN, b 13 Feb 1802? TN, d 1880's Camden Co, MO; 1m 29 Jun 1820, Wayne Co, KY, Thomas Oscar WITTEN, b 26 Dec 1801, Tazewell Co, VA; d 30 Dec 1841 Camden Co, MO; 2m ? GHEEN. What was Mr. GHEEN's first name? Did they have children? Need her death date also.
Nelta Dupree Evans, 501 South Hoover, Enid, OK 73703

ATHERTON Julian Franklin ATHERTON, b 11 Aug 1881 KY or OK, d Dallas 29 Dec 1911. Julian m Lela Jane RODGERS of Dallas Co, TX. His parents were Cannon ATHERTON and Marina HORRELL He had a brother, Euler ATHERTON of Adams, OK, m to Nora HUNT. He was a Baptist Minister. I have a picture of a Julia ATHERTON, not sure who she is. Euler apparently lived in the Moody-Miller home while in Dallas, don't know why he was there. Julian Franklin was probably a half-brother of Edward ATHERTON who lived in Brownwood, TX. Other relatives were Annie ATHERTON HUNT, m to Moody HUNT of Colleyville, TX. Do you have any information about any of these family members?
Shirley A. Goings-Lindsey, 6933 Galemeadow Circle, Dallas, TX 75214

GOINGS William Zachariah GOINGS, b 13 Dec 1854 AR, d 6 Aug 1899. He caught the fever as he, his wife, and 11 children traveled through OK from TX as they returned to AR. His son James Monroe GOINGS also died of this fever on 31 Jul 1899. Trying to prove who William's parents were and in what town in AR he was born. This family was in Columbus, Colorado Co, TX around 1898, then returned to AR; however, they returned to TX after Wm. and James died. All except Wm. and James, including Will Jordan and Arthur, appear in the 1900 Hunt Co, TX, census. Would like information on family members of the 10 surviving children of Wm. and Anne Elizabeth (BALLARD) GOINGS (b 6 Aug 1867 AL, d 25 Apr 1936 TX). Children were James, Mary Isabelle, Wm. Steven, John L., Edgar Adolphus, Edward Jackson, Eva Marie, Ida Lou, Maudie Lee, Malvern, Hattie Mae GOINGS.
Shirley A. Goings-Lindsey, 6933 Galemeadow Circle, Dallas, TX 75214

SWITZER Seek info on John SWITZER (SCHWEITZER) who, with his wife, arrived Red River County Sep 1837 and was awarded 1280 acres by Republic of Texas land commissioners. Would especially like name of wife and any children born in Texas.
Dr. Richard Barham, 4010 Firstview Drive, Austin, TX 78731.

BASKETT Looking for travels, marriages of Howard BASKETT and Winnie Claire CLENDENEN BASKETT. 1920 census shows her in Dallas with 2 children and no husband. I only know of one child, Gordon. 1920 census shows him in Wichita Falls with new wife; he's from MO and she's from Bonham. Any additional info would be helpful.
Melissa Baskett, 7459 Ivy Hills Place, Cincinnati, OH 45244; e-mail GNLGYBUG@aol.com

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Plans to Publish DGS Roster in the Fall

Plans are underway to publish a new DGS roster of members in the fall of this year. The roster will include the name, address, and phone numbers of all current DGS members. For those members who wish to participate, the roster will include up to 8 surnames and localities being researched by each member. The purpose of the surname listing is to promote exchange of information among members. If you want your surnames listed in the upcoming roster, please fill out the form below and send to:

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Please note: If you have submitted your surnames previously, you need to resubmit them because the information to be included in the new roster is more detailed than the information we have on file.

Name of DGS Member submitting surnames: _____

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<i>Example: Rogers</i>	<i>TX</i>	<i>Tarrant</i>	<i>USA</i>	<i>1860</i>	<i>1950</i>

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Queries

DIXON BREWSTER Interested in dealing with anyone researching DIXON in Missouri or Ohio. Grandfather James P. DIXON, b 1843 MO; parents (not known) b OH. Grandmother Margaret Jane BREWSTER, b 1847 TN. Dick Dixon, 1204 Baxter Dr., Plano, TX 75025, (214) 517-0533.

RUSSELL LANDRETH (PRIDEMORE) HOWARD LONG Would like to exchange info! James RUSSELL (b 1822 TN; d 1908 Nocona, Montague Co, TX) m Elizabeth LANDRETH-PRIDEMORE (b 1822 VA; d 1907 Wheatland, Dallas Co, TX) in Clay Co, IL in 1849. He also resided in Morgan Co, IL. Their children (all b in Morgan Co, IL): Sarah HOWARD, b 1849; Margaret LONG, b 1851; Hezekiah, b 1853, bur. in Wheatland, Dallas Co, TX; Nathaniel, b 1854; James, b 1856, d in Wheatland, Dallas Co, TX; Susan LONG, b 1858; Thomas, b 1860. Kristine Ludwig, 102 Dewitt Cir., Harriesburg, MS 39402-1029

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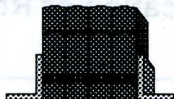
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JULY 1996

12 "BRINGING THE BOOKS BACK" A volunteer work night; 5:00 p.m. Friday - DPL 8th Floor Genealogical Section.



19 "BRINGING THE BOOKS BACK" A second volunteer work night; 5:00 p.m. Friday - DPL 8th Floor Genealogical Section.

21-26 INSTITUTE OF GENEALOGICAL STUDIES; Harvey Hotel Plano, Texas.

AUGUST 1996

14-17 FGS's 1996 NATIONAL CONFERENCE - "A CONFERENCE FOR THE NATION'S GENEALOGISTS"; Rochester, NY.

24 DGS LECTURE SERIES III; 9:00 a.m. Saturday - DPL Auditorium. Speaker: Christine Rose. Topic: On Site Research Using Court and Other Records Successfully.



SEPTEMBER 1996

7 PIG SPONSORED "WRITING WORKSHOP"; 9:00 a.m. Saturday - DPL Auditorium. Speaker: Desmond Walls Allen



12 DGS/CIG; 6:30 p.m. Thursday - DPL East/West Room.

17 DGS/AAIG; 6:30 p.m. Tuesday - DPL Auditorium.

23 DGS MONTHLY PROGRAM & MEETING; 7:00 p.m. Monday - DPL Auditorium.

26 DGS/PIG; 7:00 p.m. Thursday - DPL East/West Room.

UPCOMING EVENTS 1996/1997

18 OCT 1996—AWARDS BANQUET

19 OCT—DGS LECTURE SERIES IV; 9:00 a.m. Saturday - DPL Auditorium. Speaker: Leslie Smith Collier. Topic: "Super Sleuthing the Sherlock Holmes 'Write' Way to Research."

20 OCT—GENEALOGICAL SECTION GRAND OPENING; DPL 8th Floor.

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