

# DGS NEWSLETTER



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## Volunteer Compensation Package Have We Got a Deal for You!!!

DGS believes in saying "Thank You" to volunteers. After all, volunteers are the lifeblood of a genealogical society. DGS has some of the best volunteers in the United States.

Our dilemma was how to say a proper thank you to our volunteers who help with the 1997 FGS/DGS Conference. Knowing that the Dallas Genealogical Society will share in the profits of this event and that registration fees are part of the profits, many volunteers have already offered to work at the conference for no financial benefits. (Any DGS profits from the conference have been pledged to buy materials for the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library.)

For all who work prior to the conference, or choose to donate volunteer time during the conference, we have a very special DGS compensation package to show our heartfelt thanks. It has been arranged between DGS and Cindy Gray, Dallas Public Library Central Administrator, to hold a "volunteer lock-in" in the genealogy section of the Central Library late this fall. Just imagine--all

night to research, the whole department all to ourselves! Plans include a potluck midnight supper. This is truly a thank you that will appeal to all diehard researchers.

Another way we have to say "thanks" to volunteers will be a special *free* day-long seminar conducted by our very own Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck. The subject of the seminar is open to suggestions, but it will be topics with general appeal (such as military records, migration routes, etc.).

Compensation is also available in the following way to conference volunteers who prefer financial assistance:

- ▶ 6 hours of work on-site at the conference equals one complementary day
- ▶ 10 hours of work on-site at the conference equals two complementary days
- ▶ 14 hours of work on-site at the conference equals three complementary days
- ▶ 16 hours of work on-site at the conference equals the entire conference free

Conference registration must be mailed in full by the early deadline date of 15 July 1997. Volunteers who opt for this plan will be reimbursed after the conference for the hours they worked.

Time can be accrued in one day or spread over several days. For example, to earn one free day requires six hours of work on-site at the conference site. A person can work all six hours in one day, three hours for two days, or two hours for three days. To be counted, all time worked at the conference must be registered with the conference volunteer coordinator, Terri O'Neill.

DGS is a great society. Volunteering is fun, and now it can be profitable. We do need your commitment now! We hope you join in and be a part of the history-making 1997 FGS/DGS Dallas conference. Call Terri at metro 817/267-8023, or mail in the volunteer form ASAP!



## 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. Meetings begin at 7:00 P.M. with a reception at 6:30 P.M. in the East/West Room. 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 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.

**Latin-American Interest Group:** Unless otherwise indicated, this group meets on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. Call 972-686-7419 for the location.

**Our Home Page Address (URL):**

<http://www.chrysalis.org/dgs>

**Our E-Mail Address:** [dgs@chrysalis.org](mailto:dgs@chrysalis.org)

**Our Phone Number:** (214) 670-7932 (voice mail)

## Dallas Genealogical Society

Post Office Box 12648

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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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### 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-May and August-October, with bi-monthly issues published in June-July and November-December. Copy deadline for the September 1997 *DGS Newsletter* is 15 July 1997. 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

Karen Avery Miller

It's summertime—take a break from DGS society meetings until September, but don't stray too far! The board will be busy over the next three months preparing a wonderful lineup of programs and events for the upcoming year. If you have any great ideas, send them our way! Just as busy will be the FGS/DGS local arrangements committee putting the final touches on the 3-6 September conference. Remember that your society is the host of this national event. As members of this society, each and every one of us should be committed to making this event a huge success. Volunteers are needed to work during the conference in a variety of areas. If you have not sent in your personal registration, now is the time to do so! The FGS/DGS Conference is a perfect educational opportunity happening in *our* state, in *our* city and in conjunction with *our* society. Please make the effort to be there, for yourself and your society. See you there!

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## DGS Welcomes New Members

DGS would like to welcome the following new members: Elizabeth W. Beard, Dale & Penny Blankinship, Brenda G. Brewer, Sandra Burt-Jones, Barbara Davis, Jean N. Dickman, Mary Dietze, Tommy Troy Edwards, Robert L. & Lela Evans, Dorothy Bryan Foley, Carla J. Ford, Carolyn Guidry, Julie & Roald Gustafson, Beatrice Henley, Phyllis Y. Homerstad, V. L. Hunter, Rita Louise Meadows James, Betty & Allen

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## Contributions

DGS would like to thank the following for their recent contributions: Clara R. Harris, Mrs. Monte V. Guidry, Irma Janicek, Paul Smittle, M. B. Henderson, Lois M. Murphey, Frances B. Woodruff, Joe Day, Jr., Penny Blankinship, Laura Miller, Thomas Leach, Allen Johannes, Natalie Simpson, William Dorn, Mrs. Grover D. Livingston, Francis A. Lindell, Spencer C. Relyea, Alexis Spiritas, Mrs. George Woods, Nettie Terry Brown, Mattie Frank Pierce, and Shirley Snider.

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## Volunteer News

In addition to staffing the volunteer desk this next year, we will be:

- ▶ Extracting Dallas County Tax Lists, 1846-1920, for publication
- ▶ Indexing Lloyd Bockstruck's weekly *Dallas Morning News* columns
- ▶ Typing labels for new microfilm
- ▶ Volunteering for Phase II of the Dallas County microfilm project
- ▶ Volunteering for FGS in September
- ▶ Additional projects as they come up during the year

If you are not already on our list of volunteers and would like to be, please

call Pam Edman, Volunteer Coordinator, at 214/350-1015. We can use your time and talents.

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## Texas GenWeb Project

This DGS project now has 231 sponsored Texas counties and is progressing well. This project continues to provide excellent national visibility for DGS and is becoming a major Internet genealogical research tool. We are averaging 394 visitors per day to the Texas GenWeb page.

## DGS News from the Past

From the October 1976 issue of the Local History and Genealogical Society (now DGS) newsletter:

### SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Local History and Genealogical Society of Dallas wishes to congratulate the Dallas Public Library, its Director, Mrs. Lillian Bradshaw, the Municipal Library Board, Mayor of Dallas, and the City Council on the 75th anniversary of the Dallas Public Library.

The Dallas Public Library traces its beginning to a "Young Men's Literary Society" which raised funds for a library as early as 1872. Later, local donations prompted Andrew Carnegie to donate funds which opened the

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# 1996-97 Annual Reports

## **Vice-President for Dallas Journal Selenda Billington**

The 1996 *Dallas Journal*, consisting of 130 pages, including index, was published in December 1996. A second journal was completed this term; it will be published in June/July 1997 so the publication of the journal will coincide with term of officership.



## **Vice-President for DGS Newsletter Patricia Mutzabaugh**

During the 1996-1997 year, 10 issues of the *DGS Newsletter* were published; 1350 copies were printed each time. We decided to change to heavier paper to enhance the quality of the newsletter.

Thanks to everyone who submitted articles and information for monthly columns, and special thanks to Hallie Garner, Liz Thurmond, Bonnie Moore, Selenda Billington, and Mary Johnson.



## **Vice-President for Membership Mary Ruth McKenney**

Major accomplishment of Membership this year was the publishing of the Membership Directory and Surname Exchange, with 891 members and over 6200 surnames; this was made possible by the effort of Ruth Foreman. She has

also set up a database of surnames on disk which will soon be available to patrons at the volunteer desk on the 8th floor.

We welcomed 207 new members with new member packets, sent out 497 cards informing of expiration, and sent 31 letters to visitors attending DGS meetings.



## **Publicity and Public Relations Don Raney**

This office provided Publicity for the 1997 Summer Lecture Series and Beginners Workshop.

Met with Gaylon Polatti, Dallas Historical Society, to identify records in their archives that would be suitable for publication in the *Dallas Journal*. Secured a copy of the 1868 City of Dallas Census. Wrote letter requesting that Mr. Polatti provide a copy of the records of the Crawford Funeral home from 1928 through 1932.

After evaluating various alternatives for improving communications for DGS, purchased and installed a Message Center in the Genealogy Section and programmed voice mail messages to publicize:

1. DGS monthly meetings,
2. Beginners Workshop,
3. DGS Lecture Series, and
4. FGS Conference.



## **Volunteer Coordinator Pamela Haas Edman**

Thanks to all of you who volunteered this year. Our accomplishments this year included:

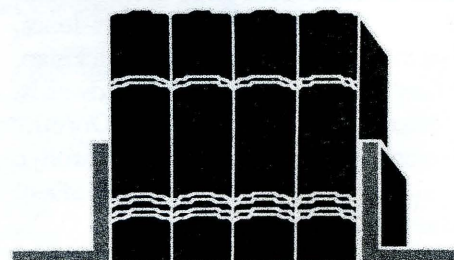
- ▶ Maintained the volunteer desk with over 200 volunteer hours per month
- ▶ Aided with typing forms to send books to the bindery twice (over \$20,000 total)
- ▶ "Brought the books out" two nights following completion of the Capital Expansion project
- ▶ Shelved books when library page staff was short
- ▶ Aided with statistical reports
- ▶ Completed Phase I of the Dallas County microfilm project
- ▶ Typed, labelled, and organized the periodicals
- ▶ Volunteered many hours in bulk mailing of the *Dallas Journal* and several FGS mailings

A volunteer corps was formed, with names, addresses, phone number, and jobs performed or desired. A computer list was given to the library to aid them in identifying volunteers in the new system.

Volunteer week was celebrated, and a gift bookmark and thank you letter were mailed to all volunteers.

During the month of April, we logged in 354 volunteer hours, the highest number since the genealogy department has been keeping records.

*The remainder of the Annual Reports will be published in the August issue.*



# 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.

The **Arkansas Genealogy Society** will hold its 1997 Fall Seminar and Book Fair Oct. 3 and 4, 1997 at the Holiday Inn at Little Rock Airport-East. Friday evening topics include African American and Native American research and the Saturday featured speaker will be popular lecturer Christine Rose, C. G., C. G. I., and F. A. S. G. Registration is \$35 for both days if before 26 Sep. 1997 and \$45 if afterward. For Saturday the fees are \$30 and \$40 according to the same deadlines. For further info contact: AGS Fall Seminar, P. O. Box 908, Hot Springs, AR 71902-0908. (brochure from AGS)

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The **Texas State Genealogical Society** sponsors three commemorative certificate programs. They are open to all individuals, and applicants must prove descent from the ancestor with documented primary sources. The certificates are:

- ▶ The certificate of **Texas First Families** is available if your ancestor was in Texas before 19 Feb 1846. This program is open indefinitely and the applications are being stored, waiting for a permanent home in a library. Lineages will be included in a proposed book. Applications may be obtained by sending a #10 SASE (\$ .55) to Wanda L. Donaldson, 3219 Meadow Oaks Drive, Temple, TX 76052-1752.
- ▶ The **Gone to Texas Pioneer** certificate is applicable if the ancestor was in Texas prior to 1886. Use same address as West Texas Pioneer below.
- ▶ The **West Texas Pioneer** certificate is applicable if the ancestor lived in West Texas

before 1901. Send a #10 SASE to Mac Hill, 2313 Lakeshore Drive, Cleburne, TX 76031. (TSGS, STIRPES, (37) #1, March 1997)

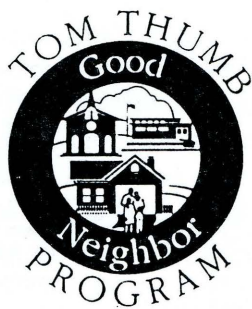
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The annual **Genealogy and Family History Conference of Brigham Young University** will be held at the BYU Conference Center in Provo, UT August 5-8, 1997. They will offer ten different tracks: U. S. Localities; U.S./Canada Records; Emigration and Immigration, Scotland/Ireland/Wales; England; Europe/Scandinavia; Germany; Computerized Genealogy; Family Histories; and Research in Libraries. Faculty from the Family History Library and from BYU. Additional information can be found at their Web site: <http://coned.byu.edu/cwprofes/genealogy/main.htm> or 801-378-4853. Cost is \$145 for all four days, with additional charges if you wish to have college credit for two hours. (Announcement from BYU)

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## Tom Thumb Reward Card

Don't forget to use your Tom Thumb Reward Card! DGS will automatically receive a percentage of your purchases when you use DGS pin number 4235 in conjunction with the card. If you don't already have one, go to the customer service window of your nearest Tom Thumb store and pick up an application. For more information, see the April 1997 issue of the *DGS Newsletter*.



**DGS Reward Card  
Pin Number  
#4235**

*The Descendants of Thomas Pincearna, Progenitor of the Butler Family*, a book by Judge Edward F. Butler of Dallas is now available. Additional information from Butler Family Limited Partnership, 5615 Hillcroft, Dallas, TX 75227. Tel: 972-307-1227. (announcement from Butler Family Limited Partnership)

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# Using the Records of the Railroad Retirement Board

Jim Savage

You can write for pension records of retirees of the railroads at the address below. The Social Security Death Index lists Railroad Retirees, with the first three numbers beginning with 700. Use this address:

United States Railroad Retirement Board  
Director of Public Affairs  
844 North Rush Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60611-2092

Fee: \$16, whether productive or not

## History

The Railroad Retirement Board served as the same equivalent as the Social Security System. In 1935/36 President Franklin D. Roosevelt could not get enough labor union support for his Social Security plan so he made a bargain with the Railroad employees to let them operate their own system in exchange for not opposing his Social Security plan. The Railroad Retirement Board invested their funds more wisely than the government did. In the early years the retirees received much less than the Social Security retirees did, but by 1941 or so the investments of the railroad group began to pay off and railroad retirees drew larger monthly checks than Social Security retirees. OK, history class over...

## What Can you Get from the Railroad Retirement Board?

I received the following:

- 1) "Employees Statement of Compensated Service Rendered Prior to January 1, 1937, To Employees Under the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937." This is a form filled out by my father to

establish his work experience prior to 1937. It started when he went to work in Sept 1904; he had to state the job title, dates of employment, railroad employed by, department of the railroad, and location.

- 2) Section 5, Personnel Record. This indicated every month in which he drew a paycheck
- 3) Section 7, Compensation and Occupation. This listed each biweekly paycheck, the amount, and the job title he held.
- 4) A certified copy of his death certificate.
- 5) A copy of his marriage license.
- 6) Copy of Mother's application for the lump sum death benefit, listing all his survivors, wife and children, with birth dates.
- 7) Certified copy of his birth certificate.
- 8) Copy of Mother's application for monthly benefits, listing her employment and wages.

## Statement included in the cover letter from Bill Poulos, Director of Public Affairs

The Railroad Retirement Board's records deal primarily with the administration and payment of benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act. As such, they do not generally contain a great deal of personal information. And, as Mr. James R Savage died before actually retiring, and only survivor benefits were payable, these records contain even less such information than would those of someone who retired on the basis of age and service.

Daddy died at the age of 72, still working, with 50 years' seniority.

Jim Savage  
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## DGS News from the Past

first Dallas Public Library in 1901.

On Saturday, November 6th, a birthday celebration including a cake with 75 candles will start at 10:30 a.m. The Local History and Genealogical Society will present a donation of \$500.00 and a copy of *The Memorial and Biographical History of Dallas County, Texas*, at the Central Public Library, 1954 Commerce Street.

## Genealogy Section, History/Social Sciences Division, Dallas Public Library.

Before there was a Local History and Genealogy Society, there was a

collection of books in the Dallas Public Library where patrons and members of patriotic societies did research on their families.

Assisting patrons in their research, there has always been a staff of helpful and dedicated people.

Mr. Lloyd Bockstruck is First Assistant in the History/Social Sciences Division. He was born in Vandalia, Illinois, and joined the Genealogy staff in 1973 following graduation with a Masters in Library Science from the University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois. Earlier he received a Bachelors degree in 1967 from Greenville, Illinois, College. In September 1969 he received a Masters Degree in History from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Illinois.

# Genealogy Internet Workshop

This workshop is designed for the person who would like to learn as much as possible about the Internet and how to use the Internet as a genealogy research tool.

*Both beginning and experienced Internet users are encouraged to attend, with the understanding that Session IV is quite detailed in nature.*

## Session I—Genealogy and the Internet

This presentation provides an introduction to Genealogy on the Internet. Topics covered include what is the Internet, Internet terminology, history of the Internet, Internet features for the genealogist, what does it cost, and genealogy resources available on the Internet.

## Session II—Genealogy Sites on the Internet

This session will include on-line access to the primary genealogy research sites on the Internet. Research techniques will be provided to explain how to most effectively use these primary research sites.

## Session III—Finding Things on the Internet

With literally thousands of genealogy oriented sites on the Internet, one of the biggest challenges of using the Internet for genealogy research is to learn how to find things. This session will discuss proven techniques to locate the information you need, plus a detailed discussion of the major Internet search engines.

## Session IV—Home Page Creation

Establishing your Home Page on the Internet is the way to make you and your genealogy research visible to other genealogy researchers. This session will provide detailed instruction on how to accomplish this. An actual Home Page will be created using a live Internet connection and the available software tools.

Instructor for the workshop will be Mike Basham, a professional

genealogist with eighteen years of research experience and over 25 years of experience in the computer industry. He is currently serving on the DGS Board of Directors as the Vice-President for Fundraising and is the Director of the DGS Computer Interest Group. Mike has been actively using the Internet since July of 1995. He is the State Coordinator for the Texas GenWeb Project, which has recruited and trained volunteers to create a Home Page for each Texas county. Mike is also an active genealogy publisher, having published several family histories, county census transcripts, and county history reprints.

## GENEALOGY INTERNET WORKSHOP SCHEDULE—

- 9:00 A.M.—Registration
- 9:30 A.M.—*Genealogy and the Internet*
- 10:30 A.M.—Break and Refreshments
- 11:00 A.M.—*Genealogy Sites on the Internet*
- 12:00 P.M.—Brown-bag Lunch
- 1:00 P.M.—*Finding Things on the Internet*
- 2:00 P.M.—Break
- 2:30 P.M.—*Home Page Creation*
- 4:00 P.M.—Conclusion

**Saturday 19 July 1997**

**Center for Community Cooperation  
2900 Live Oak Street  
Dallas, Texas 75201  
(214) 821-0911**

Map available on DGS Home Page at <http://www.chrysalis.org/dgs>. The workshop registration fee is \$20 per person. Preregistration is advised. Seating is limited to 100 people. Each registrant receives a handout packet and other helpful information.

Bring your "picnic lunch" and join the instructor, volunteers, and other workshop registrants for a brown-bag

Genealogy  
Internet Workshop  
sponsored by the  
Dallas Genealogical  
Society

19 July 1997

## REGISTRATION FORM

Seating is limited to 100 participants, and Preregistration is strongly advised.

Please use one form for each registrant.

Form may be duplicated.

**\$20 PER PERSON**

Make check payable to:  
Dallas Genealogical Society

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Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

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**US Mail to:**

Genealogy Internet Workshop  
Dallas Genealogical Society  
P.O. Box 25556  
Dallas, TX 75225-1556

lunch hour. The time will be productively spent talking "shop" and answering questions. Coffee, tea, and lemonade will be provided. A list of nearby restaurants will be provided for those who want to go out for lunch.

# @HEADLINE = Internet excitement

Desmond Walls Allen

We're still excited about the possibilities of the Internet. If you're connected, you know what we're talking about. If not, you're missing out on a great information resource.

Recently, we needed to know when Easter was in 1923. (An old letter gave a death date as "the Sunday after Easter.") Without getting up from our chair, we logged on and came up with the Ecclesiastical Calendar at <http://cssa.stanford.edu/~marcos/~eccal.html>. And we found the information we needed. But there were links on the page to a document, "The Calendar FAQ" (Frequently Asked Questions). So we visited

<http://www.pip.dknet.dk/~pip10160/~calendar.html> and learned all sorts of interesting things, including when each of the western nations changed to the Gregorian calendar. We also visited The Worldwide Holiday and Festival Page at

<http://www.smiley.cy.net/~bdecie>.

Think of the Internet as being able to run amok in the biggest library you've ever seen and do it all as fast as your phone line will transfer the data. No parking problems, no closing time, no holidays. (Also, unfortunately, no helpful reference librarian.)

It's also easy to get side-tracked on the Internet with all the tantalizing

links to other information. It's rather like open stacks in a library—a title catches your eye and you've been waylaid. We took a little side trip to [http://www.med~access.com/address/vital\\_toc.htm](http://www.med~access.com/address/vital_toc.htm) and found a complete guide to vital records offices.

Watch those URLs (the http stuff you type to go to a specific place on the Internet). Spelling definitely counts. So does upper and lower case. There are no spaces. Sometimes the servers, computers on which files reside, are contrary. If you get a "not found" error message, try again and check your spelling very carefully. If you're using an older version of the AOL software, Netscape, or Microsoft Explorer, download the new version from the Internet and install it. Old browser versions sometimes can't access newer features of web sites. It takes a little time to learn how to use the search engines (like Yahoo or Alta Vista) to find what you're looking for. Most of the problems we've had involve too much information in response to a search query. With practice, you'll learn to enter keywords for what you're looking for and refine them when the results are unmanageable.

The Internet is changing the way we do genealogy. It isn't a passing fad; it's a good research tool and it's getting better.

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The following is an excerpt from a letter sent to DGS by a member in California:

Frances Miers Muller  
5843 Friends Avenue  
Whittier, CA 90601  
562-693-1256

24 April 1997

To the Dallas genealogical researchers,

As a member of the Dallas Genealogical Society, I wanted to share one of the newest publications of my local genealogical society with the Dallas Genealogical Society. In February, we hosted our annual day-long seminar with Desmond Walls Allen as the speaker. Those who attend the seminar can submit a list of ten surnames to be published in a surname book (usually the seminar pertains to a theme, period of time or a location). This year it was pretty general and no restriction of names was required.

Why am I a member of your

society? Well, I was born and grew up in Dallas. I attended Lida Hooe Elementary School, Greiner Jr. High and Sunset High School in the forties and fifties. Most of my mother's ancestors came into Denton and Collin counties before 1870.

While I have your ear, can you pass on a message to Leslie Smith Collier? After attending the Institute last summer and hearing her talk about finding difficult people to find in the census, I came home and took another trip to our local archives. By using her methods, I found my "missing" MIERS family on the 1860, 1870, and 1880 census (spelled three different ways). Her Civil War pension application had indicated they had been in Wood County for thirty years...not so. They were in Ennis, Ellis County during those years. **Thank you, Thank you, thank you, Leslie.**

Sincerely,

Frances Miers Muller



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### Bulletin Board

A **German Genealogy and Heritage Conference** will be held July 17-19 at the Holiday Inn in Waco, Texas. Sponsored by the Bukovina Society of the Americas, the Texas German Society, and Central Texas Genealogical Society, it aims to promote German genealogy and to preserve German heritage. Registration and banquet \$27 after June 15. Special conference rates at the Holiday Inn are available by mentioning BKS. Contact Van Massirer, 124 Canaan Church Road, Crawford, TX 76638 or E-mail: mary\_massirer@baylor.edu. (announcement from Van Massirer)

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A new publication for researchers in East Texas and surrounding areas will publish **Free Queries**. Send Queries by E-mail to joyce@eskimo.com. She considers East Texas to East of a line through Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston. US Mail address is: Piney Woods Newsletter, 5333 7th Avenue, NE, Seattle, WA 98105-3612. (announcement from Piney Woods NL)

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We have many wonderful volunteers in the DGS. Do we have any who are also employees of Amoco? **The Amoco Foundation** has a Volunteer Program to present an annual monetary award/grant to non-profit organizations to encourage their employees to participate in community activities. The DGS could

benefit from such a grant. If you know of other employers that give benefits for volunteerism, let a member of the DGS Board know.

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The Dallas Public Library Genealogy Section has the latest published volumes of the **DAR Patriot Index** in the United States section. What many people do not know is that new ancestors are being added to the DAR Patriot Lists all the time. Those updates which include spouses, dates, rank (if applicable) and state of service are published in the *Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine* from time to time. The latest additional names were published in the April 1997 issue.

(DAR Magazine, (131) # 4)

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## Family History Show Schedule

**Jul 6 Jean Joliffe**  
Cornish American Heritage Society

**R. G. Musgrove**  
Houston Genealogical Forum

**Jul 13 Karen Thompson**  
Save Texas Cemeteries

**Gretchen King**  
Irivng Genealogical Society

**Jul 20 Myra Vanderpool Gormley**  
National columnist

**Patricia McGinty**  
Houston Genealogical Forum

**Jul 27 Robert Scott Davis, Jr.**  
Wallace State College

**Martin Soward**  
Texas State Gen. Society

**Aug 3 Margie Harris**  
Director, Clayton Library, Houston

**Aug 10 Dr. Kenneth Winn**  
Missouri State Archivist  
John V. Wylie  
Everton's On-Line Advisor

**Aug 17 Curt Bryan Witcher**  
Allen County Public Library  
**Ms. Jeri Steele**  
Certified Genealogical Records Researcher

**Aug 24 Mr. Kim A. Morton**  
Humble Area Gen. Society  
**Trevia Wooster Beverly**  
Instructor of Genealogy  
**Chester R. Johnson**  
Ft. Worth Gen. Society

Host: **Michael Matthews**  
Metro 787-1080

10:20 P.M. to Midnite  
KRLD 1080

The **Tulsa Genealogical Society** announces its 9th annual July Workshop, featuring Certified Genealogical Record Specialist, Author, and Editor Sharon DeBartolo Carmack. Sharon's topics will be *Flesh on the Bones: Placing Your Ancestor in Historical Perspective*; *The Silent Woman: Bringing a Name to Life*; *Interpreting American Tombstone Art and Symbols*; and *Ancestors Not News Material? How Newspapers Can Still Help Your Research*. The workshop will be held 12 July 1997 at the Garnett Church of Christ, 12000 East 31st St., Tulsa, OK. Workshop hours are 9:15 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; registration will begin at 8:15. Cost is \$25. For more information, call 918/357-2030.

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Do you have a Germanna ancestor? The fall meeting of the **Virginia Chapter of Palatines to America** on

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# Treasurer's Report

## Barbara Dossett

Balance Sheet as of May 31, 1997

Income Statement as of May 31, 1997

<b>Assets</b>	
NationsBank Operating Fund	\$45,741.62
Bank One Money Market Savings	\$6,564.05
Evern (Life Membership)	\$14,081.34
FGS Prepaid Expenses	\$1,512.36
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$67,899.37</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
CEP Fund	\$6,152.76
Endowment Fund	\$2,000.00
Family History Lending Library	\$643.65
FGS Local Fund	\$46.70
Old City Park Fund	\$325.00
Life Membership Fund	\$10,403.73
Computer Interest Group	\$2,721.98
Professional Interest Group	\$2,171.72
Renee Jackson Smith Fund	\$1,000.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$25,465.54</b>
<b>Equity</b>	
Retained Earnings	\$28,425.96
Net Income	\$14,007.87
	\$42,433.83
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	<b>\$67,899.37</b>

<b>Income</b>	
Membership Dues	\$18,485.82
Miscellaneous Income	\$590.35
Tape Library	\$55.00
Roster Sales	\$844.00
Sales Department	\$7,996.87
Beginner Workshop 6/96	\$819.48
Beginner Workshop 5/97	\$759.61
Lecture Series 97	\$14,024.67
Salt Lake City 97	\$4,560.19
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$48,135.99</b>

<b>Expenses</b>	
Dues & Subscriptions	\$157.00
Refreshments	\$1,189.32
Insurance	\$834.36
Floral Service	\$85.52
Postage	\$3,380.50
Printing	\$1,579.75
Supplies	\$608.39
Newsletter Printing	\$6,527.67
Rental Hall	\$15.00
Sales Tax	\$0.00
Service Awards	\$150.00
Speakers	\$350.00
Journal Printing	\$4,380.00
Writing Awards	\$200.00
African American Group	\$611.64
Miscellaneous	\$509.33

Total Expenses \$20,578.48

Gross Income \$27,557.51

Other Income	
Contributions	\$897.00
Bank One Interest Earned	\$73.68
Evern Interest Earned	\$479.68

Total Other Income \$1,450.36

Library Donations \$15,000.00

Net Income \$14,007.87

## Hereditry

Somebody labored years ago whose name I do not know,  
Ploughed ground or sailed the open sea and loved a maiden that  
I might be.

Two Centuries ago or more, a woman sat at an English door.  
She looked fondly at a lilac tree and passed that bit of pride to  
me.

One stood enraptured when he heard the music of a singing  
bird and now with each returning Spring I find I do the self-  
same thing.

Could we untangle all the lives and learn how much in us  
survives, we might discover just how far goes back what makes  
us what we are.

Edgar A. Guest  
Submitted by Bob Maybrier

# Internet Beginners Corner: Free Internet Alternative Mailing Lists

If you have a computer but are mystified with the intricate workings of the Internet, don't have access to the Internet in your budget, or can't allocate enough time for Internet searches, you might want to think about an Internet alternative that still lets you communicate with other genealogists out there in Computerland. This method is termed using Mail Lists: called by some a modernized version of the *Genealogical Helper!* You don't have to have Internet access to use Mail Lists, and it costs nothing if you have a computer modem and an E-mail address. If you have a modem but don't have E-mail, there is a free program mentioned in the May 1997 *DGS Newsletter* Bulletin Board called Juno. Chrysalis offers unlimited E-mail for a one-time lifetime fee of \$10 a year; see the October 1996 *DGS Newsletter* for details.

## History

Mike Basham wrote an earlier article this year about the "Mother-of-all-Mailing Lists" called Roots-L which has over 14,000 subscribers. For those who are overwhelmed by the sheer volume of Roots-L there are other alternatives in regional mailing lists.

Formerly an unsung hero named Larry Stephens at Indiana University operated several hundred mailing lists that were either regional, state or surnamed based with a server called MAISER. Unfortunately, "spamming" by unscrupulous advertisers caused that system to crash, and many people were saddened and inconvenienced by the loss. Larry has been working on an alternative server (called ListServe) and has some of the regional lists back

up, but the surname lists may never be back. There are, however, some surname lists accessible through RootsWeb which will not be covered in this article.

## How to Find Available Lists for ListServe

Although you could previously find the names of the available lists for the old MAISER-based lists by E-mail, you must now go to the Internet to get the names of current possibilities. If you don't have Internet access, you can do this at the Dallas Public Library. The home page URL of the List Owner of the group of mailing lists discussed here is:

<http://copper.ucs.indiana.edu/~stephen1/genealog.htm>. You can also check at this URL:

<http://www.eskimo.com/~chance/>.

## How to Use the ListServe System

Once you find the exact name of the mailing list for which you wish to subscribe, such as MI-WI-ROOTS-L or ILLINOIS-ROOTS-L, write down the exact listing. Spelling and case (caps or no caps) are very important here. There are no spaces. Then go to your E-mail program and follow these directions.

To subscribe to a list, send a message to:

[listserv@listserv.indiana.edu](mailto:listserv@listserv.indiana.edu). Do not put anything in the subject line. In the body of the message put only this simple message:

SUB NAME OF LIST Your name  
for example:  
SUB MI-WI-ROOTS-L Joe Blow

Be careful about your spelling, as

many errors are caused by spelling the command wrong. Once you have submitted your name to the mailing list, you will receive a confirmation, to which you must reply. This is to prevent fraud and spamming.

Once you have received a confirmation, you will receive a Welcome message to the Mail List that will give you additional directions. For instance, the Welcome message will instruct you on how to send queries, to unsubscribe to a list, to get Help, to receive the messages in Digest (abbreviated) format, etc. Read those directions carefully, follow them, and you'll be up and running in no time. You'll be making contact with a whole new group of genealogists in your research area for mutual sharing! And best of all, once you find the lists that interest you, you can do it for free right from your own home computer!

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## Bulletin Board

Sep. 20, 1997 will emphasize the Robinson River community and will be held at the Hebron Lutheran Church in Madison County, Virginia. John Blankenbaker will be the featured speaker. For additional information contact: [johblank@pipeline.com](mailto:johblank@pipeline.com) or check the Internet at <http://www.wp.com/germanna>. (*Beyond Germanna* (9) #3, May 1997)

# Your Society Needs You! Volunteer Now!

## Volunteers Needed For 1997 FGS /DGS Conference

The much-touted and long-awaited FGS/DGS national conference is drawing near. Over 20 genealogical societies in Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana have received free lectures at their meetings on this exciting 3-6 September conference. A total of 84 vendors have agreed to exhibit their goodies, filling 134 booths. The syllabus is being prepared with handouts from 63 speakers who, between them, will deliver 154 genealogical lectures. Excitement is building as the plans for the DGS party at Old City Park are finalized.

Months of planning and preparation now total two years worth of work for the local committee. But to complete this commitment we need our society's full help--your help!

Are there a few unanswered questions about volunteering, such as: I can't stand for long periods of time; is there a job I can do sitting down? Will I have to work all the time and miss out on all the lectures? Do I get anything back for my effort?

### How can you help?

We need lots of volunteers, men and women alike!

- ▶ Our guests will be curious about what to do and where to go next at the conference. They may need directions to the Library or simply need directions to the nearest hotel elevator. If you can answer just one of those types of questions with a smile and a great attitude, then you are a natural for hospitality. If this sounds like your "cup of tea," call Patti Darnell, Hospitality Coordinator, at metro 817/430-8489 to volunteer.
- ▶ Eager faces will appear at registration to get their coveted syllabus and name tags that will admit them to each lecture. Could you assist at registration by locating their name on an alphabetical list and passing their handouts along to them? This is the first impression most of our guests will have of DGS. If this sounds like the place for you, call Dorothy Bruce, Registration Coordinator, at 972/239-4901 and tell her you would like to help.
- ▶ Just being in the vendor hall one senses a feeling of excitement. We need hardy volunteers who can offer assistance to vendors at the setting up and the tearing down stage of this event. It's great fun and a wonderful way to meet some fine individuals who have a pulse on what's new on the genealogical front in the way of

computers, publishing, and more. If you feel up to this job, call Art Rubeck, Exhibits Coordinator, at 972/659-1879 and tell him you can help!

- ▶ A lecture does not begin without a speaker introduction. Would you like the honor of meeting and introducing some of the nation's finest genealogists? As room monitor, you could. Of course, you will be required to stay in that lecture the entire time. Darn, guess you'll just have to take some notes and listen to that lecture. Hint—pick a lecture you are dying to hear. Call Leslie Collier, Program Chair, at 214/341-5166 if this sound like the ideal task for you.
- ▶ Don't forget that the DGS party at Old City Park can use help too!
- ▶ Last, but certainly not least, we need volunteers to help all those out-of-town researchers in the Genealogy Section at the library. Even though this is off-site, this is a very important part of the conference. A great genealogical library is one of the main reasons genealogists attend national conferences. If you think you can help out in this much-needed area, please call Pam Edman, the DGS Volunteer Coordinator, at 214/350-1015.

If you still can't decide where you best fit it, call Terri O'Neill, Volunteer Coordinator for the conference, at metro 817/267-8023. Terri can give you more information about any of the above positions, plus other places where you can help out.

"NO!" This is the answer to the question that is asked the most. You will not miss out on all the great lectures you want to hear. We can put together a schedule that will allow you to help out your society and attend the events of your choice. If you like you can work several hours in a row and be done with your volunteer effort, or you scatter the hours in between favorite lectures. It's up to you.

The Dallas Genealogical Society is considered one of the finest societies in the nation; we certainly think it is the best, don't we? Therefore, it is up to us, its members, to uphold the final part of our bargain with FGS and staff the conference with volunteers. Please help out in any way you can. After all, we are counting on you to help make this the best genealogical conference the State of Texas has ever seen!

# Searching the Internet

Grace-Ellen McCann

Searching the Internet is somewhat similar to using a telephone. If you already know someone's telephone number and/or web page address, you can just dial the telephone number or go straight to the page on the web.

If you don't know the telephone number/web page address you have to ask information.

A) The Internet equivalent of calling telephone information is called a search engine. Search engines are large electronic indexes which search web sites. It's very much like doing a subject search in a library's catalogue.

Type in the words/terms for which you are looking. The search engine then selects "hits" out of its collection of sites which "match" the search terms you have typed in, and it brings these sites up on the screen in a list for you to see.

Just as in a subject search in a library catalogue, the "hits" you get will be determined by the terms you use.

For example, if you just use the word genealogy as a search term, the search engine will bring up a gazillion sites, many of which will have no interest for you. If you use the words Scottish genealogy or Rowan County genealogy (or whatever), you will get far fewer sites, but chances are they will be more useful to you.

By the way, leave out words such as "the," "a," "an," "and," etc. when you're typing in your search terms.

There are a number of search engines out there. None of them does everything, but the one I have found

most useful is called HotBot. The address is: <http://www.hotbot.com/>.

B) If you already know the address (or URL) of a web page, you can go straight to it (see steps below).

1) Open up whatever browser you use and get an Internet page on the screen (any page, whatever page comes up when you begin is fine).

2) There will be a white horizontal box near the top of your screen beginning on the left hand side.

Depending on what browser and/or what edition of your browser you have, the box will say something like "Location" at the beginning of the box.

3) There will be an address in the white box which is the address of the page you have on the screen at the moment.

4) Put your cursor at the beginning of the white section (left hand side) at the beginning of the electronic address.

5) Click on the cursor, so that the cursor is flashing at the beginning of the white box.

6) Use your delete key to delete the original address in the box.

7) In the now empty white box, type in the address of the new page you want. The cursor must be flashing in the box in order to type.

8) When you are finished typing the new address, leave the cursor flashing at the end of the new address.

9) Hit the enter/return key.

10) Your computer will go to the new page at the address you entered.

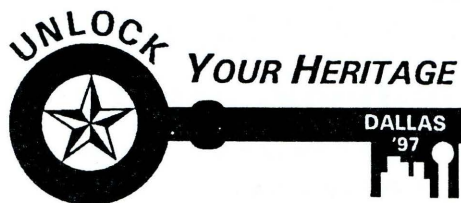
If your computer does not go to the page, go back and look at what you typed. Computers are very literal and if the address is not exactly correct, the computer won't recognize the address. Even a comma instead of a period, for example, will make it a different address, and your computer will not be able to find it.

Some page addresses (URLs) are case sensitive, some are not. My own rule of thumb is to copy the original address exactly, e.g., if there is one capital letter in the middle, I type the one capital...if the address is all lower case, I use all lower case, etc.

Grace-Ellen McCann  
The State Library of North Carolina  
[gmccrann@hal.dcr.state.nc.us](mailto:gmccrann@hal.dcr.state.nc.us)

## REMINDER!

**Check your mailing label for expiration date, and please renew in a timely manner. The money saved in reminder cards can be used to purchase books for the Genealogy Section of the Library!**



# VOLUNTEER QUESTIONNAIRE

The Dallas Genealogical Society is hosting the 1997 Conference of the Federation of Genealogical Societies right here in Dallas, Texas, 3-6 September 1997. THIS IS A NATIONAL CONFERENCE!

We anticipate the need for *many* helping hands to prepare and produce this exciting event. We hope that genealogists throughout the Metroplex, and all of North Central & East Texas, are enthusiastic participants. How can you become involved? Just by letting us know you want to volunteer. The advance planning has already begun and committees are forming now. Here are a few suggested areas that may interest you. Please indicate your expertise and areas of interest.

### Planning and Preparation:

- Publicity/public relations
- Data entry/computer skills
- Telephone work/Office Manager assistance
- Regional and local society outreach (helping us get the word out)
- Travel arrangements (a travel agency volunteer with a "1/800" telephone number)
- Marketing/advertising (we're looking for underwriters)
- Decorations/design (luncheons, banquet, Old City Park party)
- Artwork (signs, posters, banners)

### At the Conference:

- Registration
- Hospitality
- ADA assistance (particularly hearing impaired)
- Room monitors
- Speaker introductions
- Vendor assistance
- Set-up and break-down

### Other:

- I'm versatile; use me where needed
- Insurance

1. I'm really good at \_\_\_\_\_

2. I'm interested in \_\_\_\_\_

3. I have *special* expertise in \_\_\_\_\_

[Please attach a second sheet if you need more writing space.]

★★★★★★

**Yes! I want to help with the "Conference for the Nation's Genealogists," 3-6 September 1997:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Member of \_\_\_\_\_

**Join the team! Please contact Volunteer Coordinator:  
Terri O'Neill; 3814 Wimbleton Ct.; Bedford, TX 76021; Metro 817/267-8023**

**FGS/DGS '97 — "A CONFERENCE FOR THE NATION'S GENEALOGISTS"**

# 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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- Dallas County Texas and the Mexican War, 1846-1848, A History and Roster.* Butler, Steven R. R973.62092 B986D 1995.
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- Hurrah for Morgan Mill!* Williams, Gene L. R976.4551 W723H 1996.
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- Pioneers of the Extreme Northwest Corner of Navarro County, Texas.* Blue, Ruth Holland. R929.37642 B658P 1996.

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- 1850 Slave Inhabitants Schedule of Accomac County, Virginia.* Koger, Celestine G. R929.30899 K78E 1995. Gift of Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck. In honor of Horace Griffiths.
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- Early Births of Raleigh Co., WV, 1853-1870.* Haga, Pauline. R929.37547 H141E 1989.

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- Old Cemetery Burials of Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.* Herzfeld, Elizabeth Doherty. R929.37759 H582O 1995. Gift of Lloyd Dewitt Bockstruck. In honor of Charmon E. Hall.

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- 1790-1890 Federal Population Censuses Catalog of National Archives Microfilm.* R016.92937 U58S 1993.
- Confederate Bonds and Certificates.* Affleck, C. J. R769.5 A257C 1960. Gift of Damian Anderson.
- Hopeful Journeys: German Immigration, Settlement, & Political Cultures in Colonial America, 1717-1775.* Fogleman, Aaron Spencer. R305.83107 F656H 1996.
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- List of World War I Draft Board Maps.* (1 ROLL). MICROFILM.
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*Cornish Heraldry and Symbolism.*  
Ivall, D. Endean. R929.60942  
I92C 1988. Gift of Order of  
Americans of Armorial Ancestry.

*Genealogical Research in England's  
Public Record Office: A Guide for  
North Americans.* Reid, Judith  
Prowse. R929.10727 R356G  
1996. Gift of Lloyd DeWitt  
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MICROFILM.

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In memory of Dr. Beatrice Mitchell  
Jordan.

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Reformed Churches  
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1640-1659.* (2 Vols.). McKey,  
JoAnn Riley. R929.3492 M157B  
1996. Gift of Lloyd DeWitt  
Bockstruck. In honor of Helen R.  
Grater.

**POLAND:**

*Herby Rodow Polskich=Polish Coats  
of Arms.* R929.60943 H538 1990.  
Gift of Order of Americans of  
Armorial Ancestry.

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*Swiss Russian Mennonite Families  
Before 1874, from the  
Michelsdorf, Michalin,  
Eduardsdorf...* Krehbiel, James  
W. R929.30882 K92S 1995.

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Ukrainian Onomastics:  
Onomastic Bibliography, 1935-  
1995.* Holutiak-Hallick, Stephen  
P. R016.9294 R916Y 1995. Gift  
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Colwell.

**FAMILY:**

*Arkansas Travelers: Descendants &  
Ancestors of Daniel & Nancy  
Denton Burford.* Garner, Glen &  
Hallie. R929.20973 B953YG  
1994. Gift of Dallas Genealogical  
Society.

*Cemeteries of Tyrrell County, Eastern  
Washington County, and East  
Lake, Dare County.* Everton,  
Camille Bateman. R929.37561  
E93C 1995. Gift of Lloyd DeWitt  
Bockstruck. In honor of Ms. Carla  
J. Fansler.

*Charles and Cynthia.* Jackson, Betty  
Hollandsworth. R929.20973  
B168YJ 1995. Gift of Wayland &  
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Phillips, John Wesley.  
R929.20973 P564YP 1995. Gift  
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Goswick.

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Connecticut.* Pierre, Joseph.  
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# 1997 FGS/DGS Conference Update

## Early Registration Deadline

by Sammie Townsend Lee, Local Conference Chair

3-6 September 1997! The 1997 FGS/DGS conference is less than ninety days away. Are you planning to attend the biggest genealogical event to be held in our region this decade? We hope your answer is a resounding "Yes!"

That's great, but let me ask you a question. Have you mailed in your registration yet? Just a reminder: you can save \$30 on the fee if your form is postmarked by 15 July 1997. Don't let the deadline slip up and pass you by.

If you need a program and registration brochure that details the topics and speakers for this outstanding four-day conference, call the FGS office at 972/907-9727 or the

DGS phone line (214/670-7932) to request a copy to be mailed to your home. Copies are also available in the Genealogy Section of the Central Library. Information about the speakers and topics is also available on-line at <http://www.chrysalis.org/dgs/fgs>, along with a registration form.

### Other conference news.

How would you like to win a free trip for two to Salt Lake City? That's one of the prizes being given away at the 1997 FGS/DGS Conference. The trip includes airfare and a week's accommodations in a private condo just blocks from the world-famous

LDS Family History Library. And that's just part of the fun being planned for our conference.

All the vendor booths have been rented. We are excited about the number of outstanding exhibitors coming from all over the United States to sell the latest publications and software. It is a genealogist's dream "shopportunity."

ONE OTHER CAUTION: If you plan to stay at the conference hotel, the beautiful Hyatt Regency at Reunion Tower, book your room now. Our room block is filling up. And why not stay at the hotel, even if you live in the city? All the sessions are being held right in the hotel. You can't beat the price; and just having the opportunity to go to your room during the day to rest or put your feet up, or just drop off all your daily purchases from the vendors, makes it all worthwhile.

We also want to remind our local members that you don't have to drive downtown every day to attend the conference. Consider driving to one of the new DART terminals and riding the brand new comfortable trains downtown to Union Terminal. From there it's a short walk through the tunnel to the hotel conference site. All for a \$2 round trip! You can't beat the price or the convenience!

We certainly hope you plan to join us. An educational opportunity like this won't come to our area again for at least another decade. This national conference is designed to help you "unlock your heritage" and provide information that may help you solve some of the most difficult genealogical problems. DON'T MISS IT!

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- BEALL** Need ancestors and siblings of **Samuel BEALL** b. ca 1780 PA, d. 1853 Thomaston, GA, m. 1798 **Gilly PYE**, d/o **James** and **Susannah PYE**, b. 1785. Children: **Allen Alexander** b. 1815 Oglethorpe Co., GA, m. **Elizabeth Caroline DAVIS**; **Thomas** b. 1800 Oglethorpe Co., GA, m. **Elizabeth MABRY**; **Daniel R.** b. 1816 GA; **Betsy**; **Francis**; poss. **Josiah**.  
*Marilee Hageness, 3916 Bramble Rd., Anniston, AL 36207-7004.*
- FREE** Need ancestors and siblings of **William Marshall FREE** b. ca. 1825 SC, d. 1890, r. 1860 Henry Co., AL, r. 1870 Dale Co., AL, r. Crenshaw Co., AL m. **Caroline E. SMITH** b. 1830 SC. Children, all B. AL; **James W.** b. ca. 1852; **William** b. ca. 1854; **Mary Ann** b. ca. 1859; **Joseph** b. ca. 1860; **Alexander L.** b. 14 Feb 1865 Dale Co., AL, d. 9 Oct 1949 Crenshaw Co., AL, m. 1890 **Joanna BLACKWELL**; **Silas** b. ca. 1866; **Theodosia** b. 1868; **Franklin** b. Jan 1870; **William Perry** b. 1872; **John Marshall** b. 1862, d. 1939.  
*Marilee Hageness, 3916 Bramble Rd., Anniston, AL 36207-7004*
- DRINNON** Seeking additional information and contacts with family of **Jesse DRINNON** b. Jun 1883 Hancock or Hawkins Co., TN, s/o **Jesse DRINNON** and **Nancy ODOM**. Came to Texas after 1910 and married here, probably Haskell Co. Children: **Nancy Lea**, **Ruby Jewel**, **Leland**, **Russellfield**, **Reba Faye**, **Elsie**, **Marie** and **Jessie Ruth**. Also seeking information on family of **Robert DRINNON**, brother of above **Jesse**, who married **Veda TOLLIVER**. **Veda** d. 1977 in Haskell Co., TX. Children: **Robert Alvis**, **Geneva**, **George**, **Woodrow**, and **Julie**.  
*Hallie Price Garner, 8923 Woodshore Drive, Dallas, TX 75243-6531 E-mail: hallie.garner@juno.com*
- DUNAGAN** Seeking contacts with persons interested in "Dunnagans of All Spellings" for this region and for national patterns. Seeking people interested in a network of researchers to help each other through E-mail, regular mail and newsletter.  
*Dick Dunagan, 1969 Pioneer Drive, Beloit, WI 53511-3015*
- WILKIN** Researching several Scots-Irish families. The **WILKIN** line came from Fermanagh in around 1728. I have copy of the document where the Enniskeller men agreed not to quarter King James II's men in 1688/89, with the names of signees (including 3 of my surname). I would like to talk or correspond with anyone interested in the same general subject. The **WILKIN** family migrated from Orange Co., NY, to GA by about 1840. Georgia counties involved: Miller, Early, Seminole.  
*C.R. (Bob) Wilkin, 128 Oak Manor Drive, Slidell, LA 70460, (504) 641-7699*
- McDONALD** Seeking parents of **Sarah Elizabeth MCDONALD**, b. Oct 1844 in TN, m. **Louis F. BORING** ca 1864. Moved to Robertson Co, TX, before 1880, to Trinity Co, TX, ca 1890. Children **Mary E. ARNOLD**, b. ca 1864, TN; **John D.**, b. 28 May 1867, TN; **W. F.**, b. ca 1870, TN; **Martha Jane BILLINGTON**, b. 22 Apr 1872, TN; **Amos**, b. May 1876; TN, **Sarah Elizabeth TOLLY**, b. 22 Feb 1880, Robertson Co, TX; and **Parlee KING**, b. 23 June 1883, Robertson Co, TX. Both Sarah and Louis d. by Oct 1912.  
*Pat Mutzabaugh, 2146 Village Crest Dr, Garland, TX 75044-7138, (972) 495-2843, E-mail: PatMutz@aol.com*

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Surname	State	County (One entry per line)	Country	Earliest Date in Locality	Latest Date in Locality
<i>Example: Rogers</i>	<i>TX</i>	<i>Tarrant</i>	<i>USA</i>	<i>1860</i>	<i>1950</i>

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# DGS Calendar of Events

## JULY 1997

**19 Genealogy Internet Workshop; 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**  
Saturday - Center for Community Cooperation.

## SEPTEMBER 1997

**3-6 FGS/DGS; Wednesday through Saturday - Hyatt Hotel, Dallas.**

**8 DGS/LATIN AMERICAN INTEREST GROUP;**  
7:00 p.m. Monday - Christian Care Center.

**11 DGS/COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP; 6:30 p.m. Thursday - DPL 7th Floor O'Hara Exhibit Hall.**

**16 DGS/AFRICAN AMERICAN GROUP; 6:30 p.m. Tuesday - DPL 7th Floor.**

**22 DGS MONTHLY PROGRAM & MEETING; 7:00 p.m. Monday (Reception 6:30 p.m.) - DPL 7th Floor O'Hara Exhibit Hall. Speaker: TBA.**

**25 DGS/PROFESSIONAL INTEREST GROUP;**  
7:00 p.m. Thursday - DPL 7th Floor.

## OCTOBER 1997

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*DGS does not meet during the summer, June through August. Have a great summer, and we'll see you in September!*

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