

# DGS

# NEWSLETTER



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## *Tracking Your Ancestors in the New Millennium*

### **"Finding Them in the Midwest: Illinois, Indiana & Ohio"**

**Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, F.N.G.S.**

### **From Whence They Came: Migration Patterns to the Midwest**

Explains origins of the first settlers who came to the Midwest. Settlers came from places such as the Carolinas, Tennessee, Virginia, Kentucky, Maryland, Pennsylvania and New England. Researchers must know migration routes and the history of an area to begin their search.

### **Records & How to Access Them Throughout the Midwest**

Explains and describes the records that resulted from the settlements from their beginnings through the 1920's. Addresses the records created by individuals, and guides the researcher to records in courts both at the state and county level, archives, and other public locations. Other pertinent research tools are covered.

### **Research in Midwest Records**

Discusses how we can prepare for researching records in person, through correspondence and using microfilm. How to conduct the search of records using repositories of the Midwest, published indexes, maps, and other research tools.

### **The Ancestor's Final Destinations**

Examines the original records and published materials available to discover the particular facts of your own ancestor's story, and shows how to assemble those facts into a story that conveys both the drama and individuality of the migration experience.

## **LOCATION!!!**

**Saturday, 12 February  
Lovers Lane Methodist Church  
Inwood Rd. & Northwest Hwy.**

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Regular meetings and special interest group meetings are held in the plaza level Auditorium and East/West Rooms of the Dallas Public J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street, in downtown Dallas. Guarded parking available underneath the library.

DGS meets **fourth Mondays** September - May. December meeting is second Monday. Social time is 6:30-7:00 for meeting fellow genealogists, renting audio tapes, and refreshments. The business meeting and program begins at 7:00 PM.

DGS **COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP** meets on **second Thursdays** in the Library Auditorium beginning at 6:30 PM.

DGS **AFRICAN-AMERICAN INTEREST GROUP** meets **third Tuesdays** in the Library Auditorium beginning at 6:30 PM.

All DGS and SIG meetings are free and open to the public.

**MEMBERSHIP** is \$20.00 per 12 months beginning with receipt of dues. Members receive 10 issues of the *DGS Newsletter* and the annual *Dallas Journal* (optional). Members may also rent audio tapes from DGS and receive discount registrations to some events.

**DGS EVENTS** include Beginner Genealogy Workshop, Beginner Computer Workshop, Lecture Series, LDS/FHC Seminar, and Salt Lake City Research Trip.

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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 and a member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS). The object of this society shall be to create, foster, and maintain interest in genealogy; to assist and support the genealogy section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library in Dallas, Texas, or to its legal successor; and to collect, preserve, copy, and index information relating to Dallas County and its early history.

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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, PO Box 12446, Dallas, TX 75225-0446, and marked "Attn.: VP, Membership." Current members receive the *Dallas Journal* and the *DGS Newsletter*.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

**Carole Chew Ruska**

What is happening during this last DGS year of the old century and first of the new century? Attendance at meetings, programs, seminars, and lectures has been declining. The Board is getting worried that we may not meet our budget goals this year. That would be a shame, but we cannot make the money if you do not attend. Our fund raising events and sales of our materials are the only ways to reach our goals. Your membership only covers the meetings and *Newsletters*, and part of the *Journal*.

The board tries to plan events that would be of interest to the majority of our members and other attendees, but maybe we are not fulfilling your needs. We need your input very much in order to plan ahead. With the growing interest in genealogy and demand for quality speakers, DGS must plan ahead further than in the past. With that in mind, we are asking all our readers—members or not to fill out the survey elsewhere in this issue and let us know what you want and expect from the Society.

In the meantime, there are still several events left in this board year that I hope you will take advantage of and participate:

- ◆ Lecture by Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, 12 February – The Midwest: Illinois, Indiana, Ohio
- ◆ Salt Lake Research Trip, 20-27 February – still some places left for avid genealogists
- ◆ Library Lock-in (members only), 18 March
- ◆ Lecture by Jim Slade & John Wylie, 8 April – Using Technology in Genealogy Research
- ◆ Meetings with excellent program every 4<sup>th</sup> Monday night through May (library parking only \$1.50)

We certainly hope to see you at some (or all) of these DGS events. We need your support.

February is also the time of the year to start thinking about officers and directors to lead DGS in the coming year, 2000-2001. When you fill out that survey, please consider serving on the nominating committee and/or serving on the DGS board. New people bring new and exciting ideas, so donate some of your time to DGS. Everyone will benefit.

**JOIN**

**PARTICIPATE**

**CONTRIBUTE**

**SERVE**

## LUCILE ANDERSON BOYKIN

**IN MEMORIUM**

**Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck**

Lucile Anderson Boykin died on Christmas Day in Topeka, Kansas. She was buried in her childhood hometown of Osborne, Kansas.

Lucile joined the Dallas Public Library in the autumn of 1956 as a cataloger. From 1958 to 1961 she was Department Head of Serials after which she took a two-year stint supervising military libraries in Korea. She returned to the Dallas Public Library in 1963 as Department Head of Texas History, Local History, and Genealogy. With the library's reorganization in 1973, she became section head of the Genealogy Library in the History and Social Sciences Division. From 1980 to 1985 she was the Specialist in the Texas/Dallas History and Archives Division. She served as manager of that department from 1985 until her retirement in 1987.

In 1963, she attended the Institute of Genealogical Research at American University offered in conjunction with the National Archives in Washington, D.C. On one occasion I had the privilege to be introduced to the Archivist of the United States, Dr. John Warner. When I was identified as being with the Dallas Public Library, he asked, "How's Lucile?" While I had always been impressed with her vast knowledge and her efforts to take the Dallas Public Library not only to the community but also to the nation, I then realized just how widespread her acclaim reached.

She was an active participant in numerous professional organizations throughout her career and remained active in library endeavors after her official retirement date of 1987. She was a life member of the American Library Association and an honorary life member of the Dallas Genealogical Society. She served on the latter's board for a number of years. She also held membership in the Dallas County Library Association, Society of American Archivists, American State and Local History Association, Texas State Historical Association, and the Texas State Genealogical Society.

Pres. note: The Dallas Genealogical Society and the Dallas Public Library have been extremely fortunate to have such professional and knowledgeable leaders to form and build our wonderful genealogy collection. Appreciation can be shown by donations to the Genealogy Section in memory of Lucile.

## DGS LECTURE SERIES 2000

Tracking Your Ancestors in the New Millennium

### REGISTRATION FORM

**DGS members: \$25 each**

**Non-members: \$30 each**

**\$30 for anyone not pre-registered**

**Registration must be received by the Saturday one week prior to lecture to be pre-registered.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, 12 February  
Lloyd Bockstruck:  
The Midwest: IL, IN, & OH  
Lovers Lane Methodist Church

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, 8 April  
Jim Slade & John Wylie:  
Technology and Genealogy  
Cedar Valley Community College

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For more information call the DGS Voice Mail at **214-670-7932**, or go to our web site Upcoming Events at [www.dallasgenealogy.org](http://www.dallasgenealogy.org)

### **REMEMBER!**

When you join or renew your membership, you have as a benefit of membership the option of receiving the *Dallas Journal*, an annual publication of Dallas County records and history. If you want to receive this publication, check **YES** on your membership or renewal form. If you do not have Dallas County ancestors and do not want to receive this publication, check **NO** on your form. The cost of membership is the same; however, the money saved by reducing the quantity of Journals produced and mailed will be added to the annual gift to the library.

## LIBRARY LOCK-IN

**6:00 PM - Saturday, 18 March 2000 til  
5:00 AM - Sunday, 19 March 2000**

This activity is open to DGS members only, and the *Newsletter* is the only way to register. You can park underground free, eat free refreshments all night long, and have uninterrupted research time for 11 hours straight. What more could a genealogist want?

Bring your notes, research folders, and even your computer (it will be safe) and research (or organize) the night away. Copy cards will be for sale and change available for the machines.

Registration is between 6:00 - 7:00 PM only. You must stay until midnight. After midnight, the guards will escort you to the parking garage every hour on the hour to leave. Only a few crazy genealogists stay until 5:00 AM, but you are free to make your own schedule. Dress comfortably (house shoes allowed) and join us for this fun event for members only.

Registration is limited to 75 people and costs \$25.00. DGS will pay the cost of one night guard, and our police officer board member and a fellow officer will donate their time to share guard duties.

Register early since the space is very limited and goes quickly. Use the form below. There are no registration forms at the library or on the web site.

### **MEMBERS ONLY Registration Form Library Lock-In**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City, St, Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$25.00 enclosed** Check # \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: DGS Lock-In  
P. O. Box 12446  
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## 1999 DGS SERVICE AWARDS

The Awards Committee, Susan Powdrill, Judy Johns, Barbara Baylis, and Alan Miller, selected an excellent slate of recipients. Heather Williams presented three Awards of Excellence from the library also. Below are the awardees and an excerpt from the presentation demonstrating their worthiness.

### **Volunteer of the Year – Dorothy Nash Roberts**

Two or three years ago an idea began to take shape to compile Lloyd's "Family Tree" columns into a book. As it turned out, this became a lengthy project. This year's recipient took on the responsibility of indexing these columns. DGS honors Dorothy for the hours she spent on the project and for the finished work—something we can be very proud of.

### **Award of Merit – Arthur H. Rubeck**

The committee was shocked to see that this member who has given to our society in so many ways over the years was not a previous winner. Art is a past President and Treasurer of DGS, and was instrumental in bringing the FGS Conference to Dallas resulting in a large monetary gain for our Society. He is currently on the board of GENTECH and is a contributing editor of *Genealogical Computing*.

### **Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck Distinguished Service Award – Elizabeth Shown Mills**

This award recognizes an individual who has consistently and significantly contributed to the field of genealogy over a period of years. Elizabeth Shown Mills, author, editor, teacher, professional genealogist, has raised the standards of research with her book, *Evidence! Citation & Analysis for the Family Historian*; has raised the standards of methodology as course coordinator at Samford University; and has raised the standards of genealogy journalism as editor of the *NGS Quarterly*.

### **DPL Award of Excellence – Patti Darnell, Monette Grant, Terri O'Neill**

The library bestowed three awards this year in recognition of excellence in volunteer service benefiting the Library's Genealogy Section.

### **Heritage Preservation Award Friends of Fair Park**

Wayne James, Board Director, accepted this award for the Friends of Fair Park whose mission statement is "to preserve the buildings, art, sculpture, and related artifacts of the 1936 Centennial." Their tireless efforts to restore and preserve this treasure for all the citizens of Texas are an outstanding contribution in preserving our historical heritage.

Congratulations to all of these winners for the excellence in their past and present work for the Dallas Genealogical Society, the Dallas Public Library, and the Dallas community.



**Wayne James, Friends of Fair Park; Carole Ruska accepting for Dorothy Nash Roberts; Lloyd Bockstruck accepting for Elizabeth Shown Mills; and Art Rubeck accepting the Award of Merit.**



**Terri Bradshaw O'Neill; Patti Perkins Darnell; and Monette Littleton Grant accepting the Library Award.**

## FEBRUARY PROGRAM NOTE:

Ron Bush, the speaker scheduled for our February meeting, had to cancel because of a family illness. We hope to reschedule him at a future date.

**28 February 2000**

### ***Estate Sales: The Lessons of Isaac Collett***

Leslie Smith Collier

Let's look for a moment at Isaac Collett. No will. No marriage records. No evidence in land and tax books. No provable sons, no provable daughters. Does this mean no Collett ancestry? All that remains of the estate of Isaac Collett is a report to the county court listing goods sold, prices and the names of buyers.

But wait: dig, scratch and analyze this list. Can it tell you more? Yes, says Leslie Smith Collier, our speaker for the 28 February 2000 meeting. Leslie will take us through Isaac Collett's estate, from what an estate sale is to analyzing the list and uncovering genealogical treasures. Is the list a general store, evidence of ancestry or a little bit of both.

Leslie says that by looking at who bought items from the estate sale as well as looking at what was sold you may be able to identify ancestors or descendants you thought were missing.

Leslie Smith Collier is a past DGS President and a frequent speaker at many local and national associations and conferences.

Please bring your family, friends and your memories and join us on 28 February, in the DPL auditorium. Social time is 6:30-7:00 P.M. The business meeting starts at 7:00 P.M., followed by the program.

## ADOPT-A-STATE REPORT

A total of \$845.06 has been raised as of 24 January 2000 for the Adopt-A-State project. DGS members and guests have contributed toward the purchase of materials from Illinois, Indiana and Ohio at recent monthly meetings, fall conference and lectures.

Illinois .....	\$179.46
Indiana.....	\$189.79
Ohio.....	\$475.81

### ***Foster Parents***

Illinois - Karen Avery Miller  
Indiana - Beverly Johnston Holmes  
Ohio - Sammie Townsend Lee

Adopters who have contributed \$30 or more for a specific state:

### ***Adopters - Ohio***

- ◆ David C. Bowman, Stark county
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- ◆ Betty E. Hardin, Cuyahoga county
- ◆ Adele Needham, Cuyahoga county
- ◆ David Navorska
- ◆ Trevor Rees-Jones
- ◆ Elizabeth Thurmond, Hamilton county
- ◆ Barbara Ware, Ross county

### ***Adopters - Indiana***

- ◆ Mollie London, Switzerland county
- ◆ Barbara Ware

### ***Adopters - Illinois***

- ◆ Virgil Burkhardt, White county
- ◆ Selenda Billington, McDonough county
- ◆ Barbara Dossett, Kankakee county
- ◆ Susan Powdrill, White county
- ◆ Bill Schneeberg, Macoupin county

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## DONATIONS

**Dallas Genealogical Society wishes to thank these members for their generous donations:**

- ◆ Melinda Foreman, Farmers Branch, TX
- ◆ Anne Cherry, Dallas, TX
- ◆ Aloha Payne, Southlake, TX
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- ◆ Brett P. Morgan, Dallas
- ◆ Patience Clark, Colleyville, TX
- ◆ Barbara Baylis, in honor of Pat Hatcher
- ◆ Joyce Martin Murray, in memory of Olive Blankenship Lustig

**To the Endowment Fund:**

- ◆ Adrienne Jamieson, Dallas, TX

**We also thank and acknowledge our Sustainers:**

- ◆ Tom Whitelock, Dallas, TX
- ◆ Luther Thompson, Dallas, TX
- ◆ William E. Reed, Dallas, TX
- ◆ Mary Dishner, Dallas, TX

Your generosity helps DGS support the genealogy section of the Dallas Public Library and collect and preserve information relating to Dallas County.

# It Takes More than Census Records to Verify a Family Story

By Barbara A. Ware

How do you prove a family story? Several cousins suggested that my great grandmother's brother had changed his name and moved to Florida. I discovered James E. Visage as a child on his father's 1850 and 1860 census records and with his wife, Evaline in 1870. Their 1869 marriage is documented in Randolph County Georgia. James does not appear anywhere else in Georgia after 1870.

Evaline and her three children are living with her father in Calhoun County Georgia in 1880 where she is described as married. In subsequent census records she is listed as widowed. She continues to live near or with her children through the 1920 census in either Miller or Randolph counties until her death in 1924.

Meanwhile, a J.E. Visage is recorded on the 1885 Polk County Florida census with a wife, Alice, and two children. Their 1883 marriage is recorded in Hillsborough County Florida. No other census record of this J.E. Visage is found. In 1900 Alice is listed with her son, Wallace W., in Hillsborough County Florida. In 1910 Wallace is found with a brother Joseph E., and his aunt, Dililah Visage, age 60, in Hillsborough County Florida. Now James E. Visage had twin sisters, Artemissa Tallulah and Narcissa Delilah. James' father, Pleasant B. Visage previously found in Georgia, is situated with a daughter-in-law and grandchildren, in another enumeration district in Hillsborough County in 1910.

From this, you might assume that J. E. Visage of the 1885 census is James E. Visage. But, deed records in Hillsborough County, city directory for Tampa, obituary notices for Wallace and Joseph E., church records and a written interview ca. 1962 with a former neighbor all name this Hillsborough County man as *Joseph E. Visage*. So the researching cousins *assumed* that James changed his name.

I was not happy that no document tied the two names together. As I continued in my pursuit of the whole Visage family, the Bureau of Land Management web site came to the rescue. While browsing through the search feature of the site, I entered the name Visage. I found a connection in Florida giving the record of a homestead entry for Joseph E. Visage in Volusia County in 1877. While Volusia is not far from Hillsborough and Polk Counties, it is not contiguous with them.

I ordered the deed index and then the deed records from the LDS library through the Dallas Public Library. The microfilmed index shows a number of entries for Joseph E. Visage, J. Ely Visage and E. M. Visage.

The deeds told the tale. In 1877 Joseph Ely Visage bought 160 acres in Volusia County Florida from the U.S. Government under the Homestead Act and subsequently sold them as a single man. Evaline M. Visage of Calhoun County Georgia later relinquished her dower right to the land bought by James E. Visage or J. Ely Visage in four warranty deeds. In one record made in 1882, she stated that she relinquished all her rights "as the wife of James E. Visage alias Joseph E. Visage in all that certain part or parcel of land lying and being in the County of Volusia State of Florida described as follows..."

The cousins were right. James had changed his first name to Joseph. Now I have to work on the rest of the story. Was he married to both women at the same time?

**Bureau of Land Management web site, <http://www.blm.gov.us>**

# NEW ACQUISITIONS IN DPL'S GENEALOGY SECTION

by Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, F.N.G.S.

Cash donations totaling \$4,741.00 have been received from Helen Anthony, Mrs. John Y. Ellis, David J. Temple, Martha Woodward, the Blaine C. Wilhoite Sr. Chapter Sons of the American Revolution, The Bybee Foundation, Adrienne Jamieson, Donald and Margaret Hawkes, Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck in memory of Clyde Turner, Adrienne Jamieson in memory of Lucile Anderson Boykin, Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck in memory of Lucile Anderson Boykin, Col. Cole Digges Chapter of the Colonial Dames of the XVII Century in memory of Cleon Gilmore, Helen Mason Lu in memory of Lucile Anderson Boykin, Steve and Alexis Spiritas and Family in honor of Alma Andrews, Joe and Adeline Spiritas, and Barry J. Mason in memory of Reuben Crawford.

Undesignated gifts and memorials are being used to acquire the Georgia Confederate pensions files on microfilm. The library already has those for AL, AK, FL, KY, LA, MS, MO, NC, OK, SC, TN, and TX. When Georgia is completed, Virginia will be the only other state remaining. The items marked with an asterisk indicate titles of major importance.

## UNITED STATES

### **Alabama**

Old Cahaba Land Office Records & Military Warrants 1817-1853.  
Alabama Heritage.

### **California**

Mountain View Cemetery Barstow, California.

### **Connecticut**

\*The Barbour Collection of Connecticut Vital Records: v. 13 Franklin 17860-1850 & Glastonbury 1690-1854; v. 19 Hartford 1635-1855; v.20 Huntington 1789-1850, Kent 1739-1852, and Killingly 1708-1850; v. 21 Killingworth 1667-1850, Ledyard 1836-1855, and Lisbon 1786-1850; v. 22 Lebanon 1700-1854. 5 vols.  
Of All Those Who Have Been Members of the First Congregational Church, in New London, Between the Fifth Day of October, 1670, and the First day of May, 1840.

### **Delaware**

New Castle County, Delaware Land Records 1749-1752.

### **District of Columbia**

The Georgetown Courier Marriage and Death Notices Georgetown, District of Columbia November 18, 1865 to May 6, 1876.

### **Georgia**

\*Georgia Confederate Pensions: Crisp County (part), Dade County, Dawson County (part). Microfilm, 2 rolls.  
Oglethorpe County, Georgia Deed Books A-E, 1794-1809.  
Chattooga: The History of a County and Its People.  
The Road Past Kennesaw: The Atlanta Campaign of 1864.

### **Idaho**

Footprints through Idaho. 3 vols.

### **Iowa**

Harrison County, Iowa Directory 1905.

### **Illinois**

Blood's Point Cemetery 1846 Flora Township, Boone County, IL.  
Sugar Creek: Life on the Illinois Prairie  
Union County, Illinois Probate Records 1856-1868.

### **Maryland**

Revolutionary Patriots Worcester & Somerset Counties, Maryland 1775-1783.  
Abstracts of Cecil County, Maryland Land Records 1673-1751.  
Revolutionary Patriots of Talbot County, Maryland 1775-1783.

### **Mississippi**

\*Master Alphabetical Index, World War Veterans, Army, 1917-1918. Microfilm, 2 rolls.  
For Dixie Land III Take My Stand, v. 6: Somebody's Darling: Images of Mississippi Confederates.  
Early Inhabitants of the Natchez District.

### **New York**

History of Warwick, New York.  
Burials and Gravestones Families Associated with Putnam County, New York.  
A Research Guide to the New York 1910 Federal Census.

### **North Carolina**

North Carolina Scottish Ancestry, v. 2.  
Historic New Bern.

### **Oklahoma**

Chickasaw Nation Connections to the Indian-Pioneer History Collection.  
\*Indices of Choctaw and Chickasaw Confederate Soldiers.

### **Pennsylvania**

1745-1880 History of Indiana County, Penn'a.  
The Session Book of the Elkton Presbyterian Church Dagus Mines, Elk County, Fox Twp., PA 1852-1891.

### **Tennessee**

\*Middle Tennessee Genealogy, v. 7, 8, & 9.



## Texas

- Every First Monday: A History of Canton, Texas  
Index to the Lewis Publishing Company's 1893  
History of Texas....  
Migration into East Texas 1835-1860.  
Cass County Cousins: A Genealogical Column. 2  
vols.  
Cemeteries with Cass County Connections. 8 vols.  
Trails West: Parker County, Texas Cemeteries  
Northeast Quadrant.

## Vermont

- History of the First Congregational Church Windsor,  
Vermont.

## Virginia

- \*Virginia Colonial Decisions ... 1728-1741. 2 vols.  
Today and Yesterday in the Heart of Virginia:  
Historical Research in Cumberland, Buckingham, and  
Prince Edward Counties.  
Engagements and Marriages from the Prince William  
County, Va. Manassas Gazette & Manassas Journal  
1885-1910.  
Beford County, Virginia Will Books 4A & 4B Feb.  
1811-Nov. 1817 ....  
Death Notices, Obituaries & Memoriams from the  
Prince William County, VA. Manassas Gazette &  
Manassas Journal 1885-1910.  
\*Cavaliers and Pioneers: Abstracts of Virginia Land  
Patents and Grants 1762-1776.

## West Virginia

- Cabell County [W] Virginia Marriages 1809-1850.

## United States

- \*Federal Land Series. 4 vols.  
National Intelligencer Newspaper Abstracts 1824-  
1826.

## Foreign Countries

### Canada

- 7th Town/Ameliasburgh Township Past and Present.

### England

- Essex Parish Census Listings (Supplement) 1695-  
1840. Microfiche, 1.  
Strawopolis Luton Transformed 1840-1876.  
Bedfordshire Historical Record Society, v. 78.

### Germany

- Deutsches Familienarchiv, v. 125.

### Ireland

- Clergy of Derry & Raphoe.

### Scotland

- The Scots Overseas: Emigrants and Adventurers  
from Aberdeen and North East Scotland. 2 parts.  
Register of Testaments Aberdeen 1715-1734, 1735-  
1759, 1760-1800. 3 vols.  
The Gazetteer of Scotland.  
Emigrants and Adventurers from Orkney and  
Shetland.  
Emigrants and Adventurers from Moray and Banff.

- Emigrants and Adventurers from Angus and Perth.  
Emigrants and Adventurers from the Lothians.  
Emigrants and Adventurers from Argyll and the  
Northern Highlands.

- The Scots Overseas: Emigrants and Adventurers  
from Glasgow and the West of Scotland.  
Kirkcudbright Burgess 1576 to 1975.  
Burgess Roll of Banff 1549-1892.  
Burgess Roll of Elgin.  
Burgess Rolls of Fife, 1700-1800. 2 parts.  
Register of Merchant and Trade Burgesses of Old  
Aberdeen 1605-1725, 1726-1885. 2 vols.  
Register of Merchant and Trade Burgesses of  
Aberdeen 1600-1620, 1631-1639, 1640-1659, 1660-  
1679, 1680-1700. 5 vols.  
General Register of Sasines: Counties of Banff,  
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### Curtin

- My Daily Bread: Three Generations of Family and  
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### Dalrymple

- The Dalrymples of South Carolina.

### Dowell

- Ben Dowell: El Paso's First Mayor.

### Gann

- The Ignatious Nathan Gann Family: Three  
Generations of Pioneers.

### Garard

- Garard/Garrard/Gerard/Gerrard/Girard: Descendants  
of Rev. John, Elias, & William.

### Lee

- Robert E. Lee, Soldiers, Patriot, Educator.

### Pullin

- In Search of the Long Green.

### Vrooman

- Josiah B. Vrooman: His Ancestors and  
Descendants.

### ADDENDEM TO JANUARY MEETING

The Handwriting program in January was very interesting and showed what our writing reveals about us and our ancestors if we can find a signed document. Mrs. Cross had some examples of old handwriting also. Web sites on Cyndi's List have more excellent information about deciphering old handwriting. In the alpha listings of topics go to H for handwriting. Click on "Deciphering Old Handwriting" and others.

# PERIODICALS in the GENEALOGY SECTION, DPL

## NEW YORK

<u>Call number</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Holdings</u>	<u>Publisher</u>
929.37474 C244C	Capital (The) - Albany & Rensselaer Co.	v. 1 (1986) - present	Valley Quarterlies
929.3747 C726C	Columbia (The) - Columbia County	v. 1 (1985) - present	Valley Quarterlies
929.10974 C867	Cousin Huntin': membership/ancestral lines/queries (no records)	published annually in December, unnumbered; 1961-63; 1965-66; 1967-68; 1969-70; 1971-72	Central NY Gen. Soc.
974.7 D975y	Dutch Settlers Society of Albany Yearbooks	v. 30-31 (1954-56), v. 38 (1962-63), v. 40 (1964-66), v. 41 (1966-68), v. 48 (1981-84), v. 49 (1984-87) bound in 1 book; v. 39 (1963-63); v. 43 (1970-72); v. 44 (1972-74); v. 45 (1974-77); v. 46 (1977-79); v. 47 (1979-81); v. 51 (1989-93)	Dutch Settlers Society
974.7005 H548	Heritage (Magazine)	v. 2-3 (1986-87); v. 4-5 (1987-89); v. 10 (1993); v. 12 (1994)	New York State Hist. Assoc.
974.721 L849	Long Island Forum	v. 1-21 (1938-1958) on microfilm; v. 22 (1959) - present; v. 56 & 57 bound in 1 book; indexes v. 1-10; v. 11-15	Friends for Long Island's Heritage
929.3747 M697	Mohawk (The) - Schenectady & Montgomery Co.	v. 1 (1984) - present	Valley Quarterlies
974.7 N532n	New York Hist. Soc. Quarterly	v. 26 (1942) - v. 63 (1979); v. 64:1 only	New York Hist. Soc.
974.7005 N532N	New York History	v. 23:3 (1942); v. 31-56 (1950-75) on microfilm; v. 55 (1974) - present; indexes 1966-75; 1986-95	New York State Hist. Assoc.
929.10974 N532	New York Record	v. 1 (1870) - present; subj. index v. 1-38; various other indexes	New York Gen. & Biog. Soc.
974.73 O44	Olde Ulster	v. 1 (1905) only; 1988 reprint version	Benjamin Myer Brink, publ.
929.1072 O63	Orange Co. Gen. Soc. Quarterly	v. 11-15 (1981-86) in 1 book with indexes; v. 16-20 (1986-91) in 1 book with indexes; v. 25-27 (1995-98) in 1 book with indexes; indexes only to v. 1-11 (1971-1981) in 1 book	Orange Co. Gen. Soc.
929.10747 S243	Saratoga (The) - Saratoga County	v. 1 (1984) - present	Valley Quarterlies

929.37474 S632	Sleeper News: Washington Co.	v. 3-4 (1995-96); v. 5 (1997)	Sleeper Co.
974.726 S797	Staten Island Historian	Old Series v. 33-34 (1978-79) ; New Series v. 1-9 (1983-92) bound together; v. 10-11 (1992-93); v. 12-14 (1994-97);	Staten Island Hist. Soc.
929.10974 T786	Tree Talks	v. 1 (1961) - present	Central New York Gen. Soc.
974.7277 W524	Westchester Historian	v. 38 (1962) - present; v. 62,62,66 missing; index v. 1-65	Westchester Co. Hist. Soc.
929.37479 W5275	Western NY Gen. Soc. Journal	v. 1 (1974) - v. 10 (1983); v. 15 (1988)	Western NY Gen. Soc.
974.7005 Y47	Yesteryears	v. 3:12 (1960); v. 4 (1960) - v. 40 (1997)	Francis Grifone, publ.

**New York**  
**- Dutch**

974.7004 H197	Halve Maen: Dutch Colonial period in America	v. 1 (1923) - present; v. 6 missing; some volumes bound together, some separately	Holland Soc. of New York
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**“GENEALOGIST”**

by Larry S. Bonura

Call us what you will  
family historian  
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reporter  
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fanatic

people finder  
sleuth  
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persistent

There is but one goal:  
find the truth

A successful search  
yields eureka screams  
and joy unbounded  
another link found...  
but another awaits

We lift history's shroud  
revealing unseen lands and unknown people  
uncovering pasts forgotten  
renewing old acquaintances  
giving life to the dead  
resurrecting memorabilia  
things owned  
things earned  
things loved

things lost  
things stolen

Armed with directories  
and lists  
and Soundexes  
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and county histories  
and trusts  
and probates  
and tombstone rubbings

and indexes  
and CD-ROMs  
and biographies  
and deeds  
and wills  
and military records  
and luck

We carry licenses that read  
“Have family—will find them”

These tools of the masters  
craft slowly completed family group sheets  
until one day it's complete...

There is but one task:  
finding the next link

There is but one rule:  
never give up

There is but one problem:  
where to look next

Except for that one lost person over there.

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# BULLETIN BOARD

## DALLAS HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBER DAY 2000

On February 19, 2000 the Dallas Historical Society is offering a complimentary event for members and a guest, Member Day 2000: Preserving Your Past for the Future. The event activities include informational seminars that focus on preservation of your family's history. Below you will find a description of the free seminars that will be offered on that day.

**Preservation of Photographs:** From the Dallas Public Library, Sharon Perry Martin, will be instructing a lecture on photo preservation and dating. She will be giving pointers on how to save you family photos from the destruction of time and elements. Sharon is an archivist in the Texas/Dallas History Archival Division of the DPL. She has been with the department since 1997. Be sure to bring an old family photo for a date estimation to be performed.

**Creating Your Own Album:** If you are interested in learning the art of family album making this is the choice for you! President and Co-Founder of Paper Routes, Inc., Terri Lenoir will be our guest instructor. She will be demonstrating the art of creating a family heirloom album. With 16 years of experience and as an educator at the Booker T. Washington School for Visual and Performing Arts, Terri is qualified in the art of paper making, album making and book restoration.

**Basics of Genealogical Studies:** Compliments of the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS), we are honored to have Barbara Roberts Baylis as the represented expert on genealogical studies. Barbara will be sharing an overview of how to conduct an accurate family history study. Barbara is a former president for the DGS and currently is the instructor for Family Research at Southern Methodist University.

**Hall of State Historical Tours:** The Dallas Historical Society Education Department will be offering historical tours of the magnificent Hall of State. The tour, will be guided by Historical Society volunteers.

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through the interpretation of the artists with the specific regions in mind.

If you are a member and would like to join us for this free event, please contact: Leslie S. Lang 214-421-4500 ext. 105 or email [leslie@dallashistory.org](mailto:leslie@dallashistory.org). If you are not a member and would like to attend this event you can contact Melissa Boatwright at [melissa@dallashistory.org](mailto:melissa@dallashistory.org) for more information on how to become a member of the DHS. Look for more Member Day 2000 information soon on [www.dallashistory.org](http://www.dallashistory.org)

## SCOTTISH FAMILY HISTORY SYMPOSIUM TO PRESENT "THE SCOTCH-IRISH"

The 2000 Scottish Family History Symposium sponsored by the Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games will be held Friday, June 2, 2000, at the LaQuinta Conference Center in Arlington, Texas.

The theme of this year Symposium is "The Scotch-Irish" presented by Dr. Jack Weaver of Winthrop University, Rock Hill, South Carolina. Research of the Scotch-Irish is particularly challenging and difficult and the subject is not frequently addressed. The family researcher frequently discovers an ancestor who is believed to be Scotch-Irish, but the researcher does not know what to do next. The Symposium will meet these problems directly with discussions of historical background, unique cultural characteristics, migration patterns, and genealogical research of the Scotch-Irish.

Dr. Weaver will introduce the Scotch-Irish as a culture as well as a group of people. Then he will give the account of people from England, Scotland, and Wales who ended up in Northern Ireland followed by the story of the Scotch-Irish in the American colonies. Part of the Symposium will be devoted to the resources and techniques for genealogical research of the Scotch-Irish in Ireland and America. There will be a panel discussion and ample time for questions.

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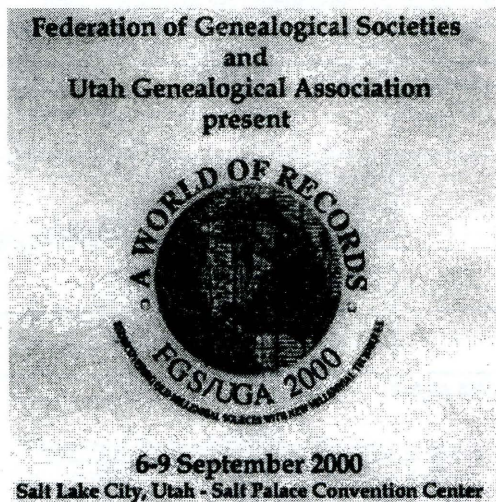
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**Comments** (good and bad) about the society, meetings, events, Newsletter, web site, or anything else:

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I would consider holding a board position \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ I would consider volunteering for DGS

Position considered \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

(This does not have to be signed unless you wish to be contacted, but we want your comments anyway.)

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 Newsletter \_\_\_\_\_ Work at special events \_\_\_\_\_ Present workshops \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Thanks

# DGS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## February

- 5 SLC Trip Orientation  
Center for Community Cooperation
- 8 DGS Board of Directors
- 10 Computer Interest Group  
Selenda Billington on PowerPoint  
Dallas Public Library Auditorium
- 12 Lecture Series  
Lloyd Bockstruck  
"Finding Them in the Midwest:  
Illinois, Indiana & Ohio"  
Lovers Lane Methodist Church
- 15 African American Interest Group
- 20-27 Salt Lake City Research Trip
- 28 DGS Meeting  
Dallas Public Library Auditorium  
Leslie Smith Collier  
Estate Sales: The Lessons of Isaac Collett

## March

- 9 Computer Interest Group
- 14 DGS Board Meeting
- 18 Library Lock-in; must be pre-registered
- 21 African American Interest Group
- 27 DGS Meeting

## April

- 8 Lecture Series  
Jim Slade & John Wylie  
Technology and Genealogy  
Cedar Valley Community College
- 11 DGS Board Meeting
- 13 Computer Interest Group
- 28 African American Interest Group
- 24 DGS Meeting

### WATCH FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

20-23 JULY – MILITARY INSTITUTE, Lloyd Bockstruck & George Schweitzer  
28 OCTOBER – DGS FALL CONFERENCE, Dallas Convention Center

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