

DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

DGS Newsletter



Going Forward Into the Past: A Genealogical Celebration

The second (and last) DGS Lecture for the year 2003-2004 will occur on 7 February 2004 at an exciting new venue – the Eisemann Center in Richardson. This facility is magnificent and a wonderful place to host our lecture by featured speaker Henry Z “Hank” Jones, Jr. He is the author of the well-known *Psychic Roots* series, as well as the Palatine Families series, and he is a very popular speaker on the genealogical circuit. Comments from previous presentations include - “I was spellbound: absolutely caught up in the moment”... “Keen insight into research, methodology, and the rewards of persistence!”... “lots of great information”... “an enthralling speaker.”

See page 291 for details and page 303 for registration form.



DGS 18 take their family search to Salt Lake City

Week-long Hunt Yields a Variety of Treasures

by Ann Melugin Williams



Standing, l. to r.: Barbara and Paul Rimmer, Cindy Henslee Stamps, Charles and Donna Bohannon, Catherine Fleming, Shirley Sloat, Idonna Coffelt, Jeanne Branom, Doris Aubel Betty Jean Steinke.
Seated, l. to r.: Betty Kirk Fritts [ask Shirley or Tresa], Tresa Tatyrek, Lana Henslee Filgo, Liz Thurmond, Linda McCormick. *On the floor:* Emily Ouren and Ann Williams.

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

We've had a busy October in the Society. Besides our regular meetings we went to Salt Lake City for "grass roots" research and enjoyed Lloyd's lecture on Texas genealogy.

Those of us that went to Salt Lake had a great time. Read more about our 'finds' on pages 294-97. We've already set the dates for next year as 17-24 October 2004. Reservations for next year are already open. We're going to be doing the reservations a little differently this year. See the webpage for more details.

Lloyd, as always, was a real crowd pleaser. We are so fortunate to have his vast treasure trove of knowledge available to us.

Our next DGS Lecture is 7 February 2004 with Henry Z. 'Hank' Jones, Jr. at the Eisemann Center in Richardson. See pages 291 and 303 for more information

October's General Meeting featured Pat Hatcher speaking on ways of finding your 'missing' ancestors in the census, and we had a large turn out with over 90 people. We haven't had that kind of attendance in quite some time!

The Computer Interest Group has consistently had over 50 people in attendance for several meetings. Did you know that for both of these meetings you can park in the library parking lot and pay only \$2? You can come early and do research all day, attend the meeting, and still pay only \$2 for parking! It's a great way of getting some of that library research done on a regular basis.

We're having another coveted Library Lock-in on 17 January 2004. See page 298 for a registration form, go to the web site, or just attach a note to your check for \$25 and send it to the DGS Lock-in, PO Box 12446, Dallas, TX 75225-0446.

I hope to see you at some, if not all, our events in the future.

Tresa

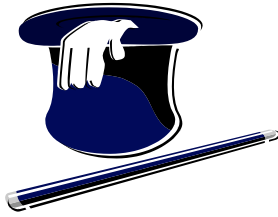
Looking Ahead at our Society

As time goes marching by many things change; and the same is true with DGS. The Society has been around for almost 50 years and has undergone name, policy, procedure, and by-law changes. We have several new things in the works which we want our members to know about:

- Membership management computer software changes are in process.
 - The dues notices will be formatted differently over the next few months.
 - We will be able to tap into all of our wonderful resources for people who volunteered to participate in the functions of the Society. We will be corresponding with you shortly!
- Web site updates and revisions are coming along nicely. If you use the web site, we are going to try some new features that we hope to have in place by the end of the year. 1) We're going to be adding more cemetery records, with pictures. 2) The online event registration forms will, hopefully, be able to be completed via your computer before you print them out. 3) The search engine should work better.
- We will be bringing back the surname database on a secured computer link system. It WILL require a user name and password to be accessed. This may take a while to get in place because of the security issues, but it is coming.
- There are inconsistencies and conflicting sections in the current Society By-Laws so there is a committee reviewing and making recommendations for updates. Hopefully we will have them ready for the Society to review and vote on in Spring 2004.
- An operations manual is being created by Board members, committees and volunteers to outline their work flow. It will be compiled and scrutinized to be as complete as possible to aid in the smooth running our great organization. It is a document that this Board is dedicated to producing by the end of its term.

Welcome To Our New Members

Susan B. Abramson, Margaret R. Garner,
Phillip Jones, Jr., Marilyn Mask,
Ted Munger, and Caroleen Penney



Hats Off!

We couldn't have done it without you...Many thanks to the DGS members who substituted on the Volunteer Desk last summer.

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| Tom Clark | Bill Schneeberg |
| Beverly Holmes | Frances Quigley |
| Peggy Schuster | Colleen Rees |
| Betty Erikson | Laurie Wharton |

It takes a lot of organization and dedication to bring one of our DGS Lectures to you and we want to recognize the following for making Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck's Texas lecture a success!

Shirley Sloat, Rose Alyce Beasley, Pat Biczenski, Mel Brewer, Cindy Burgwin, Gene Burris, Bill Deal, Elizabeth Deihl, Joy & Bob Dunaway, Jerry Fillebrown, Alvin Harper, Patricia Haynes, Jean Larson, Betty & Alan Miller, Ed Millis, Sharon Morrow, Elizabeth Perry, Betty Jean Steinke, Tresa Tatyrek, Ann M. Williams, Robin Yaklin, Pat & Jim Stone, and our host, Dava Stephens from Cedar Valley Community College.

**Happenings Around
DPL's 8th Floor Volunteer Desk**

Susan Morris came through her surgery and is recovering nicely. She is already back in the Volunteer Coordinator saddle! She wanted to thank everybody for keeping her in their thoughts.

Susan also has three weekly openings for volunteers to fill to assist on the eighth floor:

- Monday mornings = 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- Monday afternoons = 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday nights = 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The "perks" are a free library parking pass for the underground lot, working with great Genealogy Department staff, answering questions and helping others with their research and maybe even sneaking in a little of your own family research.

Contact Susan Morris @ 214-942-4051.

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Lost, but not Forgotten!

Robert Bruce Swann died 23 April 2003. He was on our DGS Board of Directors for at least two years (1975-1977).

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**2003-2004
DGS SOCIETY PROGRAMS**

**Regular DGS and Special Interest Group meetings are held at
Dallas' J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
1515 Young Street
in the Plaza level auditorium,
unless otherwise noted.**

**DGS General Membership
Meets on the Fourth Monday**

Our monthly meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. with a program to follow. Come early! Join in on our pre-meeting **roundtable discussion, from 6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.**, in the auditorium.

- Have a challenge? Come ask the audience to offer a solution.
- Found a solution to your brick wall? Share your success -- it might help someone else!

November 24

Speaker: Pat Biczynski

Topic: Researching in Ireland: The Good, The Bad and The Utterly Unexpected.

Millions in the U.S. claim Irish ancestry and many want to go to the Old Country to seek their home place, but don't know where to start. Let Pat's first-person account of an (ultimately) successful hunt for living relatives and dead ancestors help you avoid her trials and errors. Learn to navigate the maze of administrative and ecclesiastical land divisions, because it all comes down to one question: What parish did they come from?

Religion isn't the only difference between the Irish and the Scots-Irish - availability of records favors the latter.

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Pat's "What's in a name?" session will help you pinpoint the physical origins of your ancestors and their ultimate ancestry from successive waves of invaders. A massive fire in 1922 destroyed most census records. How and where to find surviving resources, and what it costs in time and money is a topic, as well as what to bring along for your Irish adventure.

There are lots of surprises - including the belief that we speak the same language!



December 8

General Membership

Holiday Celebration & Awards Presentation

Note different location: O'Hara Room on the 7th floor of the J. Erik Jonsson Dallas Public Library (downtown).

Social Hour: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Dinner: 7:00 p.m.
Catering by Spring Creek Barbecue
Awards: 7:30 p.m.

Please RSVP to Education@dallasgenealogy.org no later than Tuesday, 25 November 2003.

January 26

Speaker: Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, FNGS

Topic: "Income Tax of the Civil War Years"

Lloyd is digging deep for this presentation on government documents during the Civil War years.

- Income Tax
- Voter Registration for 1867
- Sundry other little-known Civil War Records

You won't want to miss this cache of resources!

February 23

Speaker: Rodney Lane Krajca

Topic: "Fort Worth NARA & More?"

Rod is an Archivist (since 1995) at the Fort Worth NARA (National Archives and Records Administration, Southwest region) and is coming to share some of his knowledge on the resources available to us in our own backyard.

Rod has spoken at several genealogical and historical societies on topics that include; the Federal population census, repatriation oaths,

immigration & naturalization records, Indian records, district court records and NARA.

He is a Juris Doctor of Law, (Baylor University School of Law - 1994) and has

- presented papers at several professional organizational meetings,
- prepared "finding" aids to the records of the National Labor Relations Board, Quartermaster General, United States District Courts, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Customs Service, Community Services Administration and Soil Conservation,
- appraised case files from the U.S. Attorneys offices and federal courts, and
- published National Archives microfilm publication M1657, Records of Naval Districts and Shore Establishments, "The Disappearance of Flight 19", 1945, (2002)

We are extremely pleased to have him join DGS for an informative lecture on the research treasures of our nearby NARA facility.

E-mail: rodney.krajca@nara.gov

Computer Interest Group (CIG) Meets on the First Tuesday



OUR PURPOSE: Explore the use and expand our knowledge of computer technology as we search, collect, manage, and publish information related to genealogy.

We have really been "truckin'" technologically speaking – our average attendance is 60+ genealogists and that means we are covering informative topics by great speakers and answering those puzzling questions. Hope you can join us soon too!

You do not need to be a computer guru to attend, Enjoy, and learn from fellow genealogists.

December 2

Speaker: John Wylie

Topic: "Migration with a Technology Twist"

Knowing why your ancestor migrated will help you learn what route he/she followed. Using examples, this lecture outlines and demonstrates the value of understanding the fundamental motives for migration, immigration, and emigration. He will also address the laws, economics, and customs for people moving from one place to another, plus where to find sources.

January 6

Speaker: Bill Dow

Topic: "Second Site and other Software for Publishing Your Genealogy on the Web".

If you are serious about publishing your TMG data on the Web, or if you are sharing your data with family members on custom CDs, you need Second Site! Second Site creates web pages from a genealogy database. It generates either narrative or grid style person pages, a master index, a surname index, and source pages. Second Site is also a great tool to review your dataset.

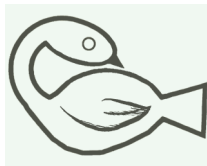
February 3

Speaker: Patricia Law Hatcher, CG, FASG,

Topic: "Tables, Charts and Spreadsheets"

Perhaps you will get an idea of how you might plot out that jumble of information on your lineage and logically make deductions that you can pursue through more research.

**African American
Genealogy Interest Group (AAGIG)
Meets on the Third Tuesday**



The DGS/AAGIG promotes the study of Black genealogy and provides information through educational programs on tracing African-American roots. Reserve these dates on your Winter calendar:

December 16

January 20

February 17

DGS LECTURE SERIES

7 February 2004

Henry Z "Hank" Jones Jr. FASG

***Going Forward Into the Past:
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Hank, a professional genealogist since 1965, has been elected a Fellow of the American Society of Genealogists (membership limited to 50 worldwide). He is a Charter member and former Director of The Genealogical Speakers' Guild, the author of seven (7) books including *Psychic Roots* and the *Palatine Families* series. He had a 25-year acting career in motion pictures and television, including eight (8) Walt Disney movies and numerous other films and network TV programs.

Lecture Topics:

- When the Sources are Wrong!
- Tracing the Origins of Early 18th Century Palatine Emigrants
- Family Traditions: How to Separate Fact from Fiction in Genealogical Research
- How *Psychic Roots* became an "Unsolved Mystery!"

This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy an event in the exciting new Charles W. Eisemann Center in Richardson, Texas. We promise you will enjoy the elegant setting and ambiance.

The Eisemann Center is just off Central Expressway (I-75) between Campbell and Renner Roads at 2351 Performance Drive, and next to the Renaissance Hotel. See their website at www.eisemanncenter.com.

Garage parking will be available at reduced rates of \$4.00, but you are encouraged to take the DART Red Line to the Galatyn Park Station, adjacent to the Renaissance Hotel and the Eisemann Center.

For lunch: Choose to visit a restaurant in the immediate area, bring your own "brown bag" lunch or pre-order a box lunch prepared by the Appe-Teaser Catering Company. These were delicious at our previous lecture! Use the registration form to pre-order a lunch, as no extras will be available at the event.

(see registration form on page 303)

Christmas Gift Ideas?



DGS Lapel Pins, gold on white 1" diameter. \$5.00 plus shipping, or available on DPL's 8th Floor and at DGS events.



The popular **DGS badge holder** is available in red, royal blue, and black. They are \$5.00 plus shipping, or available on the 8th Floor of DPL and at DGS events.

And don't forget our **DGS Gift Certificates**, can be made up for any value, \$5.00 on up. These certificates are redeemable towards DGS sponsored functions and sales items – see our catalogue or booth at DGS events. Contact Betty and Alan Miller for more information, Sales@DallasGenealogy.org, 972-254-9629.

Calling Dallas County Researchers

Genealogical and historical records, articles, and information are wanted for the **2004 issue of *The Dallas Journal***.

These submissions should pertain to **Dallas County**. Maps, photos, and illustrations are welcomed. Prepare your research, finish your editing process and submit it by 15 February 2004.

Please contact the Journal editor as soon as possible to let her know *what* you are working on — by subject and approximate length.

Ann Melugin Williams
(214) 375-6043 or Journal@Dallasgenealogy.org

Thank you to those who have already contacted me about their submissions!

The Collier Diary Project

by Albert Parker "Al" Weeks

Perhaps one of your own cousins or ancestors left a diary of past events which could be developed into a useful genealogical reference book. Consider the possibilities.

On August 20, 1916, Rev. L. Clay COLLIER noted in his diary that he traveled "to Italy to preach funeral of Bro. Ed Lloyd at 3 p.m.," then had "dinner with J.M. Parker." From my own and other's genealogical research, I know quite a bit about Rev. COLLIER, as well as J. M. (Jesse Matthew) PARKER and Jesse's wife, Roxanna Maria "Roxie" WHITE. Roxie was a younger half-sister to Rev. COLLIER's wife, Sara Jane "Jennie" WHITE, hence the frequent mention of the PARKERS in Rev. COLLIER's diary. I suspect that "Bro. Ed Lloyd" was a distant cousin of this Jesse M. PARKER, but that deserves more research. That Sunday "dinner with J.M. Parker" was most likely at the PARKER home in Italy, Ellis Co., Texas, where I often visited and played as a youngster. I especially enjoyed the attic which was full of "treasures". That PARKER house was built by Jesse PARKER ca. 1891 and remained in the family until 1972. This house is still standing today on S. Ward Street in Italy, and in very good condition.

As a Presbyterian minister in North Texas, ca. 1880 through 1949, Rev. Lycurgus Clay COLLIER kept an extremely detailed dairy of his daily activities: where he traveled, with whom he met, dined, or stayed overnight, the floods and storms that affected so many of the residents of North Texas and elsewhere, the bride and groom (perhaps even some of the attendees) at a wedding where he officiated, a child's birth, a death, a funeral, various national and worldly events such as a presidential election or the 1918 truce with Germany, and several mentions of Trinity University in Waxahachie (later San Antonio, Texas).

This extensive diary is a veritable treasure trove of genealogical data about some of the early 20th century North Texas residents. The COLLIER Dairy covers 1910 through 1943, but we suspect there is an earlier diary, yet to be discovered, perhaps covering about 1870 through 1909.

In the COLLIER Diary, the June 14, 1911, entry includes "To Italy to marry Beatrice Moore. Dinner with J. F. Park [not Parker, but perhaps yet another cousin]. Wedding at 8:30. E. C. Jones to Beatrice Moore. Night with Parker." This carefully dated statement by the presiding minister serves as a good genealogical source for the wedding data. The Ellis Co. Courthouse likely has a corresponding marriage record, although I have yet to investigate.

As I recall, J. F. PARK lived just across the street from J. M. PARKER in Italy, Texas, and had a wife named Ida that was referenced as "Aunt Ida" by J. M. PARKER's eldest son, Herman Collier PARKER, my mother's father. When I was very young I recall sitting on the front porch of the PARK home in Italy talking with a very elderly Aunt Ida not long before she died. Again, research is needed to clearly identify Frank and Ida PARK and the relationship with the COLLIERs, WHITEs, and PARKERs.

Incidentally, Herman C. PARKER's middle name, Collier, was definitely chosen to show great respect for Rev. L. Clay COLLIER who presided at the wedding of Herman's parents, Roxie WHITE and Jesse M. PARKER, in Itasca, Hill Co. Texas, 22 December 1889.

In the COLLIER Diary, the June 12, 1915 entry includes "To Italy to conduct funeral of Mrs. Will Smith nee Miss Dodson. Night with Parker. Supper with Sallie." What a genealogical find here -- a maiden name of DODSON. I do not yet have any other data on this SMITH Family. "Sallie" is mentioned often elsewhere in the diary. More research is needed to correctly identify Sallie, likely a relative of Rev. COLLIER or his wife.

The December 28, 1917 entry includes "Went to Waxahachie this a.m. ... To Italy p.m. Supper with Alice. Night with Sallie." The December 29 entry includes "Dinner with Uncle Frank and Ida Park. ... Supper with Parker's. Roxie has grippe." Aha! Note the reference to "Uncle Frank", probably the same as the earlier referenced "J. F. Park", and perhaps a reasonable explanation as to why my grandfather, Herman C. PARKER, used the name "Aunt Ida". Again, a direction for more research.

The May 3, 1922 entry includes "To Dallas to State Sunday School Convention. Night with Herman Parker." At this time, I believe Herman Collier PARKER was living in Oak Cliff (Dallas) with his wife and young daughter, my mother. Note to self - Check city directory. More research needed.

It is very clear that the content of the COLLIER Diary deserves considerable work to enhance its genealogical value and its availability for researchers.

A great-granddaughter of Rev. COLLIER in Fort Worth, and a cousin of mine via a different common ancestor*, has the original COLLIER Diary. She has just finished the laborious transcription of the diary contents into a digital form, some 247 rather full pages. Wow! What a genealogical treasure trove. She, several other cousins, and I are now reviewing and editing this transcription. We know that we need to significantly enhance the genealogical content of the diary in preparation of what we hope will become a very useful genealogical reference document, likely to be published as a book.

Although our plans change a bit as we (the "diary working group") progress through and better understand the nature of the considerable detail in the diary, we believe that we can identify in detail almost all of the persons and places referenced in the diary. We believe that we can greatly enhance the genealogical content of the diary with extractions from our own genealogical research, supplemented by considerable directed research as we progress through the events recorded in the diary. And, of course, there must be a comprehensive index of persons and places, hopefully more complete and useful than the minimal index one typically finds.

At this point we know that we have an enormous project, essentially a "tiger by the tail." But we firmly believe that we can produce a publication of value for genealogical researchers.

*Rev. Robert Macklin WHITE, Jr. (1840 Johnson Co. MO – 1906 Ellis Co. Texas), also a Presbyterian minister, was the father-in-law of Rev. Lycurgus Clay COLLIER (1850 Morgan Co. MO – 1949 Tarrant Co. Texas), and is the common ancestor for each member of this working group of

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cousins now dissecting and enhancing the COLLIER Diary. More research might reveal that Rev. WHITE was the officiating minister for the WHITE-COLLIER wedding in 1889 in Ovilla, Ellis Co. Texas.

Bad Weather

In the event of an ice storm or major weather situation on a meeting night, log on to: www.DallasGenealogy.org or listen for DGS updates on the radio and TV announcements.

PENNSYLVANIA RESEARCHERS' CORNER

INDEX TO PENNSYLVANIA'S COLONIAL RECORDS SERIES

The first 16 volumes of the Pennsylvania Archives, forming a distinct series known as Colonial Records, are a treasure trove and form one of the cornerstones of early American record sources. Aware of the unfulfilled potential of the Colonial Records, Dr. Mary Dunn of Uniontown, Pennsylvania compiled her own manuscript indexes to the series. We are pleased to offer Dr. Dunn's INDEX to the 16 volumes of Pennsylvania's Colonial Records, naming some 50,000 men and women who played a role in the early history of Pennsylvania.

www.genealogical.com/item_detail.asp?ID=1545

EARLY LUTHERAN BAPTISMS AND MARRIAGES IN SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA

One of the first clergymen to serve the early Pennsylvania-German settlers, John Casper Stoever, maintained a ministry in southeastern Pennsylvania for 50 years, during which time he kept a record of the baptisms and marriages he performed in his missionary travels. Stoever's journal is reprinted here, complete with an index so sadly lacking in the original.

www.genealogical.com/item_detail.asp?ID=5615

PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN IMMIGRANTS, 1709-1786

The lists making up this remarkable work try to identify German emigrants in their homeland and in Pennsylvania. Emigrants are cited with references to manumission records, parish registers,

passports, and other papers of German and Swiss provenance. They are noted again, where possible, with reference to an equivalent range of Pennsylvania source materials, notably church records, wills, and tax lists of settlement in southeastern Pennsylvania.

www.genealogical.com/item_detail.asp?ID=6530

PENNSYLVANIA MARRIAGES PRIOR TO 1790

This work features a base list of 6,500 marriages, to which have been added a further 3,500 marriages from articles in "The Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography" and "The Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine." All 10,000 marriages are based on public records as opposed to church records.

www.genealogical.com/item_detail.asp?ID=3390

THE PROVINCIAL COUNCILORS OF PENNSYLVANIA

This work belongs in every American genealogy library because it covers many of the leading families of the mid-Atlantic region and includes the entire progeny of the councilors -- including daughters of daughters of daughters, sons of sons of sons, cadet branches who moved west, and English, French, German, and other foreign descendants.

www.genealogical.com/item_detail.asp?ID=3142



LOOK FOR DGS NOTICES

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Check out the new DGS Bulletin Board on DPL's 8th Floor!

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Week-long Hunt Yields a Variety of Treasures

Cousins and other assorted people have asked me why they should go to the Family History Library in Salt Lake City to do family history research.

Until this October, when I went for the first time, I didn't really know. Now I do.

Our DGS group of 18 arrived on or before Oct. 5, and departed for home Oct. 12. This meant six full days and several nights until 9:00 p.m. in the library.

The reasons we went and will go again?

- You can look at records from virtually every county in the United States without traveling to each county. You can read—and copy—new books, old books, out-of-print books.
- You walk into the U.S./Canada microfilm room and feel as though you're in a bank vault. The cabinets have got to be eight feet high and they go on forever. The *first* bank of cabinets goes from no. 1 to no. 171,000.

Yes, you can order most of these through the Genealogy Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library or any other local Family History Center. "However," points out Betty Jean Steinke, "sometimes you can't tell from the catalog which roll you need. So you order a roll and wait two weeks, and it's the wrong roll. So you return it and order another roll and wait two more weeks. If you're there, you just go put it back in the drawer and pick up another one."

Another advantage is that on the International Floor, you can usually find a staff member who is an expert on the country and can translate the language. Betty Jean worked on Swedish and German records. Cathy Fleming worked on Norwegian records.

If the FHL has it, you can find it because the library is indexed to a fare-thee-well. I was searching for my elusive southern Bannisters. In the catalog, I found a reference to Bannister in a microfiche index to a book. I looked at the fiche. Bannister (no first name) would be on page 291.

Needless to say, I went back to the catalog to find the book. It was a very old book on microfilm. Sure enough, there he was on page 291 near the bottom of the page: So-and-so "was killed by a man named Bannister who made his escape and was never heard from again."

That proves he's one of mine—but don't you love the quality of the indexing?

Shirley Sloat was the trip coordinator and "mother hen" for the group, which included Charles and Donna Bohannon, Emily Ouren, Liz Thurmond, Shirley and Ann Williams, all of Dallas; Cathy Fleming, The Colony; Jeanne Branom, Commerce; Tresa Tatyrek, Flower Mound; Doris Aubel and Betty Jean, Garland; Betty Fritts, Hunt; Idonna Coffelt, Kerrville; Lana Filgo, Lancaster; Cindy Stamps, Richardson; Barbara and Paul Rimmer, Rockwall; and Linda McCormick, Sherman. All Texans!

On Oct. 10, Shirley and Tresa, president of the DGS, presented the FHL with a copy of Shirley's book *Dallas County Records of Interest to the Genealogist at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, Dallas Public Library System*.

Some of Our Findings:

- Betty Fritts found a Revolutionary War ancestor's will with all his family information.
- Using the library's new technology, Lana scanned the microfilm of a 1,000-page out-of-print book onto a CD (\$1.50 each). This library is the only repository she knows of that owns the book.
- Emily was less ambitious but copied a book called *A McFadden Chronology 1710-1900*. This chronology, which followed the McFadden family from Chester District, S.C., to Lamar Co., Texas, gave Emily clues to the identity of the father of her half-Indian grandmother.
- Doing research for a friend, Jeanne found two wills, three marriages, and two family histories. (Jeanne is our prolific writer who has never used a computer and doesn't intend to start now.)
- Tresa found her Lewis line in land patent and plat books for Washington Co., Ark., including a "for love and affection" deed to a daughter and son-in-law.
- For her husband Mitch's family, she found a 1792 Spanish land record in Louisiana and marriage records with the signatures of many of his ancestors.
- Paul, who is new to genealogy, found his father, his grandfather and several cousins in the World War I draft cards. It was exciting for him to see all these people at the same place and time.
- Paul also enjoyed making five-cent copies. Yes, paper copies. Copies from microfilm to paper are 23 cents and from microfilm to CD are free. But you have to buy the CD for \$1.50.

- Barbara found Illinois land records indicating that her ancestors had a lot more land than she thought.
- Cindy found several cousins at the library.

There happened to be groups from Austin and from College Station in Salt Lake City the same week we were.

One day I wore my Melugin reunion T-shirt, and a woman in the coffee shop accosted me, pronouncing Melugin (me LOO jin) correctly! She had grown up near Melugin's Grove, Ill., and took my card for a friend in Wisconsin who's researching Melugins. (That could turn out to be my biggest find.)

Some finds weren't exactly genealogical. Several people commented on how congenial the group was. "Every single member of the group added something great to the total experience," says Shirley. "And we laughed a lot."

Everyone was warned to bring an extra pair of glasses for back-up. And, of course, you needed to clean your glasses frequently. Cindy got the award for most creative method—just leave your glasses on your tray at the staff cafeteria. By the time you get outside and remember them, the glasses will have gone through the wash cycle. And by the time you find and get permission from the Catering Office to go into the kitchen, they'll be rinsed and almost dry!

When you're doing so much reading, your lives center around glasses. Tresa made the serendipitous discovery that sun glasses work as well as the famous yellow plastic sheets for reading faint microfilm. This is a real discovery because we can't get the yellow sheets anymore.

On our last Sunday, some went to hear the Mormon Tabernacle Choir tape their weekly broadcast. What a gift that was! "Climb Every Mountain" made Shirley think of the mountains her ancestors "had to climb to survive, let alone to improve their conditions." She left energized to continue her own climb.

I have always been struck by the partings of my ancestors and how many of our ancestors left family knowing that they would never see parents or children again. "Danny Boy" sung a cappella was exquisite and recalled the pain when children left the old country. And the choir's sign off of "God Be

with You Till We Meet Again" struck another chord with me as I wondered how many times our families had uttered this sentiment. What an appropriate good-bye to family searching!

Resolutions for next year

1. I will not go back to Salt Lake City without a rolling briefcase.
2. I will take at least five major problems to work on so that I can shift gears when I get frustrated.
3. I will take every family line with me if I can do this and roll my bag onto the plane.
4. I will not take my laptop computer because there is not enough room for it at the microfilm readers, and I worry too much about its getting stolen.
5. I will not take my information in my usual loose leaf notebooks because there is not enough room for them at the readers. This makes them so much dead weight.
6. I will not take enough supplies to set up an office in my hotel room.
7. I will take only loose-fitting clothes for those long days of sitting. Also I will not take a different outfit for every day because I will wind up wearing just the two or three that are most comfortable.
8. I will take an empty bag for carrying photo copies home.
9. On my first day I will search the family history books because I'm almost assured of a success there. I found a new book on my Mahurin line that had me listed in it! It also took me two generations further back, making seven generations of Mahurins.

Please clip and save this for next year because none of us will remember it then. The Salt Lake City trip will be October 17-24, 2004.



Fun Sites We Found While in SLC

www.familysearch.org

Family History Center at LDS

Includes:

- International Genealogical Index, what you can find on the microfiche, but more current and easier to search
- Ancestral Files, what you can find on the CD's from LDS

GENERAL DGS NEWS

- Pedigree Resource Files, submissions to LDS by individuals
- Their card catalog for the Libraries in Salt Lake City
- 1880 US census, 1881 British and Canadian Census

www.rootsweb.com
now a part of *ancestry.com*

Rootsweb is FREE, parts of *ancestry.com* are by subscription only.

Includes:

- Search Engines for all of the *Rootsweb* sites
- The most up-to-date Social Security Death Index
- WorldConnect
- Resource Pages for 10,000 of the more popular names
- Resource Pages for every county in every state
- Sponsor of many of the USGenWeb projects
- Cindy Howell's List

www.usgenweb.com

Includes:

- Links to pages for each state in the genealogical web
- Search engines for those sites that are located at www.rootsweb.com
- Census extraction project
- Maps

<http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/>

Includes:

- Land Patent records of the federal government from 1820 to 1908
- Only Public Land States are included (they are not complete)
- Can look at actual image of patent and capture by printing

<http://www.nara.gov/>

Includes:

- Locations of National Archives
- Resources available at each location

<http://www.vitalrec.com/>

Includes:

- Locations to obtain vital records by state and then county level
- www.genealogy.com

(subscription required)

Includes:

- Genealogy Library – indexes, books online and searchable databases
- Heritage Quest census records

www.ancestry.com
(subscription required)

Includes:

- All census records with indexes for 1790, 1800, 1810, 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850, 1860, 1880, 1920, 1930. 1930 is an every name index
- Vital records
- Historic Newspapers

Most Texas libraries have access to the TexShare databases. *Heritage Quest's* census records and genealogical books are available through the project of the Texas State Libraries. They have indexed census records for 1910 as well as, 1870 and prior years. 1920 is currently in the works.



In September,

I submitted last year's editions of the DGS Newsletter to the Texas State Genealogical Society to be entered into their TSGS Writing Awards 2003, Books & Periodicals division.

We received a call in early November that we had received recognition. A local genealogist, who was attending the TSGS Conference in Austin, 8-10 November 2003, accepted the award on our behalf at the Friday night dinner.

Our DGS publication received the Distinguished Award accompanied by a \$25.00 check. We have a great team of writers and editors that make this possible nine times a year – a big thank you to all of them that get the *news to you!*

Respectfully submitted, *Marti Fox, DGS Editor*



A mystery guest submitted the Dallas Journal and it was also recognized and included a \$25.00 award to DGS.

The Dallas Genealogical Society

Presents a



Library Lock-in
For Members Only



17 January 2004

From 6:00 p.m. – 2:00 a.m.
Light supper and snacks provided

in cooperation with the
J. Erik Jonsson Dallas Public Library
1515 Young Street
Dallas, Texas

Price: \$25.00 per person
Limit 100 people

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Total enclosed: \$_____.00

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DGS Lock-in
PO Box 12446
Dallas, TX 75225-0446

Free Beginner's Workshops

Saturday, 6 December 2003, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., at
the Kleberg/Rylie branch library
Saturday, 13 March 2004, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., at the
Skillman/Southwestern branch library
Thursday, 22 April 2004, 11:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m., at the
Park Forest branch library
Oak Lawn branch library is also in the planning stage.

Invite a friend and join us!

Cindy Burgwin, VP of Education, 972-723-0887,
Education@DallasGenealogy.org

Copy Cards Only!

Did you know that DPL's Eighth Floor has gone to plastic Copy Cards? No longer can you put coins in the machine. Not to worry, the cards are for sale from the Eighth Floor and all Information Desks.

Who?... Me?... No Way!

As rewarding as genealogy is, it can become an all-consuming passion. One can easily become so deeply engrossed in genealogy that all else dissolves into insignificance. It has been well documented that many genealogists forget to eat, sleep, or both.

The warning signs are clear and unmistakable. You are too involved with genealogy and need to get a life (or at least visit Betty Ford's clinic) if:

- All the furniture in your house has been replaced with file cabinets
- You own a complete set of the US Census on microfilm
- You'd rather redo the research than look for the answer in your notes
- When you have trouble falling asleep, you form soundex codes instead of counting sheep
- You brake for cemeteries
- You can give documented answers to all the queries in *Ansearchin News* for the past 5 years
- You can name all 64 of your great-great-great-great grandparents, but cannot remember the names of your grandchildren
- You have a computer dedicated to each of the 43 lineages your are currently researching
- You can answer the following without using paper and pencil: If my step-brother from Mom's first marriage and my half-brother from Dad's second marriage marry my twin aunts from grandpa's fourth marriage, what will be my relation to their children?
- You can say "eponymous" without getting tongue-tied
- You belong to every genealogy society within a 10,000 mile radius
- The Family History Center in Salt Lake City rents film from you
- Xerox gives you "frequent copier" discounts
- NASA requests that you turn off your satellite computer system during lift-offs and re-entries
- Lloyd asks you for help!

Observations by our beloved, Alvin Harper

NEW ACQUISITIONS IN GENEALOGY

compiled by: Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, FNGS



The following contributions have been made to the Genealogy Section:

*(*Those with an asterisk indicate sources of major significance)*

- \$1,000 from Barbara Dossett in memory of J. O. Dossett

In memory of Linda E. (Boyd) Lawhon

- \$30 from Alvin E. Harper
- \$25 from Mickey Michel
- \$25 from John Boggs
- \$35 from Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck
- \$50 from Barbara Dossett
- \$25 from Shirley Remnant Sloat
- \$100 from Dorothy L. Forsyth
- \$25 from Shari L. Degan
- \$100 from the Barton Protective Services Personnel
- \$25 from Joyce & John Hammett

In honor of Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck

- \$100 from the North Collin County Genealogical Society
- \$50 from the Highland Park Chapter NSDAR
- \$100 from the First United Methodist Church of Richardson

UNITED STATES

- Free African Americans of North Carolina, Virginia and South Carolina from the Colonial Period to about 1820. 2 volumes.
- Prima's Official Companion to Family Tree Maker, Version 5.
- Unlocking the Secrets in Old Photographs.
- Five Hundred Leaders of Influence.
- Land & Property Research in the United States.
- *Index to Indian Depredation Claims.
- Black Genesis: A Resource Book for African-American Genealogy.
- Ahnentafels: Ancestral Charts for Families of German Heritage.
- Creativitree: Design Ideas for Family Trees.
- Family Associations: Organization and

Management.

- *Order of the Founders and Patriots of America Register, Lineages of Associates, 1896-1993. Volume 5.
- *American Genealogical-Biographical Index to American Genealogical, Biographical, and Local History Materials. Vol. S-14, Emms-Gobil.
- *Case Files of Investigations by Levi C. Turner & Lafayette C. Baker, 1861-1866. Microfilm, rolls 87-137.
- WWII Military Records: A Family Historian's Guide.
- *1884 Hester Roll of the Eastern Cherokee.
- Gold Medal CCC Company 1538: A Documentary.
- *Papers of George Washington, Revolutionary War Series. Vol. 13, 1777-78.
- Tudor Rose Councillor.
- Order of the Crown of Charlemagne in the United States of America. 1994.
- Scots in the USA and Canada, 1825-1875. Part Two.
- Documentary History of Reconstruction.
- Descendants of Mexican War Veterans...Roster and Bylaws of the Organization. 1994 & 2002.
- Ship Passenger Lists: The South, 1538-1825.
- International Directory of Distinguished Leadership.
- American Genealogical-Biographical Index to American Genealogical, Biographical and Local History Materials. S-15, Goble-Hill, James Q.
- Official Military Atlas of the Civil War.
- *Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence. Vol. 1. [revised]
- National Genealogical Society 2002 Conference in the States: Program Syllabus.
- Passenger and Immigration Lists Index. Supplement. 2004.
- American Passenger Arrival Records: A Guide to the Records of Immigrants Arriving at American Ports by Sail and Steam.
- Nicknames Past and Present: A List of Nicknames for Given Names used in the Past and Present.
- Women and the Law of Property in Early America.

ALABAMA

- Heritage of Clarke County, Alabama.
- Death, Marriage and Probate Notices from Montgomery, Alabama Newspapers. Vol. 1, 1821-1865.

RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

- Tracing Your Alabama Past.
- Heritage of Geneva County, Alabama.
- Heritage of Crenshaw County, Alabama.

ARKANSAS

- Hempstead County, Arkansas, Cemeteries. Book 5.
- Cemeteries of Yell County, Arkansas. Vols. 3, 6 & 8.
- Cloud of Witnesses: A History of Salem Camp Meeting and Salem United Methodist Church.
- *Arkansas 1950 Death Index. Microfiche, 10.
- Hempstead County, Arkansas, Abstract of Wills, Intestate and other Probate Records, 1822-1917.
- Settlers of Lovely County and Miller County, Arkansas Territory 1820-1830.
- History of Marion County. Record. 2002.
- Drew County, Arkansas Cemetery Records.
- "No Land, Only Slaves": Slave Conveyances Abstracted from the Deed Books of Lafayette County, Arkansas.

CALIFORNIA

- California State Cemeteries, Births from 1790 to Deaths in 1979.
- Magalia Cemetery, 1857-2000: Magalia, Butte County, California.
- San Francisco Passenger Departure Lists. Vol. VI, 14 January 1853 to 30 June 1853.

COLORADO

- Surface Creek Country.

DELAWARE

- Land Records of Sussex County, Delaware.
- *Records of the Welsh Tract Baptist Meeting, Pencader Hundred, New Castle County, Delaware, 1701 to 1828.
- Colonial Families of Delaware. Volume 4.
- Kent County, Delaware Land Records. Volume 10, 1772-1775.
- African American Collection, Kent County, Maryland.
- *World War II Draft Registration (Fourth Registration) for the State of Delaware. Microfilm, 10 rolls.
- Colonial Families of Delaware. Vol. 5.
- New Castle County, Delaware Land Records, 1738-1743.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

- Monuments, Markets, and Manners: The Making of the City of Washington, 1783-1837.

INDIANA

- Rice Cemetery, Elkhart, Elkhart County, Indiana.
- Knox County, Indiana Will Book Abstracts.
- Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, Indiana.
- Lake County, Indiana: Fuller Cemetery, Oak Hill Cemetery (Hammond, Indiana).

KANSAS

- Tombstone Readings, Calvary Cemetery at Kellogg & Vassar in Wichita, Kansas.
- Forgotten Settlers of Kansas.
- "US" and "Our Neighbors": A Historical, Genealogical Directory of Lyndon, Osage County, Kansas.
- *Kansas Biographical Index: County Histories. 2 volumes.
- Synopsis of Butler County, Kansas Wills, 1869-1901.

MAINE

- Early Narraguagus River Families of Washington County, Maine. 2 volumes.
- Records of the Rockland Congregational Church, Rockland, Maine, 1835-1945.
- Records of Orrington, Maine. Volumes 9 & 10.
- Vital Records of Bangor, Maine. Vol. 1, Birth Records.
- History of Belfast in the 20th Century.
- Maine Family Index, 1900-1912. Vol. 10.

NEBRASKA

- Platte County, Nebraska, Marriages. Books 25 & 27.

NEW MEXICO

- *Manifests of Alien Arrivals at Columbus, New Mexico, 1917-1954. Microfilm, 7 rolls.

TEXAS

- Ties That Bind: Families of Old Precinct Five, Their Neighbors & Kin, Gonzales County, Texas, 1850-1900.
- Ellis County Marriages, 1850-1911. Microfilm, 7 rolls.
- Fannin County Marriages, 1852-1917. Microfilm, 10 rolls.

RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

- Fort Bend County Marriages, 1838-1908. Microfilm, 5 rolls.
- Harrison County Marriages, 1838-1933. Microfilm, 9 rolls.
- Hidalgo County Marriages, 1852-1957. Microfilm, 2 rolls.
- Jefferson County Marriages, 1837-1926. Microfilm, 21 rolls.
- Kaufman County Marriages, 1849-1913. Microfilm, 5 rolls.
- Lampasas County Marriages, 1873-1937. Microfilm, 3 rolls.
- McMullen County Marriages, 1877-1918. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Marion County Marriages, 1860-1937. Microfilm, 3 rolls.
- Van Zandt County Marriages, 1874-1936. Microfilm, 6 rolls.
- Victoria County Marriages, 1838-1908. Microfilm, 3 rolls.
- Walker County Marriages, 1847-1916. Microfilm, 6 rolls.
- Graveyards of Van Zandt County, TX.
- Abstract District Court Minutes Smith County, Texas 1847-1857.
- School Days in Van Zandt County, Texas. Volume 1.
- Proud Heritage: Pioneer Families of Dallas County. Vol. III.
- Yearbook of the Dallas Genealogical Society.
- Dallas Bar Speaks. 1941.
- Fairmount Cemetery, San Angelo, Texas.
- Founders and Patriots of the Republic of Texas. Vol. 4.
- History of Grimes County: Land of Heritage and Progress.
- Early East Texas: a History from Indian Settlements to Statehood.
- Founders and Patriots of the Republic of Texas; the Lineage of the Members of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. Book 7.

WASHINGTON

- Washington State Cemeteries. All Counties.
- Washington State Cemeteries. Parts of Walla Walla & Yakima.
- King County, Washington, Marriage License Registers.

WEST VIRGINIA

- In Remembrance: Tombstone Readings of Preston County, West Virginia.

- Roane County, West Virginia, Deaths. 3 vols. 1856-1967.
- Tyler County, West Virginia, Marriages, 1891-1932.
- Roane County, West Virginia, Cemeteries.
- Tyler County (West Virginia) Deaths 1936-1970.

WISCONSIN

- Madison, Wisconsin, Dane County and Surrounding Towns, Being a History & Guide to Places of Scenic Beauty and Historical Note. 2 volumes.

GENEALOGIES & BIOGRAPHIES

- Descendants of John Bly Hamrick and Laura Catherine Byers.
- Texas Hendon Families.
- Genealogy of Gwendolyn Ruth Hicks and Allied Lines to Adam and Eve.
- Huff and McConnell Genealogies.
- Beyond the Rivers: the Maggert-Maggard Families in Early America: Where and How They Lived, 1635-1940.
- John Washington Mann, Jr.
- Thoughts on the Origin of John Mason of Indian Creek, S.C. as of 22 November 2001.
- Memoirs and Family History of Bill and Trudy Skinner.
- Smith Journey.
- Book of Snedekers.
- Search for Heinrich Stief: A Genealogist on the Loose.
- Augustine Stilwell (1769-1842) of Hunterdon and Mercer Counties, New Jersey, and His Descendants.
- Georgia Patriot: Sexta Eavenson Strickland.
- John Thomas and Catherine Kettel: from Luxembourg, Belgium to Scott County, Missouri, 1809-2001.

UNITED KINGDOM

- Parish Register of Arksey. 2 vols.
- Transactions-Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society. Vol. 120.
- Essex Harvest: A Collection of Essays in Memory of Arthur Brown.
- Flint Parish Registers. 6 volumes.

**Next DGS Newsletter Deadline
20 December 2003
for the January issue**

REGIONAL & NATIONAL EVENTS

Do you have information about a Genealogy event?
Remit to: Marti Fox, DGS Newsletter Editor,
newsletter@dallasgenealogy.org
Information should be sent 90 days prior to event.

December 4, Mid-Cities Gen. Society

Greg "Pooch" Amy speaks on *Civil War Re-enactors, the Genealogist and the Entertainer*, Euless Public Library, begins at 6:30 p.m. Patty Starkey, 817-354-7952

December 6, Lancaster Genealogical Society

Annual Christmas Party. Lancaster Veteran's Memorial Library at 7:00 p.m., Lana H. Filgo, lfilgo@swbell.net

December 8, Grapevine Name Droppers

Annual Christmas Party, Including Show and Tell of your interesting articles and stories. Grapevine Library, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

January 12-16, Utah, Salt Lake City:

The Utah Genealogical Association announces its 9th Annual Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy. This week long institute will offer 10 tracks of learning. For details for this institute, please see the Web site www.infouga.org or send an e-mail to institute@infouga.org.

January 22-24, Missouri, St. Louis:

The National Genealogical Society (NGS) and the St. Louis Genealogical Society are co-hosting NGS GENTECH 2004. This conference is designed for all genealogists interested in technology -- share techniques, tips, and know-how. Each day is filled with a variety of topics at every skill level. For more information, see: <http://www.ngsgenealogy.org> or 800-473-0060.

January 24, Florida, Largo:

The Pinellas Genealogy Society will be holding its annual education seminar featuring John Colletta. More information can be obtained by seeing the Web site <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flpgs> or send an E-mail to Mercedes Bleattler at mbleattl@largo.com.

January 31, Arizona, Sun City:

The West Valley Genealogical Society will present its annual seminar, featuring Janna Bennington. Additional information can be found at: www.rootsweb.com/~azwvgs/Index.htm or 623-933-4945.

February 7, California, San Luis Obispo:

The San Luis Obispo County Genealogical Society will host its annual seminar with speakers Janice Cloud,

Tina Peddie and others. Further information can be obtained by contacting Cheryl Storten at timandcheryl@surfari.net or www.kcbx.net/~slogen/

February 28, Florida, Sarasota:

The Genealogical Society of Sarasota will hold a Germanic Genealogy workshop, "Advancing Your Germanic Research," with Roger P. Minert. More information at: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~flgss>, e-mail gssgenealogy@comcast.net or write to GSS, P.O. Box 1917, Sarasota, FL 34320-1917.

February 28, Illinois, St. Charles:

The DuPage County (IL) Genealogy Society will host its 29th Annual Conference featuring Patricia Reaves, Paul Milner and John Konvalinka. For further information contact Judy Gaddess, 1007 Howard St., Wheaton, IL 60187-3805, send an e-mail to DCGSMember@aol.com or visit the Web site at <http://www.dcgsg.org>.

March 12-13, Oklahoma, Lawton:

The Friends of the Oklahoma Historical Society Research Division announces its second "Native American History and Genealogy Conference." This years conference will focus on the tribes of Southwest Oklahoma. For more information please visit <http://www.ok-history.mus/arch/friends.htm> or write to OHS Research Division Friends, P.O. Box 18781, Oklahoma City, OK 73154-0781.

Dallas Historical Society

The Fall Tour series is being set and here are a few upcoming events to place on your calendar:

- **December 6** – The Legend of Bonnie and Clyde
- **December 13** – East & South Dallas: Historical Discovery tour

These are not the Dallas Chamber's tours – get in-the-know with infamous Dallasites as your guide. Lunch included. Saturday mornings – 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. See: www.dallashistory.org

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frank@dallashistory.org
Phone: 214.421.4500 x105, Fax: 214.421.7500

REGIONAL CONTACTS

Texas State Genealogical Society

Our District 10 elected representative is: Debbie Kunze, 1 (817) 685-8024, dgtipton1@juno.com

RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

Peters Colony Chapter of the DAR

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month, October-May, at 7:00 p.m. at Newman Smith High School, Carrollton. They always enjoy having visitors and meeting new prospective members. Info: www.geocities.com/Wellesley/Garden/5215/

Central Texas Genealogical Society

Contact: Anne or Diane Wilson, 254-826-3562 or at thewilsonsisters@attglobal.net

Dallas Historical Society

Franklin K. Wilson, COO, P.O. Box 150038, Dallas, TX 75315-0038, frank@dallashistory.org, 214-421-4500 x105, Fax: 214-421-7500

Grand Prairie Genealogical Society

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of every month 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m., Grand Prairie Memorial Library, 901 Conover Drive. Contact: Sallyann Hoernke, GPGS@comcast.net or <http://home.comcast.net/~gpgs/index.html>

Grapevine Namedroppers

Meets the second Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m., all year round, in the Grapevine Public Library program room, 1201 Municipal Way. Contact: Frances Malcolm, 817-267-1645, gvhistsoc@hotmail.com.

Irving Genealogical Society

Contact: J. D. Bayne, President, JDBayne@Juno.com

Lancaster Genealogical Society

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at the Lancaster Veteran's Memorial Library at 7:00 p.m., Lana Henslee Filgo, lfilgo@swbell.net

Mesquite Historical & Gen. Society

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month, Mesquite Public Library, 300 Grubb. 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. www.rootsweb.com/~txmhgs/page1.htm

Mid-Cities Genealogical Society

Meets the first Thursday of each month at the Eules Public Library. Social at 6:30 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. they begin with a short business meeting followed by their program. Contact: Debbie Kunze, VP, (817) 685-8024, dgtipton1@juno.com

North Texas PC Users Group

Meets the third Saturday of each month at North Lake College in Irving. Check out the schedule and much more at our web site: <http://www.ntpcug.org/>

DGS Lecture Registration

Henry Z "Hank" Jones, Jr.
7 February 2004

***Going Forward Into the Past:
A Genealogical Celebration***

**New Location: The Eisemann Center
Richardson, Texas 75082**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

Lecture Fee Schedule:

\$25 for DGS members _____

\$30 for Non-members* _____

\$35 for anyone not pre-registered** _____

\$25 *New Membership – see form on page 305 _____

\$10 Catered box lunch (*optional*) _____

Total: \$ _____**.00**

**Registration must be **post-marked by
Wednesday, 28 January 2004,**
to be considered pre-registered.

_____ Check here for an e-mail confirmation

Make checks to: Dallas Genealogical Society
DGS cannot accept phone or credit card registrations

Mail to: DGS Lecture Series
P.O. Box 12446
Dallas, TX 75225-0446

Do not send certified or registered mail,
as we are unable to retrieve it.

For more information:
Website: www.dallasgenealogy.org
E-mail: lectures@dallasgenealogy.org
Voice mail: 469-948-1106

We expect to have many vendors at this event!

**Beginner's Workshops
Facilitated by DGS**



We are pleased to announce that DGS, in conjunction with the Dallas Public Library, is conducting Beginner Genealogy presentations at the satellite libraries.

These presentations entitled "Genealogy - What is it and How do I Get Started?" run 1.5 – 2.0 hours and cover the basics of getting started in genealogy research.

The presentations are free of charge.

We recently held a presentation at the Lancaster-Kiest branch library on September 13th and were well received. Fourteen beginner notebooks and various forms were sold.

We've been contacted by the Kleberg-Rylie branch, Forest Green branch, Park Forest branch, and the Skillman branch to hold similar presentations. We are still in the process of confirming dates with these branches.

Volunteers are needed to assist with this project. If you are interested in assisting, please contact Cindy Burgwin at: education@dallasgenealogy.org or call 972-723-0887 or look on our website: www.dallasgenealogy.org for updated information.

A DGS CHALLENGE IS...When you send mail requiring a signature, i.e., certified or registered mail. Our volunteers do not always get to the mailbox during Post Office business hours, thus cannot always retrieve letters requiring signatures.

We request that if you want a confirmation of receipt of your correspondence or registration, etc....just note this in your enclosure and we will E-mail you a confirmation to ease your mind.



**Beginner's Workshop
DGS Registration**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

E-MAIL: _____

Workshop Schedule:

_____ Saturday, 6 December 2003, 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., at the Kleberg/Rylie branch library

_____ Saturday, 13 March 2004, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., at the Skillman/Southwestern branch library

_____ Thursday, 22 April 2004, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., at the Park Forest branch library

_____ I would like to be contacted about future workshop dates new locations

Workshop Fee Schedule:

Workshop Complimentary

Optional Annual Membership – \$25 \$ _____ .00
see form on page 285

Total: \$ _____ .00

Check here for an e-mail confirmation

Make checks payable to:
Dallas Genealogical Society
DGS cannot accept phone or credit card registrations

Mail to: DGS Beginner's Workshop
P.O. Box 12446
Dallas, TX 75225-0446

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For more information:
Website: www.dallasgenealogy.org or
E-mail at Education@dallasgenealogy.org or
Lecture contact: Cindy Burgwin at 972-723-0887

RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

DALLAS GENEALOGY SOCIETY

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 Dallas, TX 75225-0446
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 Email: info@dallasgenealogy.org
 Website: www.dallasgenealogy.org

Founded in 1955, the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) is the oldest, continuously functioning 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 its legal successor; and to collect, preserve, copy, and index information relating to Dallas County and its early history.

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DGS Calendar of Events

December

- 02 – Tue DGS CIG – John Wylie, *Migration with a Technology Twist*
08 – Mon DGS Meeting – Annual Awards & Holiday Party
16 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Program TBD

January

- 06 – Tue DGS CIG – Bill Dow, *Second Site and Other Software for Publishing Your Genealogy on the Web*
17 – Sat DGS Lock-In (Members only)
20 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Program TBD
26 – Mon DGS Meeting – Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck
Income Tax of the Civil War Years

February

- 03 – Tue DGS CIG – Patricia Law Hatcher, CG, FASG, *Tables, Charts and Spreadsheets*
07 – Sat DGS Lecture – Henry Z “Hank” Jones, Jr., FASG, *Going Forward Into the Past: A Genealogical Celebration*
– at The Eisemann Center, Richardson, see write up on page 291, registration form on page 303
17 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Program TBD
23 – Mon DGS Meeting – Rodney Lane Krajca, Archivist from the Fort Worth Branch of NARA

Regular (DGS) and special interest group meetings are held on the Plaza level, in the Auditorium and East/West Rooms of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street, in downtown Dallas. Underground parking is off Wood Street.

- ❖ DGS General membership usually meets on the fourth Monday. We begin at 6:00 p.m. with a Q & A session. There is time for meeting fellow genealogists and enjoying refreshments from 6:30-7:00 p.m. The business meeting and program begin at 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ CIG meets on the first Tuesday beginning at 6:30 p.m. – We are planning year-around meetings this year.
- ❖ AAGIG meets on the third Tuesday. Social time begins at 6:00 p.m. Business meeting & program begin at 6:30 p.m.

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