

DGS Newsletter



HOW TO FIND YOUR ANCESTOR'S MAIDEN NAME

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By law and by custom in many areas, the individual identity of your female ancestor before 1800 is very often hidden within her husband's identity. Women were not allowed to own property in their own name, sign a deed, leave a will, vote or participate in government. Men owned the property, paid the taxes, left wills and their surname was carried into the next generation by the children. As a result, your female ancestors are often neglected in genealogies and family histories and they are listed with only a first name. Discovering the maiden name of your female ancestor is often difficult and challenging but not impossible. The following research tips and strategies will guide you in your search for your maternal ancestors.

Gather the Facts - Write down everything that you know about your female ancestor, including her husband's name, all of her children and all of her siblings. Gather all of the family traditions, known facts, and vital records on your female ancestor and her family. Gather birth, marriage and death records, census records, bible records, naturalizations, deeds, obituaries, wills, cemetery records, and county histories. Gathering a good collection of family information will provide you with a strong foundation of facts that will increase the probability of finding the maiden name of your female ancestor.

To be successful in finding the maiden name of your ancestor, do not focus you search on just the woman in question. You must broaden your search to include your female ancestor's spouse and his associates and all of her brothers and sisters.

Construct a Time Line for your Female Ancestor - Begin the time line with her birth, fill it in with all of the events, which make up her life and end it with her death. This time line will begin to tell the story of the life of your female ancestor and stimulate your curiosity. The time line will provide you with a chronological visualization of your ancestor's life and many more questions will be raised.

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Summer is over; the board has been planning and fine-tuning this year's schedule, and looking at 2004.

The Computer Interest Group has decided to meet all year round starting in 2004. Their program committee is busy working on meeting topics and presenters.

The Society's General Meetings will remain on the September through May schedule, although that too may change too. The General Meeting topics are available on the web page (www.dallasgenealogy.org) and on our new bookmarks, available on DPL's 8th floor or at DGS meetings.

We are in the process of making a detailed operation manual to assist board members. This will include step-by-step information on each position's workflow. We are also looking at revising and updating the Society By-laws. If anyone is interested in helping in these projects let me know - president@dallasgenealogy.org or 972-539-7452.

The Society is turning 50 next year! We'd like to celebrate the anniversary in a BIG way. We need a few volunteers to plan an event worthy of this grand occasion.

September is a busy month for those of us getting ready for the annual sojourn DGS members make to Salt Lake City. I've been working on my lists of items to look for and people I want to find. The list is pretty long. I hope to find at least one more ancestor while I'm there. Many researchers go to add ancestors; some go just to fill in the gaps of their family trees. Whatever the reason, it is a unique experience each and every time you go. If I don't see you there this year, join us in 2004!

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New Members

Daniel G Babb, Martin E Barnett,
Don Edward Blanton, Caroline Brooks,
Carolyn Brunson, Loyd Harold Clevenger,
Warren Gould, Jenifer Diane Jenike,
Phillip John Rasch, Gloria M. Smith, and
Olde Mecklenburg Genealogy Society

TEXAS: THE LONE STAR STATE

Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, FNGS
Saturday, 25 October 2003

Lloyd is always a crowd pleaser...

Registration: 8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Lectures: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

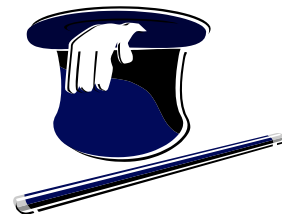
Topics

- Texas: Land and Tax
- Texas: Military/Naval Service and Pension Records
- Texas: Vital Statistics (Delayed births, birth, marriage, death, divorce)
- Texas: Et al

Lecture Location

The Performance Hall, Building "E"
Cedar Valley College
3030 N. Dallas Avenue
Lancaster, Texas 75134

*Lancaster's Mayor, Joe Tillotson,
will be opening our Lecture series!*



Hats Off!

Dr. Sam Germany, Professor of Music at Cedar Valley College, who has generously allowed DGS to use the college auditorium for our 25 October

Lecture, by Lloyd Bockstruck, FNGS, who will be speaking about Texas research.

Dr. Germany and his cast of students and "live 18-piece big band ensemble onstage" will present **Swingin' with the Big Band: Christmas!** on November 14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd, 28th and 29th. For more information, please call 972-860-8134 or check their website at www.cedarvalleycollege.edu.

**In Memory of
Linda Elizabeth (Boyd) Lawhon**

It is with sadness and regret that I must advise that my wife, Linda Elizabeth (Boyd) Lawhon, after spending 10 days at the Medical Center of Plano, Plano, Texas, passed peacefully into a realm that will allow her access to the ultimate "Primary."

Born 23 August, 1941 in Blytheville, (Mississippi City) Arkansas, to Captain William Quintus Boyd (KIA Korea 1950) and Gloria (Martin) Boyd Morris (d.1990) surrendered her spirit in her hard fought battle with breast cancer at 10:30 p.m., on 29 July, 2003.

I know she enjoyed her association with fellow genealogists and over the years she expressed a wonderful feeling of friendship toward many people [in DGS]. She often spoke of her exchanges and encounters with many of you and I hope you will remember her with equally fond feeling.

She has been a DGS Member since 1995...and her research will be donated to the Tennessee State Archives in Nashville, Tennessee for preservation and access by future generations. This will not happen immediately as she left a lot (and I do mean a lot!) of the files and photos unsorted and that must be done before it is turned over to them.

I want to thank all of you for being her friend and helpmate during her 30+ years of genealogical research.

Regards,
Dwain Dee Lawhon (Husband)
ddlawhon@swbell.net

She was a genealogist to the end - Lloyd said she had come down to the library to ensure that she had her records in the best possible order.

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*News and regards from **Desmond Allen** to all of us who might remember her great sense of humor and magnificent competence as a genealogist.*

Hello! Liver biopsy results are in - no cancer! no cirrhosis! but the ferritin counts are way off and there are some other problems there, too. Ugh. Give all those Dallas folks a hug for me. Seriously, tell all those people...I never met a better group of folks and wish I could see them, so we could tell dirty genealogy jokes.

Hugs, Desmond Walls Allen
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501-470-1120 voice and fax
<http://www.ArkansasResearch.com>

**Salt Lake City Research Trip
5 October - 12 October 2003**

We will meet briefly at the J. Erik Jonsson Library, the McDermott Room on the eighth floor, at 10:00 a.m. on **27 September 2003** to discuss specific trip plans, luggage tags, roommates, etc. You must make your final payment by this date.

**Where Have All...
the Lectures Gone?**

The 2003-2004 DGS year will include only two major lectures instead of the usual three. This is to encourage members to attend some of the other fine offerings by area Societies and participate in the 2003 NSGS Conference in Austin in November, and the 2004 FGS Conference in Austin. There are going to be a lot of great events in our backyard over the next year.

Since these two lectures are the primary fundraisers for our genealogical society and the major source of money donated for support of the J. Erik Jonsson Public Library Genealogy Section, we all need to make these events a success – namely, by going to them.

Large venues have been obtained – the auditoriums for both lectures will seat 350 people.

Both locations – Cedar Valley College in Lancaster and the Eisemann Center in Richardson – are exciting places to hold our events and were selected in order to encourage attendance from all parts of the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

The two lectures in the 2003-2004 Society year are:

25 October 2003

Our own **Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck, FNGS**, speaking on **Texas: The Lone Star State**.

Location: Cedar Valley Community College
Lancaster, TX 75134

07 February 2004

Henry Z "Hank" Jones Jr.

- 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

Nationally known author, actor, and genealogical speaker, with publications including *Psychic Roots* and the Palatine Families series.

Location: The Eisemann Center
Richardson, TX 75082

It's up to all of us to encourage attendance by our friends and neighbors – and of course to attend the events ourselves – to make this lecture year a success.

Shirley Sloat
Exec VP, Fundraising

**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!

September 22

Speaker: Robert L. Shehorn

Topic: Review information from *Early History of Free Masonry in Dallas from 1848-1874*

October 27

Speaker: Pat Hatcher, CG, FASG

Topic: "My Ancestor Isn't on the Census" * Are You Sure?

How often have you heard that?

How often have you *said* it?

Maybe it isn't true.

Maybe the correct statement is, "I can't *find* my ancestor in the census" or even "I can't find my ancestor in the *index*."

This lecture discusses why you may not be able to find your ancestor and suggests a variety of approaches that can help you find him or her. Then you can say, "I *found* my ancestor in the census!"

Patricia Law Hatcher is a professional genealogist specializing in problem solving. She is the author of *Locating Your Roots—Discover Your Ancestors Using Land Records* and *Producing a Quality Family History*. Pat is a former president of DGS and recipient of the DGS Distinguished Service Award.

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 v. Scots-Irish - availability of records favors the latter.

"What's in a name?" 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!

**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.

**October 7
Don Raney**

"Using DNA Testing to Identify Your Ancestor"
DNA testing is now establishing itself as the newest source for information in genealogical research. DNA testing can be used to supplement knowledge gained from oral sources and historical documents to solve the "brick wall" problems by identifying your paternal ancestral lineage. While the convergence of genetics and genealogy into a new science called "genetic genealogy" is still in the future, DNA testing by one-name groups, is already revealing valuable and challenging results. Y-chromosome DNA testing is now available for \$99 for one-name groups and future reductions will make DNA testing available as a mainstream activity for one-name research groups.

November 4

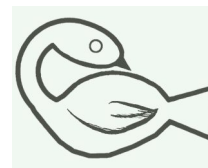
**Glenn Kinkade
"Using Mailing Lists for Genealogical Research"**

You may not be the only person in the world researching that elusive ancestor of yours! Mailing lists may be your answer if you want to locate other people researching the same families you are researching.

In this lecture you will learn how to use mailing lists to find information about your ancestors. We will discuss collaborative and informative mailing lists, five types of genealogical mailing lists, how to find mailing lists and how to use them to your advantage in your research.

You will learn **Ten Tested Techniques** for getting results when you write a query and post it on the Internet. When you post a genealogy query on-line forget about how many replies you receive. Focus on getting results! Learn the important differences between writing a query for publication in a periodical and posting a query on-line. By following ten simple techniques when you write an on-line query you will dramatically improve your results.

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



Reserve these dates on your Fall calendar:

**October 21
November 18
December 16**

**Submissions to
Next DGS Newsletter
Deadline - 20 September**

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YOUR ANCESTOR'S MAIDEN NAME

by Don Raney

The time line will allow you to see what information is missing and prompt you to develop research tasks to fill in the missing information. You should update the time line as new information is found on your ancestor.

Marriage Records - The most obvious place to locate a woman's maiden name is on her marriage record. You will need the spouse's name, the marriage location and the approximate marriage date to search for her marriage record. Remember that your ancestor would normally marry a neighbor or someone who lived in the same neighborhood and attended the same church. Look for all records of a marriage including marriage certificates, applications, licenses, marriage banns (announcement of an intended marriage in church records) and marriage bonds (ensured that there was no moral or legal reason for the couple not to marry). If you have identified the residence of the husband at the time of his marriage, a thorough search of the neighborhood could reveal the parents of your female ancestor. Do not assume that your female ancestor had only one marriage. If she had a previous marriage, she may be using the surname of her previous husband instead of her maiden name. Always check the witnesses on marriage documents; they could be her relatives.

Cemetery Transcriptions and Tombstones - Search for your female ancestor and her spouse in published cemetery transcriptions. Then visit the cemetery and record all of the names on the tombstones in the family plot. You should also record the names from the neighboring tombstones in the same row and in adjacent rows. You are likely to find the name of unknown grandparents, sisters, aunts and other relatives buried nearby. A name on a tombstone that does not mean anything now could become an important clue when additional family information is found. If your female ancestor died shortly after her marriage, she will frequently be buried with her family and her maiden name may be found on the neighboring tombstones. The husband may be buried with his second wife. If the cemetery is associated with a church, be sure to check the church records for more family information.

Census Records - You should attempt to locate your female ancestor in every federal and state census taken during her lifetime. The one census that you skip could be the one that has one of her widowed parents living in the household. You should make a copy of the census page where your ancestor is found in each census and record the names of at least ten families before and ten families after your ancestor. Neighbors are likely to be relatives and some of the census neighbors' names could be found later in other records. Examine the names of your ancestor's children for clues. Women often named their children after their mother, father or favorite brothers and sisters. Examine all of the children's first and middle names for unusual names that could be a surname. There are many instances where your ancestors passed down their surname to their children. Look for persons listed in the household with a different surname. Your ancestor may have taken in the children of a deceased brother or sister or may have a widowed parent living in the household. If you cannot locate your female ancestor in her later years, you should check the census records for all of her children to see if she is listed in their household.

Land Records - Check the grantee (buyer) and grantor (seller) indexes to land records. Examine all available land records for clues. Look for deeds where someone sold land to your ancestors for a dollar or a token amount. The persons selling the land are likely to be the parents of your female ancestor. A woman is usually identified when a couple sold land due to her right of dower. Her dower was usually use of one-third of her husband's estate during her lifetime. Check the deed index for a list of the heirs who may be selling their parents' land after their death. Daughters with their married last name and their husband's full names will normally be listed in the deed. If your ancestors are not found in the land records after the death of the parents, the land could have been inherited without a deed being recorded. Before the children or grandchildren can sell the inherited land, they will have to file an "Affidavit of Heirship" to prove that they are the only legal heirs to the property. This affidavit is required to identify the original owners as well as all of their children and grandchildren. Family relationships, a list of all the living and deceased children and grandchildren, as

well as surnames of married females, will normally be contained in the Affidavit of Heirship.

Deed Witness - In the lower left-hand corner of most deeds, you will find signatures of two to four witnesses. The first one is always from the husband's side. The next one is always from the wife's side. This is to protect her 1/3 dower right under the law. Nothing you ever use will give greater clues to maiden names than witnesses to old deeds. Also in the 1800's and before, it was traditional when the daughter got married, as part of her dowry, the father either covered the loan or carried the note for his son-in-law. If you know the husband's name but not the wife's maiden name and you can find out to whom they were making her mortgage payments, about 70% of the time it was her father.

Wills Probate and Guardianship Records - If you have identified persons who could be the parents of your female ancestor, you should search for their will or probate records. The will or probate records may contain the surnames of the male and female children and their spouses. In cases where a child is deceased, the grandchildren will be listed. A married woman did not leave a will prior to 1900 since all of her possessions automatically went to her spouse or to her children if the spouse was deceased. If parents die young, the legal guardian appointed by the court is often a relative. If the mother was still living, the court would normally appoint a guardian because the woman was not considered able to tend to business matters by herself. The names and ages of the children will be listed in the guardianship records.

Newspapers and Obituaries - Your female ancestor's obituary will usually mention the names of her surviving brothers and sisters. You will often find the announcement of engagements, marriages, and births in small town newspapers. Obituaries in small town newspapers will normally list more genealogical and biographical information than city newspapers. The obituary for your ancestor or her spouse will normally list her maiden name, surviving relatives and descendants. Check with the county library or genealogical society where your ancestor lived to determine which newspapers were published in the area and what years are available. Also check the card catalogs for the local library, state library and large genealogical libraries

for published newspaper abstracts of genealogical information including births, marriages, deaths and obituaries for the area where your ancestor died.

Newspapers on Microform - "Newspapers on Microform" (3 volumes) tells which issues and what newspapers were published near the town and the time period you are researching. These books are available in many large libraries and can also be found on LDS microfilm #1145942. If there is no newspaper in your ancestor's town, then check for a newspaper in the county seat. When you find a newspaper you are interested in, read the source code that is a "key" to where the microfilm is available. From the source code determine the name of the organization that has the microfilm and order the microfilm by an interlibrary loan request at your local library. You may also contact the current newspaper operating in the area where your ancestor lived. Many newspapers maintain their own archive or library of past issues. The county library or state archive may also have microfilm of the newspaper you are seeking and the microfilm may be available to your local library on interlibrary loan.

Death Certificates - The information recorded on a death certificate is limited to the personal knowledge of the informant who provided the information to the funeral home at the time of death. The death certificate will usually contain the name, date of birth, and location of birth for the deceased, their marital status and the name of the husband or maiden name of the wife. The death certificate may contain the name and place of birth for the father and the maiden name and place of birth for the mother. Be sure to obtain the death certificates for all of the children of your female ancestor. The last death certificate you order may be the only one that identifies the maiden name of the mother. With a little luck, you might find the maiden name of your female ancestor and the maiden name of her mother on the same death certificate.

Veteran's Pension Applications - A veteran's application for a pension will often contain good biographical information on your female ancestor. A widow's pension application is based on her husband's service, and she must provide a marriage license or proof of her marriage to the deceased veteran. The application will usually list

any previous marriages of the deceased veteran. The pension application is a good source of genealogical information and may include affidavits from relatives, information from the family bible and maiden names of members of the deceased veteran's family.

Church Records - You may find a woman's maiden name on church marriage records. Baptism and christening records will often contain the names of both parents and possibly the maiden name of the child's mother. Check the names of the godparents because they are often related to the child. Women participated in many church activities and the church minutes and membership records may include clues that will lead to the member's maiden name. Some church minutes or newspapers will include obituaries of prominent church members. The LDS church has microfilmed many church and parish records. Check www.familysearch.org for the availability of microfilmed church records. Many church records have been published. Check the local county library, local genealogical society and the state library for the availability of published church records.

Social Security Death Index, SS-5 Form - Another good source for finding maiden names after 1936 is to order the Social Security SS-5 Form that was completed when they applied for a Social Security number. This is great because you can look up your ancestor under her married name and then you can get her maiden name from the surname of her father and her mother's maiden name. You can look up her name on the Social Security Death Index at: <http://ssdi.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/ssdi.cgi>. This site will generate a letter requesting a copy of the SS-5 Form. The cost of this service is \$27.00.

Internet Searches – Next month see the listing of Don's favorite URL sites!

References

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- *The Hidden Half of the Family: A Sourcebook for Women's Genealogy*, by Christiana Kassabian
- *Researching Female Ancestors*, *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, September 2000

DGS LECTURE SERIES

TEXAS: THE LONE STAR STATE



Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck, FNGS
Saturday, 25 October 2003

Always a crowd pleaser because of his incredible knowledge, his humor, and his interesting presentation of topics, Lloyd is the supervisor of the nationally recognized J. Erik Jonsson Dallas Public Library Genealogy Section. His column "Family Tree" appears weekly in the *Dallas Morning News*.

Registration: 8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Lectures: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

- **Texas: Land and Tax** – Colonization, Headright grants, Donation and bounty lands, Passenger lists, Naturalizations
- **Texas: Military/Naval Service and Pension Records** – American Revolution, War of 1812, Texas Revolution, Texas Rangers, Mexican War, Civil War, Confederate Indigents, Voter Registration, Spanish-American War, World War I, Militia, 1890 census, Lineage society records
- **Texas: Vital Statistics (Delayed births, birth, marriage, death, divorce)** – Newspapers, Church (dispensations), Mortality schedules
- **Texas: Et al** – Spanish/Mexican, Federal censuses, School censuses, Masons, Biographical compendia, State statutes, Convict ledgers

Lecture Location

The Performance Hall, Building "E"
Cedar Valley College
3030 N. Dallas Avenue
Lancaster, Texas 75134

GENERAL DGS NEWS

Take exit 470 (SH 342) off I-20 (between I-45 and I-35), heading south on Dallas Avenue; the College is on the left side of Dallas Avenue about 2 miles south of I-20

The College Performance Hall has handicapped access facilities, but we encourage those with limited walking ability to use parking lot S-1, closest to the campus buildings. Lots S-4, and W-1 (across the lake) will also be available for general parking.

Lecture contact:

Shirley R. Sloat
Lectures@dallasgenealogy.org
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Did You Miss a Good One?

We had very good response with a total of 98 people attending the Scanning Workshop -- 79 pre-registered and 19 walk-ins. We had 12 books left over, so we sold 68 books out of the 80 ordered (remainder to be sold at the October 25 lecture at the DGS Sales desk).

The only problem with this workshop -- it needed more time. Four (4) hours is not enough time to cover scanning!

Our speakers, Jeri Steele and Bill Dow, did a really fine job. It's so nice to have this level of talent within our organization. Now all we have to do is to return home and put this knowledge to use.

Thanks to those who helped pull off a very smooth Scanning Workshop on 2 August 2003. We could not have done it without Gene Burris, Jim and Pat Stone, Ed Millis, Shirley Sloat and Jerry Fillebrown.

Gene Burris

DID YOU KNOW...? compiled by Bill Deal

July 4th is notable for the birth of our nation (1776) and for the death of two of its early Presidents, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams (1826).

Source: Dallas Morning News, July 4, 2002

TEXAS STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY 43rd ANNUAL CONFERENCE

November 7 and 8, 2003

Hilton Austin Airport Hotel
9515 New Airport Drive
Austin, Texas

"Looking For Those Records, All Roads Lead to Austin"



Friday, 07 November 2003

CLINT LYNCH

"Texas State Cemetery"

MARILYN MANISCALCO HENLEY

"Research Sources in Austin"

ROBERT DE BERARDINIS

"Old Texas Records Newly Available"



Saturday, 08 November 2003

HELEN F. M. LEARY, CG, CGL, FASG, FNGS

"Clutching At Straws and Other Last-Ditch Efforts:"

- Is This the Same Man, or a Different One with the Same Name?
- From Present Residence to Former Address: How to Backtrack an Ancestor Who has Moved
- Back to Square One: Getting More from the Records than Seems to be There
- The Last Gasp: Weighing the Evidence



Info: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~txsgs/>

AFRICAN AMERICAN RESOURCES

Back of the Big House, The Architecture of Plantation Slavery, by John Michael Vlach

"Splendid. Using photographs and drawings from the Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS) dating back to the 1930s, oral histories of former slaves taken by the Federal Writers Program, antebellum travel accounts and agricultural journals, modern agricultural histories, and the vast literature on the history of slavery, Vlach deftly weaves an account of plantation life in the slave's territory, back of the 'Big House.'"--*Design Book Review*

"This is a solid piece of documentation which forcefully illuminates a neglected yet pivotal aspect of eighteenth- and nineteenth-century reality."--*Maryland Historical Magazine*

"[Vlach] presents us with a book that is at once album, introduction, and overview of the complexity and diversity of southern plantation architecture."--*South Carolina Historical Magazine*

273 pp., 206 illus., Printed in 1993
 ISBN: 0-8078-2085-7 Hardcover \$45.00
 ISBN: 0-8078-4412-8 Paperback \$24.95

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DID YOU KNOW...? compiled by Bill Deal

All of the Confederate states save one, mustered troops for the Union Army. . . the lone exception was South Carolina, the site of the first battle of the Civil War.

Source: Brent Holcomb, DGS lecture.

Census History and Census Locator Forms

DGS has revised its census history and census locator forms to include 1930. We've also added a 1930 census extraction form to our available forms. These forms are packaged 12 to a package that costs \$1. Shipping for up to 10 packages is \$3.75.

NEW ACQUISITIONS IN GENEALOGY

compiled by: Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, FNGS



The following contributions have been made to the Genealogy Section:

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

Monetary donations have been received from the following:

- \$25 from Sammie Townsend Lee in memory of Elise Peden
- \$300 from Janet Burks in memory of Elsie Tedford Baker
- \$50 from Lynell Moss
- \$2500 from the Texas Society of the Dames of the Court of Honor
- \$25 from the Michael Stoner Chapter Chapter NSDAR in honor of Dr. Gary N. Sisson
- \$15 from the Texas Society of the Dames of the Court of Honor in memory of Nelle Dishman
- \$25 from Terri B. O'Neill in memory of Robert J. Perkins
- \$25 from Ed Millis in memory of Robert Bruce Swann
- \$25 from the Col. Cole Digges Chapter Colonial Dames XVII Century in honor of C. Waugh
- \$1,000 from Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck in honor of Dallas Genealogical Society Board of Directors 2002-2003
- \$25 from Shirley Remnant Sloat in memory of Edna Hallam
- \$50 from Dr. Donald Holcomb
- \$69 from the Grayson County Genealogical Society

In honor of Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck

- \$50 from Ellen Stamelos
- \$50 from the Dallas Literary Club
- \$50 from the Lancaster Genealogical Society

In memory of Cheryl Mann

- \$50 from Sheri Degan
- \$50 from Barbara Dossett

RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

ALABAMA

- Journal of Muscle Shoals History. Vol. 16.
- Heritage of Escambia County, Alabama.
- Heritage of Conecuh County, Alabama.
- Heritage of Coffee County, Alabama.
- Some Alabama Pioneers.

ARKANSAS

- Bradley County, Arkansas Cemetery Records.
- Down Memory Lane. 3 volumes.
- Settlers of Lovely County and Miller County, Arkansas Territory 1820-1830.

CALIFORNIA

- Stanislaus County Register of Actions, Superior Court, 1890-1915. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- San Francisco, California 1890 Great Register of Voters.

CONNECTICUT

- Taftville, Connecticut Sacred Heart Parish Marriages 1883-1924.

DELAWARE

- Orphans' Court Proceedings of New Castle County, Delaware. 1742-1761.
- Land Records of Sussex County, Delaware.
- Tombstones of Sussex County, Delaware.
- New Castle County, Delaware Land Records 1728-1731 & 1734-1738 & 1755-1762.

FLORIDA

- Seminole Indians of Florida (sic).
- Bibliography of Florida. Vol. 4, 1900-1915.

GEORGIA

- Index to United States Census of Georgia for 1820.
- Historical Collections of the Georgia Chapters. Vol. III.
- Elbert County, Georgia Deed Books.
- Wilkes County, Georgia Deed Books.
- Early Morgan County, Georgia Newspapers.
- Children of Pride; A True Story of Georgia and the Civil War.
- Inventory of Surnames Found in Loose Estate Papers, 1789-1931, Columbia County, GA., Georgia Department Archives Record Group 136-2-1.
- Heritage.
- Military Rosters 27 March 1793: Columbia County, Georgia.

- Black Marriages of Lincoln County, Georgia, 1866-1939.
- Savannah, Georgia, Newspaper Clippings (Georgia Gazette). Vol. 5, 1800-1806.
- Research in Georgia.
- Gwinnett County--It All Started Here.
- Hancock County, Georgia Supplement to Early Newspaper Abstracts, Farmer's Gazette, 1803-1806. Supplement.

HAWAII

- *Hawaii 1910 Census Index.

IDAHO

- Remember When.

ILLINOIS

- Birth Index of Macon County, Illinois 1850-1900.
- Macon County, Illinois Marriage Records. Vol. VII, 1901-1910.
- Harristown Cemetery Record of Lot Purchase, 1887-1977.
- Macon Co., Illinois: Stillbirth Record: Dec. 1877-Oct. 1902.
- Macon County, IL. Cemetery Inscriptions. Vol. 9
- Newsletter/Madison Co. Genealogical Society.
- Journal of Illinois History.
- Lake County, Illinois - Map of 1915.
- Lake County, Illinois - Veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States Buried Prior to July 1, 1955.
- Lake County, IL Death Index 1877-1901.

INDIANA

- Year Book of the Society of Indiana Pioneers. 2001-02.
- Indiana Land Entries. 2 volumes, 1801-1877.
- Centennial Farms of Indiana.
- Richmond, Indiana...to 1920.
- History of the City of Vincennes, Indiana from 1702-1901.

IOWA

- *Iowa 1910 Census Index.

KANSAS

- Sedgwick County, Kansas Marriages.
- Deaths, Marriages and Births from Newton, Kansas. Newspapers.
- Certificates of Death for Wichita, Kansas, 1887-1899.
- *Kansas Biographical Index: Town, Community & Organization Histories.

RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

MISSOURI

- *Missouri World War I Service Cards [Army]. Microfilm, 40 rolls.
- Gentry County, Missouri Death Notices from area Newspapers. 2 volumes. 1910-1915.
- Biographical Sketches of Cooper County, Missouri. 2 volumes.
- Laclede County, Missouri Wills & Probates Index, 1848-1955.
- Missouri Pioneers. Vol. XXVII.
- *St. Louis Register of Deaths Feb. 1850-Jan. 1909. Microfilm, 60 rolls.
- Callaway County, Missouri Marriages.

MONTANA

- *Montana 1910 Census Index.

NEBRASKA

- *Nebraska 1910 Census Index.

NEVADA

- *Nevada 1910 Census Index.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- History of New Ipswich, New Hampshire, 1735-1914: with Genealogical Records of the Principal Families.



Lloyd's Wish List

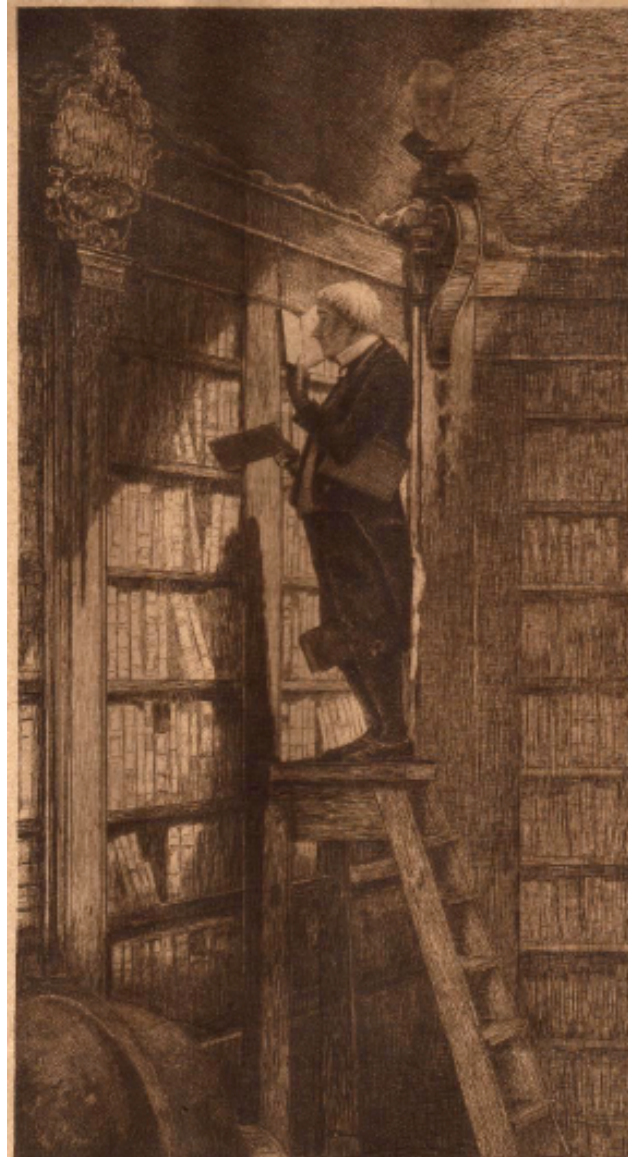
Lloyd, DGS and the Dallas Public Library are striving to make the DPL's Eighth Floor the premier site for researchers to find everything on Southern Genealogy...and we get closer every year! To facilitate this effort to continue expanding our resources, we need to know **WHAT WE HAVE** and **WHAT PUBLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE**.

We need your help to get this research done. We now have notebooks for each state behind the Eighth Floor Volunteer Desk where you can sign up for counties you are researching and provide the information requested. Each county has a sheet with instructions as to likely places to look for the information. If you choose counties that you are doing research in, you'll be the first to find out what resources are and are not available for that county,

what the Dallas Public library already owns and even find some resources you didn't know about.

The end result of this research project: produce plans to acquire missing and vital materials for our library. Sign up at the Volunteer Desk!

Every edition of the DGS Newsletter will contain new items and his master Wish List is available on our website – www.dallasgenealogy.org



THE BOOKWORM

One of our readers found this etching at Buchanan's Antique and Flea Market this spring. Reminded him of a genealogist. Judging by the paper and condition, it's probably near 1900 in origin.

REGIONAL & NATIONAL EVENTS

**Legacy Family Tree Genealogy Course
at Brookhaven College**

Brookhaven College is offering a Legacy Family Tree beginning class on October 20, 2003 through November 17, 2003. The course meets Monday morning, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Legacy Family Tree is a free, easy to use program to record your genealogical data. Glenn Kinkade will be the instructor for this course.

Classroom topics include:

- ✓ Entering names, dates, places, events, and notes for an individual.
- ✓ Linking individuals together in a family file.
- ✓ Searching the family file.
- ✓ Printing reports for research trips and family reunions.
- ✓ Recording the source and repository where the information was found.
- ✓ Backup, restore, and file maintenance of the family file.

The course is open to students 55 years or older, and offered without charge to Dallas County residents 65 years or older. To register for the course, contact: Janice Groeneman, Brookhaven's Senior Adult Program coordinator, 972-860-4698.



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.

**September 27 – Mesquite Historical &
Genealogical Society Fall Workshop**

John Sellers will present *Texas Courthouse Records*. Workshop will be held at the Mimosa Lane Baptist Church, 1233 N. Beltline Rd., Mesquite. Registration: \$23.00 per person at the door will begin at 8:30 a.m. The program will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Contact: Sue Hart, 972-288-6648 or Marjorie Bays, 972-285-3777.

October 14 – Lancaster Genealogical Society

Sylvia Smith, *Family History Month*, Celebrating our 27th Anniversary and Installation of Officers.

October 20 - Brookhaven College

Glenn Kinkade - Legacy Family Tree class at Brookhaven College starting October 20, 2003. If you have any questions send e-mail or call 214-349-3808.

October 26 - Dallas Historical Society

Sunday afternoon with the **Gillette Brothers, Guy and Pipp Gillette, at 3:00pm.** Info: www.dallashistory.org

November 7-8 - Texas State Genealogical Society

43rd Annual Conference, Hilton Austin Airport Hotel, 9515 New Airport Dr. Info: www.rootsweb.com/~txsgs/

REGIONAL CONTACTS



Texas State Genealogical Society

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



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 x 105, 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, gvhistosoc@hotmail.com.

RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS



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 Euless 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/>

**Next DGS Newsletter Deadline
20 September 2003
for the October issue**

TEXAS: The Lone Star State

Lecture Location

The Performance Hall, Building "E"
Cedar Valley College
3030 N. Dallas Avenue
Lancaster, Texas 75134

Take exit 470 (SH 342) off I-20 (between I-45 and I-35), heading south on Dallas Avenue; the College is on the left side of Dallas Avenue about 2 miles south of I-20.

The College Performance Hall has handicapped access facilities, but we encourage those with limited walking ability to use parking lot S-1, closest to the campus buildings. Lots S-4, and W-1 (across the lake) will also be available for general parking.

DGS Lecture Registration



Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck, FNGS, presents:
TEXAS: The Lone Star State
25 October 2003

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Lecture Fee Schedule:

\$25 for DGS members _____

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

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

\$10 Catered box lunch (optional) _____

Total: \$ _____ .00

Registration must be **post-marked by Wednesday, 15 October, to be pre-registered.

Check here for an e-mail confirmation

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For more information:
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E-mail at lectures@dallasgenealogy.org or
Voice mail at 469-948-1106 or
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We expect to have many vendors at this event!

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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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- Contribution to Technology Fund \$ _____

Check # _____ Date _____ Total \$ _____

DGS Calendar of Events

September

- 16 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Program TBD
22 – Mon DGS Meeting – Robert L. Shehorn,
*Early History of Free Masonry in Dallas
from 1848-1874*
27 – SAT SLC Research trip Orientation meeting

October

- 05-12 DGS Research trip to Salt Lake City
Members only
07 – Tue CIG – Don Raney, *Using DNA
Testing to Identify Your Ancestor*
21 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Program TBD
25 – Sat DGS Lecture – Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck
Texas
27 – Mon DGS Meeting – Pat Hatcher,
*"My Ancestor Isn't on the Census" –
Are You Sure?*

November

- 04 – Tue – DGS CIG – Glenn Kinkade, *Using
Mailing Lists for Genealogical
Research*
18 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Program TBD
24 – Mon DGS Meeting – Pat Biczynski,
*Researching in Ireland: The Good, The
Bad and The Utterly Unexpected.*

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 – Program TBD
20 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Program TBD
26 – Mon DGS Meeting – Program TBD

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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