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INTRODUCTION TO PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES

Several months ago, the Board of Directors of the Dallas Genealogical Society, having observed a number of conflicting and confusing provisions in the current Bylaws of the Society, appointed a committee to review and revise the Bylaws. The members of the committee were Rose Alyce Beasley, Mel Brewer (Chair), Jerry Fillebrown, Carole Ruska, and Shirley Sloat. All the members of the committee are members of the Board of Directors with the exception of Carole Ruska, who is a former President of DGS. The committee held four meetings of about three hours each between November 3 and December 12, 2003. The proposed amended Bylaws were presented to the Board of Directors on January 12, 2004, and approved by the Board on that date to present to the general membership.

The committee reviewed each section of the Bylaws with consideration of current needs of the Society, the spirit of the original intent of the Bylaws and any contradictions that might appear within other sections of the document. The purpose was to make the document more practical, accurate, and succinct.

The members of the Board of Directors generally feel that our operating year should be the same as our fiscal year, i.e., the calendar year (January – December). The committee therefore is proposing the necessary date changes required changing from the "Board Year" concept to operating on the normal "Fiscal Year" concept. Substantially all of the date changes are the result of that significant change.

Two minor changes have been made globally for consistency of terminology:

1. The name for the Society's monthly meetings has been changed to "general business meeting" and the word "regular" has been deleted.
2. The numerals in parentheses () have been deleted for easier reading.

The rationale used for each change is shown in *italics* immediately following each section being changed. The symbols used (~~strikethrough~~ and underscore) are the normal editing techniques. The words with the ~~strikethrough~~ are deleted, and the words with the underscore are added.

In accordance with the current Bylaws, we will have copies of the Bylaws, as revised, at the February general business meeting.

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Due to DGS' business regarding proposed Bylaw revisions, some "regular" features and research articles were held back, but will return in the March 2004 issue.

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

This year started off with a bang! We had 68 people at the Lock-in with several new members joining in the fun. We lost all track of time until the very end of the night (early morning).

The January general business meeting brought our treasured Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, FNGS to the stage to share his knowledge with over 120 attendees. The last of our lectures for the year, Hank Jones, at the Eisemann Center in Richardson was another educational coup.

This column will be brief as this issue contains the proposed revisions to DGS Bylaws. Please review them and the explanation that follows the changes, especially if you are planning to attend the February meeting, where we will discuss the changes. In March our membership will vote to approve them. *Tresa*

Welcome to 16 New Members

- Russell E. Chandler, Alice Conklin,
- Mary Stewart Hemingway Crain,
- Margaret E. Finley, Kathryn L. McGhee Garcia,
- Vern D. Gillis, Brenda L. Jones, Thomas H. Jones,
- Happi McQuirk, Valeta O'Steen,
- Byrdette McLean Peterson, Claudia Pugh,
- Linda Reynard, Diane C. Santos,
- Sue Ramsey Smith, and Jerrold Thacker



Hats Off!

The Lock-In

The critique sheet responders were unanimous in declaring that the event was both useful and fun, and the most common suggestion was "have more!" Every single responder answered "yes" to

the critique sheet question 'Are you likely to attend the next lock-in?'

There were 68 people who attended the 6:00 p.m. —2:00 a.m. research funfest on the 8th floor on 17 January, and included at least 3 (and probably a couple more) new members.

Special thanks to Elizabeth Perry and Ann Williams (registration); Pat and Jim Stone, with help from Tresa Tatyrek, Bill Deal, Clara Lewis, Suzan Younger, and various others who "jumped in" are to be thanked for helping in the acquisition, setup, and takedown of the food area; Tresa Tatyrek, Barbara Ware, and I think one other person who added their personal Ancestry.com setups to make these products available to all of us; our security team; and our great library staff – Lloyd, Ed Boehringer and Sammie Lee – were real troopers. Lloyd and Ed stayed to the bitter end and even helped with the final cleanup of the McDermott Room! Heather Williams and Lea Markoff stayed on after their regular day shifts and helped to get us off to a smooth start. Lea also was a very big part of the pre-planning for the event.

The Dallas Morning News team (reporter Aline McKenzie and photographer Randy Grothe) interviewed lots of eager genealogists and surely caught the enthusiasm shared by all.

Many, many thanks to all who participated and helped so enthusiastically.

Shirley Sloat

The NGS Family Papers Collection

The following notice about the NGS Family Papers Collection was sent to me by John Wylie for your information in case you have anything you want copied to a disc by NGS. He talked about this at the last CIG meeting. So find your special favorite documents and photographs and bring them to the Library for scanning by the National Genealogical Society.

NGS Family Papers Collection: Bring in your family historical documents and photos and go home with them digitized onto a free CD!

Dates & Times: Dennis and Carla Ridenour will be explaining the NGS Family Papers Collection (FPC) program will be held at the DGS CIG Meeting at the

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Main DPL Auditorium at 6:30 pm Tuesday, 2 March. Actual scanning will take place from March 3-20 in the Genealogy section of the Dallas Public Library, Eighth Floor. Note that for some documents a digital camera will be taken in lieu of the scanner. The NGS staff doing the scanning will choose the method that best preserves the old documents and photos while producing images that can be used by the public. You can learn more about them at:

www.NGSgenealogy.org/library/familypapers.htm.
or <http://johnwylie.com/dgsngsfpc.pdf>

Hours:

Monday - Thursday, 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m.
Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Sundays, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Appointments are not required, except for large collections (those over 150 pages), just drop by with your documents. While this program emphasizes Bible pages, diaries, journals and certificates, any unpublished historical document will be scanned for you. Each contributor will get a CD containing digital images of all of their personal documents, including those NGS chooses not to use. Many will want to store these CDs in a safe box or other secure location.

So, dig through your old stuff, select what you'd like to have digitized for free and drop by the Library during the listed hours. You'll be glad you did and so will your descendants.

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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 general business meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. with a program to follow.

- ❖ Come early. We begin at 6:00 p.m. serving refreshments and enjoying fellowship. At 6:30 p.m. we gather for an informal Q & A session.

Monday, 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.

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 Corps,
- 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).

E-mail: rodney.krajca@nara.gov

We will also be fielding questions you may have about the enclosed DGS Bylaw changes at this meeting.

Monday, March 22

Speaker: Kathy Mays Smith
Topic: "The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC): Backbone of Our Nation and Military, 1933-1942"

We will also be voting on the proposed DGS Bylaw changes at this meeting.

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 radio and TV announcements.

**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.

**Tuesday, March 2
Speaker: Carla and Dennis Ridenour
Topic: "The NGS Personal Papers Digitizing Project"**

This Collection (FPC) will be explained in detail. Dennis and Carla will be in Dallas for the first three weeks in March to scan and photograph the personal documents of all donors. The presentation will demonstrate the many digital cameras they will be using and explain the technology that they use to publish family bibles, photographs, and other documents on the NGS website. They will also answer questions from the audience.

**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.

**Tuesday, February 17
Speaker: Roslind Storey**

She is the author of "Black Divas," so will discuss her book and research. This book discusses the

history of Black women in the world of opera during the 1880's to the present time.

**Tuesday, March 16
Speaker: Jerry Chambers**

He is the Lincoln High School teacher who has given breath and energy to the "Silent Souls" cemetery restoration project at L.B. Nelson Cemetery located in South Dallas. He will share their progress.

DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

PROPOSED AMENDED BYLAWS

as of January 2004

Article I – Name

The name of this society is the Dallas Genealogical Society, hereinafter referred to as the Society.

Article II - Object

The object of this Society shall be to educate, by creating, fostering, and maintaining interest in genealogy; to assist and support the genealogy section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library in Dallas, Texas, or to its legal successor; and to collect, preserve, copy, and index information relating to Dallas County and its early history.

The word "educate" has been added to the object clause to conform to the corporate charter, as we are an Educational Charity under Section 501-C (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Article III - Membership

Section 1. Membership

Any person or organization who pays membership dues and supports the object, bylaws, and standing rules of the Society is a member in good standing.

Section 2. Other Categories

Other categories for membership may be established by the Board of Directors for approval by the general membership. Any changes in the categories for membership shall be published in the Society Newsletter before the regular general business meeting in which the proposed change is presented to the general membership for a vote.

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Section 3. Dues

Dues shall be established by the Board of Directors for approval by the general membership. Any changes in the dues shall be published in the Society *Newsletter* before the regular general business meeting in which the proposed change is presented to the general membership for a vote. The dues are payable initially upon application for membership, and annually thereafter in the membership anniversary month, by the last day of the membership anniversary month, in order to remain a member in good standing.

Wording changed slightly for clarification, and to further define "a member in good standing."

Article IV - Officers, Directors and Their Election

Section 1. Officers and Directors

The Officers of this Society shall be a President, Executive Vice President, Vice President for Education, Vice President for Membership, Vice President for *The Dallas Journal*, Vice President for the *DGS Newsletter*, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary and Parliamentarian. The Directors of this Society shall consist of Library Liaison (a representative of the genealogy section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library), the Director of Sales, Director of Correspondence and Mailings, Director of Publications, Director of Publicity and Public Relations, and the Director of Volunteer Coordination.

The offices of Parliamentarian and Library Liaison have been moved to another section as they are appointed offices, rather than elected. Also, the title of the office of Director of Correspondence and Mailings has been changed to Director of Mailings, as this position does not currently handle correspondence. The Recording Secretary now does that function.

Section 2. Nominating Committee

A Nominating Committee composed of five (5) members shall be elected in January or February September; two (2) from the Board of Directors elected at the August Board of Directors meeting and three (3) from members-at-large elected at the following September regular general business meeting. Only two (2) members of the Nominating Committee may be members of the current Board of Directors. Nominations for the three members-at-large shall be made from the floor at the September regular general business meeting. At the September regular general business meeting of the Society, the President shall appoint one of the two Board representatives as the Chair of the Nominating

Committee. The Chair shall to call the first meeting and the committee shall elect its own chair of the Committee. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a member in good standing for each elected position on the Board of Directors and report its nominations at the regular general business meeting in April; October.

The change in dates (throughout the document) relate to the proposed change in the operating year. The addition of the sentence related to nominations for the members of the Nominating Committee is to clarify how the members are determined. The change related to the Chair is in order to make this item consistent with Article X, Section 1 - Committees.

Section 3. Qualifications for Serving on the Board of Directors

Each Officer and Director must be a member in good standing of the Society. An Officer or Director may shall hold only one (1) elected position at a time; and may only serve in the same position for only two (2) consecutive terms; and may only serve on the Board of Directors for only three (3) consecutive terms. A member nominated for the position of President or Executive Vice President for workshops may have served three (3) previous consecutive terms, allowing for a fourth (4) and final consecutive term to be served in either position. The Library Liaison may serve an unlimited number of terms. A member of the Society may not serve as The President without having shall have served as an elected Officer or Director of the Society for at least one (1) year. One who has served more than one-half of a term on the Board of Directors shall be credited with having served that term.

The change is to simplify the wording and to clarify the qualifications for the position of President. It is felt that one should have served a minimum of one full year on the Board of Directors before becoming qualified to be President. The statement relative to the Library Liaison has been moved to the new Article VIII, Section 2.

Section 4. Election of Officers and Directors

The Officers and Directors, except the Parliamentarian and the Library Liaison, shall be elected at the regular general business meeting in April November by a majority vote of those present and voting. The presiding officer shall accept additional nominations from the floor, provided the consent of the nominee has been obtained previously. The Officers and Directors shall be installed at the annual meeting in May December, shall assume their official duties following the close of the meeting, and shall serve for a term of one (1) year or until their

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successors are elected.

The exception of the Parliamentarian and Library Liaison is deleted, as these are appointed offices, and this section relates only to elected offices. The consent of anyone who may be nominated for an office should be obtained prior to that person being nominated.

Section 5. Transition from Board Year to Fiscal Year

Upon approval of these revised bylaws by the general membership prior to April 2004, the terms of the Officers and Directors then in office will be extended to December 31, 2004. If these revised bylaws are adopted after April 2004, the terms of the Officers and Directors elected in April 2004 will be for the period June 1, 2004 to December 31, 2005. Subsequently, Officers' and Directors' terms shall be for one-year periods and this Section will no longer have any effect.

This new Section is to provide for the terms of office of Officers and Directors required by the changeover from the "Board Year" to the "Fiscal Year" of operation. It will become null and void after the transition to a Fiscal Year has been completed.

Article V - Duties of Officers

The duties of the Officers shall include, but are not restricted to, the following those set forth below. Each Officer shall appoint, as needed and with the approval of the Board of Directors, a staff and/or committees aides to assist in the accomplishment of these duties.

The changes are for clarification and "staff" has been deleted since the Officers and Directors have no "staff." "Committees" has also been deleted, as committee appointments are the responsibility of the President.

Section 1. President

The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer and the official spokesperson for the Society; shall affix the official signature for the Society on all legal documents; shall provide general supervision of the Society activities; shall preside at all general business meetings of the Society and the Board of Directors meetings of the Society; and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee. The President shall appoint the Parliamentarian, the Library Liaison, the Database Administrator, the Webmaster, and the Mail Administrator, and all committees and their chairs as are necessary to carry on the work of the Society. The outgoing President shall write an annual report to the membership for publication in the *DGS Newsletter*.

~~and shall bind the Society minutes for placement in the Society archives~~ The President shall be responsible for annually archiving the official records of the Society.

The appointment of a Database Coordinator, a Webmaster and a Mail Administrator is added for clarification related to those positions. Putting these in the Bylaws should eliminate any confusion relative to the President's authority in this matter. The last phrase is added to clarify the responsibility for placing the official records of the Society in the Archives. This subject is currently dealt with in several sections, and the responsibilities are confusing.

Section 2. Executive Vice President

The Executive Vice President is responsible for all fund-raising activities of the Society other than the sales of Society materials, including workshops. In the absence or incapacity of the President, the Executive Vice President shall assume the duties of the President.

Exception of sales materials is added for clarification of duties between this office and those of the Vice President of Sales.

Section 3. Vice President for Education

The Vice President for Education shall be responsible for all non-revenue educational events, and shall be responsible for the including programs at the general business meetings of the Society. The Vice President for Education shall be responsible for scheduling the use of Library facilities by the Society.

Changes are for clarification.

Section 4. Vice President for Membership

The Vice President for Membership shall maintain be responsible for the official membership list; shall provide printed copies of additions and changes in the membership list at each Board of Directors meeting; shall forward Society dues collected to the Treasurer, and shall place two (2) printed copies of the official membership list (as of May December 31) with the Society minutes. before June 1 of each year.

Changes are for clarification.

Section 5. Vice President for The Dallas Journal

The Vice President for *The Dallas Journal* shall be responsible for the editing and publishing of an annual periodical, and shall ensure that a copy of the *Journal* is placed in the Dallas Public Library genealogical collection.

Changes are for clarification.

Section 6. Vice President for the DGS Newsletter

The Vice President for the *DGS Newsletter* shall be responsible for editing and publishing the *Society Newsletter*, which shall include notice and shall notify the members of general business meetings as directed by the Board of Directors.

Changes are for clarification.

Section 7. Treasurer

The Treasurer shall chair the Budget Committee; shall have custody of all the funds of the Society; shall make all authorized disbursements; as authorized by the President and the Board of Directors; shall sign on bank accounts; shall present a financial statement at general business meetings and Board of Directors meetings; and shall be responsible for the filing of all government tax forms. The Treasurer shall supervise the accounting activity of the Society and shall propose a person, to be approved by the Board of Directors, to perform these functions.

Changes are for clarification and to provide for the addition of a bookkeeper for the Society.

Section 8. Recording Secretary

The Recording Secretary shall record all business transacted at each the general business meetings of the Society, and Board of Directors meetings of the Society, and present the minutes for approval at the next meeting; shall keep current and have on hand for reference at all meetings: the Society bylaws, standing rules, and the Recording Secretary's notebook with the current and previous year's minutes of all Society meetings. The Secretary shall provide the outgoing President with a copy of all the Society's minutes, the official membership list, attachments, reports, required electronic backups, and newsletters to be bound for placement placed annually in the Society archives. by June 1 of each year.

Changes are for clarification.

Section 9. Parliamentarian

The Parliamentarian shall have a current copy of the bylaws, standing rules, and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised at all meetings. At the Board of Directors meetings the Parliamentarian shall not vote or participate in discussion, except to advise on matters of parliamentary procedure when requested.

This section has been moved to Article VIII, Section 1.

Article VI - Duties of Directors

The duties of the Directors shall include, but are not restricted to, the following: those set forth below. Each Director shall appoint, as needed and with the approval of the Board of Directors, a staff and/or committee aides to assist in the accomplishment of these duties.

The changes are for clarification and "staff" has been deleted since the Officers and Directors have no "staff." "Committees" has also been deleted, as committee appointments are the responsibility of the President.

Section 1. Director of Sales: The Director of Sales shall be responsible for the merchandising of all Society materials for sale, and shall maintain an inventory and locate appropriate storage facilities for such materials.

Section 2. Library Liaison: The Library Liaison shall keep the Board of Directors informed of the needs of the genealogy section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library.

This section has been moved to Article VIII, Section 2.

Section 3 2. Director of Correspondence and Mailings: The Director of Correspondence and Mailings shall be responsible for handling all Society correspondence, processing Society mailings and maintaining the Society's mailing lists other than the official membership list.

The title of the position and its duties has been changed as noted in comments at Article IV, Section 1.

Section 4 3. Director of Publications: The Director of publications shall be responsible for obtaining resources researching, editing, and assisting in publishing the Society's non-serial publications.

The changes are an attempt to clarify the functions of this position as they are currently defined, and to eliminate a conflict with Article V, Sections 5 and 6. It is intended to allow the Director of Publications to assist with all publications, wherever needed.

Section 5 4. Director of Publicity and Public Relations: The Director of Publicity and Public Relations shall be responsible for promoting the Society and its activities, and shall establish and maintain harmonious relationships with other organizations in the community having interests parallel to those of the Society.

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Section 6.5. Director of Volunteer Coordination:

The Director of Volunteer Coordination shall be responsible for developing a volunteer corps and managing its utilization.

Article VII - Board of Directors

Section 1. The Board of Directors

The Board of Directors consists of the Officers and Directors of the Society. No action may be taken by the Board of Directors or its members that is in conflict with the bylaws, standing rules, or directives of the membership.

Section 2. The Executive Committee

The Executive Committee, consisting of the President, Executive Vice President, Treasurer, and Recording Secretary, shall have the authority to approve line item expenditures before the Society budget is approved by the membership. The Executive Committee may perform the duties of the Board of Directors concerning emergency matters between Board meetings.

The last sentence is added to enable the Executive Committee to handle emergency type matters between Board of Directors meetings. This is a normal method for handling such things. It is sometimes very difficult to get the entire Board together on an emergency basis. It does not rule out the calling of a Board meeting if the Committee decides that a meeting is necessary.

Section 3. Duties

The duties of the Board of Directors shall be to supervise the affairs of the Society; to establish additional duties of the Officers and Directors as deemed necessary; to schedule the time and place of the Society's general business meetings; to present reports and make recommendations at the general business meetings and Board of Directors meetings of the Society; and shall perform such other duties as are specified in these bylaws. Each Officer and Director shall maintain an inventory of any equipment or records in his or her possession and shall provide a list of the inventory to the Recording Secretary at the Board of Directors meeting in May January. Following the annual meeting in May December all official materials shall be delivered within-fifteen (15) days in a timely manner to the newly installed Board of Directors.

Changes are for clarification.

Section 4. Expenditures

All proposed expenditures in addition to the Society's approved budget must have Board of Directors

approval. No Board of Directors member may vote on any matter in which he or she has a pecuniary interest. A two-thirds vote is required by the Board of Directors for any increase to a previously approved budget.

Section 5. Board of Directors Meetings

An Board of Directors meeting shall be held before prior to each general Society business meeting and at other times deemed necessary by the President. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or by a majority of the members of the Board of Directors. Business transacted at any called special meeting is limited to that specified in the call. Only members of the Board of Directors or Board appointees may routinely speak at Board of Directors meetings; unless others may speak if special permission has been given by a majority vote. A majority of the Board of Directors members shall constitute a quorum. Unless otherwise specified in these bylaws, a majority vote of those in attendance shall constitute action by the Board of Directors. In extraordinary circumstances the Board may conduct a meeting by electronic means.

Changes are for clarification, and the last sentence has been added to specify the required vote on routine matters and to provide for emergency electronic voting.

Section 6. Vacancies

In the event of a vacancy in the office of the President, the Executive Vice President shall become President. If the Executive Vice President elects to decline the position of President, the President's position shall be filled by the Board of Directors, retaining the requirement that no member may serve as President unless he or she has served as an elected member of the Board of Directors for at least one (1) year. A vacancy in any other position on the Board of Directors shall be filled by the Board of Directors by a majority vote, abiding by the requirements in Article IV Section 3. Resignation of Officers and Directors shall be by letter or by electronic means to the Board of Directors, except in cases of death or serious illness, when the Board of Directors on its own motion may accept the resignation of an Officer or Director.

"Electronic means" has been added as an accepted method of notification of resignation.

Section 7. Reason-to-Remove-Removal of Officers or Directors

An Officer or Director may be removed from his or her position for failure to perform his or her the duties of

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the office, or for missing three consecutive Board of Directors meetings. Removal shall require three-fourths vote of the entire Board of Directors.

The title of the section was changed for clarification. Also, it is specified that removal of an officer or director would require a three-fourths vote of the entire Board, to avoid an interpretation that a person could be removed by a vote of three-fourths of those present at a directors meeting. This is a serious matter and should have a more stringent vote requirement.

Article VIII – Appointed Advisors to the Board of Directors

Section 1. Parliamentarian

The Parliamentarian shall have a current copy of the bylaws, standing rules, and *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* at all meetings. At the Board of Directors meetings the Parliamentarian shall not vote or participate in discussion, except to advise on matters of parliamentary procedure when requested.

This Section has been moved from Article V, Section 9, and was inserted at this point to provide clarification of positions and duties of persons appointed as advisors to the Board of Directors. This places rules related to Officers, Directors and Appointees in adjacent Articles.

Section 2. Library Liaison

The Library Liaison shall keep the Board of Directors informed of the needs of the genealogy section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library. The Library Liaison may serve an unlimited number of terms.

This Section has been moved from Article IV, Section 3 and Article VI, Section 2

Section 3. Database Administrator

The Database Administrator is responsible for the operation of the Society computer hardware and software as directed by the Board of Directors

Section 4. Webmaster

The Webmaster is responsible for the maintenance of the Society web presence under the direction of the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Mail Administrator

The Mail Administrator is responsible for picking up and logging all correspondence of the Society.

Article VIII IX - Society Meetings

Section 1. General Business Meetings

The general business meetings of this Society shall be held at such time and place as may be determined

by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Annual Meeting

The general business meeting in May December shall be known as the annual meeting; the business conducted at that meeting shall include the installation of the Officers and Directors, receipt of reports, and any other business that may arise.

Section 3. Quorum

Thirty (30) members shall constitute a quorum at Society general business meetings.

Section 4. Called Meetings of the Membership

Special meetings of the membership may be called by the President, by a majority of the Board of Directors, or upon the written request of thirty (30) members of the Society. Fifteen (15) days notice shall be given to the general membership by those calling the a special meeting, at their expense. Business transacted at any called meeting is limited to that the business specified in the call.

The title has been changed for clarification of which meeting is intended. "Majority" has been added to clarify how many members of the Board would be needed to call a special meeting. "At their expense" has been removed, as anyone wanting to call a special meeting (Board members or a group of the general membership) would probably do so only if there was a serious matter to be discussed. The general membership group would have to come to the Board to obtain names and addresses of those to whom the notice would be sent. If a problem would be that serious, the Society should pick up the cost of the mailing.

Article IX X - Standing and Special Committees

Section 1. All Special Committees

The President may create and shall appoint such committees and their chairs, standing or special, as deemed necessary to carry on the work of the Society, unless otherwise provided in these bylaws. Committees may consist of members and nonmembers of the Society, but must contain a majority of Society members and the Chair must be a member in good standing. No committee shall act in the name of the Society without the prior approval of the Board of Directors. The President or the Board of Directors shall require the committee chair to submit annually a summary report, and at least one (1) or more of the following: a plan-of-work, a request for budget or expenses, or recommendations, and a final report. Any committee may be terminated by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

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The clause regarding the Chair is to assure that only a member in good standing would chair any committee. The annual reporting is to assure that all committees report their activities at least once a year. The last sentence is added to assure that the Board keeps oversight of all committees.

Section 2. Standing Committees

The Budget Committee: The Budget Committee shall consist of five members; the Treasurer, who shall be chair; the President; the Executive Vice President; and two other members who previously shall have served as President or Treasurer, the immediate past President, and the immediate past Treasurer. This Committee shall prepare a Society budget following prior to the annual meeting in May December, for a vote of approval by the Board of Directors at its January meeting. The budget shall be presented to the general membership for a vote of approval at the next January general business meeting.

The makeup of the Budget Committee is changed to provide broader representation on the Committee, and to clarify when it must function.

The Financial Review Committee: A committee of at least three (3) members, at least one of whom shall have had accounting training or experience, shall be appointed by the President in May-December to review the Society's current financial statement, in accordance with current official procedures established by the Board of Directors, and it shall report to the Budget Committee and to the Board of Directors in August-February and to the membership in September at its next general business meeting.

The makeup and function of the Financial Review Committee is revised to improve the oversight of the financial affairs of the Society.

Section 3. Special Committees

~~Special committees may be created shall be appointed by the President for a specific task and shall go out of existence when the task is completed, or shall cease to exist by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Special committees in cooperation with another organization may be formed with the consent of the Board of Directors and shall be appointed by the President.~~

This section has been eliminated, as it is redundant to other sections.

Article X XI - Special Funds Gifts of the Society

Section 1. Society Gifts Made by the Society

~~All pecuniary gifts given by the Society shall be placed in the Special Society Fund Account, unless otherwise provided for in these bylaws. Gifts from the Society to the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library shall be used as directed by the Board of Directors for the purchase of books and equipment, the preservation of materials, or other items that pertain to genealogy and related research therein. Pecuniary gifts given to the Society shall be placed in the Special Society Fund Account, unless directed otherwise by the donor. If the donor does not specify how the gift is to be used, the Board of Directors will designate the use of the gift. At the end of the operating year, the Board shall retain a minimum of \$30,000 in the General Operating Fund. The amount of any such gift shall be determined after: (1) all current operating expenses are paid or accrued; (2) the current deposits accrued liabilities for ongoing events have been determined (3) the \$30,000 minimum a reserve equivalent to the budgeted operating expense for the subsequent six months is met established and (4) after due consideration of the long-term ability of the Society to make future gifts, or to obtain grants.~~

The titles of the Article and of Section 1 are modified to clarify that this article relates only to gifts to and from the Society. This section had several subjects and confusing terminology. The first two paragraphs have been combined into one and modified to provide a more reasonable method of determination of the annual gift to the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library. The current requirement to keep \$30,000 in the General Operating Fund might be impossible to meet should the financial position of the Society decline. A new Section 2 is added to clarify the use of gifts made to the Society.

Section 2. Gifts Made to the Society

Gifts made to the Society, either from members or other persons, including any grants received, shall be used in accordance with the donor's designation. If necessary, the Treasurer will establish and maintain separate ledger accounts to identify designated gifts. Undesignated gifts shall become part of the general operating account.

Section 2. The Society Endowment Fund

~~The Society's Permanent Endowment Fund is established and shall be administered for the benefit of the Dallas Genealogical Society within the limits allowed by law, and for the benefit of the Genealogy~~

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~~Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library or its legal successor. Donations or contributions to the Endowment fund shall include, but are not limited to, a percentage of the Society's annual net income, said percentage to be established by the Board of Directors at its discretion. The Society Treasurer will invest all monies in this fund in interest-bearing securities; investments are specifically limited to Federal Government Securities or accounts at banks or savings institutions insured by the FDIC or FSLIC. Accrued interest may be placed into the Special Society Fund account at the discretion of the Board of Directors and be used for the purposes set out in Section 1 of Article X.~~

This Section has been deleted entirely. The purpose of the Endowment Fund is not stated, nor has it been ascertained after considerable research into the subject. It appears that this section was intended to provide for the handling of designated gifts to the Society, but the language is not clear. The Bylaws Revision Committee feels that the Society is not large enough to justify setting aside large amounts of money that cannot be used for the purposes of the Society.

Section 3. Special Reserve Operation Fund

~~The Board shall set aside a beginning fund of \$25,000 in a separate Investment Fund and outside the General Fund as reserve monies of the Society.~~

~~Each future Board shall make a minimum \$1,000 dollar transfer into the fund until it reaches \$50,000, excluding any earned income. Said transfer may occur any time during the current year before 31 May of the outgoing Board.~~

~~After the \$50,000 is funded, each Board has the option to distribute the interest in each Board's term. The Board shall have the option of transferring any earned income from the Investment Fund back into the General Fund of the current year.~~

~~Said Investment Fund is to be used only in the final operating year of DGS and all remaining funds shall be transferred to the Dallas Public Library Genealogy Section~~

This Section has been deleted entirely. The current language would require the Board to ultimately set aside \$50,000.00, which could never be used until the Society is ready to go out of business. Furthermore, it is doubtful that the Society would be able to retain \$50,000.00 until it is ready to dissolve. In all likelihood, if the Society reached a point of needing to dissolve, it would be because it did not have enough funds to keep operating. Setting aside this sum of money, which could not be used for operations, could accelerate the time the Society would need to dissolve. The Board and/or the Membership that exists at that time should determine

what is done with whatever funds are available at the time of dissolution. An analysis of the financial statements for the past fifteen years indicates that the Society has been getting stronger, financially, over those years, in addition to having given more than \$370,000 to the library during the same period. Furthermore, if substantially all of the assets of the Society are in the form of cash, it could be difficult to obtain grant money for special projects.

Article XI XII - Records of the Society

Section 1. Society Records

All records of the Society, printed or electronically generated, prepared by a member or nonmember in pursuance of activities, projects, or as a part of their job in the Society shall be the property of the Society. These records shall include, but are not limited to, Society minutes, correspondence, the newsletters, quarterlies, publications, syllabi, membership and other lists, documents, research records, and other Society materials. These records shall be archived annually.

Changes are for clarification.

Section 2. Society Archives

The Texas/Dallas History and Archives Division of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library in Dallas, Texas, or its legal successor shall be the repository for the archival collection of the Society. This collection shall contain the bound minutes of the meetings, a printed copy of the yearly official membership list, and any other material the President or the Board of Directors shall decide to place in the archive collection.

The last sentence has been deleted as the subject matter is covered in changes made to other sections.

Section 3. Society Minutes

Society minutes, attachments, reports, and newsletters shall be bound each year by the President and placed in the archives of the Society.

Section 4. Placement of Records

Each year the President of the Society shall place at least one (1) copy of Society records, other than the bound Society minutes, in the Society archives or the genealogy section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library. A listing of the records and their placement shall be bound with the Society minutes and placed in the Recording Secretary's notebook. The Secretary shall place a copy of the official membership list as of 31 December in the Society archives by June 1 of each year.

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Sections 3 and 4 have been deleted as the subject matter is covered in changes made to other sections.

Article ~~XII~~ XIII - Fiscal Year

For-tax-reporting-purposes-the The fiscal year of this Society shall begin January 1 and end December 31.

Changes are for clarification.

Article ~~XIII~~ XIV - Standing Rules

Proposed changes, additions, or deletions to the standing rules must be presented in writing to the Board of Directors for approval by a majority vote of the entire Board. Such rules are for the guidance of the Society Officers, Directors, and members and cannot conflict with these bylaws.

Normal actions of the Board may be made by a majority vote of those present at a meeting where the vote is taken. Things as important as Standing Rules should require a majority vote of the entire Board, not just those present.

Article ~~XIV~~ XV - Parliamentary Authority


The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the conduct of the business of the Society in all cases in which they are not in conflict with the charter and bylaws of the Society.

Changes are for clarification.

Article ~~XV~~ XVI - Amendments

These bylaws may be amended or revised at any regular general business meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of members present and voting, provided that the proposed amendment or revision has been either read or copies thereof distributed at the previous regular general business meeting, and that notice of said amendment or revision has been published in the previous *Newsletter*.

Changes are for clarification.

 Thank you taking time to review the proposed changes to the Dallas Genealogical Society Bylaws. Please feel free to bring your questions to the February 23 general business meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Dallas Public Library in the first floor auditorium.

NEW ACQUISITIONS IN GENEALOGY

compiled by: Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, FNGS



The following contributions have been made to the Genealogy Section:

MISSISSIPPI

- Choctaw of Mississippi Indian Census, 1929-1932, with Birth and Death Records, 1924-1932.
- Mississippi Memories.
- Families of Alcorn County, Mississippi. Volume 2.
- Tishomingo County, Mississippi Cemeteries.
- Tishomingo County, Mississippi Cemeteries: a Revised Index.

MISSOURI

- Quantrill's Company & List of Miscellaneous Records...
- Combined Atlases of Holt Co., Missouri 1877, 1898, 1918, and 1952.
- *Descriptive Recruitment Lists of Volunteers for the U.S. Colored Troops for the State of Missouri, 1863-1865. Microfilm, 6 rolls.
- Melton's History of Cooper County, Missouri.
- *Dateline--Livingston County: a Look at Local History.
- Newton County, Missouri Wills and administrations through 1869.
- 1880 Census of Newton County, Missouri.

NEW JERSEY

- Revolutionary War Round Table Papers.
- *Selected Final Pension Payment Vouchers 1818-1864. New Jersey: Trenton. 2 Volume.
- History of the "Old Scots" Church of Freehold from the Scotch Immigration of 1685 till the Removal of the Church under the Ministry of the Rev. William Tennent, Jr. 1 microfiche.
- From the Passaic to the Wach Unks: a History of the Township of Berkeley Heights, N.J.

NEW YORK

- Rev. John Robert Young's Records...1846-1860.
- Vital Records of First Congregational Church, Town of Locke, Cayuga County, New York, 1818-1836.

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- Irregular Church at Tappan, Rockland County, New York, 1767-1778.
- Scrapbook of Dutchess County, New York People and Places, 1930-1960: with index.
- St. James Episcopal Church, Newtown, Queens County, New York, 1803-1888; plus, St. George's Episcopal Church, Astoria, Queens County, New York (formerly Hallett Cove) 1833-1837.
- Records of the First Church in Huntington, Long Island, 1723-1779.
- Records of Lutheran Churches of Rhinebeck, Dutchess County, New York Area...1734-1889.
- Index to DAR Bible Records of Jefferson County, New York.
- Irish Immigrants of the Emigrant Industrial Savings Bank, Volume 1, 1850-1853.
- Centennial Address Relating to the Early History of Schenectady.
- New Netherlands Connections.
- Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society. Volume 3.
- Index of Articles on Long Island Studies in Journals and Conference Volumes.
- Early History of Kingston & Ulster County, New York

NORTH CAROLINA

- *Index to North Carolina Land Entries (1778-1795). 3 Volumes.
- Marriage Bonds of Duplin County, North Carolina, 1749-1868.
- Minutes of the Jones County, North Carolina Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions, 1826-1841.
- Obituaries: North Carolina Civil War Soldiers and Veterans. 3 Volumes.
- Mecklenburg County, North Carolina Minutes of the Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions. Volume 5, 1841-1850.
- Nash County, North Carolina, Deeds. Volume 4, 1794-1800.
- Villainy Often Goes Unpunished: Indian Records from the North Carolina General Assembly Sessions, 1675-1789.
- Nash County, North Carolina Church & Family Cemeteries. 2 Volumes.
- Cemeteries of Nash County, North Carolina (and Surrounding Area).
- Nash County, North Carolina, Minutes of Wardens of the Poor, 1844-1869.
- Family Bibles along North Carolina's Tar River.
- Nash County, North Carolina, Voter Registration, 1902-1908.
- In the Name of God, Amen!: Abstracts of Hyde County, North Carolina Wills Entered for Probate 1776 to May Court 1819. Book 2.
- Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, Cemeteries. 2 Volumes.
- Abstracts of Wills, Buncombe County, North Carolina, 1792 to 1904.
- Indexed 1835 Poll Books, 12th Congressional District, North Carolina.
- Randolph County Cemetery Records. Volumes IV, V, and VI.
- Marriage and Death Notices from the Hillsborough Recorder. Volume 2, 1837-1845.
- Obituaries: North Carolina Civil War Soldiers and Veterans. Volume 4.
- Abstract--Henderson County, North Carolina Estate Records, 1838-1900.
- Mecklenburg County Deeds, v. 13-26, 1773-1854. Microfilm, 6 rolls.
- *North Carolina Land Grant Index 1693-1959, A Surnames, Alamance to Onslow Counties. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Franklin County, North Carolina, Marriage Records, 1789-1868.
- Robeson County, North Carolina, Marriage Records, 1799-1868.
- Richmond County, North Carolina, Marriage Records, 1783-1868.
- North Carolina Atlas & Gazetteer.
- Cemeteries of Burke County.
- Early Pilgrim German Records (Leonard's Church).

NORTH DAKOTA

- St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Leroy, North Dakota: Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials.
- Garrison History Book.
- Sheridan County Heritage '76: a Bicentennial Project.

OHIO

- Weston Township Cemeteries, Wood County, Ohio.
- Baughman-Everhard Church: Chippawa (sic) Township, Wayne County, Ohio: Records 1817-1871.
- Abstracts from Preble County, Ohio Newspaper Obituaries. Book IX, 1923-1926.
- Excerpts from the Harrison Telegraph of Cadiz, Ohio, 1821-1828 and 1832.
- Along the Ohio Trail: A Short History of Ohio Lands.
- Washington County, Ohio Marriages 1789-1918. 2 Volumes.
- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Carroll Co., Ohio.
- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Stark Co., Ohio.

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- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Muskingum Co., Ohio.
- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Licking Co., Ohio.
- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Tuscarawas Co., Ohio.
- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Coshocton Co., Ohio.
- Index to McKelvey's Centennial History of Belmont County, Ohio: (1801 to 1901).
- Revolutionary War Patriots. 2 Volumes.
- Index of Entrymen on Lands in Southeast Ohio.
- Index of Women from Early Years in Southeast Ohio.
- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Holmes Co., Ohio.
- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Columbiana Co., Ohio.
- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Guernsey Co., Ohio.
- Listing of Entrymen on Lands in Hamilton Co., Ohio.
- Combination Atlas Map of Trumbull County, Ohio.
- Montgomery County, Ohio Cemetery Inscriptions, etc. 5 Volumes.
- Probate Court Birth Records, Mercer County, Ohio. Book I, 1867-1882.
- Index to the Record of the Historical & Philosophical Society of Ashtabula County, Ohio.

OKLAHOMA

- Oklahoma Deaths in the Muskogee Daily Phoenix, 1924-1930.
- 1880 Cherokee Nation Census, Indian Territory (Oklahoma).
- Garvin County, Oklahoma, 1907-1929.
- Baptists and Their Churches in Early Oklahoma.

OREGON

- Oregon State Penitentiary.
- Oregon State Cemeteries, Births from 1790 to Deaths in 1979.

PENNSYLVANIA

- "Naturalization Petitions Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 1795-1931, Microfilm, rolls 11-20.
- Abstracts of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Wills (1821-1830).
- Colonial Philadelphians.
- Foreigners in Their Own Land: Pennsylvania Germans in the Early Republic.
- Early Records of the First Reformed Church of Philadelphia. 2 Volumes. 1748-1800.
- Bucks County, Pennsylvania Orphans' Court Records, 1852-1900.

- Chester County, Pennsylvania, Area Key: A Guide to the Genealogical Records of Chester County, Pennsylvania.
- Plain Grove: a History of Its Early Settlement and the Planting and Growth of the Church in That Region.
- Historic Saxonburg and Its Neighbors.
- Back Part of Germantown: A Reconstruction.
- Biographical and Genealogical Sketches from Central Pennsylvania.
- Philadelphia Enumeration Districts of 1930.
- Philadelphia Guardians of the Poor...1811-1859.
- Philadelphia Guardians of the Poor, Indenture Records, 1791-1822.
- Pennsylvania Non-population Census Schedules. Microfilm, M597, rolls 4, 7, & 16.
- Pennsylvania Enumeration Districts of 1930.
- German and Swiss Settlements of Colonial Pennsylvania.
- 20th Century History of New Castle and Lawrence County, Pennsylvania.
- Philadelphia Mayor's Marriage Records. 2 Volumes.
- Obituaries from the Clarion Democrat. 1918-1920.
- Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Church records of the 18th Century.
- Weddings from Clarion Newspapers, 1894 through 1900.
- East Hickory Methodist and Prather Cemeteries, Forest County, Pennsylvania.
- Briar Hill Cemetery, also Known in Its Early Days as East Brook Methodist Episcopal Cemetery or Painter/Briar Hill Cemetery.
- St. John's Lutheran Church, New Castle, Lawrence County, Parish Records, 1895- 1921.
- History of Guitonville Cemetery, Forest County, Pennsylvania.
- Obituaries from Clarion Newspapers, 1895-1900.
- Hopewell Cemetery, aka Hopewell Presbyterian Church Cemetery or New Bedford Cemetery, with Genealogical Notes.

RHODE ISLAND

- Names of the Owners or Occupants of Buildings in the Town of Providence, from 1749 to 1771.
- Home Lots of the Early Settlers of the Providence Plantations: with Notes and Plats.
- Early Records of the Town of Warwick.
- Narragansett Friends' Meeting in the XVIII Century.
- History of Warren, Rhode Island, in the War of the Revolution, 1776-1783.
- History of Portsmouth, 1638-1936.
- Newport Illustrated in a Series of Pen & Pencil Sketches.

RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

- Names of Officers, Soldiers and Seamen in Rhode Island Regiments...Who Lost Their Lives in the Defense of Their Country in the Suppression of the Late Rebellion.
- Lively Experiment.

SOUTH CAROLINA

- Home in the Village: McClellanville in Old St. James Santee Parish.
- History of Orangeburg County, South Carolina: From its First Settlement to the Close of the Revolutionary War.
- Union County, South Carolina Deed Abstracts.
- Seeing Spartanburg: A History in Images.
- Charleston, South Carolina Marriages, 1877-1895.
- Guide to Family History Sources in the Winthrop University archives.
- Marriage Notices in the South Carolina and American General Gazette.
- Edgefield County, South Carolina, Deed Books.
- Recollections and Reminiscences through World War I, Volume XII.

SOUTH DAKOTA

- Mobridge Cemetery.
- Bowdle Area Cemeteries.

TENNESSEE

- Cemeteries of Hamblen County, Tennessee. Volumes II & III.
- West Tennessee Historical Society Papers. Volume 56.
- Deed Book for Carter County, Tennessee. Books A - D, 1796-1836.
- Smith County, Tennessee Deed Books. B - M, 1800-1835.
- Land Deed Genealogy of Bedford County, Tennessee 1807-1852.
- Obituaries from Tennessee Newspapers.
- *Tennessee Death Certificates and Index, 1952. Microfilm.
- Bedford County, Tennessee: Family History Book.
- Rutherford County, Tennessee, History & Families.
- Brown's Funeral Home, Cocke County, Tennessee.

TEXAS

- Freestone County Marriage Records [white], Volumes 1-8, 1851-1916; Colored Volumes 1-3, 1853-1892. Microfilm, 4 rolls.
- Anderson County Discharge Records, 1919-1947. Microfilm, 2 rolls.
- Pioneer Families of Anderson County Prior to 1900.
- Kaufman County Marriage Records, v. 5-6, 1890-1897. Microfilm, 1 roll.

- Marion County Marriage Records, v. D-G, 1882-1914. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Crockett Newspapers, 1853-1896.
- Grand Heritage Ball.
- Dallas County Records of Interest to the Genealogist at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, Dallas Public Library System.
- Texas Burial Sites of Civil War Notables: A Biographical and Pictorial Field Guide.
- Mirages, Mysteries and Reality: Brewster County, Texas, the Big Bend of the Rio Grande.
- *Catalogue of the Spanish Collection of the Texas General Land Office. 2 Volumes.
- Cemetery Records and Inscriptions of Little Bethel Memorial Park.
- Fort Bend County Sesquicentennial, 1822-1972.
- 45th Anniversary Roll of Honor of the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of Texas, 1997-2002.
- Beth-El Congregation Centennial, Fort Worth, Texas, 1902-2002.
- Bastrop County Commissioner Court Minutes, Volume B, 1866-1876; Discharge Record 1917-1943; Notice of Intention to Marry 1929-1933; Declaration of Intention, 1855-1868. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Blanco County Civil Court Minutes (Transcribed), Volumes A, 3-5, 1886-1932; Medical Register 1907-1943; Military Discharge Record 1918-1943. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Caldwell County Discharge Records 1918 and 1931. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Comal County Discharge Records 1919 and 1956. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Frio County Marriage Records Volumes 1-4, 1871-1916. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Gillespie County Discharge Records, 1917 and 1919. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Llano County Probate Minutes, Volume 11 [from p. 474] 1931-1935; Index to Marriage Book 4, 1920-1941; Marriage Record Volumes 4 & 5, 1920-1957; Record of Discharged Soldiers & Sailors, 1919-1943. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Texas Methodist Newspaper Abstracts.
- Historical Review of South-East Texas and the Founders.
- History of Central and Western Texas.
- Washington County Discharge Records. Microfilm, 2 rolls.
- Colorado County Probate Minutes 1934-1940; Land Certificates 1838-1855; Applications of Settlers under Pre-emption Law 1824-1860 & 1846-1854; Notice of Intention to Marry 1929-1933; Declaration of Intention, 1884-1906; Index to

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- Discharge Armed Services, 1919-1994; Discharge Records 1918-1952; Birth Records General Index, 1873-1994, A-K. Microfilm, 3 rolls.
- Coryell County Court Minutes 1894-1897, 1897-1914, Register-Prisoners 1891-1943, Epileptic Record 1904-1956, Tuberculosis Record 1904-1956, and Discharge Record 1919. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Hood County Index to Birth Records, A-Z, 1903-1934; Discharge Record, 1919-1980. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Williamson County Soldiers & Sailors Discharge Records, 1918-1945; Probate Minutes Volume 27, 1918-1919. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Ellis County Discharge Record 1919-1941, Probate Inventory Record, 1913-1935, Volume E. Microfilm, 1 roll.

VERMONT

- Index, History of the Baptist Church of Ira, Vermont.
- Richford, Vt. Area Cemeteries: An Index to Grave Stone Inscriptions.
- Wilson Cemetery, Barre Town, Vermont.
- Chelsea: the Origin of Chelsea, Vermont, and a Record of Its Institutions and Individuals.

VIRGINIA

- Campbell County, Virginia Family Cemeteries. Volume 10.
- Virginia Journal and Alexandria Advertiser. Volumes 3 & 4.
- Huguenot. Publication 33, 1987-1989 & 38, 1997-1999.
- Yearbook. Historical Society of Fairfax, Virginia, Volume 28, 2001-2002.
- Alexandria City and Arlington County, Virginia Records Index. 2 Volumes.
- With Reverence for the Past.
- *Virginia County Records: Consolidated Index.
- Northumberland County, Virginia, Court Order Book, 1699-1713. Part Two.
- Loudoun County, Virginia Will Book Abstracts.
- Loudoun County, Virginia Will Book Index, 1757-1946.
- Russell County, Virginia Deed Book. 2 Volumes.
- Lunenburg County, Virginia Court Orders. 1766-1769.
- Fauquier Families, 1759-1799: Comprehensive Indexed Abstracts of Tax and Tithable Lists, Marriage Bonds, and Minute, Deed, and Will Books. Volume 2.
- *Virginia 1910 Census Index. 4 Volumes.
- Northampton County Virginia Record Book. Volumes 10, 15, & 16.

- King & Queen County VA: Miscellaneous Records, 1653-1866.
- Virginia Colonial Abstracts. Series 2. Volume #6.
- Story of Winchester in Virginia.
- History of the Valley of Virginia.
- Isle of Wight County, Virginia, Deeds, Wills, Conveyances, Book A.
- Amelia County, Virginia Order Book. No. 6, 1760-1763.
- Some Ancient Landowners in Saint Martin's Parish, Hanover County, Virginia.
- Buckingham Burials: a Survey of Cemeteries in Buckingham County, Virginia. 2 Volumes.
- Williamsburg Wills.
- King & Queen County, Virginia: Miscellaneous Colonial & Revolutionary Records & Papers.
- Vestry Book and Register of Bristol Parish, Virginia, 1720-1789.
- Heads of Families at the first census of the United States taken in the year 1790... Virginia.
- Death Notices from Richmond, Virginia, Newspapers. Volume 2, 1841-1853.

WEST VIRGINIA

- Braxton County, West Virginia Marriages. 1876-1932.
- Nicholas County, West Virginia Marriages. 2 Volumes, 1817--1933.
- Upshur County, West Virginia Marriages. 1851-1896.
- Index to Obituaries in the Parkersburg News. 1960-1969.
- Braxton County, West Virginia Obits: Source: Braxton County Democrat Newspaper. 2 Volumes, 1900-1920
- Calhoun County, West Virginia Marriages 1856-1927.
- Randolph County, West Virginia Marriages 1787-1923.
- Braxton County, West Virginia Deaths. 4 Volumes, 1853-1940.
- Sketches of Wood County: Its Early History.
- Braxton County, West Virginia, Hardesty's Biographical Atlas. 1882, Volume 3.
- Ohio County (West Virginia) Index: Index to County Court Order Books, Part I, 1777-1881. Volume 11.

WISCONSIN

- *Wisconsin 1910 Census Index. 6 Volumes.

CANADA

- Peter Robinson's Settlers.

RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

- "Dictionnaire Genealogique des Familles Acadiennes. 2 Volumes.
- English Supplement to the Dictionnaire Genealogique des Familles Acadiennes.
- Notaries of French-Canada, 1626-1900.
- 1901 Canadian Census, Ontario, Essex South. 2 Volumes.
- While We Still Remember: A History of Egremont Township, 1840-2000 (with update).
- History of "Blanshard in Review", 1951.
- Onomastica Canadiana. Volume 84.
- Carlisle Beginnings.
- Births, Marriages & Deaths: Abstracts from the Almonte Gazette.
- Methodist Baptisms in the Toronto Area, York County, Ontario, 1841-1910.
- Manitoba Scrip.
- Directory of Members and Surname Interests. 1991-1999.

CZECH REPUBLIC

- Czech & Slovak Research Handbook of Biographies and Organizations.

FRANCE

- Simili-Nobiliaire Francais.
- French Colonists and Exiles in the United States.

GERMANY

- Genealogical Guide to East and West Prussia.
 - Yearbook of German-American Studies. Volume 37.
 - Society for German-American Studies Newsletter.
 - Blatter des Bayerischen Landesverein fur Familienkunde. Volume 66.
 - *Germans to America: Lists of Passengers Arriving at U.S. Ports in the 1840's
- o[sic]. Series II, Volume 6, April 1848-October 1848.
- Clues.

IRELAND

- Surnames of Ireland.
- Family Tree Maker Index to Griffith's Valuation of Ireland, 1848-1864. 2 CD ROMS.
- New Genealogical Atlas of Ireland.
- Topographical Dictionary of Ireland: Exhibiting the Names of the Several Cities, Towns, Parishes, and Villages.
- Irish Roots.

JEWISH

- Sephardic Genealogy: Discovering your Sephardic Ancestors and their World.

JAMAICA

- Travel, Trade, and Power in the Atlantic, 1765-1884.

MEXICO

- 246 Testamentos de Monterey: en Resumen Genealogico.
- Genealogia de Nochistlan Antiguo Reino de la Nueva Galicia en el Siglo XVII Segun sus Archivos Parroquiales.
- Andariegos y Pobladores: Nueva Espana y Nueva Galicia, Siglo XVI.

SCOTLAND

- People of Insch, Culsalmond, and Rayne, 1696.
- Scots in the Mid-Atlantic Colonies. 2 Volumes, 1635-1883.
- Crailing & Nisbet.
- Kirkyard of Peathill.

**Next DGS Newsletter Deadline
20 February 2004
for the March 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.

Also, we have society links on our website:
www.dallasgenealogy.org/outsidelinks/societylinks.htm

February 16, Irving Genealogical Society
Debbie Kunze will speak on Courthouse records – effective research methods and how to interpret documents. **Contact: Mary Kay Weber, President, MaryKWeber@aol.com**

March 9, Lancaster Genealogical Society:
"The Winniford Family of Lancaster, Texas," presented by Winn Morton. Lana Henslee Filgo, lfilgo@swbell.net

March 12-13, Oklahoma, Lawton:
The second "Native American History and Genealogy Conference" sponsored by the Friends of the Oklahoma Historical Society Research Division. This year's conference will focus on the tribes of Southwest Oklahoma. For information: www.ok-history.mus/arch/friends.htm or write to OHS Research Division Friends, P.O. Box 18781, Oklahoma City, OK 73154-0781.

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March 15, Irving Genealogical Society

Patricia Carr Biczynski, will speak on "Researching in Ireland," supported by colorful visuals. 7:00 p.m. at the Irving Public Library. Info: Dreanna Belden, dreanna@comcast.net

March 16, HOGAR de Dallas

Hispanic Organization for Genealogy And Research
Dr. Ana Carolina Castillo Crimm, an associate professor at Sam Houston State University and co-author of the Turn-of-the Century Photographs from San Diego, Texas. She will present a preview of her most recent book, De Leon, a Tejano Family History. Contact: Art Garza, President at (972) 841-9455

March 22, Central Texas Genealogical Society

Our speaker is Max Blankfeld from FamilyTree DNA. Genealogy by genetics is the greatest addition to genealogy since the creation of the Family Tree! FamilyTree DNA is America's first genealogy-driven DNA testing service. We meet at the Central Library on Austin Ave, Waco at 7:00 p.m.

April 10, Dallas Historical Society Saturday's

"Historic Heart of Fair Park and White Rock Lake" tour takes participants back in time as Dallas historian Steven Butler takes us on a walking tour of the "historic heart" of the park, where so much colorful history has been concentrated. 9:00 a.m. departure from the Hall of State, in Fair Park, and 2:00 p.m. return. Contact Frank: 214-421-4500x105, frank@dallashistory.org

April 13, Lancaster Genealogical Society

Topic to be announced but will include music of World War II presented by Cami Loucks and Lela Evans. Contact: Lana Henslee Filgo, lfilgo@swbell.net

April 26 - Central Texas Genealogical Society

Our speaker will be professional genealogist, Richard L. Hooverson and the topic will be "Banns, Bonds, and Brands: Vital Record Substitutes." We meet at the Central Library on Austin Ave, Waco at 7:00 p.m. Contact: Carol Anne or Diane Wilson, 254-826-3562 or at thewilsonisters@earthlink.net.

May 19-22, 2004 NGS Annual Conference

The Genealogical & Historical Council of Sacramento Valley, California invites you to discover gold as you join the rush to Sacramento for "A Golden Prospect" <http://www.eshow2000.com/ngs/>

September 8-11, FGS Conference 2004

Legends Live Forever: Researching the Past for Future Generations" Austin Convention Center, Austin, Texas. Co-sponsored by NSGS and Austin Genealogical

Society. Info: www.fgs.org, Phone: 1-888-347 1500, E-mail: fgs-office@fgs.org.

Beginner's Workshops Facilitated by DGS



DGS, in conjunction with the Dallas Public Library, is conducting Beginner Genealogy presentations at 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.

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!

Contact: Education@DallasGenealogy.org

Volunteers are needed to assist with this project. If you are interested in assisting, please contact education@dallasgenealogy.org or look on our website: www.dallasgenealogy.org for updated information.

DALLAS JOURNAL submissions due this month

These submissions should pertain to **Dallas County**. Maps, photos, and illustrations are welcomed. Prepare your research, finish your editing process, and submit it by 28 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.

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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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DGS Calendar of Events

February

- 17 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Roslind Storey
*She will discuss her book, "Black Divas,"
the history of Black women in opera*
- 23 – Mon DGS Meeting – Rodney Lane Krajca,
Archivist from the Fort Worth Branch of
NARA
*We will be taking questions about the
proposed DGS Bylaw changes at this
meeting.*

March

- 02 – Tue DGS CIG – Carla and Dennis Ridenour
*The NGS Personal Papers Digitizing
Project overview*
- 16 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Jerry Chambers
He will discuss the "Silent Souls"
cemetery project
- 22 – Mon DGS Meeting – Kathy Mays Smith,
*The Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC):
Backbone of Our Nation and Military,
1933-1942*
*We will be voting on the proposed DGS
Bylaw changes at this meeting.*

April

- 06 – Tue DGS CIG – Craig Winder
PDA Software is Useful to Genealogists
- 20 – Tue AAGIG Meeting – Dr. Kenneth Hamilton
He will discuss his research on the life of
Booker T. Washington
- 26 – Mon DGS Meeting – Lynell Moss
*The British Record Collection of the Family
History Library*

May

- 04 – Tue DGS CIG – TBD
- 18 – Tue AAGIG Meeting –
General research discussion group and
planning session for fall meetings
- 24 – Mon DGS Meeting – Society's Annual Meeting
in the O'Hara Room, Seventh Floor of the
J. Erik Jonsson Public Library

The DGS Summer Institute

- August 12-15 (Thursday-Sunday)
"The Colonial Experience in the 15 Colonies"
Speakers: Dr. George Schweitzer and
Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck
J. Erik Jonsson Public Library in downtown Dallas
Info: www.dallasgenealogy.org,
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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. – 7:00 p.m. Refreshments and fellowship, 6:30 p.m. is an informal Q & A session. 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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