Scottish Research and Scottish Civil Registration
by Terri Bradshaw O’Neill

A Little Background
What we refer to in the US as Civil Registration, the recording of birth, marriage, and death records, is called Statutory Records in Scotland. While our states generally did not mandate the keeping of these records until well after 1900 in most cases, Scotland began mandatory civil registration in 1855. Before 1855, Parish records were kept for christenings, marriages and burial. Scotland’s decennial censuses were taken one year after the US censuses. From 1841, the census takers enumerated every person in the household by name. Census records are available from the LDS Family History Library, but they are not indexed. Fortunately, the population of Scotland was lower than the US, thus making a rural search less daunting.

Begin with What You Know
Naturalization papers can provide vital information as to your ancestor’s place of origin in Scotland. The IGI was searched for the family names, and likely ones were noted. What used to take hours of microfiche reading at a Family History Center can now be done much more efficiently on FamilySearch.com. This research was undertaken in 2000, and nearly all of it was done in the Dallas Public Library Genealogy Section.

Fortunately, earlier research by some of my Harvey cousins provided me with the starting point of my research. The four family names of interest to me were Harvey, Hall, Milne, and Murison and they lived in Aberdeenshire. The village of Strichen was where I concentrated my search, as that is where my great-grandfather, Alexander Keith Harvey, was born. I began ordering microfilm from the Family History Library and I kept a research log:

- Parish of Strichen Registers of Births, Marriages, and Burials
- Censuses of Strichen and surrounding areas - 1841, 1851, 1861, and 1871

This is where I came across the little “disruption” in church records…

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PRESIDENT’S COLUMN

We’re planning some exciting things for the next year. We’ve decided to try holding our General Business Meetings and programs year round. This means we won’t be taking a hiatus for the summer months, so mark your calendars for the fourth Monday of every month!

Did you know that on General Business Meeting nights, the library exchanges your parking pass for $2 – no matter how long you are at the library? Use this opportunity to spend the day at the library doing research and only pay $2 for parking!

New Services: If you would like an e-mail reminder for the General Meetings, send an e-mail to reminder@dallasgenealogy.org and you will receive an e-mail a few days prior to the meeting giving you the speaker, the topic, as well as time and place.

Trying Something New: If you would like to attend, but don’t want to drive downtown at night, e-mail us at meeting@dallasgenealogy.org. Leave a message for the Dunaway’s at (972) 252-3745, to arrange a carpool pickup to attend the meetings. Joy and Bob have graciously volunteered to be “carpool coordinators.” (This number is subject to change as volunteers change)

The board and library staff has set the next Lock-in date for 24 July 2004 and we are pleased to announce, as requested by many research friends, the 7th floor collections will also be available to us on that night. The staff on the 7th floor has asked for anyone wanting to use their materials the night of the lock-in to give them a list at least 4 days in advance so they can pull the materials and have them waiting for folks on Saturday evening. It also means researchers don’t have to wait for them to pull materials – you can go straight to work. They would, of course, pull additional materials as needed here or there -- just not a whole laundry list of items.

Visit the DGS webpage calendar at www.dallasgenealogy.org/calendar.htm. It is going to become a ‘community’ calendar with as many of the local area society meetings being listed with links to their information. This is to assist individuals in knowing what is going on in all of our local genealogy communities. We hope this will be of use to not just our members, but any individual wanting to learn about researching their families.

We hope to see you at some of our future events and want to encourage you to bring a friend, a cousin, a parent, a sibling, or a child with you. Help others catch the genealogy bug!

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Welcome To Our New Members

Peggy Anderson, Gloria A. Bradford, George Addison Field, Jr., Judye Glick, Allison Y. Jackson, Lois Lilly, Dianne Rogan Martin, William R. McHone, Jr., Herbert Miller, Jr., Jane Rackler

Hats Off!

To a great team of DGS members who made the Hank Z Jones Lecture on 7 February 2004 a superb success.

Special thanks to: Rose Alyce Beasley, Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, Ed Boehringer, Mel Brewer, Pat Biczynski, Bill Deal, Elizabeth Deihl, Bob and Joy Dunaway, Jerry Fillebrown, Marti Fox, Alvin Harper, Pat Hatcher, Shirley Hawn, Patricia Haynes, Grover and Jan Livingston, Alan Miller, Ed Millis, Mitch Mitchell, Susan Morris, Elizabeth Perry, Jemmy Phipps, Susan Powdrill, Shirley Sloat, Betty Jean Steinke, Mary Francis Stevens, Tresa Tatyrek, Suzan Younger, Al Weeks, Ann Williams, and Barbara and John Wylie.

Saturday’s event was successful in so many ways. We had a wonderful speaker and a nice greeting by the Mayor of the City of Richardson. We attracted
some new attendees, received some new or long-expired renewals of membership, enjoyed meeting other participants, and appreciated the ambiance of the lovely Eisemann Center building (despite a few physical problems).

Hank Jones’ presentation caused me to be personally “renewed” and enthusiastically ready to get back to my own research. I hope many of you had similar reactions. And Hank was very, very impressed by the warmth, energy and enthusiasm of our members. He repeated several times to me how much he enjoyed coming to Dallas for our meeting.

Such an event couldn’t happen without the help you all provided.

Shirley R. Sloat, VP Fundraising

Happenings Around DPL’s 8th Floor Volunteer Desk

Susan has two openings for volunteers to assist on DPL’s Eighth Floor.

Contact: Susan Morris @ 214-942-4051 or volunteers@DallasGenealogy.org.

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 our speaker presentation to follow.

- Come early. We begin at 6:00 p.m. with refreshments and fellowship, 6:30 p.m.

everyone is invited to an informal Q & A session.

Monday, March 22
Speaker: Kathy Mays Smith

Kathy, a local author, has brought to life the significant history of our country prior to World War II with her book, Gold Medal CCC Company 1538: A Documentary. For too long, this time period (1933-1942) of our history has been overlooked or neglected. Unwise farming methods, destruction of forests, the Great Dust Bowl and 25% unemployment left our country devastated until the creation of the CCC, which turned around and improved all of these conditions. Come hear more about this tide of 3,500,000 men in 4,500 CCC camps.

Kathy is the daughter of the first commander of this army corps and lived with him when he served as Marshall of the Court at the Nurnberg Trials. She has also lived in Turkey and Libya. Her degrees in science are from the University of Texas at Austin, where she was a Phi Beta Kappa, and from Stephen F. Austin State University. She moved to Dallas in 1972.

We will also be voting on the recommended DGS By-Law changes at this meeting.

Monday, April 26
Speaker: Lynell Moss and Jeanette Hurst
Topic: “The British Record Collection of the Family History Library”

Lynell Moss is a sixth generation Dallasite, who began genealogical research in 1968 and began working in the first Branch Genealogical Library which opened in Dallas in 1969. She began serving in the Plano Family History Center in 1990 and as the Director since 1997. She has taught family history classes for over ten years. Her family history research has produced a database linking over 33,000 individuals. She has also extracted several records, some of which are available online (four of which are on DGS’s website).

Jeanette Hurst holds a Masters degree in Medieval Studies from the University of Notre Dame and a
PhD from Cornell University in Medieval History and currently teaches at the University of Dallas. She loves working with primary sources from all time periods. For the past five years, she has been tracing her English ancestors who immigrated to the United States after joining the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She is a fifth generation member of the Church.

Monday, May 17
Speaker: Brad Johnson
Topic: “From the Alamo to Appomattox: Texans at War”

**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, April 6
Speaker: Craig Winder
Topic: “PDA Software is Useful to Genealogists”

Tuesday, May 4
Speaker: CIG Panel
Topic: “How to Select Genealogical Software”

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

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

**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.

**Tuesday, April 20**
**Speaker: Dr. Kenneth Hamilton**
Dr. Hamilton is an African-American Studies professor at Southern Methodist University and one of America’s foremost authorities on the life and times of Booker T. Washington. He will share information about Mr. Washington’s impact on American history.

**Tuesday, May 18**
This is our end of year AAGIG meeting. There will be a lively “general research” discussion and we will make plans for our fall programs.

**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.

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**Scottish Research**

While reading the 1851 census returns for Strichen, I noticed a man named Alexander Keith, who was the minister of the “Free Church of Scotland.” Since my great grandfather was born in 1844, and I had not found him in the registers of birth in the Parish Registers, and since he was named “Alexander Keith” Harvey, I began to suspect that my great grandfather was named for the minister of the Free Church of Scotland.

I ordered microfilm of the Free Church Session Minutes and soon confirmed my suspicions. The
Free Church of Scotland was an offshoot of the Church of Scotland that broke away from the established church in 1843. Alexander Keith was ordained the minister of the church in Strichen in 1844, the year my great-grandfather was born. The Free Church records named John and Ann Harvey as communicants, and registered the births of their two sons, Alexander [Keith] Harvey, 11 Jun 1844, and James Harvey, January 1846.

The Baptismal Register was inconsistently kept from 1843-1853 and then skips to 1872-78. Alexander and James are the only two Harvey children listed in the records, though two more were born after them.

**Scots Origins - the Internet to the Rescue**

I belong to the International Society for British Genealogy & Family History, and about halfway through my research there was an article published in their Journal by David Webster entitled “Breaking Through the 1855 Barrier in Scotland.” This article couldn’t have come at a better time for me, as I had reached a point where obtaining copies of birth, marriage and death certificates would have been very useful. Mr. Webster’s article detailed what was in the Statutory Records and how to access them on the Scots Origins website at: [http://www.origins.net](http://www.origins.net) (Note: since doing this research in 2000, the official website for the General Register Office of Scotland [GROS] has changed to [http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk](http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk))

I went to the Scots Origins website and printed a copy of their procedures, then compiled a list of the records I hoped to find in the birth, marriage, and death indexes. This is an important step because there is a nominal fee for searching the indexes on the Scots Origins site, which is good for 24 hours and a limit of 30 pages for that fee, or you can purchase additional pages. To make the most of your fee and time, you must be prepared with a list of the documents you want to search for. If you find documents in the indexes, you can then order extracts of the documents for £10 each, which is roughly $15.00, a real bargain for the information given on the documents. I ordered four death records, but a word of caution: I inadvertently clicked on one record that I didn’t want, and there is no provision to correct a mistake of this nature. I e-mailed a support address, and they quickly rectified the mistake. The extracts I ordered arrived in less than two weeks and were everything I hoped for. At another session on Scots Origins, I ordered some birth records. Unfortunately, I was unable to locate a birth record for my great-grandmother, Agnes Kidd HALL. She was born late in 1854, and I was hoping the registration of her birth might have spilled over into 1855, the year that the most information was given.

**What’s ahead for the Scotlandspeople website**

As noted above, in 2001, Scots Origins lost its contract with the GROS, and the official website to access Scottish Statutory Records became Scotlandspeople. Right now, in addition to the indexes available, digitized images of the 1891 and 1901 censuses are available for viewing on line. By the first quarter of 2004, according to a more recent article by David Webster, digitized images of the full statutory registers (birth, marriage, and death), the OPRs (Old Parochial Registers), and the 1841, 1851, 1861, and 1871 censuses will be available for viewing and ordering on-line. The access fee for using the website is £6 (about US $12) for 30 “page credits” and valid for 48 consecutive hours. A far more detailed explanation of the fees and charges can be viewed under the heading of “Registration and Costs” on: [www.Scotlandspeople.gov.uk](http://www.Scotlandspeople.gov.uk).

**Scots Research - Personal Observations**

- Maiden names were almost universally used in all kinds of records, even censuses
- It was very common for wives to be older than their husbands
- In very early Parish baptismal records (1700’s), the mother’s name was not mentioned unless the child was illegitimate

**Other Useful URLs:**

- [www.anesfhs.org.uk](http://www.anesfhs.org.uk/)  This is the Aberdeen & North East Scotland Family History Society web page. All my research was done in this area, and they have many cemetery surveys published.
- [www.origins.net](http://www.origins.net)  This site combines Scots Origins, English Origins, and Wales Origins with Origins search, but does not access the official Statutory Registers of GROS.
- [http://freebmd.rootsweb.com](http://freebmd.rootsweb.com)  A free index only to birth, marriage, and death records for...
England and Wales covering the period from 1837-1901.

- www.familysearch.org/ FamilySearch, of course! Be aware that not all records for all parishes exist, or have been filmed for the LDS.

Scottish Serendipity (or the results of solid research)

After having spent more than a year researching my Scottish ancestry right in the comfort of the Dallas Public Library at a microfilm reader, and sitting at my computer screen becoming thoroughly familiar with the Harvey, Hall, Milne, and related family lines, I had the opportunity to travel to Scotland and actually visit the towns of Strichen and Crimond.

Strichen (pronounced “stricken”) was the birthplace of my great-grandfather, Alexander Keith HARVEY; Crimond was the birthplace of my great-grandmother, Agnes Kidd HALL.

My goal for visiting the villages was to: locate the Free Church of Scotland in Strichen, locate the residences that the Harveys and Halls lived in, and get a general “feel” for the places where my ancestors lived. I also wanted to visit the cemeteries, one of which, in the town of Crimond, contained the graves of the Milnes. This cemetery had been surveyed, so I knew what to look for and what was written on the tombstones.

In Scotland and England, they name their houses rather than having street addresses and on the 1861 census of the village of Crimond, the parents of Agnes Kidd Hall, Arthur and Elizabeth Hall’s home was called Tillyfauld, and next door lived Elizabeth’s father, James Milne. I also had specific addresses in Strichen to look for but I needed to determine which church in Strichen had been the Free Church of Scotland at the time of Alexander Keith Harvey’s birth in 1844, as that is the church in which his baptismal record was found.

So, armed with this information, we arrived in Strichen on a slightly drizzly day and I photographed the addresses at which I knew the Harveys had lived. Then we went looking for the church. There was a Scottish Episcopal Church and the Parish of Strichen Church of Scotland, but nothing called the Free Church of Scotland. I stopped a lady near the Episcopal Church to ask if she knew, and though she didn’t, she gave me the names of two other gentlemen who might know. One was a recently retired minister of the Parish Church, and he lived on the street the Harveys had lived on, South or Water Street. Also on that street was a pub that we stopped in to see if anyone there could tell us anything. The publican, his wife, son and a customer tried to help and one said the Parish Church was currently without a minister, but the church should be unlocked. When I mentioned the name Alexander Keith, the first minister of the Free Church, and Alexander Keith Harvey’s namesake, he said he thought there was a plaque in the church with his name on it and I should be able to go in and look for it.

So we went back up to the Parish Church to try to get in and look at the plaque. I tried all three doors to the church and all were locked. I was about to give up when a man in clerical collar stopped his car and asked if I’d like to see inside the church. I said yes, and he opened the door for me. I asked if this had been the Free Church at one time and he said it had; that the church was without a minister at the moment and the parish was being combined with another one. He was to minister both parishes. He had been there that morning for a funeral for one of the parishioners and he had been invited to tea with some nearby friends and he was on his way home when he saw me “trying to break into the church.” I explained what I was looking for and that my ancestor, Alexander Keith Harvey, was born in the town of Strichen and was baptized in the Free Church. He got a strange look on his face and said, “I’m related to some Harveys who have a Strichen connection, but they settled in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia.” Then he proceeded to name my dad’s cousins, Don Harvey of Front Royal and Bruce Harvey of Altavista, VA, and he mentioned the Browns of Elgin, IL, whom I knew to be Don and Bruce’s maternal grandparents.

After a stunned moment of processing this information, I asked, “What’s your name?” and he replied, “George Noble.” I said, “I know you! I’ve been hearing about you for years from Don and Eloise, and Bruce and Frances! They came to visit you in Inverallochy.” And George had been to visit them in the United States and had stopped to visit my aunt and uncle in Indiana on their way from Illinois to Virginia.
Well, after showing us the church (we never found the plaque commemorating Alexander Keith, the minister), nothing else would do but that we accompany him to Inverallochy, which was just a short distance up the road from Strichen, for tea with his wife, Mary, and then he would guide us to Crimond. We spent a delightful few hours with the Nobles and then they took us for a stroll around the village, which boasts a fairly new golf course.

There is also a tourist attraction in the village mentioned in the Michelin guide of Scotland, “Maggie’s Hoosie.” Fortunately, it was still open and we got a wonderful slice of 19th century life in a Scottish fishing village. The gentleman who gave us the tour was wonderful and thorough in his lecture. He often put in asides about his own childhood memories and George added a few of his own. George said that growing up in Inverallochy, he played on the rocky shore; after the tide had come in and gone out again, he had a new playground every day.

Now the time came to go on to Crimond, so “cousin” George led the way. We came to the church there and George asked two ladies walking their dog for directions to the kirkyard (cemetery) and they pointed down the lane they had come from and said it was just down there a bit. I asked if they knew where “Tillyfauld” was, and they pointed down the same lane. Most of the houses have a small name plaque on their front gate, but as we drove down the lane, I didn’t see one for Tillyfauld. But we did find the kirkyard and soon found the Milne gravestones there. The one for James Milne and Helen Duff Chalmers (Elizabeth Milne Harvey’s parents) was broken and almost entirely illegible, so it is fortunate the cemetery was surveyed many years ago because I knew what the stone said from the survey.

On the way back up the lane, there were so few houses, I just picked one out that seemed likely and got out of the car to take a picture of it. Sure enough, the trash bins out front had Tillyfauld written on them.

So by incredible luck, coincidence, and serendipity, I found the church I was looking for in Strichen, met “cousin” George and Mary Noble, and found the house Agnes Kidd Hall Harvey was born in.

Before he left us in Crimond, George pointed out the clock in the Crimond church steeple. It has 6 ticks marked between the 11 and 12, making it a 61 minute clock! Another bit of Scottish magic!

Afterword
David Webster, the author of the article, “Breaking the 1855 Barrier,” which was so useful in my research, will be the speaker at this year’s Scottish Family History Symposium in Arlington, TX on Friday, June 4th. I plan to be there.

by Terri Bradshaw O’Neill
When the 2003 conference was over, each FPC participant returned home with their original document(s) plus a digitized copy of their contribution on a labeled CD with matching folder. NGS staff members returned to Glebe House with a portable hard drive containing more than 2,000 digital copies of important family documents, journals, Bible records, and other one-of-a-kind items.

NGS staff members and the Friends of Glebe are continuing to digitize in-house documents, and are also accepting contributions in the form of digital files or photocopies prepared by members of the genealogical community, following the guidelines provided at:

www.NGSgenealogy.org/library/Family papers.htm

The digitized items are being added to a fully cataloged and a searchable online database that is expected to be posted on the Web sometime in the near future. Members of the genealogical community will be able to search the database for relevant names, dates, places, etc., and will see a list of matching documents. Copies of these documents will be available for a small fee to defray the costs of indexing and electronic storage. NGS members will receive a discount.

FPC Road Trip

NGS recently created a mobile team that will visit other genealogical societies to digitize documents for the Family Papers Collection and demonstrate the methods for copying documents, photographs, and other items of genealogical interest so that the society members can continue to participate in the FPC. Dennis and I were invited to become members of the mobile team. We’re really excited about the opportunity to combine our interest in genealogy with photography, writing, and travel, and are currently planning the itinerary for a winter/spring/summer road trip. We will continue to edit UpFront with NGS while on the road and look forward to writing about the genealogical resources and events available in the areas we visit.

Our first major stop will be an extended visit with the Dallas Genealogical Society.

**Dates and Times:** Scanning will take place March 3-20, 2004 in the Genealogy section of the J. Erik Jonsson Public Library, Eighth floor, in downtown Dallas.

**Note:** 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. NGS volunteers. Dennis and Carla Ridenour will be the NGS officials doing the scanning.

**Hours:**
Mondays - Thursdays: 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 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.

From a recent edition of “Up Front” the weekly e-zine of NGS.

**Example of documents copied for the NGS Family Papers Collection**

On 10 April 1905, Sergeant Major Hall Henry Ewing, a native of Jeffersonville, Indiana and a member of Company L. 19th Infantry, wrote a long letter home to his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred E. McKnight. The letter, mailed from Tagbilaran, Bohol P.I. (Philippine Islands), was quoted in the local Jeffersonville newspaper as being “somewhat out of the ordinary run from the fact that it was written on a typewriter.”

I don’t have Sergeant Major Ewing’s actual letter, but I do have the yellowed newspaper clipping, published nearly a century ago plus several other Ewing family history items from a scrapbook maintained by my stepfather, Jack Hall Ewing (1915-1975), son of Henry Hall Ewing and Clara Belle Schultze. These items include:

- *An original 1905 document, signed by the Governor of the Philippine Islands, requesting “that all whom it may concern to permit Hall Henry Ewing, a Citizen of the United States, to safely and to freely pass and in case of need to...
give him all lawful Aid and Protection." In addition to the Governor’s request, this document also features H.H. Ewing’s signature, his height, weight, and age and a handwritten description of his physical being—broad, low forehead; grey eyes; straight nose; medium mouth; square chin; dark complexion; black hair; and “regular” facial features.

- A handwritten civil war document, “Head Quarters, Army of the Shenandoah, Middle Military Division, May 12, 1865,” listing the officers ordered to assemble for a General Court Marshal scheduled to convene in Winchester, Virginia, on 13 May 1865.
- Several post cards to friends and family members from H.H. Ewing, Philippine Islands.
- A small collection of identified photographs.

Dennis and I just finished digitizing and writing these documents to CD for contribution to the new NGS Family Papers Collection so that they will be readily available to present members of the Ewing, Schultze and/or Scott families and protected for future generations.

Participation Details
What documents should you bring to be digitized? Most family-related documents are useful for the collection, including photographs, wedding and baptismal certificates, naturalization records, military records, family letters, etc. Please provide as much helpful identification as possible, including names, dates and geographic locations. NGS will provide each participant with a CD containing a digital copy of the contributed document(s) and/or photo(s). There is no charge for contributing to the NGS Family Papers Collection. You will be asked to acknowledge NGS’ use of the information.

The Digital Advantage

The Family Papers Collection effort relies heavily on the use of new scanning technology and digital cameras to archive important documents for future generations. But unlike a family archive (digital or otherwise) maintained by an individual genealogist, the FPC is a permanent and ongoing project that can continue to take advantage of constantly changing technology. In addition, the constant danger of the collection becoming outdated or thrown out when a key person becomes ill or dies is not nearly as great.

Digitizing documents and photographs allows you to easily share multiple copies. It also protects the original items from wear and tear caused by excessive handling and working with the digital copy reduces the risk of the original from becoming lost or misplaced.

Specific information is recorded for each document added to the FPC, making it much easier to track down the location of the original.

We look forward to including digital copies of your family papers in our growing collection.

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FGS Conference 2004
Austin, Texas
September 8-11, 2004
Legends Live Forever: Researching the Past for Future Generations
To be held at: 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
DGS Chapter is sponsoring the Friday luncheon and Patricia Law Hatcher, FASG, is to be our guest speaker.
She is developing her topic, “Pat Tells All - Who Did What for Whom.” It is about cooperation in genealogy and being appreciative of those who’ve done work like publishing abstracts. She also wants to touch on volunteering and networking and how we often experience a research breakthrough because of these outside connections. Lots of funny/interesting stories to share from over the years.
The Dallas Genealogical Society Writing Awards Competition is a biennial event meant to:

- Inspire genealogists to write
- Promote high quality research and reporting, and
- Recognize efforts of those contributing to this important phase of genealogy.

Exemplary work in various divisions and categories will receive awards at the DGS Awards Ceremony in December 2004.

DIVISION I
FAMILY HISTORY
Category 1: 10,000 words or less
Category 2: more than 10,000 words
Requirements:
- May be formally or informally bound
- Thorough research based on variety of sources
- Pleasing format
- A recognized numbering system
- Full citations using one of the accepted styles in this brochure bibliography
- Bibliography
- Complete, useful index.

DIVISION II
ARTICLES OR BOOKS
OF HISTORICAL OR GENEALOGICAL INTEREST
Includes, but is not limited to, articles on methodology, achieving proof, local or county history, beginning genealogy material.
Requirements:
- May be formally or informally bound
- Pleasing format
- Full citations using one of the accepted styles in this brochure bibliography
- Bibliography
- Complete, useful index.

DIVISION III
FAMILY STORIES, MEMORIES, OR CHARACTER SKETCHES
Includes stories about family traditions, memories of family members or events, and biographical sketches of ancestors. This category is included to encourage beginners to write stories of their families.
Requirements:
- Short story length articles
- May be one story or a collection of stories
- Sources should be included

DIVISION IV
BOOK OF COMPILED MATERIAL:
CHURCH, COURT, CENSUS, CEMETERY - ABSTRACTED FROM ORIGINAL RECORDS
Requirements:
- May be formally or informally bound
- Pleasing format
- Helpful introduction
- Complete, useful index

COMPETITION RULES
- DGS members may participate free.
- The entry fee for nonmembers of DGS is $10 per entry.
- Each entrant may submit a maximum of one entry per division.
- Entries must have been compiled or published within the past 2 years (August 2002 – July 2004).
- Entries must be received by 15 August 2004. Mail entries to: DGS Writing Awards Competition, P.O. Box 12446, Dallas, Texas 75225-0446.
- The entry form in this brochure or a facsimile must accompany each entry.
- A panel of 5 judges appointed by the DGS Writing Awards Competition Committee will select the winners.
- Certificates and comment sheets for each entry will be presented at the DGS Awards Ceremony 13 December 2004.
- All entries become the property of DGS and will be donated to the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library. The author shall retain all publication rights.

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JUDGING CRITERIA

Entries are judged in three major areas:
1. Genealogy Content (50%) - includes writing style, evaluation of evidence, documentation, and source citation.
2. Writing Mechanics (25%) - includes sentence structure, word usage, spelling, and grammar.
3. Presentation of Material (25%) - includes print quality, format and general appearance, title page, preface/introduction, body of the work, glossary, bibliography, and index.

For additional information, see DGS website: www.dallasgenealogy.org.

Copy Cards Only!

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

WYLIE WORDS OF WISDOM

User Name and Password Guidelines

User Names
User Names (sometimes called ‘login name’ or just ‘login’) are public and therefore can be openly read by others. If you are concerned about privacy, don’t use your real name, use one easy for you to remember but won’t tell others who you are. For example I have used my first and middle names only. Other times, I’ve used a pet name. (Our dog is still getting mail years after I used a login: ‘MayaWylie’.) Some services require that user names contain no spaces, so jam words together and avoid using underlines and punctuation. User names are almost always case-sensitive.

Safe Passwords
DO NOT use any form of dates, addresses, names, words or combination of words, in any language, for passwords! All of these are easily broken in a few seconds by novice hackers. Placing any of these in reverse order is no protection either. The most effective passwords are those that make no sense to others while making sense to you. They have at least eight characters, include at least one number and can usually contain selected non-alphabetic characters such as: & $ * ! or %.

Using the tricks below, I can easily remember complex passwords like ‘wl2s2gfc’ or ‘mbcipi2df’ or ‘mt$2m4j2a’.

Here are some suggestions:
- Use mnemonics; such as character strings made up of the first letter (usually) or each word in a phrase. For example: ‘we like to shop together for computers’ would lead to ‘wl2s2g4c’ or ‘My Black Cat Princess Is Too Darned Fat’ would be the clue for ‘mbcipi2df’. Mnemonics don’t have to make sense, just be easy to remember. Let your imagination go.
- You might use a changing mnemonic that includes the service for which the password applies. For example: ‘We Often Use MSN For Fun Too’ would, for MSN, produce ‘woumsn4f2’ or ‘My Yahoo Is Too Busy For Me To Enjoy’ might be ‘myi2b4m2e’ which uses the clue YAHOO and the same one for MSN would be ‘mmi2b4m2e.’ Don’t use these examples, make your own. When you write these variable passwords down (and everyone does), just list the variable so your list makes no sense to others.
- If you must share one of these variable passwords with someone (hopefully for just a short time) give them the password, but don’t tell them the ‘code’ on which it is based, as that may lead them to uncover your other passwords. After they no longer need it, change it, especially if it leads to financial or sensitive information.
- Visit: staysafeonline.org for more guidance.

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This is My Library

“This is My Library,” a three-year campaign to promote the Dallas Public Library, will have its Grand Kick-off on Saturday, 17 April, at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library.

It will be a full day of programs and fun, highlighting the resources and services available throughout the Central Library. During the week following, events will be held at all library locations in celebration of National Library Week.

The Dallas Genealogical Society is pleased to be a part of this event. On the 17th of April, members of the Society will give one-hour presentations explaining what genealogy is and how to get started. Society members will also be available on the 8th floor to guide beginners and others unfamiliar with the nationally renowned Dallas Public Library Genealogy Department.

The genealogy presentations will be given in the McDermott Room, on the 8th floor at the following times: 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:30 PM, and 3:00 PM.

For further information: Alvin Harper at 214-942-4095 (no answering machine)

NEW ACQUISITIONS IN GENEALOGY
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UNITED STATES
- Petition for Redress.
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- Great Minds of the 21st Century.
- Brief Guide to the Temple Records Index Bureau.
- Directory of Geoscientists.
- Index to Advertisements for Next of Kin, Heirs at Law, Legatees, etc., etc.: Who have been Advertised for to Claim Money and Property in Great Britain and all Parts of the World.
- Wide Blue Ribbon.
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- Huguenot Gleanings from the Cross of Languedoc...: a Newsletter Published by the National Huguenot Society.

ALABAMA
- Heritage of Russell County, Alabama.
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RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

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- Heritage of Crenshaw County, Alabama.
- Heritage of Wilcox County, Alabama.
- Heritage of Henry County, Alabama.
- Newspaper Abstracts from Pike County, Alabama. 1860-1865.
- Heritage of Houston County, Alabama.

ARIZONA
- Arizona Territorial Marriages: Graham County, 1881-1912 and Greenlee County, 1911.

ARKANSAS
- Grim Reaper's Footsteps Across the Nation as Mentioned in the Clay County (Arkansas) Courier Newspaper, 1893-1925.

CONNECTICUT

DELAWARE
- Probate Records of Kent County, Delaware. 3 volumes.
- Land Records of Sussex County, Delaware, 1789-1792.
- Delaware Genealogical Research Guide.
- Delaware in the American Revolution.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
- Chronicles of Georgetown, D.C. from 1751 to 1878.

FLORIDA
- Claims to Land in East and West Florida, 1825.

GEORGIA
- Confederate Veterans of Hall County, Georgia.
- Wilkes County (Washington), Georgia, Newspaper Abstracts 1802, 1805-1809: the Monitor and Impartial Observer 1802, Monitor, 1805-1809.
- Annotated Obituaries from the Cherokee Advance, Canton, Georgia, 1880-1938.

ILLINOIS
- Echos from the Past: Estate Packets...Edgar County, Illinois.
- This Township Called Durham.
- Deaths in the Chicago Defender, 1921-1935.

INDIANA
- Our Heroic Dead: List of Soldiers with Name of Regiment and Company as far as Can Be Ascertained, Buried in Beech Grove and Other Cemeteries in Delaware County, Indiana, May 31th, (sic) 1915.

KANSAS
- Doniphan County, Kansas, History and Directory for 1868-9.

KENTUCKY
- Big Sandy News.

LOUISIANA
- Louisiana Patriots 1776-1783.

MASSACHUSETTS
- *Third Supplement to Torrey's New England Marriages Prior to 1700.
- 150th Anniversary of the Second Congregational Meeting House Society.
- Quakerism on Nantucket.
- Nantucket Centennial Celebration, 1695, 1795, 1895: Historic Sites and Historic Buildings.
- Historical Museum and Friends Meeting House, Nantucket, Massachusetts.
- Nantucket Lands and Landowners.
- St. Joseph, Fitchburg, Massachusetts Marriages...July, 1891 to December, 1995. 2 volumes.
- St. Joseph, Fitchburg, Massachusetts, Baptisms, July, 1891 to December, 1995. 2 volumes.
- New England Gazetteer.
RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

NORTH CAROLINA
- Cumberland County Cemetery Survey. 3 volumes.
- North Carolina Land Grants, Microfilm, rolls 570-989. Covers the counties from Cabarrus to Randolph.
- Marriages of Chatham County, North Carolina 1772-1868.
- Swampers: Free Blacks and the Great Dismal Swamp.

TEXAS
- Cooke County Marriage Affidavits 1886-1900; Marriage Records 1936-1941; Soldier Discharge Records 1919-1948. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Wise County Deed Record v. N 1876-1877; Volume R. 1878-1879; Discharge Records 1918-1943; Medical Register 1907-1913. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Kaufman County, Texas Death Abstracts, 1851 through 1908. Volume IV.
- Navasota Bluebonnet: Commemorating 100 Years of City Growth and Development, 1854-1954.
- Minutes of the Mt. Enterprise Baptist Church at Wood County, Texas.
- Mayflower Descendants in the State of Texas and their Lineages. Volume III.
- Hays County Discharge Records. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Fayette County, Texas Marriage Records: with Combined Bride and Groom Indices.
- Elected Officials, Dallas County, 1846-1986.
- Houston County, Texas Newspaper Abstracts, 1890-1901.
- Crossing over Cochino: Kennard, 1864-1996.
- I Remember Callahan: History of Callahan County, Texas.
- Fayette County, Texas Marriage Records.
- Marriage License Index. (Red River County).
- Rowe Cemetery, Hedley, TX, Donley County.
- Milam County, Texas: Voters' Registration, 1867-1869.
- Newspaper Obituaries, Collin County, Texas: Compiled from the McKinney Courier Gazette and the Democrat Newspapers.
- History of Limestone County, Texas, 1833-1860.

GENEALOGIES & BIOGRAPHIES
- Ancestors of Margery Ruth Howe from Immigration to the Present Times, 1630 to 2002.
- From One Generation to Another. (Huffines).
- Isbell Family History.
- Janes Family.
- Descendants of Capt. John Jennings of Isle of Wight County, Virginia.
- History of the Jones Family.
- Genealogy of the Keigwin/Cagwin Family from 1283-2001.
- Hendrik Gerrit Kiel: Dutch Immigrant to Pennslyvania.
- Some Ancestors of Sveinung Halvorson Kvambekk.
- LaFontaine Family Tree.
- Ancestry, Descendants and Biographies of John Larsson.
- Lay of the Land.
- Ledbetters Revisited.
- Descendants of John Lee of Marks Creek.
- Benjamin Lightbourne/Lightburn.
- Livingston Cousins of Tennessee.
- Lunsford Story.
- Mac-Alasdair Clan.
- MacLaren Standard: Newsletter of the Clan MacLaren Society of America.
- McDaniel Genealogy and History.
- Genealogy of the McKay Family Descendants.
- Descendants of Colonel Peter McKellar...
- McQueary Clan through Mountains and Sunsets.
- Matau Family History & Related Lineages.
- Edward Mathis and Descendants of Magnolia, North Carolina.
- Matthews Files: Hopkins County, Texas, 1846-1900.
- Matthews History: The Family of Thomas Matthews.
- Descendants of William Means of Christian Co., KY.
- American Sons of Hans Michael Mercklen/Merckle.
- Miller-Young and Allied Lines.
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- TI, the Transistor, and Me. (Millis).
- Mills and Kendall Family history.
- Moffats.
- Descendants of James Madison Morrow of Ozark and Douglas Counties, Missouri.
- Morsch Immigrants from Baden.
- My Family Tree. (O’Neill).
- My Mother’s People: Parker and Allied Families.
- Captain Jotham Parsons (1783-1860), a Genealogical Biography.
- Parsons Family.
- Descendants of Joseph Patrell, 1723-1790s, of Ware River Parish, Massachusetts.
- Frank C. Pearson and the Tellie Ward Story.
- Descendants of Abraham Perkins of Hampton, New Hampshire.
- Ancestors and Descendants of Henry Thomas Perry.
- Pettet & Pettit: this Family Business.
- Phillips and Kin.
- In the Shadow of the Steeple: a Personal Chronicle. (Plumlee).
- Powells on the Path thru Purdy.
- Powledge Family in America (Paulitsch).
- Mijamin Priest and His Family.
- Ancestry and Descendants of Captain Timothy Prout of Boston.
- Puett Papers. Volume III.
- Pusey Family of Maryland.
- Family History of Hugh Quinn, Sr.
- Radford Monroe Reams and His Wife, Jessie Furman Coffee, Ancestors and Descendants.
- Searching for Red Eagle: A Personal Journey into the Spirit World of Native America.
- Ross-Chestnut-Sutton Family of South Carolina.
- Ruff/Ruoff, Shewmake/Shumake, Essary/Esrey and the Williamson Family.
- David Sample and Mary (Polly) Townsend.
- Schalm Connection.
- Sedore Family History.
- Cornelius Holmes Shows of Jones County, Mississippi.
- Peter Sinkler/Sinclair of Brunswick County, VA and Chatham County, North Carolina about 1740-1781.
- Our Immigrant Ancestors from Scotland: George Smith and His Wife, Mary Baird, and Their Descendants.
- Smyly Family of Colleton County, South Carolina, 1775-2002.
- John Robert Stevens and His Ancestors.
- David Strickland Families from year 1600 to the Present.
- History of the Union Co., IL, Tolers and Allied Families.
- Chips from many Trees and Growing Roots. (Townsend).
- Townsend Family of Maryland.
- Trumbauer Family: with Origins in Germany, Bucks County and Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.
- Sir James Tyrrell of County Essex, England.
- Underhill Family. Volumes 7 & 8.
- Van Amburgh Times: A Family Newsletter.
- Van Olinda Families.
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- Early Ward Families of Southern Maryland.
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- Warners in History.
- Samuel and Mary Widgery.
- Wike Family.
- Witt’s End.
- Wolcott Immigrants.
- Wonnell Family of Maryland.
- Wooldridge Family. 2 Volumes.
- Woolerton Family, 1693-1850 and Beyond.
- Wright Family Genealogy and Allied Families.
- Jacob Youngblood, Revolutionary Veteran, His Ancestors & Descendants.

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
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: (972) 841-9455

March 22 - Central TX Genealogical Society  
Our speaker is Max Blankfeld from FamilyTree DNA, America's first genealogy-driven DNA testing service. Learn more about the service dedicated to helping genealogists find lost relatives when the paper trail ends and the brick wall takes its place. We meet at the Central Library on Austin Ave, Waco at 7:00 p.m.

April 3 - Hill College History Center  
The 25th annual “Confederate History Symposium” The topic will be “Don’t Mess with Texans,” speakers include: Dr. James Pohl, Dr. David Paul Smith, Dr. Rick Selcer, and Dr. Norman Brown. Symposium guests will be entertained by the Confederate music of Joe Walker, Greg Hector, and the Hood’s Texas Brigade Brass Band under the directions of Major Philip Lowe. For more information: (254) 582-2555 ext. 258 or e-mail: patterson@hill-college.cc.tx.us  $25 per person

April 8 - Mesquite Hist. & Gen. Society  
Marge Bibby & Martha Hartley will be presenting “The History of the White House and surrounding areas.” This will be a slide show presentation. Both ladies are members of the Richard Bard Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution. Contact: Linda Felts, FeltsL@NMAC.COM

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 12 – Grapevine Name Droppers  
Roundtable discussion – Problem Solving and Dead Ends. Frances M: 817-267-1645, vhistsoc@hotmail.com

April 13 - Lancaster Genealogical Society  
“Victory Is Ours! Following Your Veteran's History in Research and Song.” Speakers are Cami Loucks and Lela Evans.

April 24 - FamilyTreeMaker Workshops  
North Texas Special Interest group that focuses on learning new techniques for maximizing your use of the Family TreeMaker. Contact Tresa at 972-539-7452

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.

May 10 – Grapevine Name Droppers  
Debbie Kirt will speak on “Immigration.” Frances Malcolm: 817-267-1645, gvhistsoc@hotmail.com.

May 11 - Lancaster Genealogical Society  
“America at Sea - Pirateering & Other Naval Records,” presented by Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, FNGS.

May 13 - Mesquite Hist. & Gen. Society  
Marie Crossley will present “How to Find and Research Church Records.” She is a very experienced genealogist and her program will be a great learning experience for everyone who comes. Marie is a member of the Richard Bard Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Contact: Linda Felts, FeltsL@NMAC.COM

May 15 - FamilyTreeMaker Workshops  
North Texas Special Interest group that focuses on learning new techniques for maximizing your use of the Family TreeMaker. Contact Tresa at 972-539-7452

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/

June 8 - Lancaster Genealogical Society  
Jane Routt Power will present “Colonial Mail”

June 12- Mesquite Hist. & Gen. Society  
Spring Workshop Speaker: Marynell Bryant from the Hopkins County Genealogical Society. Workshop to be held at the Main Branch, Mesquite Public Library, 9 AM - 4 PM, Contact: Sue Hart, Chairman, 972-288-6648

June 14 – Grapevine Name Droppers  
Weldon Hudson will speak on “Armchair Research.” Frances M.: 817-267-1645, gvhistsoc@hotmail.com

June 26 - Walker Co. Genealogical Society  
The 4th Annual Texas Genealogy & Family History Fair in Huntsville, Texas, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Walker County Fair Grounds, 4 miles west of Huntsville on State Highway 30. For information: www.wcgen.com/fair.htm
RESOURCES & AREA EVENTS

REGIONAL CONTACTS

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

Central Texas Genealogical Society
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 thewilsonsisters@earthlink.net. For more information: www.rootsweb.com/~txctgs

Dallas Historical Society
Franklin K. Wilson, COO, P.O. Box 150038, Dallas, TX 75315-0038, frank@dallashistory.org, 214-421-4500 x105, Fax: 214-421-7500. See www.dallashistory.org/activities/tours.htm for latest list of tours and activities.

FamilyTreeMaker Workshops
Tresa Tatyrek heads up a North Texas Special Interest group that focuses on learning new techniques for maximizing your use of the Family TreeMaker program. Grapevine Library Presentation room, Grapevine, TX at 10:00 am, open to the public, Contact Tresa at 972-539-7452, genealogy@magnoliamanor-network.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. Info: www.geocities.com/Wellesley/Garden/5215/

Grand Prairie Genealogical Society
Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at the 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 each month at 10:00 a.m., all year round, in the Grapevine Public Library program room, 1201 Municipal Way. Frances Malcolm: 817-267-1645, gvhistsoc@hotmail.com.

HOGAR de Dallas
Meets the third Tuesday of most months, 6:30 PM at Casa View Library, 10355 Ferguson Road (Ferguson and Joaquin), Dallas, TX 75228. Contact: Jerry Benavides, Jbenavide@aol.com, P.O. Box 497891, Dallas, Texas 75049-7891, or call: (972)841-9455, http://home.earthlink.net/~hogardedallas/id5.html

Irving Genealogical Society
Meets the third Monday of each month, 7:00 PM at the Irving Public Library. Contact: Mary Kay Weber, President, MaryKWeber@aol.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, ifilgo@swbell.net, 972-227-1080

Mesquite Historical & Genealogical Society
Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month, Mesquite Public Library, 300 Grubb. 6:30 p.m.-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/

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
Monday, 19 April 2004, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Oak Lawn branch library.

Invite a friend and join us!
Contact Frances: Education@DallasGenealogy.org
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Bonham Hall, Room B-005 - Don Raney
All genealogy classes are one credit hour each.
All these classes and beginning classes will be repeated during the Summer and Fall Semesters.

POFI 1100.8248  Sundays 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

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POFI 1100.8225  Fridays 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

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DID YOU KNOW...? compiled by Bill Deal

Abraham Lincoln was shot on the evening of 14 April 1865 -- just five days after Lee's surrender at Appomattox Court House on 9 April. Appomattox Court House, by the way, is the name of a community in west central Virginia; the surrender itself took place in a private home, the McLean House.

Source: "The Civil War" by Robert Paul Jordan (1969)
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### DGS Calendar of Events

**March**
- 02 – Tue  DGS CIG – Carla and Dennis Ridenour  
  *The NGS Personal Papers Digitizing Project overview*
- 13 – Sat  Beginner’s Workshop at the Skillman/Southwestern branch library, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
- 16 – Tue  DGS 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 - continued**
- 22 – Thu  Beginner’s Workshop at the Park Forrest branch library, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- 26 – Mon  DGS Meeting – Lynell Moss  
  *The British Record Collection of the Family History Library*

**May**
- 04 – Tue  DGS CIG – TBD
- 18 – Tue  DGS AAGIG Meeting –  
  General research discussion 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

**June**
- DGS goes to year-round programming this summer!

### 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, FNGS

J. Erik Jonsson Public Library in downtown Dallas

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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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