

DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

DGS Newsletter

FINAL SPRING 2005 LECTURE

April 2, 2005:

Thomas W. Jones, Ph.D., CG, CGL

Five Ways to Prove Who Your Ancestor Was

- Seven Habits of Highly Effective Genealogists
- Five Ways to Prove Who Your Ancestor Was (Some Reliable and Others Not Reliable)
- Five Proven Techniques for Finding Your Ancestor's European Origins
- Organizing Evidence to Overcome Record Shortages



During the National Genealogical Society (NGS) Conference (21 May 2004), Dr. Jones received the 2004 Grahame T. Smallwood Jr. Award of Merit from the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG) for his leadership role in raising the standards for genealogical research.

The Fairfax, Virginia, resident is widely known for his lectures and articles on using case studies to demonstrate genealogical problem-solving and using the Genealogical Proof Standard, a method to evaluate the credibility of research conclusions.

Dr. Jones, Co-Editor of the *NGS Quarterly*, has more than 40 years of research and teaching experience in genealogy and education. He served as an APG trustee from 1999 through 2002 and is a trustee and immediate past president of the Board for Certification of Genealogists. An active genealogist since his teens, he teaches genealogical research strategies that have broad application across geographic areas and time periods.

See page 58 for Registration Form to sign up for this important lecture to be held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library.



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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



2005, our DGS 50th anniversary year, is rolling right along with exciting events. The Claire Bettag lecture, held Feb 5, was enthusiastically received by the audience with very complimentary critiques of the entire event, from the excellence of the speaker to the smooth functioning of the event itself. Kudos to our Exec VP Jeri Steele and all her DGS and DPL helpers.

By the time you receive this Newsletter, we will have enjoyed the second of the three lectures comprising our Spring Lecture Series. In her talk, Emily Anne Croom will have provided tools to help us "Unpuzzle Our Pasts" and perhaps break through one of those infamous brick walls we each encounter at some point during our genealogical career.

We expect there will be room for "walk-ins" at each of our lectures, so for those of you who are unable to plan very far ahead, should you wish to attend a lecture but are not able to pre-register by mail, we will welcome you on the morning of the event. If you wish to be certain that there is an available seat, you may either contact us by e-mail at lectures@dallasgenealogy.com, or call the library Genealogy Section (214-670-1433). One advantage of pre-registering (postmarked by the Wednesday, ten days prior to the event) is that you will also have the opportunity to order a convenient optional hot lunch.

The Board has approved the Anniversary Year 100,000 Book Challenge, with the goal of increasing the number of books in our DPL genealogy section from 96,000 to 100,000. Details are posted on the website and will also be in the next issue of the Newsletter. It will be important that donations, whether money or books, be made as early in the year as possible so that the library's work flow can be completed prior to year-end.

One of our members, Barbara Ware, suggested a fun way to raise money for this 100,000 Book Challenge, and the Board has approved her idea to "Honor Your Ancestor's Birthday." At each of our monthly General Meetings, you will have the chance to make a donation (by check, to DGS for the book fund) in honor of one of your special

ancestors whose birthday falls within that month, and our VP Education, John Wylie, will announce your ancestor's name and birth date and, if he talks fast, maybe even the birth location at a General Meeting. Please contact John at education@dallasgenealogy.org if you have questions.

Hope you'll join us at one or all of the monthly meetings of the General Membership, the Computer Interest Group and the African American Genealogy Interest Group.

Shirley

Welcome To Our New Members



Ruth Cattles Cottrell

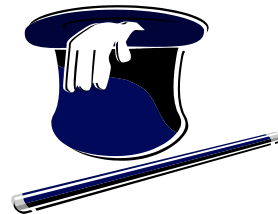
Keith & Kris Richins

Rita Savage

Robert S. Sloan

Troy E. & Patty Smith

Don & Sharon Stevenson



HATS OFF!

Welcome to Janet Branstetter who will be working at the Volunteer Desk on the 2nd Saturday from 3 to 5 p.m.

**HAPPENINGS AROUND
DPL'S 8TH FLOOR VOLUNTEER DESK**

Susan Morris has openings for volunteers to assist on DPL's Eighth Floor:

2nd Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.

2nd Saturday 1 to 3 p.m.

Every Friday 3 to 5 p.m.

Enjoy working with the great Genealogy Section staff and helping others with their research.

To take advantage of these volunteer opportunities, please call Susan at 214-942-4051 (evenings) or email: Volunteer@dallasgenealogy.org.

“It Was A Dark and Stormy Night” (or How I Found My Footing in Denton)

Now that I have your attention, I want to tell you an entirely different kind of story. Last year the Ridenours, of the National Genealogical Society (NGS), spent four weeks in Dallas making digital copies of historical documents (for this article, the term “documents” includes photos) in the possession of DGS members. About thirty of our members served as volunteers, some full-time. We were overwhelmed and imaged only a portion of the treasures 123 donors brought in, turning away as many donors as we accepted. It seems that there’s an enormous unmet need out there.

Accordingly, after that NGS project hosted by DGS was concluded, I formed an ad-hoc committee to look into our doing this ourselves. In my vision, we would learn from the NGS experience and conduct our own project for our own members. We had learned that the devil was in the details, and that the fun part—digitizing the originals—was just the start. We would also need to properly catalog and share these old documents with others: others in the donor’s family and other genealogists via the Internet.

In another activity, I had met Dreanna Belden of the Digital Projects Department of the University of North Texas. They host the Portal of Texas History, which you can visit at texashistory.unt.edu. She invited our informal group to an open house at their digital lab. Bill Deal, Marti Fox, Happi McQuirk, Steve Reid, Bob Souda, Tresa Tatyrek, Al Weeks and I spent a few hours marveling at their technology.

They can copy (using scanners and digital cameras) almost any kind of document. We saw high speed scanners, a camera that can scan both pages of a book without opening it flat and a scanner that can digitize documents fifty-four inches wide. From those scans, they print copies that are difficult to tell from the original. They offered to train us to work on our own equipment. That stuff was neat but what they showed us next was even more significant, at least to me.

We learned their Lab has developed criteria and techniques for labeling digital image files with source data, content, and technical information. All of this information can be automatically indexed.

That’s essential to DGS because, if we’re to conduct a personal documents preservation project, we must have the tools to efficiently and effectively record information — known as meta-data — about each image. Genealogists must be able to find that data and view the digital image. Without this, the value of the project would be greatly diminished.

The other thing that impressed me about the Portal of Texas History was their ability to publish all of their efforts on the web. Before this open house, I had many doubts about whether we at DGS could pull off a similar service for our members. I have delayed this article because I knew that Dreanna was working with her management team to offer DGS a significant perk. She recently called to report that they will give DGS the use of their online servers to publish our members’ images on the Internet. Those documents that address Texas history would also be part of the Portal of Texas History.

We can do it. We’ve seen it done at UNT. All we need now is the will and the volunteers to make this work. That’s my dream—for DGS to be a leader in using proven technology for the benefit of our members and the genealogical community at large. The project I envision will take a great deal of work. Some volunteers will need to learn new technologies and help DGS determine what equipment to obtain and operate. Others will work with donors, helping them to prepare their collection and record the names, places, dates, and provenance of each old document. Yet others will assist with organization.

The DPL staff has agreed to help find space in the downtown library. The technology is proven, DGS has the people—but even more important—the need. If we have the will, in future months all DGS members will be able to have their old photos and documents preserved on a CD and, when they agree, published on the web to benefit genealogists and historians. This project was informally discussed with the Board before the UNT visit. A more detailed plan will soon be presented to the Board for approval. Stay tuned.

John Wylie
VP, Education
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LOST, BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

DGS Member: MICHAEL F. SLATTERY, SR.
 Born in Wichita, Kansas August 24, 1924, he died peacefully surrounded by family in his home in Dallas on January 16, 2004. Survived by loving wife of 52 years, Natalie, five daughters Ruth (Joe Lowe), Mary (Roger Quintanilla), Martha (Brad Hollis), Karen (Don English), Natalie (Mike Brezovsky), and son Michael F., Jr. (Shannon); 24 grandchildren, brother Tom Slattery (Bette), sister Sharon Beach, sister-in-law Barbara Off, and numerous nieces and nephews. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. A graduate of Kansas State, Michael enjoyed a successful 20-year career as a petroleum engineer with Continental Emsco. He then founded Midland Pipe Corporation from which he retired in 1980. He was a man proud of his Irish roots, with a fun sense of humor, who lived his life with great strength and integrity. He was an avid reader. Devoted husband, father and grandfather, he especially enjoyed sharing his love of nature with his family on his Colorado ranch. A board member of the YMCA for many years, he participated in their volleyball and water aerobics programs making many close friends. His commitment to family and friends was extraordinary and will be forever cherished. His family wishes to acknowledge and thank the devoted health care givers for their exceptional support during his illness.

Source: *Dallas Morning News*, January 20, 2004

2005 DGS SOCIETY PROGRAMS

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

DGS GENERAL MEETING

USUALLY MEETS ON THE FOURTH MONDAY

Our monthly meeting begins at 7:00 p.m. with our speaker presentation to follow about 7:30 p.m.

By popular demand, we're resuming the brief open question and answer session before General DGS meetings. At 6:30, Lloyd Bockstruck (or substitute) will host a discussion where members and visitors can ask any genealogically-related question. We expect that, in any group of Dallas genealogists, most questions can be answered by someone in that group. Come to the auditorium 30 minutes before the meeting, after stopping off in the East Room for refreshments, and see what you can learn and share. Please, no food or drinks in the auditorium.

- ❖ *Come early. We begin at 6:00 p.m. with refreshments and fellowship, and at 6:30 p.m. everyone is invited to an informal Q & A session.*

Monday, March 28

Speaker: Glenn Kinkade

Topic: Indirect Evidence

Glenn is an experienced genealogical researcher, lecturer, and instructor. He graduated with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Wichita State University. After serving as an officer in the United States Air Force, he joined IBM in 1960 in Kansas City, Missouri. In 1990 he retired from IBM in Dallas, TX. Since his retirement he has been an active volunteer in several community organizations. His hobbies include travel, photography, and genealogy. Glenn and his wife Ann live in Dallas and have two married sons.

Monday, April 25

Speaker: Lynell Moss

Topic: Research Evaluation and Analysis

Lynell 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).

Monday, May 23

Speaker: Don Raney

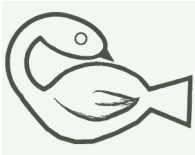
Topic: Wills and the Probate Process

If your ancestor was testate, died with a will, his heirs presented his will to the probate court and

requested appointment of an executor. If your ancestor was intestate, died without a will, the principal heir usually petitioned the court to appoint an administrator. The probate court assigns an identifying number to the estate and a probate packet is created for the court. The probate packet will contain the will, letters testamentary, inventory of the estate, list of beneficiaries, records of public sale, deeds, invoices, receipts and a final accounting of the disposition of the estate.

You should begin your search for probate records in the county where your ancestor died and usually owned property. In most jurisdictions, all of the probate records will be in one series of court books and the probate records may be intermingled with other court records. The older probate records in some counties have been abstracted and published. The best sources for published probate records are county libraries, the home pages for individual counties on USGenWeb, the LDS Library online card catalog, PERSI, and the online card catalog for the appropriate state libraries.

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 15

Speaker: John V. Wylie

Topic: An Update on Technology for African-American Researchers

This talk will emphasize new technologies useful for family history researchers, including digital cameras, scanners, notebook computers, and lots of new stuff on the Internet. It will also cover some new genealogical source material not previously available on the Web. John V. Wylie, a professional genealogist, serves on the NGS-GENTECH Advisory Board and is VP for Education of the Dallas Genealogical Society. A founder of GENTECH, he has authored articles in numerous publications including *Genealogical Computing Magazine* and served on the team that developed

the GENTECH Genealogical Data Model. He has lectured at many national conferences.

Tuesday, April 19

Speaker: TBD

Topic: TBD

Liaison to DGS: Lois Lilly, AAGIG@dallasgenealogy.org

COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP (CIG) MEETS ON THE FIRST TUESDAY

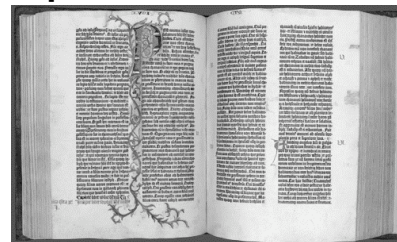


OUR PURPOSE: Explore the use and expand our knowledge of computer technology as we search, collect, manage, and publish information related to genealogy.

Tuesday, April 5

Speaker: Lloyd Bockstruck

Topic: Two Different Worlds We Live In



Genealogy in the Gutenberg galaxy! From the 16th century to the 21st: learn what kinds of things are still best researched the old-fashioned way and

what is working well with the new technology and the Internet.

Tuesday, May 3

Speaker: Tresa Tatyrek

Topic: Prepping for an Archives Research Trip

Researching in State Archives (or any archives) can produce rewarding results if you do a little homework via the net before you make the trip. Tresa will address how and what to look for on the Internet. The example Archive will be the Tennessee State Archives in Nashville since the National Genealogical Society Conference is being held there this year, June 1-4, 2005.



**DGS
INTERNET
WORKSHOPS**

We are conducting hands-on computer classes at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library in the computer training room on L1, called the Gates Room. We can enroll up to 16 students per one hour session, with a minimum of 10 students. These workshops are \$5 for DGS members per session (\$10 for non-members).

Thursday sessions will be at 1:00 p.m.
Saturday sessions will be at 9:30 a.m.

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DGS Internet Workshop Registration

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Select Topics and Date

- ◆ Rootswab.com, the surname lists
__ Apr. 14 @ 1:00 p.m. -or- __ Apr. 16 @ 9:30 a.m.
- ◆ Rootswab.com, the databases
__ May 12 @ 1:00 p.m. -or- __ May 14 @ 9:30 a.m.

Total \$ _____.00 (\$5 X __ sessions – members)
Total \$ _____.00 (\$10 X __ sessions - non-members)
We will let you know in advance if the class makes.

Make check payable to DGS and mail to:
Dallas Genealogical Society
PO Box 12446, Dallas, TX 75225-0446

For more information see the DGS website:
www.dallasgenealogy.org

**Saturdays are especially popular,
so register early!**



Volunteers Needed!!

Good news! You can help with the World War I Draft Records without bringing a laptop computer. Yes, the DGS will spring for a computer to be kept at the library for such projects. And we still need a few more good volunteers to extract draft records for *The Dallas Journal*.

If you are available to help with this project, please contact Ann M. Williams for additional information. (214) 275-6043 or journal@dallasgenealogy.org.

Brookhaven College for Spring, 2005

American Genealogy, Part II: Apr 14- May 12, Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.
Instructor: Sammie Townsend Lee of the Dallas Public Library 214-670-1433.

Course continues discussing and working with genealogical methodology, organization, and researching in the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library (includes a trip to the collection).

Beginning Legacy Family Tree: March 21, 23, 28, 30, & April 4 (Mon. & Wed.), 1:30 - 4:10 p.m., 5 sessions over 3 weeks
Instructor: Glenn Kinkade, 214-349-3808, glennkinkade@comcast.net

Brookhaven Contact Information: DeBorah 972-860-4807 or Janice 972-860-4698.

Note: If you are 65 years of age or older and reside in Dallas County, or own property in Dallas County, tuition is waived for up to six credit hours per semester. You pay only for textbooks.



Richland College for Spring 2005

Schedule of Genealogy Classes by
Don Raney, 972-278-3381,

donraney@comcast.net

Genealogy Level III: 1 Apr-29 Apr, Fridays, 1:00
p.m.-4:00 p.m.

The Master Genealogist: 1 Apr-29 Apr, Fridays,
9:00 a.m.-12:00 n

Call the Richland Emeritus Office at 972-238-6958
for registration information. Tuition is \$30.00 but
classes are free for residents of Dallas County over
age 65.

Claire Bettag Seminar Well Received!

The reviews are in! Ms. Claire Bettag, CGRS, CGL was a phenomenal hit with the Dallas audience of over 120. She started the day with a lecture on Federal Land Records at the National Archives. Next came an overview on National Archives (NARA) records and how to find the records that you need. Claire is a nationally known NARA researcher and her lectures definitely showed her expertise. The NARA brochures that were passed out at the lecture in addition to the syllabus material excited everyone in the audience.

The afternoon was also jam-packed with information on French resources in the United States and the day concluded with a lecture on how your assumptions can be your own worst enemy. Even if you didn't have French ancestors, Claire's approach to locating French resources in the United States was an eye-opening experience in record finding. If you missed this lecture, you can still get the valuable syllabus material at the DGS sales table. Don't miss the concluding methodology lecture with Dr. Thomas Jones.

Reported by: Jeri Steele
Exec/VP Fundraising

Alvin (Harper) Sez:

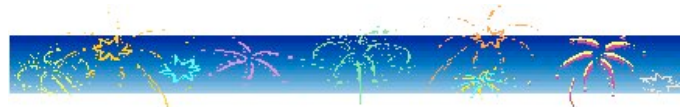
*"The higher the brick wall,
the deeper you have to dig."*



FROM OUR READERS

I'd like to announce my Stewart Family blog. Please give its address to anyone you think would be interested. <http://stewartgenealogy.blogspot.com> They, and you, are welcome to post Stewart related information.

Submitted by: Robin Yaklin,
robinyaklin@sbcglobal.net



**Family History Library Celebrates
110-Year Roots**

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints celebrated two family history milestones in January: the completion of extensive upgrades to its Family History Library (the world's largest genealogical research facility) and the 110th anniversary of the Genealogical Society of Utah (GSU).

Read more about these milestone developments in the complete press release:
<http://www.uptilt.com/c.html?rtr=on&s=2px,b63x,11cm,bay7,sx1,manq,b9se>

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reply-48406@uptilt.com

Thanks to Pat Biczynski for the heads-up.

Over 50 Attended January Lock-In

Over Fifty audacious genealogists braved the January cold to research at the Lock-In. What better way to spend a Saturday night than locked into the library! Amid all the microfilm, books, fiche, and computers on the Internet were a few shouts of "I found them!" In between the research time, the attendees could be found grazing on the great food in the conference room and chatting with fellow DGS members.

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DGS had a successful fundraising event with the help of many volunteers: Mary Ruth McKenney and Tresa Tatyrek handled the mail and the computer database, Susan Morris and Bobbie Jean Hooser worked on hospitality, Ann Williams and Elizabeth Perry worked registration, Shirley Sloat, Tresa Tatyrek, Bill Dow, and Jeri Steele all helped with set-up and logistics, Lloyd Bockstruck, Ed Boehringer, Heather Williams, Lea Markoff, and Fred Davis all worked from the library.

If your research can use a boost, or you enjoy the company of die-hard genealogists, then make plans to join the next Lock-In July 30.

Reported by: Jeri Steele
Exec/VP Fundraising

The 2005 Dallas Journal

The Journal still needs transcripts, abstracts, manuscripts, photos, illustrations, and other material related to genealogy in Dallas County. The deadline for submissions will be July 1.

Also volunteers are needed for several projects, including a new project of extracting old Dallas newspapers for births, marriages, and deaths. On page 46, see also the separate announcement on continuing the extraction of World War I Draft Registration records. We also need people to transcribe donated family Bible records and obituaries.

If you think you might have something of interest to Dallas County researchers, or if you would like to work on an assigned project for the next Journal, please contact editor Ann Williams at 214-375-6043 or journal@dallasgenealogy.org.

Funeral Consumer Options Follow-Up

A few months ago, the CIG group met and discussed writing and publishing obituary notices. At that time, I mentioned a funeral consumer option

that the audience found interesting and requested details. Here they are:

There is a volunteer consumer organization "devoted to finding funeral services for our members, that are dignified, trouble free and reasonably priced." They contact funeral homes on behalf of their members to establish prices and services and post the information so that members of the organization can make a choice well before any service is needed. As a member you pay a very small fee, select a cooperating funeral home (the choice is not binding in any way – you may select another one later on should you wish), fill out advance paperwork such as detailed biographical information about the person(s) to be covered under the agreement and send copies to both the Society and to the funeral home.

No additional money changes hands and you are making no future financial commitment. You are able to receive reduced charges from the funeral homes at the time you need their service, and your contract for services is with that funeral home, not the Funeral Consumers of North Texas Society.

The organization is actually made up of two parts:

- (1) Funeral Consumers of North Texas, which collects and distributes to members information on prices and services supplied by funeral homes in the service area. Small yearly dues are not tax deductible.
- (2) Funeral Consumers of the Southwest, an informational organization to which yearly dues are regarded by the IRS as tax deductible.

I have used these services several times, and whereas my family desires simple final arrangements, you may request any level of arrangements you wish with the funeral home – but will receive significantly discounted prices.

If you are interested in following up on this approach, contact:

Funeral Consumers Alliance of the Southwest
2875 East Parker Rd
Plano, TX 75074-7503
972-509-5686 or 1-800-371-2221

Shirley Sloat

**Next DGS Newsletter
is April, 2005!**

**Submissions must be made by March 15, 2005
to advertise May – July events! Email Happi at:
newsletter@dallasgenealogy.org**

Genealogy Internet Use Survey

An amateur genealogist and PhD candidate with Curtin University of Technology in Australia, Kylie Veale, is currently researching the use of the internet for genealogy by people in USA, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, and the UK, for her PhD thesis. The project was approved by the Curtin University Human Research Ethics Committee in June 2004.

You are invited to participate in the study if you wish. The survey (and information sheet) is available and ready for participation until 10 April 2005 at: <http://igcs.survey.curtin.edu.au>.

Results of the survey for the Texas, USA region will be sent to DGS after the survey closes. Results of the survey will also be sent to every participant.

DGS will be adding a link to the survey on our Website, www.dallasgenealogy.org.

Shirley Sloat

Two Important websites:

1. The instructions to the US Census Enumerators by year can prove helpful to your census research: <http://www.ipums.org/usa/voliii/tEnumInstr.html>

2. At the National Archives I found a friend's Vietnam Missing In Action (MIA) brother and my own father's WW II enlistment information. Over 400 Archival Databases are listed and accessed from here:

http://aad.archives.gov/aad/title_list.jsp

Among the databases are:

- A. **World War II Army Enlistment Records**
1938-1946

The website description: "This series contains records of approximately nine million men and women who enlisted in the United States Army, including the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. Although incomplete, the records contain data for a majority of the enlistments in the United States Army during World War II. The bulk of the records conform to the format found on War Department Adjutant General's Office (WD AGO) Form 317 (Enlistment Card) for the period ca. 1941-1945, and WD AGO Form 372 (Enlistment Card) for ca. 1945-1946. Additional records contain data originally recorded on Enlisted Reserve Corps (E.R.C.) Statistical cards. In general, the records contain the serial number, name, state and county of residence, place of enlistment, date of enlistment, grade, Army branch, term of enlistment, longevity, nativity (place of birth), year of birth, race, education, civilian occupation, marital status, height and weight (before 1943), military occupational specialty (1945 and later), component, and box and reel number of the microfilmed punch cards."

- B. **Records on Military Personnel Who Died, Were Missing in Action or Prisoners of War as a Result of the Vietnam Conflict,**
1/20/1967 - 12/1998

The website description: "This series contains records of U.S. military officers and soldiers who died as a result of either a hostile or non-hostile occurrence or who were missing in action or prisoners of war in the Southeast Asian combat area during the Vietnamese Conflict, including casualties that occurred in Cambodia, China, Laos, North Vietnam, South Vietnam, and Thailand. The records derive from information submitted by each of the military services on Department of Defense Form 1300, Individual Report of Casualty. The database has both final and non-final records; a data field in each record distinguishes between them. Final records, also referred to as the 'last' records, represent the most current official information about a deceased casualty or about repatriated personnel; non-final records, also referred to as 'previous' records, are those that precede the final records. Each record includes: the casualty's name, service number, file reference number, date of birth, date of death or repatriation, date Southeast Asian tour began, record processing date, city and state of home of record, the casualty's military service branch, country of casualty, type of casualty, military grade and pay grade, military occupation, service component,

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race, religion, length of service, marital status, sex, citizenship, the reason or cause of casualty, whether the casualty involved an aircraft, the status of the casualty's body (whether recovered or not), whether the casualty was posthumously promoted, and the South Vietnam province where the casualty occurred, when applicable.”

Jeri Steele

Domain Codes for Countries

“If” you have been bothered by spam, you may be interested to know where the dog-gone thing is coming from. Here’s a partial list of country codes which you’ll find on the end of an email address or website (more positively, a genealogy website). We’ll run the rest of them as we have room.

Courtesy of Marti Fox

.ac Ascension Island
.ad Andorra
.ae United Arab Emirates
.af Afghanistan
.ag Antigua and Barbuda
.ai Anguilla
.al Albania
.am Armenia
.an Netherlands Antilles
.ao Angola
.aq Antarctica
.ar Argentina
.as American Samoa
.at Austria
.au Australia
.aw Aruba
.az Azerbaijan
.ba Bosnia and Herzegovina
.bb Barbados
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.bg Bulgaria
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.bj Benin
.bm Bermuda
.bn Brunei Darussalam
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.br Brazil
.bs Bahamas
.bt Bhutan
.bv Bouvet Island
.bw Botswana

.by Belarus
.bz Belize
.ca Canada
.cc Cocos (Keeling) Islands
.cd Congo, Democratic Republic of the
.cf Central African Republic
.cg Congo, Republic of
.ch Switzerland
.ci Cote d'Ivoire
.ck Cook Islands
.cl Chile
.cm Cameroon
.cn China
.co Colombia
.cr Costa Rica
.cu Cuba
.cv Cap Verde
.cx Christmas Island
.cy Cyprus
.cz Czech Republic



DGS President Shirley Sloat presenting a \$15,000 check to Lloyd Bockstruck for the Genealogy Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library. The check is a portion of the \$30,000 gift the Society has budgeted as its 2005 gift to the library, and will be applied toward the DGS 50th anniversary 100,000 Book Challenge, with the goal of increasing the number of books in the genealogy collection from 96,000 to 100,000.

At the estimated average cost of \$35 per book, this check will allow Lloyd to acquire about 450 books. Only 3,000+ to go!

NEW ACQUISITIONS IN GENEALOGY

compiled by: Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, FNGS



The following contributions have been made to the Genealogy Section.

**indicates a major acquisition.*

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UNITED STATES

- Treasures of the Library of Congress.
- Land and Property Research in the United States.
- Hidden Sources: Family History in Unlikely Places.
- Founding Mothers & Fathers: Gendered Power and the Forming of American Society.
- Preserving Your Past.
- Order of the Three Crusades, 1096-1192 Membership Roster, 1994.
- Aztec Club of 1847: Military Society of the Mexican War: 148th Anniversary, October 1995.
- Columns. Sept.-Dec. 2001.
- Identity through Heraldry in a Non-Heraldic Culture.
- Apache Genealogical Research: a Beginner's Guide.
- Notable Southern Families. Volume 4.
- Oxford Companion to Local and Family History.
- National Register of the Society, Sons of the American Revolution.

- Dutch and Quaker Colonies in America. Volumes 1 & 2.
- Tarnished Scalpels: The Court-Martial of Fifty Union Surgeons.
- Valor in Gray; The Recipients of the Confederate Medal of Honor.
- Reconstruction of Southern Debtors: Bankruptcy after the Civil War.
- Cemeteries of the U. S.
- Eighteenth Century America.

ALABAMA

- 1832 Creek Census: Parsons-Abbott.
- Heritage of Tallapoosa County, Alabama.
- Makers and Romance of Alabama History Embracing...
- Transactions of the Alabama Historical Society, Volumes 2, 4, & 5. Microfilm.
- Alabama 1850 Agricultural and Manufacturing Census. 2 volumes.
- Alabama 1860 Agricultural and Manufacturing Census. 2 volumes.

ARKANSAS

- Memories of Yesteryears.
- Biographical and Pictorial History of Arkansas.
- Abstracts from Masonic Records, Grand Lodge of Arkansas. 3 volumes, 1862-1879.
- Index to St. Francis County, Arkansas, Marriage Books G-K, 1891-1911.

CALIFORNIA

- 1852 California State Census, Schedule I: Inhabitants of Monterey County.
- Cemeteries of Sonoma County, California: a History and Guide.
- Births, Deaths and Marriages on California's Mendocino Coast. Volumes 4-9.

CONNECTICUT

- Chronicles of New Haven Green from 1638 to 1862. Microfilm.
- Family Secrets: 18th and 19th Century Birth Records found in the Windham County, Connecticut, County Court Records and Files at the Connecticut State Library Archives, Hartford.

GEORGIA

- Pensions and Relief for Confederate Veterans and Widows of Georgia.
- Ways Baptist Church, Stellaville, Georgia, Jefferson County.
- History of the Baptist Denomination in Georgia.

RESOURCES and AREA EVENTS

- Georgia Estate Records Loose Papers 1751-1775. Microfilm, 2 rolls.
- Catoosa County Annual Returns: Books 2 (1860-1869), 3 (1869-1875) 10 (1873-1885), and 16 (1884-1889). Microfilm, 2 rolls.
- *Georgia Colonial Wills 1733-1777. Microfilm, 2 rolls.
- *Georgia Miscellaneous Legal Documents (Loose Papers) 1776-1774. Microfilm, 2 rolls.
- New Hope Baptist Church, Lincoln County, Georgia Minutes 1866-1931; St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Augusta, Ga. Parish Record No. 2, 1868-1913; Register of Grants Book C, 1768-1770; Surveyor General Land Warrants 1761-1766. Microfilm, 1 roll.
- Memorials of Land Entered in the Auditor's Office in Georgia from 20 Sept 1758 to 20 Oct 1772. Microfilm, 1 roll.

INDIANA

- French and British Land Grants in the Post Vincennes (Indiana) District, 1750 - 1784. 2 volumes.

KANSAS

- First Regiment Kansas Volunteers Infantry, 1861-1865.
- Second Regiment Kansas Volunteers Infantry & Cavalry, 1861-1865.
- Fifth Regiment Kansas Volunteers Cavalry, 1861-1865.
- Sixth Regiment Kansas Volunteers Cavalry, 1861-1865.
- Seventh Regiment Kansas Volunteers Cavalry, 1861-1865 (Jennison's Jayhawkers).
- Eighth Regiment Kansas Volunteers Infantry, 1861-1865.
- Ninth Regiment Kansas Volunteers Cavalry, 1861-1865.
- Tenth Regiment Kansas Volunteers Infantry, 1861-1865.
- Eleventh Regiment Kansas Volunteers Cavalry, 1861-1865.

MICHIGAN

- The Red Book of Michigan: A Civil, Military and Biographical History. Microfilm.
- *Index to the Local and Special Acts of the State of Michigan, 1803-1927. Microfilm, 1 roll.

MISSOURI

- Newton County, Missouri: Wills, 1838-1888.
- History of the Pioneer Families of Missouri.
- Marion County, Missouri: Deaths Reported in &

Chronological Index to Selected Articles. 4 volumes.

- Monroe County, Missouri: Deaths Reported in & Chronological Index to Selected Articles. 2 volumes.

NEBRASKA

- Men and Women of Nebraska.
- Roseland, Nebraska, 1887-1987: Where the Roses Grow Wild.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- Vital Records of Dover, New Hampshire. 1686-1850.

NEW YORK

- Landholders of Northeastern New York. 1739-1802.
- New York Area Key: A Guide to the Genealogical Records of the State of New York including Maps.
- Bibliography of New York State Communities.
- Historical Collections of the State of New York.
- Their Own Voices: Oral Accounts of Early Settlers in Washington County, New York.

NORTH CAROLINA

- Caswell County, North Carolina Will Books. 1814-1843.
- Anson County, North Carolina Wills and Estates. 1749-1795.
- Old Albemarle and Its Absentee Landlords.
- History of Edgecombe County, North Carolina.
- Sketches of Prominent Living North Carolinians.

TEXAS

- C. S. Potts' 1928-1952 Address Directory.
- Application Papers of Inactive Members (1895-1985), Jane Douglas Chapter of NSDAR, Dallas, Texas, 1985: Index to Members & Ancestors, Volumes 1-13.
- Hills of Cherokee.
- 112 Years in Little Elm Community.
- Dallas Social Directory. 2004.
- Kentucky Colonization in Texas: A History of the Peters Colony.
- School Days in Van Zandt County, Texas. Volume 3.
- *Texas First Families: Lineages.
- Wharton's History of Fort Bend County.
- Yearbook/Hon. Philip Livingston Chapter. 1975-1977.
- Yearbook/Captain John Utie Chapter. 1975-77.

RESOURCES and AREA EVENTS

- Yearbook/Captain Christopher Clark Chapter. 1975-77.
- History of Rusk County, Texas.
- G.T.T., Gone to Texas: Letters from our Boys.
- Brief History of the Austin Avenue U. M. C. of Waco, Texas.
- First 100 Years in Cooke County.
- Peters Colony of Texas.

GENEALOGIES & BIOGRAPHIES

- Henry Cabaniss and His Descendants.
- Cabells and their Kin.
- My Kinsfolk: a Story and Genealogy of the Crews.
- Dickson, Scotch-Irish Connecticut, 1719.
- Psalm book--and a Good Pair of Shoes: 13 Generations of the Flores and Haugen Family.
- Triumphant Captain John and Gardners and Gardiners: Twelve Colonial Founders of Families.
- Gist Family of South Carolina and its Maryland Antecedents.
- Collection of Photographs to Celebrate a 90th Birthday. (Hatton/Schade).
- Hutchinson Family of Laurens County, South Carolina, and Descendants.
- Descendants of James Irish, 1710-1940: and Allied Families.
- Captain Edward Johnson of Woburn, Massachusetts and Some of His Descendants. Microfilm.
- Le Roy Family in America, 1753-2003.
- Captain Charles T. Liernur, 1828-1893.
- History of the Family of Lofland in America and Related Families.
- Pearl Pontius Paden Mead.
- Ancestry of Eleanore and Ann Louise Miles of Shenandoah, Pennsylvania.
- Pioneering North Texas. (Miller).
- Ordinary Hero, My Dad: Joseph Franklin Peters, M.D., 1909-1980.
- Genealogy of William Proffitt, 1775-1833.
- William Randolph of Post Oak Springs: a Family History.
- Charles Rogers and His Descendants.
- Schaeffer Genealogy.
- Life and Travels of John Robert Shaw.

CANADA

- L'Eglise Saint Bernard.
- European Origins and Colonial Travails: the Settlement of Lunenburg.

GERMANY

- Deutsches Geschlechterbuch. Volumes 210-217.

- Germans to America. Series II. Volume 7, October 1848-December 1849.

GREAT BRITAIN

- British Aliens in the United States during the War of 1812.
- English Surnames.
- Parish Register of Masham, 1717-1800.
- Catholic Family History: a Bibliography of Local Sources.
- Proceedings of the Cambridge Antiquarian Society. Volume 93.
- Calendar of the Deeds and other Documents in the Possession of the Sussex Archaeological Society.

JAMAICA

- *Jamaica Land Patents, 1661-1778. Microfilm, 35 rolls.

NEW ZEALAND

- General Musters of New South Wales, Norfolk Island, and Van Diemen's Land, 1811.
- General Return of Convicts in New South Wales, 1837.
- Census of New South Wales, November 1828.

SWEDEN

- Your Swedish Roots: a Step-by-Step Handbook.

WALES

- History of the County of Brecknock. 2 volumes.

REGIONAL and NATIONAL EVENTS

Do you have information about an upcoming Genealogy event? Remit to: Happi McQuirk, DGS Newsletter Editor, 90 days prior to event.

newsletter@dallasgenealogy.org.

Also, we have society links on our website: dallasgenealogy.org/outsidelinks/societylinks.htm, and a revised community calendar: <http://www.dallasgenealogy.org/calendar.htm>

March 15 - HOGAR

The HOGAR de Dallas meetings are open to the public -- no membership is required to attend. We meet at the Casa View Branch Library, 10355 Ferguson Road (intersection of Ferguson and Joaquin/Gus Thomason), Dallas, Library - 214-670-8403. Contact Art Garza, AGarza0972@aol.com,

RESOURCES and AREA EVENTS

972-841-9455 or our website:

<http://home.earthlink.net/~hogardedallas/index.html>

March 19 – Dallas Historical Society: Historic Oak Cliff Tour

Rose-Mary Rumbley and The Dallas Historical Society are teaming up! Learn why it was "Hord's Ridge" originally and was intended to be the "Boston" of Dallas. In 1908, the Trinity River flood separated Oak Cliff from the rest of Dallas for more than a week, but some people still aren't sure what's on the other side of the river. See *Regional Contacts for more information*.

March 19 – Hot Springs Village Genealogical Society, Arkansas

This year's Family History Workshop will feature Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, FNGS, who will speak on:

- British Isles Research,
- The Pennsylvania Dutch,
- Identifying the Maiden Names of Females, and
- Pitfalls of Genealogical Research.

8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Fee: \$20 if postmarked by Feb. 12, \$25 after Feb. 12. For details contact; Dennis Zymboly, 501-922-9340 or Email: dzrz@cox-internet.com

March 22 – Collin County Gen. Society

Troubleshooting session, Gladys Harrington Public Library Plano, 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Contact: Aurora at 972-517-4004, aurora@chancy.org or go on-line <http://www.rootsweb.com/~txcolcgs/cal.htm>

March 26 – Family Tree Maker Workshop

This series of programs will review the various uses of Family Tree Maker, MS WORD, MS EXCEL, a photo editor, and, of course, conducting document research on the Internet. Grapevine Public Library. 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Tresa Tatyrek at 972-539-7452, genealogy@magnoliamanor-network.com. Donations accepted.

April 2 – DGS Spring Lecture – Thomas W.

Jones, Ph.D., CG, CGL will present: *Five Ways to Prove Who Your Ancestor Was*. From 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the first floor auditorium at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library. See *Front Cover for more information and page 58 for Lecture Registration and Optional Hot Lunch Form*.

April 7 - Mid-Cities Genealogical Society

"Way Down in Missouri: Understanding the Ozarks, B.B. (Before Branson)." Speaker: Barbara Brixey

Wylie.

April 9 - Dallas Historical Society: JFK Tour: In The Steps Of Lee Harvey Oswald.

John F. Kennedy and Dallas are forever connected in history. The 1963 downtown motorcade route and Dealey Plaza came alive on national television. Where did Lee Harvey Oswald live and work? What course did he follow on that fateful day? Many theories of what happened will be examined and discussed--but some theories still puzzle the most intelligent. Tour led by Ken M. Holmes, Jr. of Southwestern Historical, Inc. See *Regional Contacts for more information*.

April 12 – Lancaster Genealogical Society

Lloyd Bockstruck, FNGS, will present, *Colonial Land Records in America*. Questions? Contact Lela Evans at 972-227-1080 ext. 20 or LelaE@lancastertxlib.org

April 13 – Collin County Gen. Society

Program – TBD, Gladys Harrington Public Library Plano, 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Contact: Aurora at 972-517-4004, aurora@chancy.org or go on-line <http://www.rootsweb.com/~txcolcgs/cal.htm>

April 16 - Dallas Historical Society: Fair Park Murals And Blues-Heritage Tour Of Deep Ellum.

This combined bus & walking tour, explores the mythology, folklore, and cultural origins of Deep Ellum from the early days through its creation as a bohemian village to its future as an urban oasis for creative community living. Join Deep Ellum entrepreneur Brandt Wood, who will lead the tour. From its beginnings in 1886 to its transformation in 1936 for the Texas Centennial Exposition, Fair Park has undergone some dramatic changes in its architecture and has seen its share of illustrious visitors. Come travel back in time as Dallas historian Steven Butler takes us on a walking tour of the "Historic Heart" of the park, where so much of Fair Park's colorful history has been concentrated. See *Regional Contacts for more information*.

April 19 – Pecan Plantation Gen. Group

Happi McQuirk will present *Heritage Albums: Bringing Your Family Tree to Life*, Pecan Plantation clubhouse, Granbury, Texas, 10 a.m. Contact Micki Burleson, Program Chairman, (817) 578-3673, mickiburleson@charter.net.

<http://www.dallasgenealogy.org/calendar.htm>

This site is a great resource for events and conferences throughout North Texas.

April 23 – Family Tree Maker Workshop

This series of programs will review the various uses of this program and related software program that can help a researcher. Tresa is taking a new lineage and building her research data storage and retrieval system. Grapevine Public Library, 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m., Tresa Tatyrek at 972-539-7452, genealogy@magnoliamanor-network.com. Donations accepted.

April 26 – Collin County Gen. Society

Troubleshooting session, Gladys Harrington Public Library Plano, 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Contact: Aurora at 972-517-4004, aurora@chancy.org or go on-line <http://www.rootsweb.com/~txcolcgs/cal.htm>

April 29-30 - Family Tree Maker Workshop

Day one will be on data entry and research, Day two on reports, charts, books. The schedule is on webpage: <http://home.comcast.net/~magnoliamanor-genealogy/ftm.htm>. If you are interested, please make reservations for the workshop by contacting Tresa Tatyrek at 972-539-7452, genealogy@magnoliamanor-network.com. Place TBD. From 9:30-5:30 on both days.

April 30 - Dallas Historical Society: Downtown Dallas Tour

Does downtown intimidate you? When you drive through, are you so busy watching the traffic lights, pedestrians, and one-way street signs that you don't have time to look up at the buildings? Climb aboard and be guided as you learn about the heart of the city. Our first stop: Dealey Plaza, where the city began. We'll go inside the Old Red Courthouse. A few blocks away, we'll go inside the Texas Cable News building and the Belo building to view historic murals depicting the rich heritage of Texas. After lunch, and a brief walk amid the Skyscrapers we'll explore Pioneer Cemetery, where many of the founders of Dallas are buried, and get an up-close view of the bronze cattle crossing the stream in Pioneer Plaza. Along the way we'll drive by the Farmers Market, Old City Park, the remains of "Theater Row," and we'll explore the Arts District, the State-Thomas neighborhood. Historian and

author Dr. Michael V. Hazel will be the tour guide. See *Regional Contacts* for more information.

May 7, 2005 – Dallas Historical Society Cemetery Tour

History is recorded not only in documents and buildings, but it is also etched in stone. Led by Frances James, affectionately known as the "Cemetery Lady," this tour provides a different look at Dallas history. Because Frances picks different cemeteries for each tour, each tour is different! Participants will visit cemeteries in various parts of the city, some dating back to the mid-1800s. They all supply vast amounts of historical information and give us a glimpse of the people who created the foundations for the city, as it exists today. Tours focus on historic cemeteries (such as Oakland & Greenwood and various Dallas pioneer family cemeteries) located throughout Dallas County. <http://dallashistory.org/activities/tours.htm>

May 14 - Mid-Cities Genealogical Society

On this Saturday, is the Society's Spring Workshop, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., featuring Suzanne Bettac, "Researching Your German Ancestors" It will be held at Legacy Church of Christ, 8801 Mid-Cities Blvd., N. Richland Hills, TX. MCGS Members: \$20.00, Non-Members: \$22.00. Registrations after May 7: \$25.00. Questions? Contact Jane Aronhalt at 817-285-9945 or 817-229-7726.

May 30 - The Legend of Bonnie and Clyde Tour (Monday, Memorial Day)

The tour will be led by local author, John Neal Phillips, who published *Running with Bonnie and Clyde: The Ten Fast Years of Ralph Fufts*. Contact Frank Wilson at: 214.421.4500 x105 or email: frank@dallashistory.org

June 1-4 – National Genealogical Society (NGS) Conference

The 27th Conference in the States and NGS GENTECH 2005 will be in Nashville, Tennessee. More information: http://www.ngsgenealogy.org/nashville_cfp.htm

June 3 - Scottish Family History Symposium

The 2005 Scottish Family History Symposium sponsored by the Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games will be held Friday, June 3, 2005, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the LaQuinta Conference Center in Arlington, Texas.

RESOURCES and AREA EVENTS

The theme of this year's Symposium is "Researching Your Scots-Irish Ancestors" and will feature internationally acclaimed speakers from the Ulster Historical Foundation, Belfast, Northern Ireland. Dr. Brian Trainor is currently Research Director for the Foundation and formerly director of the Public Record Office of Northern Ireland. Finan Mullan is the Executive Director of the Foundation and also director of Irish Genealogy Limited and the Irish Family History Foundation.

Lectures will include Introduction to Scots-Irish Family History Research, Scottish and Scots-Irish Research, The Story of the Scots-Irish: Ulster Emigration to America before 1800, Introduction to Researching in Scotland (comparing and contrasting patterns of emigration from Ireland and Scotland 1600-1900), and Protestant Church Records Available for Research in Ireland. For further information call 1-800-363-SCOT (7268).

June 16 - 18, 2005 - The Seventh Annual Great Obituary Writers' Conference

To be held in Bath, England. This will be our first conference in Europe and it holds great promise. We have a number of members of the International Association of Obituarists in England, Germany, France, Ireland, Bulgaria, Austria, and Israel, among others; and, we are looking forward to meeting where it will be easier for them to join us. We are expecting a good group of our members from Canada, Australia, Mexico and the United States to make the trip as well. Our host will be Tim Bullamore, a Councillor for the Town of Bath and an obituary writer for several publications including *The Times* (London.) Other co-hosts will include Andrew McKie, Obituaries Editor, *The Daily Telegraph* (London;); Nigel Starck, University of South Australia; Patrick Cornish, Obituaries Editor, *The West Australian*; and Carolyn Gilbert, founder, International Association of Obituarists. Watch for updates on: <http://www.obitpage.com/>

September 7-10 – Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) Conference

The Federation sponsors a national conference each year for genealogists of all levels of experience. This year FGS and the Utah Genealogical Association are pleased to announce the FGS/UGA Conference to be held in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The conferences spotlight:

- Management workshops for organizational leadership training.

- Genealogical lectures by nationally recognized speakers and regional experts.
- Exhibitors providing access to genealogical materials and supplies. More information: <http://www.fgs.org/fgs-conference.htm>

REGIONAL CONTACTS

Texas State Genealogical Society

Our District 10 elected representative is: Debbie Kunze, 972-906-1972, dgtipton@sbcglobal.net.

Collin County Genealogical Society

We meet the second Wednesday of the month at the Gladys Harrington Public Library, 1501 East 18th Street, Plano, Texas, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Contact: Aurora@chancy.org or call: 972-517-4004. We also offer a troubleshooting session on the fourth Tuesday of each month - same place and time.

Dallas Historical Society

Saturday adventure tours depart the Hall of State, located in Fair Park, at 9:00 A.M. and return at approximately 2:00 p.m. Lunch is included in the ticket price of \$35 for DHS contributors, \$45 for those who aren't yet doing so! Payment at the time of requesting your reservation ensures a seat on the bus. Call Frank K. Wilson, COO, at 214-421-4500 x105 or email frank@dallashistory.org for more information or to make your reservation. See additional listings on: <http://www.dallashistory.org/>

Duncanville Genealogical Society

Meeting days have been changed to the second Thursday of the month, at 7:00 p.m., Duncanville Public Library, 201 James Collins Blvd. Contact: Marge Dellert, Newsletter Editor, margegen@charter.net. There will be no meeting in December, July, or August.

East Texas Genealogical Society

Regular meetings are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month starting at 2 p.m. at the Tyler Public Library. Contact: scottfitzgerald@tyler.net for program details.

Ellis County Genealogical Society

Meets 1st Monday of month at 7:00 p.m. at the Women's Building in Waxahachie. The president is

RESOURCES and AREA EVENTS

Sylvia Smith.

Family Tree Maker Interest Group

A North Texas Special Interest Group that focuses on learning new techniques for maximizing use of the Family Tree Maker program. Grapevine Library Presentation room, Grapevine, Texas. Normally the fourth Saturday of each month from 10:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m. Open to the public. Contact Tresa Tatyrek at 972-539-7452 or genealogy@magnoliamanor-network.com. Donations accepted.

Grand Prairie Genealogical Society

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

Grapevine Namedroppers

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

HOGAR de Dallas

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of September, November, January, March, and May, at Casa View Branch Library, 10355 Ferguson Road (intersection of Ferguson and Joaquin/Gus Thomason), Dallas, Library - 214-670-8403. Program: 6:30 p.m. a 30-minute socialization gathering and meeting activities start at 7:00 p.m. - 8:45 p.m. Contact: Art Garza, AGarza0972@aol.com, 972-841-9455. Our website is: <http://home.earthlink.net/~hogardedallas/index.html>

Irving Genealogical Society

Meets the third Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m. 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. Contact Lela Evans at 972-227-1080 ext. 20, or LelaE@lancastertxlib.org.

Mesquite Historical and 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. <http://www.rootsweb.com/~txmhgs/page1.htm>

Mid-Cities Genealogical Society

Meets the first Thursday of each month at the Eules Public Library. Social at 6:30 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. they begin with a short business meeting followed by their program. Contact: Martha Pasley, Programs Director, mwpasley@comcast.net.

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/>

Pecan Plantation Genealogy Group

Meets at the Pecan Plantation clubhouse in Granbury, Texas during the months of September through May on the third Tuesday of each month. Contact Micki Burleson, Program Chairman, (817) 578-3673, mickiburleson@charter.net.

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/WellesleyGarden/5215/

Texins Genealogy Club

We meet the fourth Tuesday of the month in the Texins Building on the TI North Campus at 7:00 p.m. For security access information contact Jeri Steele: steele@PioneerInfo.com or 214-567-6289.

Did You Know...? by Bill Deal

"It combines the best features of its two most noble predecessors: the Roman short sword and the Turkish scimitar; the downward blow and home thrust, lopping a limb from a tree, halving a silken cushion, or separating a man's head from his shoulders with an ease and rapidity that would leave the hapless loser half-unconscious of his loss. And even a child, thus armed, might well intimidate the strength and courage of a man."

A newspaper journalist's description of the then common Bowie knife; which, for about two generations (c. 1830 to 1870), was the sidearm of choice for paupers and politicians alike. (That phrase speaks volumes.)

Source: "The Arkansas Gazette," (1842)

RESOURCES and AREA EVENTS

Nicknames

If you have a nickname that you want used on DGS event name badges, send an email to:
webmaster@DallasGenealogy.org

or contact Tresa Tatyrek at 972-539-7452

SPANISH HERITAGE

Hispanic Genealogy-Related News

<http://www.gsha.net/>

<http://www.hispanicgen.org/links.html>

An olio of interesting facts and resources:

- **Story of Sgt. Manuel Mejia**, an example of the WW II Oral History Project, is displayed at the University of Texas, Austin's School of Journalism.
- Two articles by John P. Schmal: **Latinos in the U.S. congress 1822-1989** and **Hispanic Americans in Congress, 1947-2001**.
- New organization: **Texas Connection to the American Revolution (TCARA)** has been formed to recognize the contributions of Tejano cattlemen to the American Revolution. (Galvez Patriots) More information at: <http://www.tcara.net/>
- Finding **Your Hispanic Roots**, by George R. Ryskamp

WITH ALL ARMS, A Study of a Kindred Group

Author: **Carl L. Duaine**

Edited by Laurence A. Duaine. This classic work in Hispanic genealogy (1st Ed, 1988) has been revised and edited by Alan Duaine, the author's son, with minor corrections while retaining the original text. The index has been significantly expanded to record all names mentioned in the text, with the bibliography similarly extended. Noted historian and illustrator, Jack Jackson from Austin, Texas, has contributed 15 masterful and dramatic pen and ink sketches. A major objective of this edition has been to make it available and affordable to new generations of readers and researchers.

DGS Lecture Registration

You do not have to be a member to attend.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

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STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

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E-MAIL: _____

Registration Fee for Thomas Jones' Lecture: "Five Ways to Prove Who Your Ancestor Was"

\$25 for pre-registered DGS members

\$30 for pre-registered non-members

\$35 for anyone not pre-registered*

Optional Bar-B-Q lunch will be available @ \$10 each, but must be ordered with pre-registration.

*Registration must be postmarked by Wednesday, March 23rd to be "pre-registered."

Saturday, 2 Apr 2005—Thomas Jones \$ _____

Optional lunch @ \$10 \$ _____

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Total amount enclosed: \$ _____ .00

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DGS Calendar of Events

March

- 15 – Tue AAGIG – John Wylie, *An Update on Technology for African-American Researchers*
28 – Mon DGS Meeting – Glenn Kinkade, *Indirect Evidence*

April

- 02 – Sat DGS Lecture Series: **Thomas W. Jones, Five Ways to Prove Who Your Ancestor Was**
See cover page for more details!
05 – Tue CIG – **Lloyd Bockstruck, FNGS, Two Different Worlds We Live In**
19 – Tue AAGIG – TBD
25 – Mon DGS Meeting – Lynell Moss, *Research Evaluation and Analysis*

May

- 03 – Tue CIG – Tresa Tatyrek, *Preparing to do Archive Research*
17 – Tue AAGIG – TBD
23 – Mon DGS Meeting – Don Raney, *Wills and the Probate Process*

June

- 07 – Tue CIG – TBD
AAGIG on Summer Break
27 – Mon DGS Meeting – Patricia Law Hatcher, *Understanding Colonial Research*

See pages 44-45 for more information on events.

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 entered from Wood Street.

- ❖ DGS General Meeting takes place on the fourth Monday. We begin at 6:00 p.m. with refreshments and fellowship, 6:30 p.m. is an informal Q & A session, and the business meeting and program begin at 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ Computer Interest Group (CIG) usually meets on the first Tuesday beginning at 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ African American Genealogy Interest Group (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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