

DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

DGS Newsletter

"A REASONABLY EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH" **One Element of the Genealogical Proof Standard** *by Shirley Sloat*

In April, 2005, Dr. Thomas W. Jones delivered a splendid lecture to our organization in which he discussed the Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS). The GPS is the standard for judging whether a statement made about a relationship, identity, situation, or event is substantially credible, based on:

- (1) a reasonably exhaustive search;
- (2) complete, accurate source citations;
- (3) skilled analysis and correlation of the data;
- (4) resolution of contradictory evidence; and
- (5) a soundly reasoned conclusion.

I believe I understand (2) through (5), but the first one, "conducting a reasonably exhaustive search" is pretty vague and I've been doing some thinking about how to accomplish this.

A few weeks ago, while doing some volunteer work in the storage areas of the Genealogy Section of our Dallas Public Library, I came across a couple of books that made me wish I were currently doing either Virginia or Kentucky research. Each of these books, compiled by the Texas State Library and Historical Commission, is a list of all books (pertinent to research of the two states) that are owned by libraries in the state of Texas. I thought to myself, what a terrific tool for someone who is unable to travel long distances to state archives and/or courthouses or to "Meccas" like Salt Lake City or the DAR or the New England Historical Society archives.

The problem was/is that these lists were published back in the 1960's and, although useful, couldn't really ensure a reasonably exhaustive search. I was bemoaning this fact to Lloyd Bockstruck who made my day by showing me how to access the WorldCat database.

WorldCat is the world's largest bibliographic database, the merged catalogs of thousands of member libraries. It includes a reference service

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Recent events have brought close to home the fact that our lives can be upset in a few brief moments or hours. A car accident, a medical emergency, or a house fire can be as personally devastating as a hurricane. We can't prevent the event, but we can do things to minimize some of the associated trauma.

I was impressed recently when a friend experienced a momentary health problem requiring emergency response. She had at her fingertips (in her purse) a list of medications and emergency contacts. I returned home that night inspired to create similar lists, laminating enough copies for my luggage, my purse, and my car.

But I was reminded of yet another way to be prepared when Dick Eastman in his September 5, 2005 Online Genealogy Newsletter (available at <http://www.eogn.com>) described the use of a technical device which has improved and dropped in price such that you can't afford NOT to utilize it. The mechanism is a "flash drive," a tiny portable storage device about the size of your thumb on which computer data can be easily transferred from/to your computer via a USB port. The one I'm using is 256 MB and cost only \$20 after a rebate, but they come in various sizes. The flash drive now contains my contacts, medical, and financial data (without potential identity-theft items like SSN), and backups of my very special genealogy data. It's attached to my key-chain, and in the event of several types of catastrophes, I would be able to reconstruct my records and be back up, if not running, at least limping. And I feel better about my preparedness!

Awards Committee members will have the honor of selecting winners of the four annual DGS awards to be presented at our December annual meeting/banquet. The four awards are: The Volunteer of the Year Award, The Award of Merit, The Distinguished Service Award, and The Heritage Preservation Award. Those who have agreed to serve on the Awards Committee include: Alvin Harper, Alan Miller, Liz Thurmond, and Ann Williams. If you have suggestions about candidates for any of these awards, please

communicate names and supporting details by sending an e-mail to Awards@dallasgenealogy.org or contacting a member of the Awards Committee directly.

The 100,000 Book Challenge total as of October 5 was 98,562 – 1,438 to go!

Shirley

Welcome To Our New Members



- Joyce and Harmon L. Adair, Jr.
- Ed Brown
- John Kreitmeyer and Judith Bowman-Kreitmeyer
- Alison Manning
- Neysa J. and W. Dwayne Powell
- Joyce Settles
- Debbie Parker Wayne
- Irving Library

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

Volunteer hours for August 2005 were 431 hours and for September 2005 were 417 3/4 hours. Year-to-date volunteer hours are 3,611 hours. Thank you to all of you who volunteer your time to both the Society and to the library.

Allison Manning, a new member and a new volunteer, started working at the Volunteer Desk on October 1st. She will be working at the desk on the 1st Saturday of each month. Welcome aboard, Allison!

– Susan Morris

**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.

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

At 6:30, Lloyd Bockstruck (or substitute) will host a pre-meeting discussion where members and visitors can ask any genealogically-related question. We expect in any group of Dallas genealogists, most questions can be answered by someone in that group. After stopping off in the East Room for refreshments, see what you can learn and share. Please, no food or drinks in the auditorium.

Monday: October 24
Speaker: Brenda McClurkin, C.A.
Title: Genealogical Resources at the UTA Collection

The Historical Manuscript Archivist of the University of Texas at Arlington (UTA) Libraries Special Collections since the fall of 2002 is to present the program on using manuscripts in genealogical research. Brenda processed her first archival collection as a senior history student at Colorado Woman's College in Denver and completed her Master's in Library Science degree at the University of Arizona in 1991. She worked three years at the State Library of Arizona heading the Federal Documents Unit. Moving to Texas in 1994, she was quick to volunteer her services in local archival collections of the Ball-Eddleman-McFarland House in Fort Worth, Weatherford College, and the Weatherford Public Library. She obtained an Archival Administration Certificate at The University of Texas at Arlington in 2001 and was admitted to the Academy of Certified Archivists in 2002.

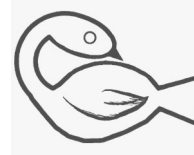
Monday: November 28
Speaker: Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck
Title: Old Legal Terms

Monday: December 12
Title: Annual Awards Banquet and Presentations
Members and special guests only.

Place: J. Erik Jonsson Public Library, O'Hara Room on the 7th Floor.

Time: 6:00 p.m. Social Time
6:45 p.m. Awards Banquet and Presentation

Our 50th Anniversary Celebration ends!



**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.

Our new 2004-2005 AAGIG Board is:

President: Donald Payton
Program Chair: Emil Betterson
Secretary: Allison Arable
Liaison to DGS: Lois Lilly

Tuesday, October 18
Speaker: Dr. Harry Robinson, Jr.
Topic: TBD

Dr. Harry Robinson, Jr., President, CEO, & Founder of the African American Museum at Fair Park, has dedicated his career and directed his energies towards establishing a Museum that will be a tribute to the heritage of the black people not only in Dallas, but nationwide. His goal is to awaken and arouse the consciousness of people about the rich culture and heritage through exhibitions at the Museum and educational programs. He has served in various capacities with The Society of Southwest Archivists, The American Library Association, and as President of the African American Museums Association.

Tuesday, November 15
Speaker: Frances James, the "Cemetery Lady"

Topic: "Lay Down Body..."
Dallas' "Cemetery Lady," Frances James will grace AAGIG with a special presentation about the history etched in Dallas County stone. She is familiar with many 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 and county, as it exists today.

Tuesday, December 20
Topic: Holiday Party

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

COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP (CIG)
MEETS ON THE FIRST TUESDAY, 6:30 P.M.



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

Tuesday, November 1

Speaker: Glenn Kinkade

Topic: The Three Most Important Words when Finding Your Ancestors on the World Wide Web

Glenn is going to share his technique to find things that are not or cannot be easily indexed (name searched). Google will be the search engine of choice.

Tuesday, December 6

Speaker: Robert Souda & Friends

Topic: Computer Clues Olio

Tonight we will share key annual housecleaning chores to keep your computer running efficiently during the coming year with a chance for the audience to ask general questions of our panel.

***Next DGS Newsletter
is November-December 2005!***

***Submissions must be made by October 25, to
advertise November-January events!***

***Email Happi at:
newsletter@dallasgenealogy.org***



DGS INTERNET WORKSHOP

We are condensing the six-month Internet workshop into a one day-long session on Thursday, 3 November, from 9:30 a.m. until around 6:00 p.m. with short breaks between each session and time for lunch after the third session.

The workshop will cover familysearch.org, rootsweb.com, the USGenWeb, and Heritage Quest. These are all free sites that do not require membership subscriptions to use. The workshop will be held in the Gates Room on L1 and limited to 15 people. The schedule will be:

- 9:30-10:30 FamilySearch.org - The Card Catalog
- 10:45-11:45 FamilySearch.org - The Databases
- 12:00- 1:00 Rootsweb.com - Surname Lists
- 1:00- 2:30 Lunch break
- 2:30- 3:30 Rootsweb.com - The Databases
- 3:45- 4:45 US GenWeb
- 5:00- 6:00 HeritageQuest

The workshop will be \$30 for DGS members and \$60 for non-members (a good opportunity to join DGS and save money!). If there is enough expressed interest for a weekend session, we will consider a second day-long workshop.

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DGS Internet Workshop Registration

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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/workshops/internet.htm

Ancestry.com

Workshop on Wednesday, November 9

We've added a new workshop! How to best use the subscription services of Ancestry.com.

Schedule and Topics will be:

- 9:30–10:30 Ancestry.com - Census
- 11:00–12:00 Ancestry.com - Other Databases

To participate fully in this workshop, you should already have a subscription to ancestry.com. The library does not have subscriptions to the Ancestry.com databases. You can sign up for a free trial period shortly before the class if you do not already subscribe. Please subscribe through the affiliate page on www.dallasgenealogy.org

We will let you know in advance if the class makes. The workshop will be held in the Gates Room on L1 and limited to 15 people. Minimum required 10 people, 1 per computer station. If more than 15 sign up prior to 3 November, an additional session will be set up from 1:00–3:00 p.m. on the same day.

Cost for this workshop will be \$10 for DGS members, \$20 for nonmembers. Please make checks payable to: Dallas Genealogical Society.

DGS cannot accept phone or credit card registrations. Do not send certified or registered mail as we are unable to retrieve it.

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**DGS Ancestry.com Workshop
Registration**

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AFRICAN AMERICAN RESEARCH TIPS

Trace Your Slave Ancestors

by Franklin C. Smith

Discover your African-American roots and reclaim the lost heritage of your slave ancestors.

Finding your ancestors in the 1870 census is the first step toward solving the mystery of their years in bondage. After the Civil War, most recently freed slaves remained at or near the place they'd lived before the war. Many who did relocate were reuniting with family they'd been separated from.

This search will probably take you back to a county or parish somewhere in the South. From 1790 until 1900, 90 percent of African-Americans lived in the South, mostly in rural areas. For many ex-slaves, the migration northeast, north and west didn't begin until after 1900.

If your ancestors were in the North in 1870, it's possible they were freed prior to the war. Even so, you'll probably have to search for a slaveholder since most free blacks were slaves at some point. Records documenting their freedom were usually recorded in county courthouses in probate or deed records.

If you can't find your ancestors in the 1870 census, it's likely they lived in the same state, county and community in 1880. So make 1880 your focus instead.

Look carefully at the community where your ancestors lived in 1870. Ask:

- Who were your ancestors' neighbors?
- How old were your ancestors and their neighbors?
- Where were they born?
- Are there others in the neighborhood with the same surname as your ancestors?
- Do neighboring families have any surnames in common with your ancestors?
- Do the ages of your ancestor's children indicate they were a family before the Civil War?

Answers to these questions will help determine if

those living in the neighborhood are related or connected in other ways.

Though your ancestors' surnames were crucial in recent records, the key to identifying them in your pre-Civil War search will be their first names. Pay close attention to the given names of your ancestors' family as well as those of their neighbors. Compare the names of suspected ancestors you find in any slave documents with those living in the neighborhood in 1870. This may be the only way to establish that they are one and the same.

Slaveholders rarely identified slaves by their formal given names in records; instead they used nicknames. So consider the possible variations of names that may have been used to identify an ancestor. My ancestor James Humphreys, for example, would always be listed as "Jim," Jane Green as "Jenny," Jesse Humphreys as "Jess," Martill as "Till" and Elizabeth Weathersby as "Betsy." Such a thorough and complete review of the 1870 census may reveal the identity of several new and previously unknown generations.

Continue your research with these eight steps to identify your ancestor's slaveholder. For more helpful hints on researching your African-American roots, see the February 2001 or the December 2002 issue of *Family Tree Magazine*.

Preserving your family history is a gift you give yourself and your loved ones. Memories may fade with time, but once committed to paper, they'll be preserved for future generations to enjoy.

The trick, of course, is getting your memoir or family history writing project off the ground. Where do you begin? What's the best way to do research? How do you develop an engaging writing style with little formal training?

WritersOnlineWorkshops.com offers two workshops *Fundamentals of Life Stories Writing* and *Focus on the Personal/Family Memoir* which may help with all these questions and more.

**The next DGS Research Trip to
Salt Lake City
is
30 April through 6 May 2006.**

**"A REASONABLY EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH"
One Element of the Genealogical Proof
Standard (continued)
by Shirley Sloat**

"FirstSearch" that helps users identify and locate resources and full text articles, based on keyword and other searches. There is usually a fee for accessing various services of WorldCat, but because we live in the state of Texas and have funded the TexShare program, we can access WorldCat data at no charge.

To access TexShare, you will need to acquire a library card from any library in the state. This library card number is the key entry into the TexShare site. When you enter your number, you will be provided a login and password that are unique to your library. You may be able to acquire either the library card or passwords by phone, or if you visit the library in person, they may be able to give you a demonstration on how to use TexShare to access WorldCat data.

The direct URL for TexShare is www.texshare.edu, but here is one way to use the Dallas Public Library's website to utilize TexShare to access the WorldCat database.

- Access the Dallas Public Library website, www.dallaslibrary.org.
- From the "Resources" category, select the "TexShare Databases" option and provide your library card number.
- Displayed on the Dallas Public Library Authentication screen will be a username and password that you will want to write down for future use.
- Click on "Enter TexShare." When the TexShare main screen is displayed, enter the username and password you just wrote down, and select "Submit."
- Under the "Quick Links" category, select the "WorldCat" option - you will be linked to WorldCat.

Once there, you may select many options, but the simplest is to supply key words that will establish search criteria for the list of research material that should help define your "reasonably exhaustive search" goal.

- Using the basic search option, specify the keyword for which you want to make the "reasonably exhaustive search" of printed material. i.e. a county name of interest.
- You will see a screen labeled OCLC FirstSearch:List of Records. There you will see the total number of records found ("all"), broken down into formats: the number of books, archival, maps, serials, visual, internet, articles, computer results.

If the total number of records is overwhelming, before pressing the Search button select the "Refine Your Search" option. With this, you can further restrict your search results either by eliminating some of these formats or by adding further search criteria, i.e., a township name.

- The next thing to appear will be the list of publications that match your search criteria.
- Each item will have a numbered box to the left that you can check if you are interested in printing out this information.
- If you wish to get more information about the publication, click on its name.
- If you wish to see what libraries hold the item, click on "libraries worldwide that own item."

The beauty of going to WorldCat from our TexShare utility is that the Texas institutions having a copy of the publication are listed first – thus accomplishing the same thing as those two obsolete books I found that showed books in Texas libraries relating to areas in the states of Kentucky and Virginia.

- Use the right arrow icon at the bottom of the screen to advance to successive items on the list.
- When you are ready to create a printout of the selected publications, from the icons at the bottom of the list screen, you can either select the 'print' button or, even more useful, select the 'email' button to send the information to your home computer.

Once you experiment with the WorldCat database, I'm sure you'll develop your own tricks and techniques for identifying sources that will assure that you've completed the "reasonably exhaustive search" portion of the Genealogical Proof Standard.



FROM OUR READERS:

I found the following on the Internet and thought perhaps others, like me, who have Mississippi connections might be interested in the fate of one of Mississippi archives sites, Old Capitol Museum of Mississippi History.

See <http://www.mdah.state.ms.us/>

– Barbara Ware



SOLINET HURRICANE PROGRAM

Friends and Colleagues:

With this notice I would like to update you on SOLINET's support of libraries and cultural institutions in response to Hurricane Katrina. Even as the humanitarian efforts continue, recovery efforts are underway in some libraries and recovery planning has started for others. Other institutions do not yet know about the status of their facilities and collections, and the assistance they will require is unknown.

SOLINET's Preservation Services Department is providing telephone, email, and web-based support for impacted libraries on a wide range of topics, including collection stabilization, drying procedures for historic buildings, recovery of damaged materials, referrals to recovery services, and advice on setting response priorities. Call Tina Mason, Manager of Preservation at (800) 999-8558, email at tmason@solinet.net, or check resources at www.solinet.net by following the "Katrina response" and "Preservation" links. These resources include downloadable publications on such topics as drying wet materials and mold mitigation.

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Awards Banquet - December 12

6:00 PM – Social

6:45 PM – Dinner and Presentations

RSVP: celebrate@dallasgenealogy.org

This is a free celebration for our members.

Family History Book Project
by Glenn Kinkade

How would you like to have access to thousands of family history books and be able to search quickly each book for your ancestors?

How would you like **FREE** access to these family history books from your home?

As a result of a consortium of six libraries, including the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, you can now have access to these books. These libraries have joined together to digitize books about family histories and then make them available **free** of charge on the Internet.

The collection currently includes over 125,000 books written in English and each year 2,000 additional volumes are added to the collection. Since these books are reference-only and could not be loaned to patrons, the only way that you or I could access the collection was to visit the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. Many of the older books were never indexed so if you were looking for your ancestors you had to read the entire book from front to back! Now when a book is added to the on-line Family History Archive collection it is indexed, searchable on-line, and available to genealogists all over the world.

As of September 14, 2005, over 3,700 family history books are available on the Internet at the Family History Archive collection at Brigham Young University Lee Library (www.familyhistoryarchive.byu.edu) and at the Family History Library Catalog at their web site www.familysearch.org.

You can do a simple keyword search on **Surname, Geographic Area, Title** or **Author**. If you search on **Surname** and you get no results, don't be dismayed (only the 15 most frequently printed surnames are searched)— you can search for your **Surname** using "Search All" and it will search the full text of the book for that surname. An advanced search, incorporating Boolean logic, is also available.

Results of the search can be displayed as text or thumbnails. By clicking on the result you can display a split screen with the digitized image on the left side of your monitor and the transcribed text on the right side of your monitor. After you have verified that the person you found was your ancestor you can display a document description or page description and all of your source citation information will be available to save to a file, print, or copy and paste.

You can print a page, a chapter, or the entire book.

After using the site for several hours I think the Family History Book Project is the most outstanding use of technology for genealogy research that exists today.

Thank You.....BYU!

The Great Flood of 1937
by Ralph Sands Algee

I was born 5 June 1929, in the Algee home, bought by my grandparents on 15 Jan 1898, located at 305 North Main Street, Ridgely, Lake County, Tennessee.

My Grandfather Wyatt Robert "Bob" Algee, son of Robert Clark Algee and Margaret Mooring Algee, was a farmer, a merchant, and the first president of the Old Planters Bank of Ridgely [of which] he was president at the time of his death in 1925. My father, Robert "Robin" Barksdale Algee, farmed in Lake County for many years prior to the Great Depression. He was the County Surveyor and inspector on the levee that was built following the 1937 Flood, and worked for the Lake County Road Department, which was located then as now on the northwest corner of Poplar and Highway 78. At the time of his death, he was employed by the U.S. Corp of Engineers.

During the 1937 flood – the "Great Flood" – we were the only family that remained in their home in that area of Ridgely. We had to move upstairs as the floodwaters rose. "Ma" Kennedy and her daughter, Helen Kennedy, had a room upstairs. Daddy, [my oldest brother] Bob, [my middle brother] Griffin, and Helen would row boats in and out, but

Mother, "Ma" Kennedy, and I stayed in the house during the entire time the floodwaters were out.

"Ma" Kennedy had a battery powered radio and a spare battery. As required, Daddy would take one of the batteries out to be charged while we used the other one. We heard daily reports of the conditions of the flood and its victims in other states and areas, but I don't remember Lake County ever being mentioned.

When Daddy was returning [home], he [would have] to duck to get the rowboat through the front door into the hallway. He then would tie it to the staircase and climb over the banisters to go upstairs. A Coast Guard boat brought Gov. Browning to survey the area, and we watched him go up north Main Street and proceed in the direction of [the village of] Mooring.

When the waters were rising, the men took the upright piano and put it on the landing of the staircase. They set it on 8 by 8 square beams to keep it above the water. Sitting on this piano, I caught a small catfish in the hall. I don't remember what bait I used. Mother cooked it for me, and I had it for supper. During the flood, Mother cooked on a wood burning heating stove which we also used for heat.

All the downstairs windows were opened so the pressure of the water wouldn't break them. A huge log floated in the bay window in the dining room. They tried to push it out the same window while there was still water in the room, but they were unable to do so. It didn't do any damage, but it was so big that when the waters receded, it had to be sawed up to get it out. Cornelius Griffin who was very tall, wearing hip boots would carefully wade to the pump on the back porch and pump water for us.

When the water was receding and was only about two feet deep in the yard and no longer in the house, Daddy had come home for lunch and this time tied the boat to a post by the steps in the front yard. I went down the front steps and crawled in the boat and rowed it out as far as the street. This was my first trip outside since we had had to move upstairs. Daddy saw me out the window and yelled for me to come back. I got flustered and lost control of the rowboat for a time. With Daddy coaching, I finally got back to the steps. To my great relief, no punishment was forthcoming.

How the Telephone Company Coped

During the 1937 flood, in spite of great difficulties, the [Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company in Ridgely] remained open the whole time. Two operators, Mrs. Gladys Allen and Mrs. Lois Huffstutter Anderson, stayed at their posts. The Telephone Company hired boats to bring them to work and a man to protect them. This man kept a cot [there] and remained on duty 24 hours a day. He would go out in the boat to the store that had opened at the schoolhouse, to get food for himself and the operator on duty.

One night, [several citizens] were having a ham supper. They called the operators to see if they wanted something to eat, and then they brought them ham and biscuits. Mrs. Allen said that this was the best food they had during the entire flood!

Some people came in boats to pay their telephone bills, and the guard would have to make a deposit at the bank that was then located at the schoolhouse. One morning when Mrs. Allen stepped out on the iron outside staircase, there were three barges tied up to the steps.

After the Flood

During the whole summer following the flood, there were snakes everywhere. Daddy kept a stack of poles he used as surveying stakes on the front and back porches to kill them with. I was 8 years old and I can remember the excitement when any of us spotted one. With a cry of "Snake, snake!" we would run to get a pole to beat it to death. Bob, Griffin, and all our friends became expert snake slayers.

[Editor's Note: This flood started in Ohio in January, 1937 and caused terrible damage and loss of life all down the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. Inadequate levees were washed away. Afterwards, a better levee system was built, at least part of which we still have today. Ralph Algee's father worked on those levees. It seems the more things change, the more they stay the same. Can we ever learn from the lessons of the past?]

Excerpted and reprinted with permission of the authors, Ralph Sands Algee and Isabelle Rogers Algee. Originally published in *The Stories They Tell*, Volume 3, Lake County [Tennessee] Historical Society, transcribed from an oral history project with Mr. Marshall Dial. Isabelle Algee is currently Secretary of the Lake County Historical Society.

2006 DGS Board Elections

Elections begin with a Nominating Committee. Our Society has five volunteers for this task – Sharon Henry, Marti Fox, Glenn Kinkade, Al Weeks, and Tresa Tatyrek.

You may contact them to volunteer for a Board position or nominate someone you feel would serve our Society well.

Nominations@DallasGenealogy.org

Candidates will be contacted to ensure they are willing and able.

A slate of nominees will be presented and voted on at the November 28 General Meeting.

Jan Hatley Livingston

- ❖ James Alfred Miles Hart, Grandfather, b. 24 Jul 1872 Fannin Co., TX, d. 1 Nov 1937 Fannin Co., TX

Gaylon, Kathleen, James & Catherine Williams

- ❖ James Wesley Williams, G G Grandfather, b. 4 Mar 1842 Texas, d. 29 May 1908 Coleman, TX
- ❖ Michael Tuttle Musser, Father, b. 31 Jan 1942 Williamsport, PA, d. 16 Jul 2001 Orange, TX

The Gifting Dilemma, Solved by Pat Biczynski

There is still time to honor your ancestors. There are a lot of you out there, we know, and you'd like to do something meaningful for Christmas, for birthdays, for anniversaries or other occasions. But what? Nobody needs any more *stuff* these days.

Why not think about honoring an ancestor of your relative or loved one by giving a book in their honor to the Genealogy Section of Dallas Public Library? Now that's a gift that can keep on giving! Better still, it does not have to be dusted, put *somewhere*, or stuffed in a closet!

DGS has made it easy for you. With your contribution, a book with a lovely nameplate with your name (or your giftee's) and your/their ancestor's name and dates can be placed on our shelves for you to research. You can even specify what kind of book you'd like – county, state, topic, etc.

Downsizing? Maybe you have a special tome that Lloyd would like to add to the collection. Check with him before you toss anything. Donations of genealogy-related books are appreciated and you will want to check with Lloyd first to avoid duplications.

You can even ask your association or lineage society to donate. The Mary Ann Lawhon Chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, just donated DRT's newly-published Volume Eight in the *Founders and Patriots of the Republic of Texas* series. Those ladies killed lots of birds with one stone. The inscription on the inside of that book will read: "In Honor of our Citizen Ancestors...."

Now, git! ... er, *gift!*

Honoring Your Ancestors

Bobbie Jean Hooser

- ❖ Marion Cavell Davis Fagg, Mother, b. 29 Aug 1918, d. 15 Jul 1997
- ❖ Jonathon Wright Hooser, Husband's Paternal Grandfather, b. 18 Feb 1888, d. 18 April 1957
- ❖ David Mance Dinkins, Husband's Maternal Grandfather, b. 17 Sep 1880, d. 20 Aug 1930

Marjorie Moore Stockton

- ❖ Julia Jan Moore Barroso Matlock, Cousin/Genealogy Mentor/Dear Friend, b. 31 Jan 1932 Galveston, TX, d. 2 Jun 2004 Brazos Co, TX
- ❖ Sallie Lee Marshall Moore, Paternal Grandmother, b. 2 Mar 1870 Monroe Co., MS, d. 31 Dec 1956 Fort Worth, TX

Jeri J. Steele

- ❖ Lexia Land Ford, Great Aunt, b. 31 Mar 1898 Smith Co., TX, d. 21 Mar 1986 Smith Co., TX
- ❖ Ella Land Renfro, Grandmother, b. 16 Jan 1901, d. 6 Feb 1996 Smith Co., TX

Grover Livingston

- ❖ Rubye Frances Thomas Livingston, Mother, b. 17 Jul 1913 Cape Girardeau, MO, d. 13 Jun 1999 Kemp, TX

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October 31 – Ft. Worth Genealogical Society
Program: Halloween Party: *Come as Your Favorite Ancestor and Let that Ancestor Speak*. 6:30 p.m.: Coffee served. General Meeting: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Fort Worth Public Library – Central, Chappell Meeting Room, 500 West Third, Fort Worth, Texas. Contact Ginia Brown, vbrown111@sbcglobal.net.

November 1 – Dallas Historical Society
25th Anniversary Awards for Excellence luncheon at the Wyndham Anatole hotel. Contact: Frank at 214.421.4500 x105 or frank@dallashistory.org.

November 3 – Mid-Cities Genealogical Society
Terri O'Neill – *Bradshaws of Orange & Alamance Counties, NC: Another Case Study or, If It Doesn't Seem Quite Right, It Probably Isn't*. 7 p.m. at the Eules Public Library. Contact: Norann Lustfield, norannl@sbcglobal.net

November 5 – Dallas Historical Society
Tour: *Lee Harvey Oswald*. 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. \$35 for DHS contributors, \$45 for aspiring members! 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

November 8 – Lancaster Genealogical Society
William Covington, *The Continental Soldier*. 7:00 p.m. at the Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library. Contact Lela Evans, 972-227-1080 or email: lelae@lancastertxlib.org.

November 10-12 – The New York Genealogical & Biographical Society
Saratoga Conference, *New Yorkers and the Military*, will cover conflicts from the French & Indian War and American Revolution through World War I (as well as the draft in World War II). The program will include five social events, the highlight being the conference banquet, at which the speaker will be Allen Weinstein, Archivist of the United States (head of the National Archives). Further details of the conference are now available

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: www.dallasgenealogy.org/calendar.htm

October 18 – Pecan Plantation Genealogy Group

Shirley Apley, Senior Librarian, Genealogy, History & Archives, Fort Worth Public Library will do a program on *North Carolina Research*. 10:00 a.m. at Pecan Plantation Clubhouse. Contact Micki Burleson, Program Chairman, 817-578-3673, mickiburleson@charter.net.

October 22 – 5th Annual West Coast Summit on African American Genealogy

Keynote Speaker: Tony Burroughs, author of *Black Roots*. 8:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. Where: Preservation Park, 1233 Preservation Parkway, Oakland, California. Please visit the official web site: www.aagsnc.org or write to AAGSNC, PO Box 27485, Oakland, CA 94602. Hosted by: The African American Genealogical Society of Northern California.

October 29 – Dallas Historical Society

The Fall Tour program begins with *Historic Dallas Cemeteries*. 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. \$35 for DHS

at the website, newyorkfamilyhistory.org/, call 212-755-8532 ext. 36, or email Education@nygbs.org.

November 11 and 12 – Two-day Family Tree Maker Workshop

Four or five one-hour sessions on Thursday and Friday at Tresa's house. Reservations required, a \$25 fee per person. She will have a few computers/laptops for people to use, but you are encouraged to bring your own. (You learn better by actually doing it!) Day 1 Data Entry and working a family. Day 2 Using reports, charts and other features. Limited to 12 people. Reserve a seat by e-mailing: Tresa Tatyrek. Please include your name and a phone number:

genealogy@magnoliamanor-network.com.

November 12 – Dallas Historical Society

Tour: *A journey of Discovery through East and South Dallas*. 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. \$35 for DHS contributors, \$45 for aspiring members! Payment at the time of requesting your reservation ensures a seat on the bus. Call Frank K. Wilson at 214-421-4500 x105 or email: frank@dallashistory.org

November 14 – Grapevine Namedroppers

Granny G., *Texas Area Christmas 1850-1880*. 10:00 a.m. in the Grapevine Public Library program room, 1201 Municipal Way. Contact Tresa Tatyrek: www.magnoliamanorgenealogy.com/grapevine.htm or 972-539-7452.

November 15 – HOGAR General Meeting

Dr. Laura Gonzales, Topic: TBD, 7:00 p.m. at the Casa View Branch Library. Contact: 214-670-8403.

November 19 – Family Tree Maker Interest Group

This ongoing series of programs reviews the various uses of Family Tree Maker, MS WORD, MS EXCEL, a photo editor, and, of course, the Internet to conduct and document research. Grapevine Public Library. 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Tresa Tatyrek at 972-539-7452, www.magnoliamanorgenealogy.com/ftmggroup.htm. Donations accepted.

November 19 – Genealogy Friends of Plano Library

Brenda Kellow and Barbara Coakley will discuss *Family Reunions and Family Newsletters*. 9:30 a.m. at the Gladys Harrington Library, Plano. Contact: Barbara Coakley, Program Chairman, 972-818-0951, bjc1620@sbcglobal.net.

November 28th – Fort Worth Genealogical Society

Dan Meeks, *A Genealogist's Christmas Wish List of Gadgets and New Technology*. Installation of 2006 officers. 7:00 p.m. Fort Worth Public Library – Central, Chappell Meeting Room, 500 West Third, Fort Worth, Texas. Contact Ginia Brown, vbrown111@sbcglobal.net.

REGIONAL CONTACTS

Texas State Genealogical Society

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

Arlington Genealogical Society

Contact Judy Matlock - hmatlock@airmail.net.

Collin County Genealogical Society

Meets 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. Offers 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: 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. Contact: Ina Walker, inagran@aol.com.

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 www.magnoliamanorgenealogy.com/ftmgroup.htm. Donations accepted.

Fort Worth Genealogical Society

Meets last Monday, 7:00 p.m., Fort Worth Public Library – Central, Chappell Meeting Room, 500 West Third, Fort Worth, Texas. Contact Ginia Brown, vbrown111@sbcglobal.net.

Genealogy Friends of Plano Library

Meets 3rd Saturday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at the Gladys Harrington Library, Plano. Contact: Barbara Coakley, Program Chairman, 972-818-0951, bjc1620@sbcglobal.net.

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 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. Tresa Tatyrek: www.magnoliamanorgenealogy.com/grapevine.htm or 972-539-7452

Greater Dallas Chapter of the DAR

Meets alternate 3rd Tuesdays or Saturdays of each month at 10:00 a.m. For more information, e-mail gddar@sbcglobal.net or visit our website at: www.texasdar.org/chapters/GreaterDallas/

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. 6:30 p.m. social gathering. Meeting activities start at 7:00 p.m. Contact: Art Garza, AGarza0972@aol.com, 972-841-9455. Website: home.earthlink.net/~hogar/dedallas/index.html

Irving Genealogical Society

Meets the third Monday of each month, 7:00 p.m. at the Irving Public Library. Contact: Gretchen King, gdking@ix.netcom.com.

Lamar County Genealogical Society

Contact Ron Brothers, rbrother@1starnet.com.

Lancaster Genealogical Society

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at the Lancaster Veteran's Memorial Library, 1600 Veterans Memorial Parkway, at 7:00 p.m. Contact: Lela Evans, 972-227-1080 x 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. rootsweb.com/~txmhgs/page1.htm. Contact: Dava Ladymon, dladymon@flash.net.

Mid-Cities Genealogical Society

Meets the first Thursday of each month at the Euless Public Library. Social at 6:30 p.m. At 7:00 p.m., a short business meeting begins, followed by the program. Contact: Norann Lustfield, noranni@sbcglobal.net.

North Collin County Genealogical Society

Contact: Paula Perkins, lansup@ix.netcom.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: ntpcug.org/

Pecan Plantation Genealogy Group

Meets at the Pecan Plantation clubhouse in Granbury, Texas, 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/Wellesley/Garden/5215/

Texins Genealogy Club

Meets 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.

Tri-County/Roots Seekers Gen. Society

Contact: Jynelle Caffey - JCaffey259@aol.com.

Honorees Chosen For Excellence

Tuesday, July 12, 2005, Robert Miller, Dallas Morning News

The Dallas Historical Society, which is celebrating

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its 25th anniversary of presenting its Awards for Excellence, has announced this year's honorees.

The easy part of this exercise in civic selection is finding candidates from our vast reservoir of citizens who qualify for the honors. The hard part is narrowing the names to the 10 categories.

Safe to say, co-chairwomen **Shannon Callewart** and **Caro Stalcup** have maintained the high standards of excellence that have marked choices in the preceding years.

The 2005 honorees, who will be officially cited at a November 1 luncheon at the Wyndham Anatole hotel, are:

- **William H. "Bill" Lively**, Arts Leadership. Mr. Lively is President and Chief Executive of the **Dallas Center for the Performing Arts Foundation**, which means he's in charge of raising \$257 million from the private sector for the \$275 million center. He is well on his way to achieving that goal.
- **Jan Hart Black**, Business Award. The award goes to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the business climate of the community. Ms. Black is President and CEO of the **Greater Dallas Chamber** and was also a Dallas city manager.
- **Laura Wilson**, Creative Arts. Her reputation as a museum-level photographer of the American scene and her status as a go-to photographer for several international magazine covers has made her a name on two continents.
- **Dr. R. Gerald Turner**, Higher Education. His "outstanding contribution" in the field of education merely reflects the growing national reputation of **Southern Methodist University** since he took over the reins as president.
- The Rev. **Arvel Wilson**, Public Education. Mr. Wilson grew up in public housing in West Dallas, graduated from **Pinkston High School**, entered the **U. S. Marines** and returned to spend the last 24 years helping make West Dallas a better place to live.
- **Joel Allison**, Health/Science. The president and chief executive of **Baylor Health Care System** has helped that institution cement its international

reputation as a leading center of medical research and clinical excellence.

- The Rev. **Sheron Patterson**, Humanities. The senior pastor at **Jubilee United Methodist Church** in Duncanville has accomplished many firsts for black women in Texas Methodism. She also created a program that helps women exit welfare by being matched with professional women who become friends and mentors.
- **Vogel Alcove**, Philanthropy. Since this nonprofit institution was founded by the late **Doris Budner** and **Thelma Vogel**, it has become a national role model for excellence in the care of children of the homeless.
- **Trini Garza** and **Jerome Garza**, Volunteer Community Leadership. Both father and son combine business careers with an insatiable desire to serve the community, focusing on youth education as well as Hispanic and other minority elderly.
- **David W. Biegler**, Jubilee History Maker Award. This business executive has proved that true leadership knows no bounds, having excelled in both business and civic work. He is chief executive of Dallas-based **Estrella Energy** and chairman of the **Old Red Museum**.

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FGS Dinner at Passages Restaurant, Salt Lake City, Utah (from left): Jo Ann Rowley-Minhoto, Gene A Burris, Dan Yaklin, Robin Yaklin, Vernon G Gillette, Dr. George K Schweitzer.

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October

- 18 – Tue AAGIG – Dr. Harry Robinson, Jr. -
President, CEO & Founder of the African
American Museum at Fair Park, Topic - TBD
24 – Mon DGS General – Brenda McClurkin, *Using
Manuscripts In Genealogical Research.*

November

- 1 – Tue CIG – Glenn Kinkade, *Three Most
Important Words When Finding Your
Ancestors on the World Wide Web*
3 – Thur – Tresa Tatyrek, *Beginning Internet
Workshop*
9 – Wed – Tresa Tatyrek, *Ancestry.com
Workshop*

- 15 – Tue AAGIG – Frances James, the “Cemetery
Lady,” *“Lay Down Body...”*
17 – Thur – Speakers’ Roundtable
28 – Mon DGS General – Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck,
Old Legal Terms

December

- 6 – Tue CIG – Robert Souda & Friends, *Computer
Clues Olio*
12 – Mon DGS General – 6:45 p.m. Awards
Banquet and Presentations
20 – Tue AAGIG – Holiday Party

See pages 163-165 for more information on events.

DGS General 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.

- ❖ The 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.
- ❖ The Computer Interest Group (CIG) usually meets on the first Tuesday beginning at 6:30 p.m. Business meeting/Q&A at 6:30 p.m., Program at 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ The African American Genealogy Interest Group (AAGIG) meets on the third Tuesday (except in the summer). Social time begins at 6:00 p.m. Business meeting & program begin at 6:30 p.m.

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