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DGS Newsletter

Call of the West Institute

Our *Call of the West Institute* is scheduled for July 24-26, 2008. Featured speakers John Colletta and Lloyd Bockstruck promise to make this an outstanding learning experience. No matter when your ancestors came to America or migrated from here to there, patterns were set and followed in that migration. Come join us in exploring these paths of migration.

John Philip Colletta

One of America's most popular genealogical lecturers. Entertaining, knowledgeable and experienced, he is based in Washington, DC. For 20 years he conducted workshops for the National Archives and taught courses for the Smithsonian Institution and local universities. Today he lectures nationally and is a faculty member of the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University (Birmingham, Alabama) and the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy (Salt Lake City). His publications include two manuals---*They Came in Ships: A Guide to Finding Your Immigrant Ancestor's Arrival Record* and *Finding Italian Roots: The Complete Guide for Americans*---and numerous how-to articles. Dr. Colletta has appeared on local and national radio and television, is featured in Episode Four of "Ancestors," the ten-part KBYU-TV series, as well as its sequel.

Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck

Lloyd Bockstruck has been with the Dallas Public Library since 1973 and currently serves as Supervisor of the Genealogy Section. He has been on the faculty of IGHR since 1974 and was the first recipient of Institute's Outstanding Alumni Award. Mr. Bockstruck is the author of *Virginia's Colonial Soldiers*, *Genealogical Research in Texas*, *Revolutionary War Bounty Land Grants Awarded by State Governments*, and Family Tree: Weekly Newspaper Columns from the *Dallas Morning News* 1991-1996. He received the Award of Merit from the NGS in 1982 and was named a Fellow of the society in 1993. In 1999, he was named the first recipient of the Filby Prize for Genealogical Librarianship by the National Genealogical Society.

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Oh, the hot summer of Dallas! Don't we all just love the heat! NOT! It also signals the time for the Summer Institute. This year, John Colletta and Lloyd Bockstruck are the presenters for *The Call of the West*, a summer institute on migration. It is the easy, cool way to enjoy your summer and improve your genealogy skills at the same time. It starts on July 24th in the evening and continues through Saturday, July 26. The information that was on Sunday morning has been moved to Friday evening, so there is no Sunday session. That way you will use less gasoline for your car this year! The institute has the same number of lectures that it has always had.

Have you looked at our new web site? Cool new colors and updates of all our activities. There are a couple of things that were on our old web site that we still need to bring to the new one. One is the online store which will be the first major update that we do. Second are the databases that we had online. We do not have completion dates for this yet, but we are working on them. If you need to consult one of the databases that we had online, please email administrator@dallasgenealogy.com and Jeri Steele will send you instructions on how to access these. These can still be reached but are not on the new web site yet. There will probably be even more databases when we are done.

Have you looked at the new familysearch.org? There is a button that has been added to their website that includes more original records for certain areas. Also, when it is hot outside, it is cool in the library which makes it a good time to do genealogy research. Earlier this year, the genealogy section got many new books that contain our ancestors who are just waiting to be found.

One other item that I would like you to consider: have you ever been a member of the DGS Board? It is nomination time and if you have a skill that the Board needs and you have never thought about being on the Board, I would like to hear from you. We (the Board) are very busy people that give of ourselves so that DGS can continue to grow. If you like or don't like what you see and want to make it better, please think about serving on the Board or even the nominating committee. This will add to our strength as a genealogical society.

Looking forward to the future.

Liz Kutz

HAPPENINGS AROUND DPL's 8TH FLOOR VOLUNTEER DESK

Becoming a volunteer is a great way to get involved and meet others. We encourage those of you who may be just starting out in your family research to volunteer a few hours a week or a few hours a month. This is a wonderful opportunity to become familiar with the genealogy section of the library and spend some time greeting visitors and meeting fellow researchers. And a fantastic perk is free parking!

Volunteers are needed to sit at the desk in either a regular weekly slot or to fill in on the substitute list. We are looking for individuals to fill in when a regular volunteer is out. If you're interested, email the Volunteer Coordinator at Volunteer@dallasgenealogy.org or call Patrick McKinney at 214-522-9356.

NEW MEMBERS

Brabara Brazil, Glyn Buckley,
Kathryn Buratti, Bob Coder,
Deborah Edwards, Beverly Hayes-Hartnett,
James C. McCord, Karen J. Ruff,
Lacey Stubbs, Pat Wilson

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) hosts a pre-meeting 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. After stopping off in the East Room for refreshments, see what you can learn and share. Please, no food or drinks in the auditorium.

The topics for this year's monthly meetings will emphasize resources found within our own Dallas Public Library. Be sure to check the website for future speakers and topics.

Monday, July 28, 2008
Finding and Using Manuscript Collections: NUCMC and Beyond. Speaker: Gay Carter

Monday, August 25, 2008
Using DPL's Government Publications Section for Your Genealogical Research. Speakers: Darlene Brimmage and Charlotte Bagh, DPL

Monday, September 22, 2008
Using DPL's History and Social Sciences Department for Your Genealogical Research. Speaker: Heather Williams, DPL

DGS Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Under the support and guidance of DGS, a number of Special Interest Groups (SIGs) have been formed to concentrate on specific areas of genealogy. The DGS website at www.dallasgenealogy.com/special.htm can be consulted for the most up-to-date listings of groups and events with their email addresses, facilitators, dates, times, and meeting places at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library. Meetings are free and open to the public.

July 10 (Thursday): 6:30 **Writer's Interest Group**
Assignment: Write a short (2-4 page) biography of an ancestor or relative whom you have not written about before. Write either as a first-person narrative or in traditional 3rd person, as you prefer. Meets in the McDermott Room on 8.

July 12 (Saturday): 9:30 **Digital Interest Group**
Meets in the Hamon Room on 5.

July 12 (Saturday): 1:00 **Computer Interest Group**
Mail Washer Pro, the Ultimate Spam Blocker Software with Linda Moore. Meets in the Hamon Room on 5.

July 12 (Saturday): 2:30 **The Master Genealogist**
Meets in the Hamon Room on 5.

July 19 (Saturday): 11:30 **Brown Bag Group**
Article: Fleming, Ann Carter, "Genealogical Applications of American Statute Law." *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* 95:3 (September 2007):197-210.

August 02 (Saturday): 9:30 **Family Tree Maker**
We are trying a new format where the participants can bring questions and/or problems and hopefully receive answers and solutions. The version of the software being used is needed to get the correct help. That information is available from the help menu of your software. Meets in the Studio on 3.

August 02 (Saturday): 11:00 **German Research Group**
Using the German Resources on Ancestry.com (Subscription or Library) – with Tresa Tatyrek. Meets in the Studio on 3.

August 02 (Saturday): 3:00 **Internet for Genealogy Interest Group**
U.S. Serial Set – with Gay Carter. Meets in the Studio on 3.

August 09 (Saturday): 9:30 **Digital Interest Group**
Meets in the Hamon Room on 5.

August 09 (Saturday): 1:00 **Computer Interest Group**
Meets in the Hamon Room on 5.

August 09 (Saturday): 2:30 **The Master Genealogist**
Meets in the Hamon Room on 5.

August 14 (Thursday): 6:30 **Writer's Interest Group**
"Capturing Memories in a 3-Ring Binder: A Collaborative Family Project" by John Wylie. Want to make sure all your children have copies of important photos? Can't afford to publish a real book? John offers ideas on preserving family memories. Meets in the McDermott Room on 8.

June 21 (Saturday): 11:30 **Brown Bag Group**
Article: McDonald, David. "Protestant Church Law and Records in America: Some Denominations and Archives." *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* 95:3 (September 2007): 211-228.

August 20 (Wednesday): 6:30 **MAC Reunion Group**
Meets in the MsDermott Room on 8.

THE LEGACY OF FRANK GRALL: A PIONEER OF INDIAN TERRITORY

By Marie Navarro

My cousin Kathie and I never knew our Great Grand Uncle Frank. We only knew, through letters written by our 2nd great grandmother, that she had a brother named Frank who was living in Oklahoma and that he had "done quite well for himself".

When Kathie and I started to trace our family tree we read a story about Uncle Frank in a copy of a family history compiled by Carol Ann VAIL and Violet GRALL. It was a story of a courageous pioneer lawman that performed his duties with a firm, but fair, hand. A leader who worked along side his fellow pioneers to bring law and order to the untamed Indian Territory of Oklahoma. This was of great interest to both of us, but especially to Kathie, whose husband was in law enforcement. We wanted to learn more about our uncle who was a sheriff in the days of the wild, wild, West. We were certain that we would find an abundance of information on the Internet. We found instead that Uncle Frank was not a Wyatt EARP or a Bat MASTERSON. There was virtually nothing of the escapades of a heroic sharp shooter sheriff that tamed the virgin land of wilderness of the Oklahoma plains. We couldn't help but think that our uncle was an unsung hero whose story needed to be told. So Kathie and I set out for Shawnee and Seminole to see if we could find information about the life of Frank GRALL.

Our first stop was to the police department in Shawnee. Just before you enter the police department there is a hall that is covered with pictures of the men who had served as Chief of Police in Shawnee. And to our delight there was a picture of our Uncle Frank and his brother who had also served as Marshall. The administrative assistant was kind enough to make copies of the pictures for us.

Then we went to the Oklahoma History Center in Oklahoma City. It was there, searching through the microfilm pages of newspapers printed in another day and time, that we learned that Uncle Frank was not an unsung hero. He was well known and loved during his lifetime and for many years after his death. He was, instead, a champion of justice, whose trials and tribulations have faded with the passage of time. We found many articles, but the best one was found by accident. While searching for an obituary for one of his sons, I stumbled onto a newspaper article on the retirement of our great uncle. It was published on Sunday, January 11, 1931 in The Daily Times Democrat, in Wewoka, Oklahoma. The article covered his 38 years in law enforcement. What follows is the story of Frank GRALL.

Benjamin Franklin "Frank" GRALL was born on September 09, 1869, 42 miles south of St. Louis in Hillsboro, Missouri. His father, Christian Fredrick GRALL was a German immigrant who arrived in this country without knowing a word of English, and with only the clothes on his back. His mother, Sarah CORZART, met his father while working on the same farm.[1] They evidently lived in Missouri for a time, and then moved to Ellis County, deep in the heart of Texas, where Frank grew into a strong and handsome young man.

In 1891 Frank and his older brother Alfred left Texas in a new wagon filled with tin ware and homemade salve. They headed to Indian Territory, Oklahoma to make their fortune. Traveling through the land, they sold their goods to Comanche Indians and settlers. They ended up in Shawnee in 1892 and decided to stay.[2]

Frank worked first as a territorial officer under E.D. NIX of Guthrie. Then he worked for a time as a

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[1] Letter from Hannah (GRALL) Kelley (Mrs. H.C. Kelley; 1322 N.E. 23rd Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma) to Mrs. Velma (Heard) Burns (1334 South Henderson Street, Dallas, Texas), 5 October 1929; held in 2007 by Marie Navarro (6074 Ellis Lane, Kaufman, Texas 75142).

[2] "An Interview with Mr. Frank GRALL, Wewoka, Oklahoma" Biography For Works Progress Administration, Indian-Pioneer History Project, Volume 6, pages 264 – 270. Repository: Oklahoma History Center, 2401 N. Laird Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105.

special officer for the Chicago Rock Island & Pacific Railroad. He worked "on the front" as he called it, in the camp where the men who were laying the rails into Shawnee were living. "Broad Street has never before or since seen the likes of the celebration the day the railroad came to Shawnee," Frank would later say in the 1931 interview. "They opened up the whiskey kegs in the middle of the street and everyone drank. The rivalry between Tecumseh and Shawnee was just as great then as it is now. Tecumseh wanted the railroad to come through that town. The engineers decided against it."[3]

The township of Tecumseh tried to get an injunction to stop the work on the railroad, but the courts would not grant it. Fights on Kickapoo Street were an every day occurrence and many of the wooden bridges between Shawnee and Oklahoma City were burned. Guards were placed at the bridges. Frank was installed as an officer at a new camp near New Lima. The "bands of steel" were laid from a ½ to ¾ a mile each day. Beer was 20 cents a glass and whisky was 25 cents a cup. It was illegal in those days but on payday the officers turned a blind eye, knowing that the railway workers would leave if they were denied their liquor.[4]

In 1894 Frank quit the railroad. His brother Alfred was appointed the first marshal of Shawnee and Frank went to work for the city. He worked for six years as assistant Chief of the Shawnee police force. Frank and Alfred chopped down trees located on Bell Street and built the first jail. It is here that Frank met and married Allie Sconce.[5]

His brother Alfred was the Marshal of Shawnee from Nov 1, 1894 to March 10, 1896.[6] In 1896 Alfred resigned and according to family stories, pursued a very different line of work as a bootlegger. Frank, who was still assistant chief, spent much time looking for Alfred's still and made every effort to reform his wayward brother.[7] I discovered in my research that Alfred was evidentially caught, but it was another officer, not brother Frank, that made the arrest.[8]

On February 8, 1900, Frank GRALL and Frank EARNEST engaged in a gun battle on South Broadway and killed Jerome SALTUSKA who was a reprehensible horse thief.[9]

On April 4, 1902 Frank was elected the Chief of Police of Shawnee where he served until April 10, 1903. In 1904, Frank decided to move his family to a farm, but he missed law enforcement and soon became the Justice of the Peace in Red Mound.[10]

He was elected sheriff of Seminole County, not once, but twice. This was the first time anyone had served two terms in Seminole County. He was sheriff there from 1916 to 1920. Next he moved to Cromwell where he served as Justice of the Peace. This was during the time of the great oil fields in Seminole. They were years filled with crooks, fights, and outlaws. Law and order was difficult to find in those days. Frank was not afraid. After peace was restored, Frank left his job as Justice of the Peace and went to work for Homer H. Bishop as evidence man.[11] I couldn't help but wonder if "evidence man" was an early form of CSI.

In 1928, Frank and two other officers, while searching the house of three men, found 4 quarts of nitroglycerin and other makings of what would have been a very large bomb. That same year Frank also watched a group of men for two days who were suspected of stealing $10,000 worth of oilfield equipment. He slept on the ground and continued to track them. Just as they were about to sell the equipment to another group of men, Frank

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[3] "Frank GRALL, For 38 Years a Peace Officer, Retires From His Office" *The Daily Times Democrat*, Wewoka, Oklahoma, Sunday, January 11, 1931, page 5. Repository: Oklahoma History Center, 2401 N. Laird Avenue, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105.

[4] "Frank GRALL, For 38 Years a Peace Officer, Retires From His Office" *The Daily Times Democrat*, Wewoka, Oklahoma.

[5] "Frank GRALL, For 38 Years a Peace Officer, Retires From His Office" *The Daily Times Democrat*, Wewoka, Oklahoma.

[6] Shawnee Police Department, PO Box 1448, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 74802

[7] The GRALL Family History, complied by Carol Ann VAIL and Violet GRALL. (Copy held by Marie Navarro, 6074 Ellis Lane, Kaufman, Texas 75142)

[8] Oklahoma Court of Appeals: 1924 OK CR, 26 Okla. Cr. 132, 222 P. 701

[9] Frank GRALL, For 38 Years a Peace Officer, Retires From His Office" *The Daily Times Democrat*, Wewoka, Oklahoma.

[10] Shawnee Police Department, PO Box 1448, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 74802

[11] Frank GRALL, For 38 Years a Peace Officer, Retires From His Office" *The Daily Times Democrat*, Wewoka, Oklahoma.

pulled out in front of the truck and arrested all nine men.[12]

Frank was shot and beaten up many times, but he continued his work of protecting and enforcing the law. He summed up his dedication to his job with these words:

"We treated them fair and square when they came to Shawnee in the early days. We knew we were in a pioneer county and that we were pioneers. The same holds true of the early days of Cromwell. We had outlaws then, even as they have them in Chicago and the big cities, but they did not shoot a fellow in back in those days. I don't know of a better county. It was a great fight, this fight to conquer the country and the outlaws and we won both battles only because the people have always been behind the law enforcement officers and the officers have always played fair with the people and the outlaws as well."[13]

No, Uncle Frank was not a Wyatt EARP or a Bat MASTERSON. But, it was not the Wyatt EARPs that made our country what it is today. It was the thousands of brave men who, like my Uncle Frank, were determined to bring law and order to a wild untamed land. And with the help of many thousands of other brave men and women who traveled in covered wagons over hills and across the wilderness to settle in an unknown land, they did it. They did it together.

But, my story does not end here. The Oklahoma History Center had an oral history library and to our astonishment we learned they had a tape of an interview with our Great Uncle Frank when he was 84. Thanks to the wisdom of the Oklahoma Historical Society, 52 years after his death, my cousin and I were able to hear the voice of our great grand uncle. We heard, in his own words, stories of his law enforcement days. It included a funny story of how one year, to raise money for the city, the police department put on an all-male play about a shotgun wedding.[14] Uncle Frank played the bride. His laugher was heard not just by ears, but in my heart. The people who made and preserved this tape will probably never realize the joy they brought to our family.

Our Great Grand Uncle Frank didn't know my cousin Kathie and me. But, through the preservation of family histories, newspapers, and tapes we have come to know him. He will be remembered with love and admiration.

EPILOG: After writing this story, I was contacted by Merle GRALL, great grandson to Frank GRALL. Merle shared the following great stories about his great grandfather, Frank GRALL. These stories were told to him by his father, Leonard Smith "Cotton" GRALL, who was the son of Ernest Leonard GRALL, one of Frank & Allie GRALL's sons.

"Frank chased a bad guy all the way to New Mexico. He caught him and was in the process of taking him back to Oklahoma. As they were getting on the train he pulled his gun and told the guy: "You see this? I can hit anything I want with this gun. I can pick off a fly on the wing if I want to. Now it's a long way back to Oklahoma and it's mighty hot. I don't have any desire to sit in that hot train all the way back handcuffed to you. But I'm gonna tell you, you better be there when I step off that train or you'll be coming back in a box!" He then pulled off the cuffs, stepped on the train and didn't even look to see where the guy went. When he got back to Shawnee, there he was, right behind him following like a little puppy dog.

Well, my dad told the moonshining tale a little different from what you have there. Frank's brother Alfred (Al) lived in a place called "Al Holler" and if you weren't supposed to be there, it was a good idea to just stay away. The way I heard it, Al did make 'shine back in Al Holler. It was known as squirrel whiskey because the next morning you would likely wake up in the trees with the squirrels. Al would come in to town with a wagon load of logs on a Saturday morning making noise and loudly greeting everyone. He'd talk to people and yell "Yeah, I'm just bringin' in this load. Guess I'll probably park back over there by the lumberyard." That was the clue to let everyone know that's where he'd be sellin' the whiskey hidden under the logs. Saturday nights were filled with carousin', drinkin', and hell raisin'. Whenever someone got too much out of hand, Frank, who was about 6'6",

[12] *The Seminole Producer*, May 14 1928 and April 30, 1928.
[13] Frank GRALL, For 38 Years a Peace Officer, Retires From His Office" *The Daily Times Democrat*, Wewoka, Oklahoma
[14] Mr. Frank GRALL: Interviewed June 17, 1954 by Virgil Nelson & Mrs. Homer Bishop, in Wewoka, Oklahoma. Research Division, Oklahoma History Center.

would just come up behind him, pick him up yellin' and cussin' and carry him off to jail. He would take away his whiskey and fine him $27.50. That was the standard fine for everything. The next morning Frank would release his prisoner AND return the confiscated whiskey to Al so he could resell it.

Cemetery Communications

By Dick Eastman

Have you and a friend ever gone "cemetery hunting?" I am referring to a joint effort in which two or more people mentally "divide" a cemetery into sections, and then each person searches through his or her section alone, looking for specific tombstones while the other searcher(s) does the same in a different section.

I have conducted joint effort cemetery searches many times and suspect that you have, too. However, upon discovering a particular tombstone, you have to shout to the other person. In a large cemetery, the other person(s) may be some distance away, making shouting impractical. There may even be a safety issue involved. Cemeteries can be dangerous places with snakes, brambles, gopher holes, and even open graves, all creating risks for the unwary genealogist. More than one genealogist has twisted an ankle while walking in a rural cemetery. The biggest problems I encounter are tiny flying insects and their bigger cousins: bumblebees. These are high risk!

How do you obtain assistance at the moment of need? Yelling loud enough to wake the dead isn't a good solution in a cemetery!

The first tool we all should think of is a portable cell phone. If you and your companion(s) each carry cell phones, you can communicate in many cemeteries. A quick call from one cell phone to another can literally be a lifesaving call. If needed, a quick call to 911 may be in order.

Most of my ancestors seem to be buried in rural cemeteries that are far removed from the nearest cell phone towers. Carrying a cell phone in those cemeteries is about as effective a communications tool as carrying a brick! When investigating rural cemeteries, there is a better method of communication.

Every well-equipped genealogist should consider taking a pair of Family Radio Service (FRS) walkie-talkies on cemetery trips. These tiny, handheld transceivers make it easy to talk back and forth, even if the two are at opposite ends of the cemetery. FRS radios typically have a range of a mile or so. Some may have an even longer range.

If you are not familiar with Family Radio Service transceivers, these are small, two-way radios that you can purchase at most any electronics store and at many department stores. Even a drug store near my home carries FRS radios. These two-way radios typically are about the size of a cell phone. Prices start at about $35.00 for a pair. To see some examples of these handy walkie-talkies, look at http://www.google.com/products?q=frs+walkie&btnG=Search+Products&hl=en&show=dd.

Do not confuse FRS with CB radio; the two services are quite different. FRS has a much shorter range, and its UHF (ultra-high frequency) channels are not plagued with "skip" and other noisy interference. There is none of the "breaker breaker one-nine" silliness. With FRS radios, you simply press the button and talk. Then you release the button to listen to the other person.

FRS two-way radios can be very useful for simple conversation or for emergencies. If one of the genealogists finds a headstone of interest or needs assistance, a two-way radio in one's hand can be very helpful. You can even use these handheld radios for those "semi-emergency messages," such as, "Is there any water left in your water bottle?" or "I just tripped and hurt myself."

Of course, you might be able to use cell phones for the same purpose. However, FRS radios are faster (just push the button and talk), and you do not need to be within range of a cell phone tower. FRS radios do not rely on "towers" or other external equipment since they communicate directly from one walkie-talkie to the other. FRS radios always work on short distances, even when cell phones fail. I find FRS radios to be the second-most useful device in my cemetery-hunting tool bag. (Mosquito repellent is number one.)

With FRS two-way radios, there is no monthly airtime charge or service commitment. Cell phones typically charge $30 a month or more for each phone, just to be able to use them. With FRS radios, the on-air time is free. Your only expense is

the initial purchase price of the radios plus occasional replacement batteries. Some of the better radios even include rechargeable batteries.

Since FRS channels are open to everyone, it is possible that you will occasionally hear other people talking on their FRS radios. All of these devices have fourteen channels; so, if this should happen, you can simply switch to an unoccupied channel.

One word of caution: the advertising for these radios often claims "up to five miles range" or something similar. To be sure, five miles is possible, but only if the two walkie-talkies are within line-of-sight of each other, such as when standing on hilltops that are five miles apart. As you get into the "real world" among trees, buildings, granite tombstones, and other obstructions, the range drops significantly. As prices approach $75 a pair, some FRS radios claim "up to ten miles range." These higher priced radios will, indeed, cover a wider range than the inexpensive ones, but still, ten miles is achievable only under optimum conditions. However, all FRS two-way radios should work well within a mile or so. That should suffice for all but the largest of cemeteries.

Prices vary widely, and you generally get what you pay for. I have seen FRS two-way radios sell for as little as $15.00 for a pair, but these are the wireless equivalent of two tin cans and a string. You won't be happy with them. As you get up to $35.00 per pair, the quality seems to improve. As prices move to fifty dollars per pair and up, you find rechargeable batteries, charger docking stations, weather channel receivers, and other such niceties. A few high-end radios with high price tags even include built-in GPS (satellite Global Positioning System) receivers. That might be nice for certain applications, but I wouldn't recommend an expensive, top-of-the-line model just for occasional use in cemeteries.

NOTE: I purchased a nice pair of FRS walkie-talkies on sale for $35.00. These included rechargeable batteries and charging stations. To charge the radios, I simply drop each unit into its charging station.

I find rechargeable batteries to be a mixed blessing. To be sure, in theory I never have to purchase batteries. However, it seems that every time I go to use the radios, the rechargeable batteries are dead. Leaving the radios on the shelf for a few weeks does not keep the batteries charged. The units I purchased have the advantage of being able to use either the included rechargeable batteries or standard penlight cells. If I need to use the walkie-talkies right now and they have dead batteries, I can stop at nearly any corner store and pick up standard penlight batteries for immediate use.

If you do purchase a pair of FRS radios, I'd suggest that you look for similar dual-battery capability. Not all the FRS units offer such flexibility.

FRS walkie-talkies have plenty of other non-genealogy uses: going to the local shopping mall, around the house and neighborhood, and so forth. These units are also popular with motorcyclists and snowmobilers. Many walkie-talkies can plug into a headset worn under a helmet. Two or more motorcyclists can chat back and forth for miles as they ride together along the highways.

On a recent Caribbean cruise, I saw several walkie-talkie-equipped families on the ship. Parents and children all carried FRS radios and seemed to have constant communication anywhere on the ship or even when in port.

I recently used a pair of FRS walkie-talkies while leading another driver down unfamiliar roads, and it came in quite handy when the other driver lost sight of me. They are much more convenient to use for constant chitchat than attempting to use a cell phone for the same purpose. They also do not consume "cell phone minutes."

(**Editor's note:** As the other driver recalls, Dick's walkie-talkies have a power-saving feature that turns off the devices after 20 minutes of non-use. If you have this feature, a periodic "checking in" message ensures continuous on-air time.)

You will probably dream up many other uses for FRS radios.

FRS is an abbreviation for "Family Radio Service." What better tool could you use to find your family in the cemeteries?

You can find Family Radio Service walkie-talkies at RootsBooks.com (http://rootsbooks.com/shop.php?c=frs&x=FRS_Radios), Radio Shack (http://www.radioshack.com), and many other places. In fact, I purchased my

FRS radios at the well-known genealogy supply store: Home Depot. No joke! Many carpenters, plumbers, electricians, and others use FRS radios to communicate with nearby co-workers. Home Depot sells FRS radios to homeowners and trades people alike. In addition, Home Depot's prices were lower than those of Radio Shack and most department stores, always an attraction for the frugal genealogist.

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One Thing Leads to Another

By Tresa Tatyrek

Genealogical research is a process, usually a repetitive one. You find one piece and move forward with it and somewhere along the way you have to 'start' at the beginning again. One clue leads to another and all the pieces make the whole.

Everyone that lives, dies. Everyone that dies does not have an obituary printed about them. Obituaries vary greatly in what they contain. Most are written within a few days of the death. This information may help you locate more records about the death. They can be printed in, not only the town the individual died in, but often in the towns the individual lived in over the course of their life.

They can range in length from one line to whole pages of a paper. The one liner ones really are frustrating, when you were wanting so much more. A good one will contain information about the life of the individual. You do not ever know who wrote the obituary so the information they contain may or may not be correct, but will give you information to look into. They can contain the birth date and place, the death date and place, the marriage date and place, names of their spouse, their children, their siblings. You may find out about sister's married names, the names of their husbands, their children. You may find out the names of the person's parents, and when the individual came to the area they died in or if they were just passing through.

The dates should lead you to look for the records to corroborate the information. The names should lead you on a hunt to figure out who they are and how they fit into your family tree. You might gain information on missing siblings and children, and the parents. These names should then be researched until you know who they are and how they fit in.

Obituaries are not always easy to locate. Most states in the United States now have a repository of microfilmed newspapers for their state. Most of these repositories will do interlibrary loan so you have an extra resource to tap into pretty easily. Illinois newspapers are at the Abraham Lincoln State Library in Springfield. Oklahoma's are at the Oklahoma Historical Society in Oklahoma City. Tennessee has a collection at the Tennessee State Library and Archive in Nashville.

Locate those repositories and start requesting those films in hopes that someone took the time to write an obituary for your ancestor.

If you have a story about how one thing leads to another, please consider putting it on paper for publication in this newsletter. You never know whom you might help with your insight and where it might lead you to discover new pieces to your family history puzzle.

Call for Newsletter Articles

If you like to write or have an interesting story to tell about solving that pesky genealogical problem, please consider making a contribution to the DGS newsletter. The newsletter depends on articles written by DGS members. Articles should be about a page to a page and a half in length. . Please be sure to include your name and contact information on the submitted attachment with the article.

Mail submissions to:
newsletter@dallasgenealogy.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Salt Lake City Research Trip Registration

Dallas Genealogical Society members are traveling to Salt Lake City. We hope you'll decide to join us this year! The Salt Lake City Family History Library is a treasure trove for the genealogist. Everyone should make the journey at least once in pursuit of ancestors.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

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Trip Registration (does not include airfare)
$400 Double $_____
$680 Single $_____
____# of extra nights @$38 double
or $75 single $_____
DGS membership $25 $_____
(This trip open only to DGS members)
$200 deposit (by 1 Jul 2008) $_____
Balance Due $ _____ (6 Aug 2008)
If you need assistance finding a roommate, we will help, but we can't guarantee to find one. If yes, complete the following:
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Make checks payable to:
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Call of the West Summer Institute Registration July 24-26, 2008

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Registration must be postmarked by 10 July 2008

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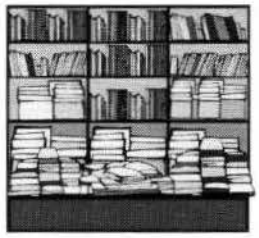

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- Family Maps of Clarke County, Alabama.
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- Hand-Book to Arizona.

ARKANSAS

- Family Maps of Polk County, Arkansas.
- Family Maps of Franklin County, Arkansas.

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CONNECTICUT

- Catalogue of Barkhamsted Men Who Served in the Various Wars, 1775-1865.

DELAWARE

- New Castle County, Delaware Land Records: Deed Book Z-1, June 1779-June 1773, Deed Book B-2, July 1774-February 1777.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

- Washington and Georgetown Directory. 1853.
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FLORIDA

- Colonization and Conquest: British Florida in the Eighteenth Century.

GEORGIA

- Woodward's Mill: Its History in Deeds, Stories, Pictures, and Memories.
- Gwinnett County, Georgia Churches.
- Floyd County Baptist Association of Georgia, 1893-1993.

ILLINOIS

- Family Maps of Morgan County, Illinois.
- Family Maps of Fulton County, Illinois.

INDIANA

- Pioneer Ancestors of Members of the Society of Indiana Pioneers. 1983-1999. Donated by Colleen Rees.
- Indiana Source Book. Vols. 7, 9, and 10.
- Indiana 1820 Enumeration of Males. Donated by Colleen Rees.

IOWA

- Family Maps of Madison County, Iowa.

LOUISIANA.

- Some History of St. Landry Parish from the 1690's.

MAINE

- Delayed Returns for Births, Deaths, and Marriages 1670-1891. 9 rolls. Donated by the General Levi Casey Chapter, DAR for the Edith Allen Palmer Collection..

MARYLAND

- Prince George's County, Maryland Land Records, 1696-1702.

- Harford County, Maryland Inventories, 1774-1804.
- Directory of Maryland Burial Grounds.

MASSACHUSETTS

- New England Court Records: a Research Guide for Genealogists and Historians. Donated by Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck.

MICHIGAN

- Family Maps of Cass County, Michigan.

MINNESOTA

- Family Maps of Swift County, Minnesota.

MISSISSIPPI

- Family Maps of Leflore County, Mississippi.
- Itawamba County, Mississippi, World War I Draft Registration Records with Selected Information from Censuses, Cemetery Books, and Social Security Death Indexes. Donated by Martha Bone.

MISSOURI

- Family Maps of Clay County, Missouri.
- Macon County, Missouri.
- Family Maps of Randolph County, Missouri.

NEW JERSEY

- East New Jersey Land Records. 2 vols., 1715-1722 and 1719-1727. Donated by Dallas Genealogical Society.
- Monmouth County Articles in the Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey.

NEW MEXICO

- My Girlhood Among Outlaws. Donated by Sandra Blassingame.

NEW YORK

- Early Records of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Albany, New York, 1768-1899.

NORTH CAROLINA

- Washington County, North Carolina Abstracts of Deed Books A-B-C (1799-1814). Donated by Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck.
- Marriage and Death Notices from Raleigh Register and North Carolina State Gazette. Donated by Sandra Blassingame.
- Anson County, North Carolina, Deed Abstracts, 1749-1766, Abstracts of Wills and Estates, 1749-1795. Donated by Sandra Blassingame.
- North and South Carolina Marriage Records from the Earliest Colonial Days to the Civil War. Donated by Sandra Blassingame.

OHIO

- 1900 Census Index of the Nine Southern Townships of Lorain County, Ohio. Donated by David Allen Navorska.
- Cincinnati, Ohio, Index to Property Owners and Streets in 1895 and 1897 Atlases.
- Civil War Period Journals of Paulena Stevens Janney, 1859-1866. Donated by Christie Hill Russell.

OKLAHOMA

- History of Oklahoma. Donated by Ed Millis.

PENNSYLVANIA

- Passengers and Ships Prior to 1684: Volume I of Penn's Colony: Genealogical and Historical Materials Relating to the Settlement of Pennsylvania.
- Grace Bible Church Cemetery: Organized as St. Peter's German Reformed Church, 1854: Village of Middle Lancaster, Lancaster Township, Butler County, Pennsylvania.
- Bucks County, Pennsylvania Will Abstracts, 1825-1870.
- Early Pennsylvania Births, 1675-1875. Donated by Sandra Blassingame.
- Abstracts of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, Deed Records, Vol. 4. 1784-1791.
- Early Landowners of Pennsylvania: Atlas of Township Warrantee Maps of Berks County, Pennsylvania.

SOUTH CAROLINA

- Laurens County, South Carolina Minutes of the County Court, 1786-1799. Donated by Glenn and Louise Garrett.
- Laurens County, South Carolina Will Book, 2 vols., 1777-1825. Donated by Glenn and Louise Garrett.
- Abner Creek Baptist Church.

TENNESSEE

- Tennessee Territorial Papers Index, 1790-1796. Donated by Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck.
- West Tennessee Historical Society Papers. 2007, Vol. 61.

TEXAS

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- Scholastic Census, 1917, Parker County, Texas.
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- Proceedings of the Special Communications of the M.W. Grand Lodge of Texas. Donated by David B. Dibrell.
- Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe, Dallas.
- Funeral Home Records of Van Zandt County, Texas: Bartley Funeral Home, Grand Saline, Texas, October

1947-December 1955. Donated by Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck.
- German Seed in Texas Sod: Immigrant Farmers in Nineteenth Century Texas. Donated by Janet McLain.
- Oakwood Cemetery.
- Going to Court in Texas: Riding the Circuit, 1842-1861.
- Van Zandt County Treasurer's Ledger, 1870-1875. Donated by Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck.
- Transactions / Texas Lodge of Research, A.F. and A.M. 2 vols., 2002-2003 and 2003-2004. Donated by David B. Dibrell.
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- Brief Review of the Proceedings of Elgin Lodge Number 328, A. F. and A. M., 1870-1920.
- Proceedings of the ... Annual Communications of the A. W. Grand Lodge of Texas.

VIRGINIA

- Virginia Slave Births Index, 1853-1865. Vols. 2-5. Anonymous Donation.
- Virginia Military Records. Donated by Sandra Blassingame.
- Index to Marriages of Old Rappahannock and Essex Counties, Virginia, 1655-1900. Donated by Sandra Blassingame.
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- Transcription of Lower Norfolk County, Virginia Records. Vol. 1, Wills and Deeds.
- Northampton County, Virginia, Orphans Accounts. 1785-1813.

WISCONSIN

- Family Maps of Chippewa County, Wisconsin.

GENEALOGIES & BIOGRAPHIES

- Whitcomb Family History. Donated by Norman K. Whitcomb.
- Letters and Diaries of Isaac A. Clarke: Innovative Educator in Post Civil War Arkansas. Donated by Shirley Sloat.
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CANADA

- Companions of Champlain: Founding Families of Quebec, 1608-1635.

GERMANY

- Germans to America and the Hamburg Passenger Lists: Coordinated Schedules.

IRELAND

- Directory of Irish Family History Research. No. 30.
- Familia. 2007, No. 23.
- Register of the Parish of Shankill, Belfast, 1745-1761.

GREAT BRITAIN

- Royal Descents of 600 Immigrants to the American Colonies or the United States: Who Were Themselves Notable or Left Descendants Notable in America. Donated by Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck.
- Transactions - Bristol and Gloucester Archeological Society. Vol. 125.
- Prehistoric and Medieval Occupation at Moreton-in-Marsh and Bishop's Cleave, Gloucestershire.

UKRAINE

- Ukranian Genealogy: a Beginner's Guide.

REGIONAL and NATIONAL EVENTS

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

newsletter@dallasgenealogy.com

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

September 13, 2008 – East Texas Genealogical Seminar with Desmond Walls Allen.
October 8, 2008 – The McKinney Public Library will host a program with guest speaker Tresa Tatyrek at 3:00pm in The Dulaney Room. All are welcome to this free program.
October 24-25, 2008 - 2008 TSGS Conference at Abilene.

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Our District 11 elected representative is John Wylie, 972-206-2723, wylie@johnwylie.com.

Arlington Genealogical Society

Contact Judy Matlock - hmatlock@airmail.net.

Collin County Genealogical Society

Meets the second Wednesday of the month at the W. O. Haggard, Jr. Library, 2501 Coit Road, Plano, Texas, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Contact Paula Perkins - lansup@ix.netcom.com. 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. Contact Frank K. Wilson, COO, at 214-421-4500 x105 or email frank@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.

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 Debbie Pearson at 817-691-3257.

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. Contact: Regina Shumaker, Vice President of Programs at golfinshu@sbcglobal.net .

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.
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: 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: Lana Filgo, lfilgo@swbell.net.

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.

Mid-Cities Genealogical Society

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

Thomas J. Rusk Chapter of the Sons of the Republic of Texas

Meets quarterly at Margaux's Restaurant, 150 Turtle Creek Blvd. at Irving Blvd in Dallas at 7:00 p.m. 2008 meetings will be held March 13th, June 12th, Sept 11th, and Dec 11th. Contact David Dibrell at 972-733-0357 or ddibrell@sbcglobal.net, or visit the chapter's website at www.thomasjrusk.org.

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19 – Sat Class 201
19 – Sat Class 401
19 – Sat Brown Bag Genealogy Group
24 – Thu Summer Institute
25 – Fri Summer Institute
26 – Sat Summer Institute
28 – Mon General Meeting

August
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02 – Sat German Research Group
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16 – Sat Genealogy 401
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25 – Mon General Meeting

September
06 – Sat Family Tree Maker
06 – Sat Internet for Genealogy
11 – Thu Writers Interest Group

The DGS General and some special interest group (SIG) meetings are usually 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. The remaining SIGs Meet in the Studio on the 3rd Floor, the Hamon Room on the 5th Floor, or the McDermott Room on the 8th Floor. Underground parking is entered from Wood Street.

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