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Dallas Genealogical Society



Weekly E-blast - March 19, 2012

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March

20 - Jewish Group

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Hold the Date

Mar. 24th - Spring Lecture -
Joshua Taylor

July 13-14 - Summer
Institute

Sep. 12-19 - Salt Lake City
Trip

Sep. 29 - Fall Lecture -
Craig Scott on Military
Records

DGS on the Web

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Dallas Genealogical Society presents Spring Lecture Series 2012

24 March 2012

**March 20th - Last day to
register online for Spring
Lecture**



Check-in and On-site Registration:
9:30 a.m.

Workshop: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Lunch: Included

Parking: \$2.00 (Discounted fee)

Registration Fees:

Member: \$50

Non-Member: \$60

Sign up soon! - Seating is limited and they are
going fast. **Lunch and syllabus are not
guaranteed for walk-ins.**

For more information, visit our [web site](#)

Topics

**Bridging the Gap: Finding Ancestors in the
United States between 1780 and 1830**

New Tools and Ideas in Research

**Mapping your Success: Employing Maps for
Genealogical Research**



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



Putting it Together: A Case Study

About Our Speaker:

D. Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS is a nationally known and recognized genealogical author, lecturer, and researcher who appeared on *Who Do You Think You Are?* this season with Reba McEntire. Joshua's activities in the genealogical world, accomplishments, awards and honors are too numerous to mention here, but you can get a full report on our [web site](#).

The DGS "Trash or Treasure" Event

If you missed the "trash or treasure" event held during the general meeting this month, there will be another chance to grab some great (and not so great, but useful) finds at the March 24 Spring Lecture featuring Josh Taylor.

If you have some things you no longer use or need and would like to get them out of your way, this is a great opportunity to do just that.

Questions? Shirley Sloat, 214-349-4718 - Shirleyrs@aol.com

Friends of the Dallas Public Library

Hello from the Friends of the Dallas Public Library!

We would like to invite you to an upcoming happy hour benefiting the Friends and the Dallas Public Library System on Friday, March 23 from 6-8 pm.

Explore the Floors: Central Library After Dark

is an after-hours happy hour event at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library that offers a chance to learn more about our eight-story library and its hidden treasures. Each event will focus on a different floor, and our first one will highlight the First Floor.

Our inaugural event is open to the public, ages 18 and up. Members of the Friends of the Dallas Public Library receive complimentary admission. Non-members are \$10. Cash bar onsite. Bring your friends! For more information or to rsvp, email friends@FoDPL.org.

Have a great week and we hope to see you at

Explore the Floors: Central Library After Dark on Friday night.

Not a Friend of the Library?

Become one TODAY!

Your support through membership directly supports the entire Dallas Public Library System.

Please note that we have changed our email address to friends@fodpl.org.

National Women's History Month

March is National Women's History Month. Genealogy Speaker and Blogger, [Lisa Alzo](#), is providing a replay of a 2011 webinar on researching women - *Silent Voices: Tips and Tricks for Tracing Female Ancestors* - during the month of March 2012. Click on [title](#) to link to the [webinar](#) replay. Or find it on her [website](#) under Seminars/Webinars.

Only 14 Days Left Before We Get Access to the 1940 Census!

On April 2, 2012, NARA will provide access to the images of the 1940 United States Federal Census for the first time. Unlike previous census years, images of the 1940 U.S. Federal Census will be made available as free digital images.

FamilySearch.org and its partners will start publishing the 1940 U.S. Federal Census for free on April 2, 2012, the day the census is released by NARA.

FamilySearch.org will also provide digital images to tens of thousands of volunteers to start transcribing the records so they become searchable.

Complete publication of the index will depend on how many volunteers like you can help.

Rich and Unique Information

The 1940 census included several standard questions, such as: name, age, gender, race, education, and place of birth. But the census also introduced some new questions. One example is that the enumerator was instructed to mark (with a

circled x) who in the household responded to the census questions. Other questions included whether the person worked for the CCC, WPA, or NYA the week of March 24-30, 1940, and the income for the 12 months ending December 31, 1939.

New, interesting questions were asked:

Where people lived 5 years before
Highest educational grade achieved
Detailed income and occupation

For more information or if you think you might like to be a volunteer for this great project click on this [link](#) for further details.

Who Do You Think You Are?

Local broadcast on NBC Channel 5, Fridays at 7 p.m. This Friday's show, March 23rd, will feature Helen Hunt. Rita Wilson will be the guest on the March 30th episode.

If you missed the stories about *Martin Sheen*, *Marisa Tomei*, *Blair Underwood*, *Reba McEntire*, or *Jerome Bettis*, the full episodes are available to view at [Who Do You Think You Are - All Videos : Newest - Videos - NBC.com](#). This site also contains short clips of deleted scenes.

New Henry Louis Gates Genealogy Show

The new PBS genealogy series *Finding Your Roots* with Henry Louis Gates, Jr. will debut Sunday, March 25 at 8 p.m.

The 10-part series will explore the genealogy and genetics of famous Americans including *Kevin Bacon*, *Robert Downey Jr.*, *Branford Marsalis*, *John Legend*, *Martha Stewart*, *Barbara Walters* and *Rick Warren*.

On the show's [website](#), you can learn more about the research team (the New England Historic Genealogical Society staff did a lot of work for the series) and share your story.

SIG Meeting

Mar. 20 - Jewish Group - 10:00 am - McDermott Room, 8th floor - Liz Kutz, Leader

J Erik Jonsson Central Library
1515 Young Street
Dallas, Texas

DGS General Meeting Programs

Apr. 7th - Brian Collins, Dallas Public Library, "Searching the Dallas Morning News Archives"

May 5th - Lynell Moss, "Proven Research Strategies"

June, July and August - No Meetings, will resume General Meetings in September

All meetings at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, unless otherwise noted. A hospitality time starts at 10:30 a.m. Business meeting begins at 11 a.m. and the program follows.

Upcoming

Mar. 24, 2012 - [DGS Spring Lecture](#) - Exploring Connections with D. Joshua Taylor, MA, MLS

Apr. 6-7, 2012 - [Houston Family History Expo](#) - Your Family History Starts Here! - Keynote Speaker, Lisa Louise Cooke, Genealogy Gems, GenealogyGems.TV

May 9-12, 2012 - [National Genealogical Society](#) - "The Ohio River - Gateway to the Western Frontier"

Cincinnati, Ohio

Jun. 9, 2012 - [Mesquite Historical & Genealogical Society](#) featuring Tresa Tatyrek

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