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Dallas Genealogical Society



Weekly eBlast - August 15, 2012

SIGS

August - no SIG meetings scheduled for the rest of August.

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Membership

Ind. Membership - \$35
Household - \$40
Life (under 65) - \$700
Life (65+) - \$500
Organizational - \$35

Hold the Date

Sep. 12-19 - Salt Lake City Trip
Sep. 29 - Fall Lecture - Craig Scott on Military Records

DGS on the Web

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DGS FALL LECTURE - Sept 29 MILITARY RECORDS

Keynote Speaker - Craig R. Scott, CGsm
Saturday, September 29, 2012



TOPICS

- Basic Military Research
- Researching Your War of 1812 Ancestors
- Pension Research: You Stopped Too Soon
- Researching Your Civil War Ancestors

Military Records A Wealth of Information

War and peace—there are military records for individuals throughout history regardless of whether there was a war being waged. Sometimes, it's only a military registration form, but it is still a record that can provide valuable information about your ancestor.

You can use military records to find evidence of their military service, including time of service and any pensions paid. These records can also find or confirm birth information and give evidence of



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.



family relationships. Pension files can be great sources of information not only about the veteran but also about family members who survived if the individual perished during the war or later. There may even be details about capture or illness.

State or federal governments generally created and preserved these records and today many are available online and at the National Archives and other repositories around the country.

Whether you're just getting started with military research or you want to more deeply explore records you've accessed previously, there is something here for you.

According to the National Archives, the most requested military records are from the War of 1812. Now these more than 7.2 million images are being digitized and will be available online.

Join us as we spend the day with Craig Scott discussing various types of military records, where to find them and how to use them.

Registration Fee (Lunch is NOT included)*

\$50 per member; \$60 per non-member
Add \$10 for box lunch.

***Early Bird —
Register by September 15 & SAVE!***

\$40 per member; \$50 per non-member
Must be postmarked by September 15, 2012 to qualify for discount.

*Add \$10 if you order lunch

Register on our [website](#) or make checks payable to: Dallas Genealogical Society

Mail to: DGS Fall Lecture
P.O. Box 12446
Dallas, Texas 75225-0446

Location: J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
1515 Young Street

Dallas, Texas

Parking in the library's underground garage will be at the reduced rate of \$2.00

Annual DGS Writing Competition

The Dallas Genealogical Society is sponsoring an Annual DGS Writing Competition for original material submitted by members and non-members, hobbyists and professionals. Entries may not have been published previously. Submissions must be sourced as outlined in *Evidence Explained* by Elizabeth Shown Mills.

Multiple entries per person are allowed, but only one award per person will be given.

You can find all the details on the DGS [website](#) or in the latest issue of the DGS Newsletter.

1940 U. S. Federal Census

Congratulations - we did it! [Family Search](#) reports that the entire 1940 U.S. Census has now been completely indexed. The last few states will be searchable within a few weeks.

Salt Lake City Trip

Richard, the Director of the Plaza Hotel, has volunteered to hold open the final two unreserved rooms for a while longer. Anyone who wants to reserve will have to call Richard direct at 1-801-606-2410. You will have to say you are with DGS. Hurry, time is limited!

In Memoriam

[John Thomas Humphrey](#), 64, passed away suddenly of a stroke on August 11, 2012 in Washington, D.C. John was the DGS Summer Institute Lecturer in 2010.

SIG GROUP MEETINGS

21 Aug - no Jewish SIG meeting in August

J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
1515 Young Street
Dallas, Texas

DGS General Meeting Programs

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

Upcoming

Aug. 29-Sept. 1, 2012 - [Federation of Genealogical Societies](#) - "Indians, Squatters, Settlers and Soldiers in the "Old Southwest", A Conference for the Nation's Genealogists

Nov. 1-3 - [Texas State Genealogical Society](#) (TSGS) Annual Conference - Saddlebags to Social Networking: Following Ancestors Through History at the Riley Center, Fort Worth, TX

Nov. 3 - [2012 Great Family Search Conference](#) - Plano and Richardson Texas Family History Centers

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