

# Dallas Genealogical Society

*Our 60th Year*



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## Special Interest Groups

Sep

01 - [Technology](#). 6pm.

11 - [RootsMagic](#). 1:30pm.

11 - [Next Generation](#)

[Sitebuilder](#). 3pm.

15 - [DNA](#). 6pm.

21 - [Jewish](#). 1pm.


24 - [Brown Bag](#). 10:30am.

24 - [African American](#). 2pm.

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## Social Media

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**Fall Seminar**  
**Saturday, September 17, 2016**

## *Sources & Methods for Family History Research*

featured speaker

**Curt Witcher**

## [Registration and Details](#)



Research

### Sessions

- 1: Historical Research Methodology: Engaging the Process to Find all the Answers
- 2: German Migration into the Midwest
- 3: Fingerprinting Our Families: Using Ancestral Origins as a Genealogical Research Key
- 4: Native American/First Nations

### Cost (includes DPL parking):

Member: \$50 (by 05 Sep); \$60 (after 05 Sep)

Nonmember: \$60 (by 05 Sep); \$70 (after 05 Sep)

Lunch: \$12 (optional)

**North Texas Giving Day**  
**Thursday, September 22, 2016**

**Help DGS Support The Portal To Texas History**

The Dallas Genealogical Society is participating in the [North Texas Giving Day](#), an online giving event held annually to help North Texas nonprofits raise funds. This year we



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### Membership

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

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### Hold the Date

- 10 Sep** - General Meeting.  
Program: *"It takes a village..... to produce a book preserving the memories of the only living grandchild of two Georgia slaves who came in a wagon with nine children to Wheelock, Texas, in 1894"*. Speaker: Shirley Sloat.
- 01 Oct** - General Meeting.  
*"Perils, Paradoxes and Pitfalls in Probate Records"*. Speaker: Glen Kinkade.
- 05 Nov** - General Meeting. *"Finding German Ancestors"*. Speaker: Bernard Meisner.
- 10 Dec** - Annual Awards Luncheon

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### DGS on the Web

[DGS Blog](#)

[DGS FamilySearch Wiki](#)

[DGS sponsored Family Search Wiki for Dallas, Texas](#)

[DGS Web Site](#)

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### Community Rewards

are supporting [The Cathy Nelson Hartman Portal to Texas History Endowment Fund](#).



For more information, please watch this short [video](#) and go to our [website](#).

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### DGS 2016 – 2017 Budget



As required by our bylaws, a budget committee has created a financial blueprint for the upcoming year. They have produced a [proposed budget for 2016-2017](#). It was reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors at the August 6 board meeting and will be presented to the membership for approval at our [September 10 general meeting](#).

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### Help Us Index Probate Records

This indexing project focuses on the Dallas County Probate Records from 1850 to the early 1900's that are now available on [The Portal to Texas History](#). Volunteers are adding date information to the records.

Thanks to our dedicated members we are making good progress. We have completed over 25% of the cases.



Want to lend a hand? Each case takes an average of 15 minutes to complete.

[Volunteer now](#)

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### DGS Receives 2016 Rescuing Texas History Grant



We are pleased to announce that we are the recipient of a 2016 Rescuing Texas History grant from the University of North Texas. This grant will fund activities required to place the 2013 and 2014 editions of *Pegasus; The Journal of the Dallas Genealogical Society* on [The Portal to Texas History](#).

Full story on our [blog post](#).

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### Amazon Smile Program Rewards DGS

Tom Thumb and Kroger provide financial support to organizations like ours by providing a portion of each purchase made by registered customers. Over the past year, DGS has received more than \$500 through these programs.

**Amazon Smile is another way to support our activities.** Once you select the Dallas Genealogical Society (and shop through using the <https://smile.amazon.com> URL),



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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.



Amazon will donate 0.5% of every purchase you make!



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## Two New Special Interest Groups

DGS Life Member Tresa Tatyrek will lead both groups which will meet consecutively on the 2nd Sunday of the month (September, December, March and June) on the 5th floor of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library.

The [Roots Magic SIG](#) will help attendees get the most out of the RootsMagic genealogy software running on PCs (Windows) and Mac. The goal is to help each other utilize the software to its fullest extent.

The [Next Generation Sitebuilder SIG](#) is a facilitated group for those who use [The Next Generation of Genealogy Sitebuilding](#) tool to put genealogical research online.

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## Genealogy Events

01 Sep 2016. [Grand Prairie Genealogical Society](#) Monthly Meeting, Grand Prairie, TX. "*Preparing Your Shoe-Box for The Shoo!*". Speaker: John Wylie.

08 Sep 2016. [Mesquite Historical and Genealogical Society](#) Monthly Meeting, Mesquite, TX. "*FamilySearch – Newest and Best!*". Speaker: Lynell Moss.

28-30 Oct 2016. Texas State Genealogical Society [Conference](#). Dallas, TX.

08-11 Feb 2017. Salt Lake City, UT. [Rootstech 2017](#).

10-13 May 2017. Raleigh, NC. [National Genealogical Society 2017 Family History Conference](#). *Family History Lives Here*. [Hotel Accommodations](#).

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