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Newsletter: Margret Hancock Pearce
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Monday, October 24, 1988
J. Erik Jonsson Library
East/West Rooms
10:00 a.m. Book Fair (SEE PAGE 4 FOR DETAILS)
11:00 a.m. Meeting
Speaker: Mrs. Cindy Smolovik
Subject: Dallas County records housed at the Dallas Public Library.

Mrs. Smolovik is the Archivist for the Texas/Dallas Collection located on the 7th floor of the Library. This promises to be a very informative program, don't miss it.

12:30 p.m. Bring a sack lunch, stay and socialize

DGS FALL CALENDAR
Saturday, November 12: DGS Fall Workshop for Beginners, and Advanced Genealogists. Casa Linda Presbyterian Church, 9353 Garland Road, Dallas TX. Pre-registration will be required:
Members.....$15.00 Non-Members.....$18.00

6:30 p.m. Coffee Social
7:00 p.m. Business Meeting and Program
Lloyd D. Bockstruck will present our program.

NOTICE
OOPS! Gremlins in the Index..........
THE DALLAS QUARTERLY, Volume XXXIV, June, 1988, No. 2. Please make this notation in your index: any page number that is 96 or above, subtract 5 pages to find the correct page.

Example: JACOBY, 96, 101 should be JACOBY, 91, 96

Have you "adopted" a book lately? Five dollars is all it takes to bind one of the many softback books which must be hardbound before they can be shelved and made available to researchers. Become a parent today!
THE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Writing this letter at home today with the outside temperature still in the 90's, it is somewhat difficult to think of it being Fall and of the activities one associates with this time of year. Still, football season has arrived and the State Fair of Texas is just around the corner. These are two things that signify "Fall" to me and many other Dallasites. By the time this newsletter reaches your home, I hope that will be a cool crispness in the air, and we begin to see the gradual change in the seasons that tells us Fall has arrived.

To our members living in other states, Fall may be many different things. One thing that signifies Fall to a genealogist in this area is the increase in local workshops. Seminars and Workshops are a vital learning tool to every genealogist. They keep us up-to-date on research facilities, materials and techniques. DGS recognizes the importance of a well-organized and educational workshop. For a number of years we have held our beginners workshop each Fall and attendance has continued to grow indicating a need for such classes. However, a beginners workshop does not meet the needs of the majority of our members. The decision was made this year to again have beginners classes, but to also include intermediate and advanced classes to meet those needs. Our Fall 1988 Genealogy Symposium will hopefully be a learning experience for every DGS member seeking more knowledge. At the same time, the would-be genealogist seeking to discover his or her ancestry will find a sound beginning that is essential to successful research. Our Executive Vice President, Barbara Baylis, has put together a well-rounded schedule of programs from which to choose. These will be presented by some of the best speakers in the DGS membership. We are certainly interested in your response to a Fall genealogy symposium this year. The success of such a venture will depend on your participation.

Our book fair on October 24, promises to be entertaining and educational. The large number of DGS members who have actively been involved in the publication of genealogical and historical materials is very impressive. We hope to have a large turnout of exhibitors and "browsers". With an added bonus of hearing Cindy Smolovik tell us about the incredible holding of the Texas/Dallas Collection, we should all benefit greatly from this meeting.

PARTICIPATION is the key word this month. We hope you are planning to participate in the many exciting meetings, programs and workshops held by DGS and other local societies. You can also participate by contributing time and ideas to help our society. Participation turn thoughts into action!

See you October 24th,
Sammie

Of all people who have ever lived, it is quite probable 90% died and slipped into oblivion without leaving their names or records.....
Dr. Carl Weatherbee,
Federation of Genealogical Societies, Vol. 11 No.10, July/Aug 1988
REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Total Membership 723

*****New Members*****

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The Audit Committee appointed by the President to audit the books of the Dallas Genealogical Society for the period 1 June 1987 to 31 May, 1988 met to perform their function. The result of the examination revealed the financial statement for the year ended 31 May, 1988 accurately presented the financial condition of the society, that there was adequate support for all transactions, and that all transactions were in accordance with board policy. It was noted the Texas Sales and Use tax was timely filed and paid and that in excess of $7,500 was passed to Genealogy Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library.

Signed:
Sue Byrum Harris, Barbara Roberts Baylis and W. F. Jacoby, Jr., Chair.
The committee appointed by President Renee Smith has reviewed the minutes of the Dallas Genealogical Society for all board and membership meetings of 1987-88.

Our observations are:
1. The record of proceedings was sufficient.
2. Attachments, including newsletters, financial statements, and appropriate correspondence, were complete.
3. Minutes were read and approved at all meetings, except on November 12, 1987, when it was decided to dispense with the reading.

Signed: Randi Smith and Norma Cansler, Chairman

BOOK FAIR

Prior to our October Regular Meeting, tables will be set up in the East/West Room to display books and other publications of our members. The Dallas Genealogical Society invites any current member who has written, co-authored, edited or contributed to a publication concerning family history, genealogical source material, county histories, historical events, preservation, etc., to bring their publications for display and be available to share their endeavors and experiences with other interested genealogists. (Sorry, due to the conditions of our contract with the library for use of the meeting rooms, we cannot allow the selling of your publications. Orders, only, please).

There will be no charge for table space, but you must reserve a space in advance for your publication and/or fliers. You may do so by calling Kelvin Meyers at the library, 670-1433, or Sammie Lee, 349-1435. Reservations should be made prior to October 20. Set up time on the meeting day will be from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. with display time from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. The meeting and program will begin at 11:00. Bring a sack lunch and stay after the meeting to visit. If you are a published author, a would-be author or just browsing for a good book, the DGS Book Fair is for you.

Thom Cashman of Henington Publishing Co. will be on hand to talk to individuals about how to get a book published. Bring a friend! Guests are always welcome at our meetings.

FROM: Friends of the Dallas Public Library Newsletter, September 1988

The Friends organization recently reprinted for public sale a rare Dallas County map from the year 1900 owned by the Dallas Public Library. The 28 x 32 inch map shows geographical features, names of residents, stores, churches, mills, etc. The map can be purchased at the Library Store in the Central Library for $7.95 plus tax. Mail orders are $9.50 including tax and postage. Checks should be payable to the Library Store and sent to 1515 Young St., Dallas, Texas 75201

A soft-cover Index to the map has been published. It is a computer print-out of 67 pages, size 8 1/2 x 11 and sells for $12.00.

Order from: Gwen Helfrey
1011 Wind Ridge Circle
Duncanville, Texas 75137
QUERIES

William A. NEWMAN, 204 E. Hart Ave., Opp, AL 36467...... Seeking information on Daisy Hildreth GREEN. m. Lee GREEN...Children: Inez GREEN m. Ben KYNARD; Bureau GREEN b. ca. 1908; Hildreth GREEN b. ca. 1910.....Mr. NEWMAN is writing a history on the HILDRETH family, needs any or all information on his lost cousins.

Mrs. Barbara WOMMACK, 9132 6th St., Lanham, Maryland, 20706....... Seeking information on: Hillene (Hillie) RUFF, b. 2 Aug 1878; d. 25 Jan 1917; m. Gary F. BAILEY...Children: Cecil, b. 16 May 1900, Gary Franklin, b. 13 July 1910; Virginia, b. 5 Dec 1915....G-grandfather, John A. RUFF, b. 1 Apr 1840; accidentally killed in Dallas, 6 Apr 1900.

OH WHERE, OH WHERE, HAVE THE RECORDS ALL GONE?
Bobbie W. ROSS...P. O. Box 683, Gatesville, TX 76528......... is trying to locate the genealogical collection of her cousin, Elizabeth Ann HIGGINS. (HIGGINS line). At the death of Ms. HIGGINS, the records went to Mrs. Harry Joseph MORRIS, then to UTA, where they were "stored in the basement", the records were later returned to Mrs. MORRIS, at last report the records were dispersed by the Dallas Public Library...does anyone have any idea where this HIGGINS material is now and how can she gain access to it????????


Mrs. Charles M. WALKER, 11907 Cobblestone, Houston, TX 77024 searching for information on Lent MARTIN as found on page 369 - 15 Jan 1853, Deed Book C of Dallas, Co.. He is on 1850 census of Dallas Co., age 78, b. New York, living with Ambrose R. MURRAY.

Barbara MOORE, R12, Box 378, New Braunfels, TX 78132 seeking to find the records of Ann D. MC CULLEY, Harvest Hill Rd, Dallas...researching George D. MOORE, b. ca 1789 and Priscilla HEARN MOORE, b. ca 1799, dau. Sarah Eliza MOORE.

Barbara SAMUELS, 7805 Linda Lane, Anchorage Alaska 99518 Desire information on Churchill and Mattie Welch SAMUEL: Children: 1) Jamie L. b. 1890, Limestone Co., TX, m. c1910 to Mr. REINHARD of Dallas; 2) Edward Hall b. 1894, Kosse, TX; 3) William P. b 1887 Limestone Co., TX; 4) Juliet C. b. 1894 Texas, m. Mr. ZULICH.

Would like to contact 2 daughters of Charles C. and Daisty Jolley SAMUEL. One daughter married W. F. BAUGH. Believe both girls born in Limestone Co., TX.
PITMAN/PITTMAN/PITTMON reunion will be held from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., Nov. 5 in the cafeteria of the UAW Hall, 100 Hurst Blvd. (State Highway 10), Hurst, Texas. All Pittmans (any spelling) and descendants are invited. For details, contact Frances MALCOLM, 2116 Shady Brook Drive, Bedford, TX 76021, phone (817) 267-1645.

FROM...Family Tree by Margaret Ann Thetford, Dallas Morning News, September 24, 1988.....ORPHAN TRAIN REUNION....The first reunion of members and guests of the Orphan Train Heritage Society of America will be Saturday, Oct. 8, for more information write OTHSA, Rt. 4, Box 565, Springdale, AR 72764.

ADOPT-A-BOOK DONATIONS
Many thanks to the following members for their very generous contributions to our on-going Adopt-A-Book Project:
Dr. Julian Mardock; Patsy L. Brooks Morey (in memory of George and Eula Brooks); Robert A. Walker; Nina Baird; Mrs. Hershal C. Martin; Robert H. Maybrier; Mrs. Floyd M. Patterson (in honor of Polly Wilds, Annette Wilkes, Jane Yates and Ann Richards); Mrs. E. C. Logsdon; Estelle Richardson (in memory of Rev. William Greenway); Maselle A. Jackson; Chloe V. Baker (in honor of Annie R. Scott); Mr. and Mrs. William F. Nicol; and Ralph Cogill.

IF YOU CHANGE YOUR ADDRESS.................................
The DGS Mailing Director, Gerald Irion, mails all DGS Newsletters and THE DALLAS QUARTERLY by third class bulk mail from the Dallas Bulk Mail Center. It takes extra time and effort on Gerald's part, but a substantial amount of money is saved by bulk mailing. These savings are passed on to you in the form of lower dues.

However, if a DGS member neglects to send us a change of address when relocating, we must pay to have this mail forwarded or returned to us and to obtain the new address. The Postal Service charges us $1.78 to return a quarterly to us, plus 30 cents for a change of address. To remail the quarterly costs 85 cents. Help us eliminate this extra cost by sending us your change of address. Or call the Vice President for Membership, Dorothy Bruce, and give the change to her. Thanks!