Strategies for Identifying Ancestors Accurately
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J. Erik Jonsson Central Library - First Floor Auditorium
Saturday, March 20, 2010 – 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Online Registration is open.
Registration Pickup and Social Time 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Genealogical Skill Building: What, Why, and How. This session surveys the skills needed to reconstruct ancestry and explains where and how attendees can acquire those skills.

Maximizing Your Use of Evidence. When researchers analyze and compare sources, they go far beyond what surface information tells them.

Solving the Mystery of the Disappearing Ancestor. This presentation will explain seven reasons why ancestors seem to have disappeared, provide examples of each from actual case studies, and suggest strategies to help researchers find their elusive ancestors.

Solutions for Missing and Scarce Records. Attendees will learn strategies for overcoming research barriers caused by lost or destroyed records, poor record-keeping, or a simple lack of record.

Thomas W. Jones, PhD., CG, CGL, FASG, FUGA, FNGS is NGS Quarterly editor, Board for Certification of Genealogists trustee and past president, former Association of Professional Genealogists trustee, 2004 recipient of APG’s Grahame T. Smallwood Jr. Award of Merit, and 1997 and 2002 winner of the National Genealogical Society Award for Excellence for articles in the NGS Quarterly. He has been certified since 1994. A professor of education at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C., he is a genealogical educator who speaks and writes frequently on genealogical evidence, proof, and problem solving.

Personal and professional genealogical research since 1964 has taken Jones to records of all states east of the Mississippi plus Arkansas, Missouri, and Texas. His experience includes on-site research in courthouses, libraries, and archives in most of those states, the Family History Library, and other major genealogical repositories. He also has conducted research in records of France, Germany, and Ireland, and on-site research in Ireland. His specialties, however, are Georgia, Ireland, and Virginia.

Lunch is included in registration fee. Event parking at the library will be at a reduced rate of $2.00 per day which may be paid during the seminar.

Registration
Registration: DGS Members - $50 and Non-members - $55.

To obtain a registration form go to www.dallasseogenealogy.org. Send check or money order only.

For credit cards, you must register online. Log-in to your DGS online membership account. In the "What would you like to do" pull-down box select "Current Events." Then select "Register" below the entry for Strategies for Identifying Ancestors Accurately. If you are new to DGS, are not a DGS member and have not created a DGS online account, go to www.dallasseogenealogy.org and click on events at the top of the page. http://www.cmstory.org
Kawabonga!?¹

In preparing to write my first President’s Column, I read a ten year collection of DGS Newsletters given to me by my friend and mentor Jerry Benavides before his death last year. I only joined DGS three years ago, so I decided I needed to know what had been written by former Presidents before I attempted to follow the tradition. I learned that the liberal use of “!!!” and rhetorical “???” were used to convey enthusiasm and thought provocation, which I think the opening word of my column does so convey and has hopefully kept you interested enough to keep on reading.

Former Presidents have written about recent DGS events that Newsletter readers might have attended or missed or about future DGS events that the readers might attend. In this regard, I direct the present readers to DGS website or to the page in this Newsletter which contains this information. I do not intend to make those non-attendees feel bad because they have already missed a fun Lock-in and two general meeting presentations which were well received; however, you might think about joining us for the remainder of our events and programs.

I also learned that until a few years ago DGS membership was over a thousand and that one year DGS gave seventy-five thousand dollars as a donation to the Genealogy Department of the Dallas Public Library. DGS has for the past several years faced a steadily declining membership and attendance at fund-raising events. There are several reasons for this: the economy, the age of our membership base, and the growth of “pajama” internet genealogy.

I have retired on a very limited fixed income and I know that I must be careful with my expenditures. If you are in the same circumstances, remember that Ancestry.com is free at your local library and our General Meetings will cost you only gas mileage and two dollars for parking (also most downtown street parking is free on Saturdays). Our declining membership is also linked to our mortality, and we need to make an effort to attract a younger generation to genealogy. I am happy to report that one researcher brought her college-age grandson to the last Lock-in and my own thirteen-year-old granddaughter had a great time helping with refreshments at our January General Meeting. As for the “pajama” genealogy phenomenon, it cannot and will not take the place of human interaction and exchange of ideas in the real world.

The final concern of former Presidents on which I would like to close my first President’s column is that of volunteerism. I am delighted to announce that Ora Penn has agreed to fill the opening for Journal VP for another year and that the highly qualified Tony Hanson has volunteered for our Webmaster position. That leaves the position of Volunteer Coordinator still open. Please note that scientific research has shown that volunteers are happier than non-volunteers. We at DGS are ready to make you happy.

Now that leaves the one unanswered problem of what I am going to write about for the next Newsletter.

Janet

¹ “…altered to cowabunga by Australian surfers and popularized by Snoopy of Peanuts, Cookie Monster of
Sesame Street, and by the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles in their TV and movie incarnations. The Simpsons is erroneously credited with popularizing ‘cowabunga’; although the word appeared on early Simpsons merchandise, it was only ever included in the show to mock the misunderstanding. This expression was first used on The Howdy Doody Show and penned by the show's script and music writer, Edward G. Kean. Not beatnik, not hippy, not Swahili, but early sixties, California surfer. A corrupted version of the Hawaiian ‘kupaianaha,’ which means ‘fantastic,’ and any other synonym of ‘wonderful’ you care to choose. The word probably entered greater American consciousness through the surfer movies of the period.” Wiktionary (http://en.wiktionary.org/wiki/cowabunga : accessed 7 February 2010), “Cowabunga”.

New Fiche Collection, Black Biographical Dictionaries 1790-1950
Shirley Remnant Sloat

A generous contribution from the DGS African-American Genealogy Interest Group has enabled our order from the LDS Family History Library of 1,070 microfiche that comprise what is titled “Black Biographical Dictionaries 1790-1950” but is more often referred to as “The Black Biography” project. The authors of this project are Randall K. Burkett, Nancy Hall Burkett, and Henry Louis Gates, Jr.

According to the Family History Library Catalog, “This microfiche collection contains more than 300 titles of biographical dictionaries and more than 30,000 biographical references. The titles come from more than 100 public and private repositories across the U.S. and Britain. The volumes in this publication deal primarily with Black Americans. A variety of biographical compendiums are included such as: national activities; state and local figures; prominent women; legal, medical, educational, business, and other professional directories; music, arts, literary directories; church and missionary society leaders; social club and fraternal order members; reform organization members; pictorial histories of individuals and institutions.”

This represents a valuable addition to the genealogical collections already housed on the 8th floor of the Dallas Public Library. Once the 1,070 fiche have been “processed” by staff of the Genealogy Section, they will be available for use by patrons.

For those who might want to see the individual fiche titles early, you can access the Family History Catalog at the website www.familysearch.org
Select from the top list of options [Library]
Select from the vertical list of options [Film/Fiche Search]
Input [6049870] as the fiche number and click on [search]
Select the highlighted “Black Biographical Dictionaries 1790-1950”
When the next screen appears, select [View Film Notes] from options at the top of the screen. Follow instructions to either read or print out the various titles, 100 at a time (there are almost 300).

In Memoriam

Former DGS Treasurer Paul W. Rimmer passed away December 2, 2009. Paul was DGS treasurer during 2006 and part of 2007. He was a resident of Rockwall. Paul fought a courageous battle with leukemia and will be missed by his fellow genealogists.

Paul Rimmer was truly a Dallas genealogist as he was a third generation Dallasite, attending Mt. Auburn Elementary, J.L. Long Junior High, and graduating from Crozier Tech High School in 1950. He served in the Navy and later attended SMU in Dallas. Paul worked for Mobil Oil Company for over 40 years as an auditor.

Paul is survived by his wife of 57 years, Barbara Cook Rimmer, a daughter Marsha Stroope and husband Steve, and a son Duane Rimmer and wife Alexia, as well as many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In addition to being active in the Dallas Genealogical Society, Paul was also an active member of Lakepointe Church in Rockwall, where his son-in-law Steve Stroope is pastor. His pleasant countenance will be missed.
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Dallas Public Library New Hours

Sunday: 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.
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Final Pension Payment Vouchers

The "Final Pension Payment Vouchers" series in Record Group [RG 217], Records of the Accounting Officers of the Department of the Treasury, contains records for pensioners who served during the Revolutionary War. (It should not to be confused with the "Last Pension Payment," which contains no genealogical information). The Final Pension Payment Voucher is generated when monies have accrued between the last payment made to the pensioner and his death. These monies had to be paid out, if possible. Sometimes an agent or lawyer was designated to receive the monies for distribution — but often the pensioner's heirs were named.

When I lived in the Washington, D.C. suburbs the folks who worked at the archives taught me how to access these records. In the past, I had problems obtaining these records by mail, so I recently emailed the archives and received clarification and instructions for requesting a Final Pension Payment Voucher in the future:

“With regard to Civil War pensioners, we have not encountered a similar series of final pension payments in RG 217. Generally, all documents relating to an individual pensioner would be in his application/case file, which can include (but not always) death data and/or last payment made. Information about payments made to Civil War pensioners can be gathered from other records series in RG 217. However, these records can be difficult to use because of their arrangement. Such an examination of these records would require a large amount of time and effort, a service which our small staff cannot provide to researchers. We would be happy to make the appropriate records available in our research room for you to examine.”

I hope you are able to successfully use these records in your research. I found a wealth of information in one for my ancestor. —Pat Anderson

Breaking Through The Brickwalls

Have some genealogical brick walls to break through?
Make plans to be at the Tom Jones Saturday Seminar, March 20, 2010 at the Central Library.

Pat Anderson
DGS General Meeting
Saturday, April 3, 2010
First floor auditorium at the Central Library
1515 Young Street, Dallas, TX 75201
Social Hour begins 10:30 a.m.
Business Meeting and Program begin at 11:00 a.m.

Program: "I Wish I Had Known 40 Years Ago What I Know Now About Genealogy." Fred Moss.

Saturday, March 13th
3:00pm - 5:30pm  African American Genealogy Interest Group

Thursday, April 1st
5:00pm – 7:00pm  Brown Bag Interest Group
6:30pm – 7:45pm  Computer Interest Group

3rd Floor Studio

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Founded in 1955, the Dallas Genealogical Society (DGS) is the oldest, continuously functioning organization of its kind in Texas. It is a nonprofit, tax-exempt corporation and a member of the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS). We have approximately 750 members.

The object of this society shall be: to educate, 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 its legal successor; and to collect, preserve, copy, and index information relating to Dallas County and its early history.
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The Microfiche Project

The Microfiche Project Team was honored at the November 14th DGS General Meeting. With the help of 9 DGS Members and 5 DPL Staff Members, plus donations of over $3,000 from DGS members and friends, the project is a rousing success.

Orders have been placed and are being processed for approximately 18,000 sheets of microfiche from the Family History Library, to be kept indefinitely at the Dallas Public Library. These cover not only the original goal of all appropriate available U.S. states but two important collections - Black Bibliographical Dictionaries 1790-1950 (1070 fiche sheets, donated by the AAGIG special interest group) and the U.S. Congressional Land Record set (2,000 fiche sheets, donated by Doctor Donald Holcomb). The acquisition of this data will make the J. Erik Jonsson Library an even more important place in which to do genealogical and historical research.


(photo by Bob Steele)

How many remember the Belmont Hotel in Dallas? From an ad May 11, 1913 in The Dallas Times Herald

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**Bad Weather:** To find out whether a DGS meeting has been cancelled in the event of a major weather situation on a meeting day, log on to: www.DallasGenealogy.org or call the genealogy section of the library at 214-670-1433