Dallas Genealogical Society

Weekly E-blast - March 31, 2011

SIGS
April
7 - Brown Bag
7 - Technology SIG
16 - AAGIG
19 - Jewish Gen Group

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Organizer Number

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

Hold the Date
May 14 - Spring Lecture
July 21-23 - DGS Institute
Sept 17 - Fall Lecture
Oct. 9-15 - Salt Lake City Trip

DGS on the Web
DGS Blog
DGS FamilySearch Wiki

Documentation in Genealogical Research
April 2nd Meeting
Janet Khashab will attempt to answer the following questions in her presentation:

- What is genealogical documentation and what does it include?
- What is the minimum effort required for documentation?
- Why should you document your research?
- What steps might you follow in order to carry out documentation?

Meeting will be held in the Auditorium of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street.
Hospitality at 10:30 a.m.
Business meeting at 11:00 a.m.
Program at 11:30 a.m.

Nominations of Officers to Serve on DGS Board Due
Please contact DGS with your recommendations before the end of March via email (secretary@dallasgenealogy.org), voice mail (1-866-YOU2DGS (866-968-2347), or USPS (PO Box 12446, Dallas, Texas 75225-0446).
The goal of the Dallas Genealogical Society shall be to education, 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.

**DGS Spring Lecture Event**

10:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
Dallas J. Erik Jonsson Central Library

For information see [DGS web site](#).

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

The Legislature plans to eliminate all state funding for Texas libraries.

**TexShare Databases:** $8 million/biennium

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The TexShare Library Consortium is a resource-sharing program for public and academic libraries to enhance public access to content.

**Loan Star Libraries:** $13.4 million/biennium

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Loan Star Libraries is a direct aid program that provides grants for about 500 public libraries statewide. Local public libraries use these funds to extend hours, purchase collections and equipment, and provide educational programming.

**Other Statewide Library Programs:** $3.5 million/biennium

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IN ADDITION, TEXAS LIBRARIES STAND TO LOSE OVER $8 MILLION IN FEDERAL FUNDS BECAUSE OF STATE FUNDING CUTS. With the loss of federal funds, most remaining statewide library programs would be wiped out. Interlibrary Loan, job search programs, and programs to provide resources to underserved communities will all be eliminated.

How do the budget cuts affect the Dallas Public
Library? The Dallas Public Library stands to lose about $300,000 in direct funding and access to critical state and federal funded services. Where can I go to find out more?  
[http://www.txla.org/take-action](http://www.txla.org/take-action)

**What can you do?**

1. Sign the online petition now!-tell your legislators and the governor you want library funding restored.  

2. Call and write your legislators to tell them how important libraries are to you.

3. Write to the Dallas Morning News.  
[letterstoeditor@dallasnews.com](mailto:letterstoeditor@dallasnews.com)

4. Rally to support the Dallas Public Library on Saturday April 30, 2011 12-2 PM at Dallas City Hall Plaza (1500 Marilla Street)! Tell your neighbors and get everyone involved!

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**Upcoming Events**

May 11-14, 2011 **NGS Conference**, Charleston, SC

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