Weekly E-blast - October 11, 2011

SIGS
October
15 - African American
18 - Jewish Genealogy

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

Hold the Date
Dec. 10th - Annual DGS Awards Luncheon
Mar. 24 - Spring Lecture - Joshua Taylor

DGS on the Web
DGS Blog
DGS FamilySearch Wiki
DGS sponsored Family Search Wiki for Dallas, Dallas, Texas
DGS Web Site

DO YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE?
Come join us at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, TX on Saturday, October 22, 2011 for the Dallas Genealogical Society's one-day workshop "DO YOU KNOW WHO YOU ARE?"

Choose between two tracks (Getting Started or Technology) or mix and match sessions from each. Attendees will receive a syllabus with materials from all sessions.

Registration is $20 with a reduced parking rate of $2.00 (underground library parking garage).
Lunch on your own. Click here to register online or download registration form.

DGS DNA Information List
Individuals who purchase their DNA kits from FamilyTreeDNA through the DGS DNA Webpage receive information from DNA administrator, Mic Barnett. Now you can receive information about DNA even if you haven't purchased a DNA kit. A new list is part of the DGS SIG activities.
To put your name on this list:
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.

New Online Cemetery Database

DGS rolled out its new online cemetery database at the October meeting.

There are 13 Dallas County cemeteries in the database. Many of these were to have been part of volume 6 of Data from Dallas County Cemeteries, which was never published in printed form. It also includes eight of the thirty sections in Oakland Cemetery. Other cemeteries will be added in the future, including an updated version of Oak Cliff Cemetery.

To access this database on the DGS Website:
- Click on Resources on the top menu bar.
- Click on Cemeteries on the Resources page.
- Select the cemetery which you wish to search.
- Once you have reached the database through a specific cemetery, you may select "All" to conduct a search across all cemeteries in the database.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO BYLAWS

NOTICE OF PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENT – DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY TO BE VOTED ON AT THE NOVEMBER 5th GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING OF DGS

Copies of the proposed bylaws are available at the Volunteer Desk on the 8th floor of J. Erik Jonsson Central Library and on the DGS website in the Members Only section. Copies will be mailed to any DGS member requesting a printed copy. (bylaws@dallasgenealogy.org or 1-866-968-2347)
These proposed Bylaws will be voted on at the November 5th general meeting at the Dallas Public Library. Please send any questions or comments to bylaws@dallasmuseum.org.

**Featured Item from the DGS Store**

#415: Cemetery Record. The price is $4 for 20 sheets. These charts are for recording individual information regarding tombstone and cemetery records and includes a place to attach a 4x6 photo of the tombstone. They were mentioned at the October program.

Purchase from the [DGS Online Store](http://www.dgs.org) or at the Volunteer Desk in the Genealogy Department of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street.

**Contributions**

Dallas Genealogical Society funded a one year maintenance service contract ($1,890) for two microfilm reader/printers in Genealogy and in Texas/Dallas History at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library.

Additional donations of $500 each were given to the Texas General Land Office and to the Texas State Library and Archives.

A donation of $1 per member has been made to the Federation of Genealogical Societies for the Malcolm H. Stern-NARA Gift Fund project to digitize War of 1812 pension files.

The Levi Casey Chapter DAR donated $10,000 toward the purchase and maintenance contract of a new microfilm reader/printer.

**DGS General Meeting Programs**

Nov. 5th - Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, "War of 1812"
Dec. 10th - Annual Awards Luncheon
Jan. 7th - Meg Hacker, Fort Worth NARA, "Preparing for the 1940 census"
Feb. 4th - Janet Branstetter, "Surfing, Plucking and Planning"
Mar 3rd - Sandra Crowley and Tony Hansen, "Rootstech Report"
April 7th - Brian Collins, Dallas Public Library, "Searching the Dallas Morning News Archives"

All meetings at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street, Dallas, unless otherwise noted. A hospitality time starts at 10:30 a.m. Business meeting begins at 11 a.m. and the program follows.

Upcoming Events

Nov. 4-5, 2011 - Texas State Genealogical Society, Houston, Texas.

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