**Election of Officers for 2015-2016**

**DGS Needs You**

**Members, Please Attend and Vote**

**September 2015 General Meeting**
**Saturday, September 5**

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J. Erik Jonsson Central Library Auditorium
1515 Young Street
Dallas, TX  75201

**Directions**

**All DGS members who are in attendance will be entered into a drawing for a free registration to our Fall Seminar on Saturday, October 24 – Thinking, Assessing, & Storytelling: Genealogy Beyond Birth, Marriage & Death featuring Dr. Michael Lacopo.**

**Not yet a member?** Join DGS during our hospitality time
before the meeting begins. See prices in the Membership section in the left-hand column of this eBlast. We can accept only checks or cash at the meeting.

**Slate of Officers for 2015-2016**

President – Tony Hanson  
Vice President – Kathleen Murray  
Secretary – Brenda Cannon  
Treasurer – Susan Rainwater

**Secretary's Minutes of May 2015 General Meeting**

**Program**: Our speaker this month is Debra Polsky, Executive Director of the [Dallas Jewish Historical Society](http://dallasjewishhistoricalsociety.org). Debra will discuss the history of the Jewish community in Dallas, share information about a program her organization has initiated to discuss history and genealogy with Sunday schools, and will tell us about a new initiative being planned to engage with the community using extant family trees to show relationships within the community.

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**DGS Fall Seminar**  
**Saturday, October 24**

“*Thinking, Assessing, & Storytelling: Genealogy Beyond Birth, Marriage, & Death*”

**Dr. Michael Lacopo**
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Topics

**She Came From Nowhere - A Case Study Approach to a Difficult Genealogical Problem.**

**Deconstructing Your Family Tree: Re-Evaluating the “Evidence”.**

**Incorporating Social History Into Your Research.**

**Medical Genealogy: A Primer of Diseases That Killed Our Ancestors and the Epidemics They Lived Through.**

Dr. Lacopo was born and raised in northern Indiana. Michael completed his doctorate in veterinary medicine in 1991, at the same time that he was honing his research skills. He treats his genealogical research as he does medicine – carefully, methodically and completely. Having ancestors from many geographic locales as well as immigrants spanning the 17th century to the 20th century, Michael has developed a wide variety of proficiencies. He believes that as genealogists we should tell the tales or our ancestors and is a vocal proponent for learning the social history that interweaves our ancestors into the fabric of the past. Dr. Lacopo has presented lectures and programs at several NGS and FGS conferences, as well state genealogical societies, the Palatines to America Conference, and many local and regional family history meetings.

Visit Michael’s blog [Hoosier Daddy](#)
Visit Michael’s [web site](#)
Visit Michael’s [Facebook page](#)

Save $10.00 by registering before October 1:
$45.00 (DGS members)
$55.00 (non-members)

Program details
Register online
Download mail-in registration form

DGS Has a **New** Web Site

Come to our September 5 General Meeting to see a demo

The next time you visit our web site you will notice that it has changed – a lot!
Our webmasters (Todd DeDecker and Tony Hanson) have just completed a 6-month effort to re-design, update and improve our web presence using WordPress, which has emerged as the most widely used web and blog software in use today.

A large part of our focus was making the information we had on the old site much easier to find and use. In addition, the new site is much more compatible with smart phones and tablets.

Another advantage of using WordPress is that is has a wide variety of add-on tools that can be used to increase the usefulness of our web site. We have several enhancements lined up that you can expect to see in the coming months.

Please visit the site (http://dallasgenealogy.com) to view the changes for yourself. If you encounter any bugs or problems, please click on the ‘Contact Us’ link at the top of the page to tell us about them and we’ll get them corrected as soon as we can.

Genealogical Events

03 Sep 2015 - Grand Prairie Genealogical Society Monthly Meeting. What's All the Buzz About?


4-7 May, 2016 - National Genealogical Society Annual Conference. Exploring the Centuries: Footprints in Time. Fort Lauderdale, FL. Hotel reservations are now open.

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