September 2020

Event Schedules:  General Meetings  |  Special Interest Groups  |  Seminars  |  Other Groups

Join us for the DGS General Meeting on Saturday, September 12th

We are looking forward to seeing you for our next general meeting, held virtually, starting at 11:00 am.

Following the general meeting, Ari Wilkins will be presenting "Reconstructing Communities Using Sanborn Maps, Census Records, and City Directories". Please register ahead of the meeting to receive your link. Information on how to participate can be found here.

Don't Miss Tony Burroughs on Sept 19th!

On September 19th, DGS welcomes Tony Burroughs for a virtual seminar, "Paths to Freedom: Essential Steps to African American Genealogy".

Tony is the founder of the Center for Black Genealogy and an internationally known genealogist, so be sure to register now!

Ready..Set..Donate!

DGS is participating in the 2020 North Texas Giving Day on September 17th. Please help us fund another year's subscription to NewspaperArchive.com for the History and Genealogy section of the Dallas Central Library.
Get more information about the program and available matching funds here.

July DNA Seminar - A Virtual Success, Thanks to Our Volunteers

COVID-19 shut down our plans for an in-person summer seminar, but a great team of volunteers made it happen, virtually, and successfully!
Scholarship Recipient Attends IGHR

Nick Manca, librarian in the Genealogy and History Division of the Dallas Central Library, and the 2020 Lloyd Dewitt Bockstruck scholarship winner, attended this year's Institute of Historical and Genealogical Research. Read more about his experience.

TxSGS Goes Virtual - November 13-14, 2020

The TxSGS (Texas State Genealogical Society) 2020 Family History Conference will be virtual! On November 13-14th, the conference will feature ten live presentations, with Judy Russell, the Legal Genealogist, kicking off each day. An additional twenty-two sessions will be pre-recorded, with unlimited viewing available to registrants for 90 days. There will be timely and insightful presentations on DNA, Hispanic and African American research, skill building, records and resources, technology and much more! Registration details coming soon.

Need more info on using DNA in your research?

Keeping up with DNA news can be made simpler by subscribing to some free DNA blogs run by some well-known genealogists. Among many blogs, there are four stand-outs. Which ones? Find out here.

Curiosity About Ethnicity Resulted in Exciting DNA Discoveries

Lisa Beshears just wanted to know what her ethnic background was. She had never met her father. Her mother, who was adopted, had died when she was young.

Her quest for her ethnic background turned into much more than she had imagined! Read the rest of the story here.

DGS eNews Readers Respond - Research During a Pandemic

In the last e-news, readers were asked to share their stories of research during the pandemic.
Former Director of DGS Publication Content Marianne Szabo responded. "I recently watched Sunny Morton's Legacy FamilyTree Webinar titled 'On the Record Trail of my LDS Immigrant Ancestors', hoping to get help with my sister-in-law's line, believed to be part of a well-known Mormon family. I had made some progress, but was stuck at a 'burned county' in Alabama. Following the webinar instructions, I searched the Shared Family Tree, and there was my evidence - a will, naming all the children, including the one I had been unable to confirm!"

Congratulations, Marianne! Readers, please keeping sending your stories to michelle@dallasmogenealogy.org.

Save the Date - DGS October General Meeting - Saturday October 3rd

Mark your calendars for "The First Official History of Texas (1630-1690)" - presented by Gus Hinojosa, a direct descendant of the book's author, Juan Bautista Chapa.

Gus is the president of HOGAR de Dallas (Hispanic Organization for Genealogy and Research). We cannot wait to hear this fascinating discussion!

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