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eNews - December 2021

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Join Us for the December 4th General Meeting

Paula Perkins will be discussing "The Orphan Train Project". Paula is a proud sixth-generation Texan, a genealogical consultant and lecturer, currently serving as the TxSGS District I Representative. She has consulted and appeared on radio and television programs discussing a variety of genealogical topics.



Join the Zoom meeting, which opens at 10:30 am, with presentation starting at 11 am, [here](#).

Please note that the January 2022 meeting will be on the second Saturday of the month, January 8th.

2021 DGS Writing Contest Winners



We are pleased to announce the winner for this year's DGS writing contest, focused on North Texas stories and locations. The winner is Tony Hanson, for his article on J. Erik Jonsson. Tony will receive a free membership to DGS for 2022!

Our two runners-up are Susan Rainwater for her article on the Compton Citadel, and Lis Roop for her article on the Irving Heritage House, and they will each receive a \$10 discount on a DGS conference in 2022!

Congratulations, and thank you to all participants for your wonderful articles!

Tell Us About Your Troublemakin' Ancestor! Enter the DGS Writing Contest for 2022

Do you have a pirate or an outlaw in your family? A "gal who done him wrong"? A bootlegger, bank robber, or all-around loser? Then you have a black sheep. For the

DGS 2022 Writing Contest, we're asking you to trot out your troublemaker and tell all. Worthy articles will be selected for publishing in the DGS eNews during 2022. At the end of the year, we will pick a winner. The prize is a free 1-year membership to DGS for 2023!

[Get the details.](#)

Black Sheep



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Out of the Attic...and into the e-News!

Out of the Attic

Veteran members of DGS will remember a time when transcriptions of family records – bible pages, newspaper articles, obituaries, funeral programs, commencement programs, and so on – were regularly found in the pages of our publications.

We'd like to revive this practice and start featuring family records again in our monthly eNews, but we need your help! Rummage around in your genealogical "attic" for unique or unusual family records/items. Then e-mail us a transcription/explanation and a photo. Include an introductory paragraph to explain what the record/item is and where you found it. We'll do the rest! Send your photos to newsletter@dallasgenealogy.org.

[Check out](#) what we found this month!

'Tis the Season for Giving!

By Jim Thornhill

Christmas came early this year for DGS! One of our life members, Shirley Sloat, gave our society a gift of \$25,000. The DGS Board is grateful to Shirley for her generosity, and we ask you to join us in sending a heartfelt thank you to her this holiday season. As Shirley did her year-end financial planning, she included this gift to DGS as part of that plan. We are grateful to all our members who donate to DGS, and we work hard to make sure that every dollar is well spent. Please consider a gift to DGS as part of your year-end planning. [Read more.](#)



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Headstone Preservation: What A Difference A Day Can Make

By D.V. Jennings

Learn more about the best and safest ways to clean headstones, with D.V. Jennings, a volunteer at Oakland Cemetery.

Her "before and after" cleaning photos will amaze you!

[Read more.](#)



Preservation Dallas Cemetery Tour - Thank You, Volunteers!

By Suzan Younger

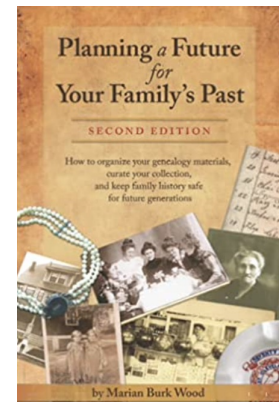
After many months of virtual events, DGS volunteers had their first in-person activity in 2021 as a part of the Preservation Dallas 2021 Cemetery Tour on Saturday, October 30th. Find out more and see some great pictures [here](#).



Managing Distribution of Your Genealogical Estate

Author Marion B. Wood has just completed her second edition of *Planning A Future for Your Family's Past*, which covers the organization and preparation of a family history collection for donation, a sample form to use in your will for your genealogical materials, and tips and links on researching repositories that will accept your materials. The book is available on [Amazon](#) and there is a preview to access to see if it will meet your needs before purchase.

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Local Research Repositories - Spotlight on Plano's Haggard Library



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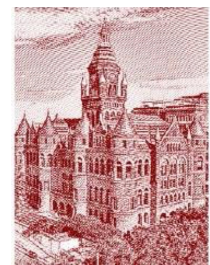
This month we visited with Cheryl Smith, the genealogy librarian at Plano's Haggard Library.

Get the [details!](#)

How Shady Oak Cemetery Got Its Start

We have lots of coverage of local cemeteries this month! The Dallas County Chronicle also recently published an interesting story about the founding of the Shady Oak cemetery in Irving.

Check it out [here!](#)



Save the Date: January 8th General Meeting



Michelle Dwyer Cohen will present "Using History to Solve Mysteries", a discussion about the importance of understanding historical context for your ancestors, with examples of how historical research helped to dismantle ancestral brick walls.

Please note: our meeting will be on the second Saturday of January due to the holiday on the 1st!

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Upcoming Events

December 4th - [DGS General Meeting](#)
Paula Perkins

January 8th - DGS General Meeting
Michelle Dwyer Cohen

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