

**Dallas Genealogical Society
General Meeting
Minutes
January 4, 2020**

President Suzan Younger opened the meeting at 11:00 am.

Membership: Director of Membership Gloria Godwin reported there were 23 members and 4 visitors present, and there were 13 people who joined remotely. There was a quorum present.

Minutes from the Prior Meeting: Anne Broihier made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 2, 2019 meeting. Susan Rainwater seconded the motion. There were no corrections or changes and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: November and December 2019 activity shows total deposits of \$8,877 and total expenses of \$5,951. The cash in the bank is \$28,841 and savings is \$97,089.

Live-streamed Meetings: Beginning January 4, 2020, DGS will live-stream the General meetings, including the programs, over the Internet. We will use a video conferencing service from a company called Zoom. To join, you will need a computer, smartphone or tablet with access to the internet.

DGS Awards Luncheon in December:

- Thank you to the Awards Luncheon Committee and the Awards Committee:
–Patti Smith, Sharon Bowles, Jim Thornhill, Kathleen Murray, Gayla Bush and Jean Larson

- Awards:

- Renee Jackson Smith Award – Ken Johnston

- DGS President's Special Award – Steve Rainwater

- Volunteer of the Year – Patti Smith

- Award of Merit – Tony Hanson

- Bockstruck Distinguished Service Award – Susan Kaufman

- Heritage Preservation Award - Bockstruck Papers and Books Project

Team:

- Tony Hanson, Jean Larson, Sammie Lee, Patrick McKinney, Kelvin Meyers, Kathleen Murray, Terri O'Neill, Barbara Ware, Suzan Younger

Gifts to the Dallas Public Library: DGS gifted books to the Genealogy Section at the end of 2019. The DGS Blog has a post with the complete list of the books, which are available for immediate use. Check the "New Books" shelves in the Genealogy Section. We continue to work with the library to offer a HistoryGeo.com subscription on the computers in the Genealogy Section.

Legacies Dallas History Conference: For the first time this year, DGS is one of several proud sponsors of the 21st Annual Legacies Dallas History Conference to be held on January 25 here

at the Central Library. This year's subject is "Disasters: Natural and Man-Made" which will include lectures on fires, explosions and tornados in the Dallas County area in the 20th Century. Additional information is in the DGS January eNews and there are flyers here in the library.

Upcoming SIG meetings were noted. The Events tab on the DGS website contains details about time, location and topics.

Upcoming Seminars: Vice President Jim Thornhill highlighted topics and presenters for upcoming seminars and mentioned that volunteers will be needed for the Spring Seminar.

Spring Seminar April 18, 2020 with Tony Burroughs. "Paths to Freedom: African American Research in the South"

Summer Seminar July 25, 2020 with Blaine Bettinger, Diahann Southard, Patricia Hobbs and Mary Eberle. "DNA from A to Z: Unlocking Your Genetic Code"

Fall Seminar October 24, 2020 with David Lambert. "Maine to Virginia: Finding Your Colonial Ancestors"

Board Vacancies:

Director of Publication Content

- Chairs the Publication Committee
- Solicits and reviews content for publication in the eNews, Blog, and on the DGS website
- Edits contents for publication

Today's Program: Tony Hanson - "Technology Enabled Collaboration for Genealogists"