



Dallas Genealogical Society
General Meeting Minutes
4 February 2023

Vice-President Patti Huff Smith opened the meeting at 11:00 am.

Minutes from the prior meeting are available on the DGS website.

Quorum: There was a total of 72 members/visitors present: 50 on Zoom and 22 in-person. There was a quorum present.

Treasurer's Report: January 2023 activity shows total deposits of \$1,014.19 and total expenses of \$631.84. The cash in the bank is \$21,030.41 and savings is \$107,514.72 and an investment account of \$47,194.876.

Writing Contest: The next writing contest is "Families on the Move". Your story can include things like immigration, emigration, or migration.

Out of the Attic: We remember a time when transcriptions of family records 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 email 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

Spring Seminar: The Spring seminar with Judy G. Russell will be in-person and via Zoom April 22, 2023. Judy G. Russell will be presenting "Research and the Law: Legal Knowledge Needed to Find Your Ancestors". Judy G. Russell will be here in-person. More information can be found at: dallasgenealogy.org.

Other Upcoming 2023 Seminars:

22 Jul 2023	Cyndi Ingle	Genealogy and the Internet: Successfully Mining the World Wide Web
23 Sep 2023	Michael Strauss	The Twentieth Century Wars: Military Records and Research



Upcoming General Meetings:

Mar 4	Jake Mangum	Getting the most from the Portal to Texas History
Apr 1	Christopher D Bryant	How Traditional Genealogy Meets DNA to Solve Stubborn Brick Walls
May 6	Annual Celebration and Awards Banquet	

If you would like to suggest a meeting topic please go to <https://dallasgenealogy.org/meetings-events/general-meetings/program-or-speaker-suggestion/>

Dallas Public Library (DPL) Events: The library will be hosting several events on the 8th floor.

- Tuesday, Feb. 7 at 2:00 pm – Introduction to ProQuest African American Heritage – HYBRID – Registration Required
- Saturday, Feb. 11 at 1:00 pm – Intro to DNA with Patti Huff Smith – In Person, no registration
- Saturday, Feb. 18 at 2:00 pm – African American Genealogical Interest Group – HYBRID – no registration
- Saturday, Feb. 18 at 4:00 pm – Community Tasting with Bam's Vegan, a Black History Month Celebration – In person, Registration Required
- Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 2:00 pm – Beginning African American Genealogy – HYBRID – Registration Required

DGS and DPL Upcoming Joint Meetings: These events will be on the 8th floor

- Feb. 11 at 1:00 pm – Intro to DNA
- Mar. 11 at 10:30 am – Jack & Jill (Children's Genealogy) ages 8-12

All DGS Events are available at <https://dallasgenealogy.org/meetings-events/> .



Nominating Committee: The following are the members of the nominating committee for the 2023-2024 officers.

- Chair: Tony Hanson
- Board Members: Patti Smith & Kim Edge
- Society Members: Jean Larson & Mic Barnette

You can nominate a person at <https://dallasgenealogy.org/about/society-leaders/>

DGS needs you: We need help in the following areas:

We are looking for someone that would like to help with publicity. The candidate only needs basic computer skills and a willingness to learn.

If you are interested in helping, please email info@dallasgenealogy.org

The DGS board is made up of all volunteers. There is also a Director of Volunteer Coordination, Barbara Coakley. Other members of her team are Kim Edge, Marti Fox, Melissa Flemming, Corlie Storey, and Donna Paulson. We want to thank these volunteers for helping! If you would like to volunteer to help, please email volunteer@dallasgenealogy.org

Educational Presentation: Ari Wilkins spoke on "Black and White Families in Southern Plantation Records". We learned about the genealogical value of the Southern Antebellum Plantation Records – how they are organized, how to search the collection, and how to apply it towards your genealogical research.

End time: 12:52 pm