

Dallas Genealogical Society General Meeting Minutes 7 October 2023

President Tony Hanson opened the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes from the prior meeting: There were no corrections or additions. They are available on the DGS website as of 10/4/2023.

Quorum: There were a total of 42 members/visitors present. We had 20 attendees at the library and 22 online. The quorum is 21 members.

Treasurer's Report: October 2023 activity shows total deposits/income of \$4,372.49 and total payments / expenses-\$3,428.23. The cash in the bank checking account is \$15,507.18, savings is \$115,528.74, and an investment account is \$46,258.68.

North Texas Giving Day Results: Our goal was aggressive at \$6,500. The actual DGS Pre-NTGD Donations-\$1,065, on the North Texas Giving Day donations came in for another \$2,252: Total Donations= \$3,316. NTGD will match and fund about half of the cost to provide the Dallas Public Library patrons with access to NewspapersArchive.com (\$3,757) and HistoryGEO.com (\$2,600).

https://www.northtexasgivingday.org/organization/Dallas-Genealogical-Society

Texas State Genealogy Society (TxSGS) Conference <u>www.txsgs.org</u>

TIPS Registration Code: **DGS**

DGS receives \$10 for every registration using this code.



Volunteer Opportunities

Seminar Administrator Brenda Cannon resigned on September 27th, 2023. She will continue to lead the African American Genealogical Interest Group. Thank you, Brenda, for your hard work and service all these years.

Jim Thornhill resigned as of October 2, 2023. He served as a DGS leader for many years.

- 2021 2023: President.
- 2018 2021: Vice President.
- 2017 2021: Director of Information Technology.

Thank You, Jim, for your leadership!

Linda Harrison has agreed to become the DGS National Genealogical Society Delegate.

Thank You, Linda, and welcome!

Volunteer Vacancies

Seminar Administrator

Director of Information Technology

Director of Publication Content

TxSGS Society Delegate

Anyone interested in volunteering for any of these positions, please contact Barbara Coakley, DGS Volunteer Coordinator.

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Dallas Public Library Volunteer Program

Volunteers who do not live in the city of Dallas can earn a Dallas Public Library card (with genealogical database access) after 20 hours of DPL Volunteer Service. You can do this by volunteering in person on the 8th floor.

- Scanning special collections materials.
- Helping with DPL genealogy programs.
- Shelving
- Etc. (more opportunities are forthcoming).

Volunteer Program

You can also accumulate hours by volunteering at Dallas Genealogical Society/DPL co-sponsored events that are free and open to the public. Running (technology, hospitality, etc.) hybrid meetings that meet at the library. SIG Leaders who facilitate hybrid meetings from the library. Does NOT apply to Seminars. Past events do NOT count (sorry!).

National Genealogical Society Hall of Fame

Nomination for Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck

DGS will be submitting a nomination (due December 15, 2023). We are soliciting letters of support from the Genealogical Community. Your letter would be most welcome. Send letters (PDF files) to president@dallasgenealogy.org. Letters should be addressed to the National Genealogical Society Hall of Fame: Nomination for Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck.

More information can be found at the NGS Hall of Fame webpage: https://www.ngsgenealogy.org/hall-of-fame/ and DGS Bockstruck Papers Page: https://dallasgenealogy.org/bockstruck-papers/

DGS: Special Interest Groups

African American
Best Practices
Coppell

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DNA

German

Jewish

Mac/Gen Reunion

DGS: Special Interest Groups Meeting Dates

Oct 14: MacGen Reunion Group

Oct 19: Jewish Special Interest Group

Oct 21: African American Genealogical Interest Group

Nov 11: German Genealogy Group

Library Activities

Tuesday, Oct. 17, 2 p.m. Genealogy Research using Funeral Home Records – in-person & online

Saturday, Oct. 29, 1-4 p.m. Preserving Your Family Recipes – in person only

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2 p.m. Veterans Oral History Project at Dallas

Public Library - in person & online

Tuesday, Nov. 28 2 p.m. Tell Your Family Stories – in-person & online

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2 p.m. Researching Holiday Traditions - in-person & online

Friday, October 20

Volunteer Opportunity! Today! 1 - 4 P.M. 8th Floor

General Meeting adjourned 11:05 a.m.

Speaker Gus Hinojos 11: 10 am

HOGAR de Dallas (Hispanic Organization for Genealogy and Research) Director at Large – Dallas Genealogical Society.

Subject: My Journey Back to Spain via My Sephardic Roots.

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End Time 12pm.