

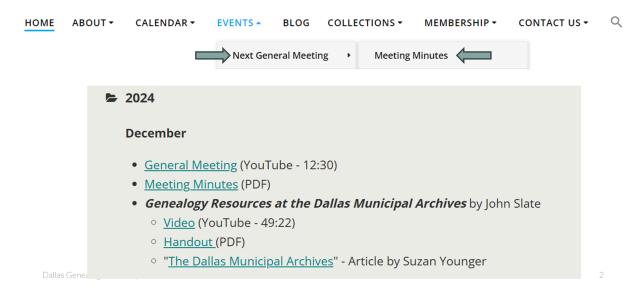
Dallas Genealogical Society General Meeting Minutes 4 January 2025

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 01/4/2025.

Quorum: We had 18 people at the General Meeting and 83 on Zoom for 101 attendees. The quorum is 21 members.

Previous Meeting



DGS Financial Summary

December 2024

INCOME/EXPENSES	
Total Deposits / Income	\$2777.95
Total Payments / Expenses	-\$2511.11
CASH IN ACCOUNTS	
Checking	\$26,289.26
Savings	\$54,725.40
Investment Accounts	\$100,000.00

o CD Investments

	29			30			31			32				
		\$25,000		\$25,000			\$25,000			\$25,000			Total Interest	
12-2023	3.00%			3.00%			4.50%				3.00%			
03-2024	3M ->	\$ 185.17	4.50%	->	\$ 185.	17	->	\$	275.74		->	\$ 185.17		\$ 831.25
06-2024			<-	6M ->	\$ 187.2	21 4.25 %	->	\$	278.79		^	\$ 187.21		\$ 653.21
09-2024			<-		\$ 236.	50 <-	9 M ->	\$	278.78	3.25%	->	\$ 187.21		\$ 702.49
12-2024	3.50%	\$ 795.92	<-9M		\$ 260.	52 <-		\$	200.24	<-	12 M ->	\$ 185.17	3.00%	\$ 1,441.85
03-2025	ЗМ					9 M				<-			<-	
06-2025										<-			<-	
09-2025										12 M			<-	
12-2025													12 M	
		\$981.09			\$869.40)		\$1,03	3.55			\$744.76		\$3,628.80

- Thank you, Investment Committee Members: Michelle Cohen Dwyer, Larry Webb, Susan Rainwater.
- Budget Increase: \$975
 - Advertising & Publicity: Increased by \$730 (from \$1,000 to \$1,730).
 - Information & Technology (Neon fees): Increased by \$245 (from \$2,220 to \$2,465).
- \$4,142 allocated to provide access to NewspaperArchive.com for patrons of the Genealogy & History section through February 2026.

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Legacies Dallas History Conference

- Sponsorship increased from \$250 to \$500.
- Volunteers needed for January 25 (8:00 AM 12:30 PM, 7th Floor, Dallas Public Library).

North Texas Irish Festival



- DGS will be an exhibitor (February 28 March 2).
- Volunteers needed to staff the booth:
 - Friday: Setup (4:30–8:00 PM), Staffing (8:00–11:00 PM).
 - Saturday: Shifts at 10:30 AM-1:30 PM, 1:30-5:00 PM, 5:00-8:30 PM, and 8:30-11:30 PM.
 - Sunday: Shifts at 11:30 AM-3:30 PM and 3:30-7:00 PM (Takedown).
- Venue: Fair Park, Automobile Building. Admission and parking costs:
 - Friday: \$13.50 (Senior) / \$18.50 (Adult).
 - Saturday/Sunday: \$23.50 (Senior) / \$28.50 (Adult) daily.
 - Multi-day passes are available. Consider using DART.

Cemetery Indexing Project

Adding links to FindAGrave.com and BillionGraves.com for 41,742 records in the Cemetery Database. 5,595 records (13.38%) completed (as of January 3, 2025).

Top 5 Indexers (last 30 days):

- 1. Suzan Younger (495)
- 2. Heather Hall (286)
- 3. Amy Halbrook (136)
- 4. Donald Hinson (75)
- 5. Megan Dobbins (70)

Dallas Public Library WiFi Hotspot

- DPL stopped offering hotspots in late 2024.
- DGS purchased a 32-user router with a wireless data plan for:
 - Meetings, seminars, and events.
 - Use by Genealogy & History staff.
 - Public use on the 8th Floor (ask at the information desk).

January SIG Meetings

- **German Genealogy Group**: January 11, 10:30 AM (6th Floor, Classroom C + Zoom).
- **Jewish Interest Group**: January 16, 10:30 AM (8th Floor, McDermott Room).
- **DNA Group**: January 16, 6:00 PM (6th Floor, Classroom D + Zoom).
- African American Group: January 18, 2:00 PM (6th Floor, Classroom C + Zoom).
- Best Practices: January 25, 1:00 PM (8th Floor, McDermott Room).

Genealogy Essentials Sessions (January 2025)



- 8 pre-recorded sessions and four live Zoom sessions.
- Cost: \$70 (TxSGS members) / \$80 (non-members).
- Registration at txsgs.org.

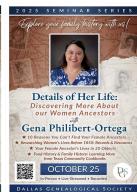
Saturday, March 15

Presentations

Sunday, March 16

Consultations (for a fee)





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Next General Meeting

Judy Russell, Legal Genealogist

February 1: NARA Mythbusters: Your Family IS in the Archives (Virtual Presentation).

7th Floor, O'Hara Room, J. Erik Jonsson Central Library.



Acknowledgments

Thank you, Tech Team: Melissa Fleming, Kim Edge, Paul Feather, Todd DeDecker.



- Hospitality: Betty Case.
- Dallas Public Library Faculty & A/V Support: Jordan Bock.

Presentation by Sarah Cochran:

Locating Records in Archives from Your Couch.

